

PharmTox Fights COVID-19 Week of November 2-6, 2020

Dr. Rusch Appointed Interim Executive Associate Dean for Research

Professor and Chair, Nancy Rusch, has accepted appointment as Interim Executive Associate Dean for Research. Dr. Rusch was appointed by COM Dean Christopher Westfall to serve in this position beginning January 1, 2021 following the retirement of professor Richard Morrison, who currently holds the position. She will continue to serve as Professor and Chair of the department during this time. Congratulations to Dr. Rusch on accepting this important leadership position in the College of Medicine!



Pharm Tox Seminar Series Goes Virtual

The department kicked off the 2020-2021 seminar series on Wednesday, November 4th. Specialist Colleen Urban with Nanostring Technologies presented “GeoMx Digital Spatial Profiling: Morphology Driven, High-Plex Spatial Analysis of Tissue Microenvironments”. This was the first of five seminars focused on new technologies. Associate professor Ricky Leung and Dr. Nancy Rusch will co-direct the seminar series this year. Another five seminars highlighting recent alumni of the department will be co-hosted by graduate student Lauren Russell. Seminars scheduled in 2020 are listed below.



November 18

Lian Leng, Ph.D., Associate Director, Emulate, Inc.

“Recreating Key Features of the Human Body Using “Organs-On-A-Chip”



December 2

Adam Brown, Ph.D., Field Application Specialist, BioRad Labs

“Power or Partitioning: The QX Droplet Digital PCR System”



December 9

Neil Detweiler, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Biology, Goshen College

“Control of Ventilation & Ventilation-Perfusion Matching: From Mice to Yaks”



December 16

Samantha McClenahan, Ph.D., Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Anesthesiology, Vanderbilt University Medical School

“Title Pending”