

Pharmaceutics GSA Alumni Seminar & Symposium

The Pharmaceutics GSA (PGSA) will be holding the 2006 PGSA alumni seminar & symposium on **April 25th, 2006**. This event is sponsored by UB-GSA, and UB-AAPS Student Chapter; it will consist of a poster session and a keynote speech. The symposium will be of interest to graduate students of various disciplines such as biological sciences, pharmacy, RPCI students, pharmacology/toxicology, microbiology, and chemistry. The keynote address will be held at **12:30 PM in 114 Hochstetter Hall** and the title of the talk is **"Impact of Genetic Knockout of PEPT2 on Peptide/Mimetic Disposition and Dynamics"**. There will be an informal meeting with the speaker for the students and poster presentations in the Cooke Hall corridor of the fifth floor.

The symposium is expected to be an information exchange exercise where students will discuss their research through posters with **Dr. David Smith**, who is the keynote speaker for this event. Dr. Smith is a UB alumnus; he received his B.S. in Pharmacy in 1975. Dr. Smith completed his PhD in 1981 in Pharmaceutical Chemistry from the University of California San Francisco. He then joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in the School of Pharmacy. He is now professor and chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences in University of Michigan. Dr. Smith has received numerous awards, and actively participates in several scientific and professional organizations. He made many important scientific contributions, including those in kinetic-dynamic relationship of loop diuretics, determinants of renal drug elimination, regional pharmacokinetics of anticancer drugs, and molecular biology, physiology and pharmacology of proton-coupled oligopeptide transporters.

The students in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences are honored by Dr. Smith's presence and participation in this Symposium. Attendance by all members of the graduate student community is welcome.