PHARMACEUTICAL EXECUTIVE APPOINTED ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

COLUMBUS -- David B. Sharrock, retired executive vice president of Marion Merrell Dow Inc., was recently appointed to an adjunct faculty position at The Ohio State University's College of Pharmacy.

As an adjunct professor in the Division of Pharmacy Practice and Administration, Sharrock will lecture graduate pharmacy students, consult with other faculty members, and complete other assignments for College of Pharmacy Dean John M. Cassady.

Sharrock, a native of Ohio, earned his bachelor's degree in economics in 1958 from Dartmouth College. He joined Richardson-Merrell as a sales representative following graduation, then worked his way up steadily, becoming president and general manager of Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals, U.S.A. in 1981 following the acquisition of the company by Dow Chemical. In 1987, Sharrock was named president of Merrell Dow's worldwide business.

When Merrell Dow merged with Marion Laboratories in 1990, Sharrock became executive vice president of the new company. In January 1994, he retired as executive vice president and chief operating officer of Marion Merrell Dow. He remains a director and consultant to the company.

Sharrock has been a director of The Ohio State University
Foundation Board since 1985 and was a member of the National Campaign Committee for Ohio State's first universitywide campaign, which ran from 1985 to 1990.

Currently, he is a director of Cincinnati Bell Inc., Unitog Co., Progenitor Inc., and Pharmaceutical Peptides Inc.

Sharrock's wife, Barbara, is also a native of Ohio, and their daughter, Jean Kuhlman, is a graduate of Ohio State.

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New professor big asset to College of Pharmacy

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The College of Pharmacy recently appointed David B. Sharrock, retired executive vice president of Marion Merrell Dow Inc., as an adjunct professor.

Sharrock's tasks as an adjunct professor in the Division of Pharmacy and Administration will include lecturing graduate pharmacy students, consulting with other faculty members, and completing other assignments for John M. Cassady, dean of the College of Pharmacy.

Sharrock, a native of Ohio, graduated with a bachelor's degree in economics from Dartmouth College in 1958, said Doug Stein, director of development for the College of Pharmacy.

Sharrock began his career as a sales representative for Richardson-Merrell. Following acquisition of the company in 1981 by Dow Chemical, Sharrock became president and general manager of Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals, Stein said.

Sharrock was eventually named president of Merrell Dow's worldwide business in 1987. The 1990 merger of Merrell Dow with Marion Laboratories led Sharrock to the position of executive vice president and general manager. Sharrock retired from this position in January 1994, Stein said.

"His appointment is going to enable the dean to work with our partners in the industry so we can develop nice research linkages and different partnership style programs with the industry," Stein said.

"Mr. Sharrock brings a wealth of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, he brings that real world experience to our college," Stein said. "It is truly a great benefit for the College of Pharmacy, we're honored and very pleased to have him here."

Currently, Sharrock remains a director and consultant to Marion Merrell Dow Inc. He also serves as director of Cincinnati Bell Inc., United Co., Progenitor Inc., Pharmaceutical Peptides Inc., and the OSU Foundation, Stein said.

Among his other achievements, Sharrock was a member of the National Campaign Committee for the first university-wide campaign, which he also ran from 1985 to 1990, Stein said.

"My hope is that I can bring an understanding of the changing healthcare environment to both the faculty and the students here," said Sharrock. "I am very excited, I think the university is a tremendous resource in the community and the world."