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## Pharmacology Retreat 2009

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The annual [Pharmacology Graduate Program Retreat](#) is held each spring outside of New York City and features talks by 3rd and 5th year students and a poster session for other students and postdocs. The [2009 retreat](#) on May 1-2 was again held at the [Skytop Lodge & Resort](#) in the Poconos in Pennsylvania.

[Open Positions](#) Members of the Tan Lab presented their chemical biology research on diversity-oriented synthesis and rational drug design. The scientific meeting was complemented by a wide range of activities, including a fierce Tan lab doubles ping pong match that went late into the night!

*Photos courtesy Prof. Lorraine Gudas and Henry Balingcognan*



The flowers were blooming outside Skytop Lodge



Profs. Luca Cartegni, Yueming Li, and Minkui Luo enjoy the student talks every year!

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Prof. Steven Gross, Derek, and Prof. David Gin give the students some pointers on their presentations

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Debarshi Pratihari (left) did an excellent job as one of this year's moderators

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Jackie Wurst and Debarshi discuss their posters on diversity-oriented synthesis and rational drug design with a colleague

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Derek is impressed by this year's posters

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Yanlong Kang (Chiosis Lab) and Guodong Liu enjoy the poster session

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The Pharmacology Faculty also got to enjoy some outdoor activities at Skytop Lodge, including archery and trap shooting!

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After the symposium, first-year students Christina Maksymiuk, Jacob Bitterman, Jamie McBean, Courtney Alexander, and Joel Schrock warm up for the annual student/faculty basketball game

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Guodong and Yanlong hit the archery range

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Yanlong, Tony Taldone (Chiosis Lab), and Guodong warm up on the putting green

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Guodong sinks it!

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The Tan group braves the rain and heads out to the links!

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Renato Bauer tees off with a 300-yard monster!

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Chris Stratton drives it down the middle of the fairway

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Guodong knocks his putt in from the fringe

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Tony Davis blasts one down the fairway as Guodong looks on

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Jackie goes for the green

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Debarshi takes his skills out to the course

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Debarshi and Guodong take on Chris and Derek in the match of the century!

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Debarshi uses his wicked spin in a hotly contested game

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