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#### Today's issue of PD

Pharmacy Daily today has three pages of news including our weekly Health & Beauty feature.

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to send the correct answer to the question to comp@pharmacydaily.com.au.

#### How good are the optics?

Check here tomorrow for today's winner.

## Guild digital pharmacy push

THE Pharmacy Guild of Australia says community pharmacies are ideally placed to take part in a new "Small Business Digital Champions" project announced by Federal Minister for Small and Family Business, Michaelia Cash, in Melbourne yesterday.

One hundred small businesses from a range of sectors will be chosen to undergo a digital transformation valued at up to \$20,000, including hardware, software and digital skills training.

Fifteen of those selected will go on to become a "Digital Champion" and undergo their transformation in the public spotlight.

Victorian Pharmacy Guild Branch President Anthony Tassone represented the Guild at the

#### AUMake-JD pact

ASX-LISTED AuMake
International Limited has signed
a new strategic agreement with
Chinese e-commerce giant JD.com,
with the aim of further capitalising
on the "current opportunity that
exists in identifying and promoting
new Australian and New Zealand
brands and products in China".

The companies said the deal would see the creation of a new retail store/online platform which mirrors the existing exclusive relationship between Alibaba's TMall and Chemist Warehouse.

AuMake will become JD's exclusive retail store partner in Australasia, while JD will provide access to its warehouse and logistics network in China.

launch, saying it was a "great project with real potential to enhance businesses and lead by example.

"Community pharmacies have shown themselves to be early adopters of technology and are well placed to show a leadership role in digital enablement," Tassone said.

He also highlighted the focus on digital enablement in the Framework for Change under the recently released Community Pharmacy 2025 project (*PD* 21 Nov).

Community pharmacies are already integrating digital health records into clinical practice and using technology platforms to improve medication advice and enhance communications with patients, carers and suppliers.

"We believe there could be significant merit in having community pharmacy represented among the small business champions," Tassone said.

#### SHPA grants awarded

THE Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) has announced the recipients of this year's SHPA research grants.

The \$30,000 Juno Pharmaceuticals Emerging Researcher Grant went to Monash Health Senior ICU Pharmacist & Team Leader Melissa Ankravs for her project looking into the effect of antipsychotic medications on intensive care unit patients with delirium.

The Pfizer Young Pharmacist Grant 2018 was awarded to Cindy Lau, Antimicrobial Stewardship Pharmacist at St Vincent's Hospital Sydney, who will now undertake a preceptorship with pharmacist and pharmacometrics expert Professor Sebastian Wicha, investigating the toxicity threshold of antibiotics used to treat bacterial infection.

SHPA CEO Kristin Michaels said competition for the grants had been fierce, with both winners recognised for their relevance in the current healthcare climate.



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#### New Webster-pak 28

#### HELPING customers prepare for their holiday is all in a day's work for pharmacists at this time of year.



The new disposable Webster-pak

28 system (*PD* 28 May 2018) is a convenient option for patients in the community over the festive season, says medication management firm Webstercare.

The robust cardboard frame provides integrity to the pack whilst providing the convenience of being able to discard it once completed.

This makes it ideal for customers, such as those going on a Christmas holiday or going into respite, who may not to be able to return folders to the pharmacy.

This option is available in a low temperature or cold-seal variation. See webstercare.com.au.

#### Norspan Japan deal

MUNDIPHARMA will become the exclusive Japanese distributor of Norspan Tape from 28 Feb 2019, under an agreement with Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical, which will cease selling the product.

In 2011 Mundipharma acquired the marketing approval of Norspan, which is a dermally absorbed buprenorphine adhesive agent, and has now fully developed its distribution infrastructure in Japan, leading to the change.

#### **THAN YOU alert**

**THE** Therapeutic Goods Administration has warned that a product labelled THAN YOU tablets

(pictured) contain the undeclared substance sibutramine.



The TGA said its

investigations indicate a number of people in Australia may have bought the illegal product online.

## **Guild Palliative Care pact**

THE Pharmacy Guild of Australia yesterday signed a new Memorandum of Understanding with Palliative Care Australia.

The MoU outlines a "shared commitment

to work collaboratively to facilitate better outcomes for people receiving palliative care and their families and carers," through the sharing of information and knowledge, tools and resources.

It also envisions pro-active partnership approaches to advocacy, seeking funding and the development of resources, focused on achieving a supported community pharmacy sector to improve the provision of palliative care in the community and within residential care.

Activities will include advocating for appropriate remuneration of palliative care activities within the community pharmacy sector.

The agreement is in effect until 30 Jun 2020, with Guild President George Tambassis **pictured** sealing the deal with Palliative Care Australia Board Chair Jane Fischer.



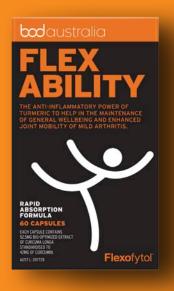
#### MyDispense honour

THE Monash Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences has taken out silver and bronze medals at the QS Reimagine Education Awards in San Francisco for its MyDispense software.

Reimagine Education is an international competition which rewards innovation which enhances student learning and employability.

More than 1150 project submissions were made this year across 17 different categories, with Monash's MyDispense taking home the Silver award in the Life Sciences and Medicine category, and Bronze in the E-Learning category.

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### Dispensary **Corner**

**COULD** the British health sector be moving into the 21st century? The UK National Health Service has been banned from purchasing any more fax machines from next month, and will phase them out completely by 31 Mar 2020.

The announcement follows a Royal College of Surgeons study this year that found almost 9,000 fax machines were being regularly used across the NHS in England.

The UK Department of Health has ordered that organisations switch to more modern communications such as secure email, with a spokesperson saying faxes were a "continued risk to the confidentiality and safeguarding of patients".

However critics of the move have noted recent hacking attempts on hospital IT infrastructure, including last year's WannaCry attack during which "out-dated, redundant" fax machines ensured that blood products and medications could be ordered without delay.

**AMERICAN** brewer MillerCoors has given a 101-year-old man a very special birthday present, after he attributed his longevity to his daily consumption of a Coors Light beer.

Andrew Slavonic from Pennsylvania received a branded fridge full of the brew, along with other merchandise and a trip to the brewery in Golden, Colorado after the company heard of his birthday tribute to the beer.

Slavonic has cut down his drinking in recent years - he used to drink regular Coors, but switched to the light version 15 years ago when he turned 86.

# Health, Beauty and New Products

Welcome to our weekly promoted feature with all the latest health,

#### Skin Doctors superfacelift

Skin Doctors Cosmeceuticals superfacelift treatment is a

scientifically formulated advanced micro encapsulated retinol that is activated on the



skin to reduce the appearance of forehead wrinkles by up to 86% in four weeks. This face and neck lift cream will help improve cell renewal and stimulate the synthesis of collagen and elastin. The original facelift-in-a-jar firms, tones and moisturises the skin. Coupled with lactic acid it increases water-retention of the skin to plump out fine lines and wrinkles. Vitamin E helps correct UV skin damage. Used morning and night and follow up with Skin Doctors supermoist moisturisers to retain the skin treatment.

Stockist: Major wholesalers

RRP: \$59.95

Website: www.skindoctors.com.au

#### Kaleidoscope 6-Piece Brush kit



Pop on your rose coloured glasses and experience this colourful, Kaleidoscope 6-Piece Brush Kit. With soft bristles in a pink to white ombre, this kit's brushes feature transparent handles filled with bright

gems inside to create a prism of colour. Contained in a compact travel-friendly canister, these six brushes are essential and key formats for applying makeup. Take them anywhere, use them for every possible application and feel confident of your finish.

Stockist: 03 8544 8000

RRP: \$24.99

Website: www.dbcosmetics.com.au

#### 3D White Brilliance 2 Step Whitening

Oral-B 3D White Brilliance 2 Step Whitening System is a two-step teeth whitening system that includes a deep cleaning toothpaste and a whitening finisher. Using a gentle foaming action, the deep cleaning toothpaste



provides a deep, thorough clean in hard-to-reach areas, leaving a crisp, clean feeling. The whitening treatment polishes and whitens teeth gently, helping them achieve a white shine.

Stockist: 1800 641 820

RRP: \$19.99

Website: www.oralb.com

#### **Natralus My Little One Happy Bottom**



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