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### Today's issue of PD

*Pharmacy Daily* today has two pages of news plus a full page from **Flo**.

#### **Flo Baby award**

**FLO** Baby Saline Nasal Spray has been named as the top baby healthcare product by Australia's largest parenting review website, Tell Me Baby (tellmebaby.com.au).

Key features cited by reviewers included the fact that nasal spray is a natural, effective saline and can be used at any angle, making it easier to use on wriggly babies.

Flo Baby's preservative-free formulation and suitability for daily usage also rated highly among parents, with the product able to be used for infants of all ages including newborns.

For more information see **page three** of today's *Pharmacy Daily*.

## **Pregnancy update**

THE Therapeutic Goods Administration has updated its Prescribing Medicines in Pregnancy database to include new entries for cerliponase alfa (pregnancy category B2), durvalumab (category D) and safinamide (as mesilate) (category B3).

There are also amended entries for chlorpromazine (category changed from C to D), estradiol (changed from B1 to B3) and sodium valproate (valrpoic acid) with an additional safety statement updated.

## **UTS honours Chambers**

KIRRILY Chambers, who was the first ever credentialled diabetes educator (CDE) pharmacist in Australia, was honoured for her pioneering work earlier this month at the UTS Innovative Pharmacist of the Year Awards. Chambers

campaigned for three years to become a CDE in 2009, and since then 220 pharmacists have followed in her footsteps, alongside hundreds more undertaking

graduate courses in diabetes care. The UTS Innovative Pharmacist of the Year Awards aim to recognise an individual or team that shares UTS Pharmacy's passion for embracing innovation and implementing professional services.

Chambers (**pictured**) wins a medal along with \$5,000 towards further professional development courtesy of AstraZeneca.

"Like many chronic health conditions, diabetes is often misunderstood and there's a lot of misinformation, so increasing the capacity of pharmacists to provide support and knowledge to people with diabetes is very powerful," Chambers said.

The award was presented at a gala dinner in the UTS Great Hall presided over by Master of

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Ceremonies John Bell, who is a Specialist Practitioner Teacher at UTS Pharmacy.

Ten students were also recognised for their dedication to study including Pauline Ngo, Samuel Wells, Nabila Chowdhury, Laura Stutchbury, Karan Patel, Antonia Dadic, Hassan Karnib, Tamara Badavi and Grase Orihuela, while second year Pharmacy student Daniel Barnaby took home the PSA and SHPA prizes.

## Rural pharmacy video competition

**THE** Pharmacy Guild of Australia has announced the return of its popular rural pharmacy video competition, with the 2019 theme being "What My Rural Pharmacy Will Look Like in 2025".

Entries will be showcased during the Rural Pharmacy Forum at next year's Australian Pharmacy Professional conference and exhibition on the Gold Coast.

Rural, regional and remote pharmacies can use the competition to show their urban colleagues why they love being rural pharmacists, with the best video to be judged prior to the APP conference taking place 07-10 Mar 2019, while the winner of the People's Choice category will be chosen by the audience at APP's Rural Pharmacy Forum session.

Entries, open to all PhARIA 4-6 pharmacies, close on 04 Feb 2019 see www.guild.org.au.





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## GSK, Pfizer consumer deal

Dispensary Corner

VEGANS! Maybe you should slap some bacon on that avocado, lentil and pomegranate smash.

That's the view of several doctors who believe veganism is leading to a rise in malnutrition across wealthy countries.

The term "hidden hunger" is used to describe a person's lack of vitamins and minerals resulting from poor quality food, an issue that generally plagues the population of developing countries.

However, some experts are now suggesting the phenomenon is a growing public health concern in developed countries because of the growth of vegetarian and vegan diets.

The issue is not the diets themselves, claim the medical experts in an article published on The Conversation, rather it's the way the diets are executed by a portion of people that leave them devoid of critical nutrients.



HAS anybody ever considered that an adrenaline rush undertaken at several thousand feet might be the secret to longevity?

Unusual logic we concede, however given an Aussie woman has become the world's oldest skydiver at 102, we're willing to draw some spurious medical conclusions on this one.

**GLAXOSMITHKLINE** has agreed to merge its consumer health business into a joint venture with Pfizer, as part of a plan which will eventually see the breakup of GSK into two separate entities.

Under the agreement GSK will hold 68% of the proposed joint venture alongside Pfizer's 32%, with the combined business estimated to have annual global sales of US\$9.8 billion.

GSK said within three years of settling the deal it intended to demerge the consumer operations through a stock market listing in London, leaving GSK itself with an exclusively prescription medicine portfolio.

"Ultimately our goal is to create two exceptional UK-based global companies...that are each well positioned to deliver improving returns to shareholders and significant benefits to patients and consumers," said GSK CEO Emma Walmsley.

The companies said the planned joint venture would have a market share of 7.3%, ahead of rivals Bayer, Sanovi and Johnson & Johnson each of which hold about 4%.

GSK and Pfizer said the new consumer business would have a leading position in all key geographies including China and the United States.

Pfizer CEO Ian Read said the companies both had an excellent track record of creating successful collaborations "and we look forward to working again to unlock the potential of our combined consumer healthcare businesses".

#### Not so BEEFIT

**THE** Therapeutic Goods Administration has warned consumers about a product labelled BEEFIT capsules, which have been tested and found to contain the undeclared substance sibutramine. The supply of the product is

illegal, with TGA investigations having shown a number of people in Australia may have bought the product online.

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The trips offer Aussies the opportunity to soak in the awesome Yuletide atmosphere, and as a special bonus there is no solo supplement for single travellers - see your travel agent or rivieratravel.com.au.

#### Tassie Air Tours on sale

**KIRKHOPE** Aviation has announced savings of 15% on Bass Strait Islands private air tours in Jan 2019.

Ideal as a last minute Christmas present, the all-inclusive options take in King Island, Flinders Island and Strahan on the Tasmanian mainland.

Be quick - bookings must be confirmed and deposited by tomorrow, Frl 21 Dec - for details see kirkhopeaviation.com.au.



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