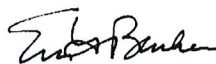


Date: August 23, 2023

To: Patrick J. Wolfe, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs & Diversity

Via: Eric L. Barker, Dean, College of Pharmacy



From: Eric J. Munson, Dept. Head., Industrial and Physical Pharmacy



Re: Name change from Department of Industrial and Physical Pharmacy to the Department of Industrial and Molecular Pharmaceutics

The faculty of the Department of Industrial and Physical Pharmacy (IPPH) seeks to change the department name to the **Department of Industrial and Molecular Pharmaceutics (IMPH)**. The faculty have discussed this name change and voted unanimously to approve this new name at their IPPH faculty retreat on May 5, 2023. This name change has the full support of Dean Eric Barker.

This proposed name change will:

- (1) Bring our name into the modern area of pharmaceuticals. The name Industrial and Physical Pharmacy was prompted by the strong Industrial connections that the department had (and continues to have), whereas Physical Pharmacy is a reflection of a classic textbook, currently in its seventh edition, entitled "Physical Pharmacy" by Alfred Martin, a former Purdue faculty member. Even the name of the book has changed in recent editions to "Physical Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences".
- (2) Align ourselves with other departments/divisions in the top 25 US News and World Report College of Pharmacy rankings. No department/division has "Physical Pharmacy" in its title, and almost all have "Pharmaceutics" or "Pharmaceutical" in their title. In particular, when prospective graduate students search for programs in "pharmaceutics", it is critical that "Pharmaceutics" be in the name of our department.
- (3) The department did several iterations of surveying faculty, staff, and students to determine the best name. Industrial was always kept as an option, both in deference to our current strong industrial connections, and as importantly, to maintain our connection with our alumni base. Molecular Pharmaceutics is a reflection of the current drug delivery and development work that is occurring in the department.

Approval Recommended:



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