Letter from the Editor

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Dear Reader,
I first started working with Osmosis as a Sophomore when Alex Long was preparing to gather together its second issue. He heard through the grape vine that I knew how to use Adobe InDesign. At first, I saw Osmosis as purely a healthcare magazine, and as a non-pre-med, just-pre-graduate-school student— I thought it wasn’t for me. Through my ~3 years with Osmosis, I have come to the conclusion that Osmosis is NOT just a healthcare magazine, and contrary to our title, it is NOT just a science magazine. Osmosis is for everyone. Osmosis is for the pre-law, the environmentalist, the faculty, and the conscious citizen. I am so grateful that I have been able to watch Osmosis grow through my time at UR, and I’m even more grateful that some loyal Osmosis writers have been here since the beginning. Adriana Grimes is a graduating senior that has been writing since the first issue! I hope that in the future we are able to gather even more loyal team members and continue to grow in the right direction. I know from personal experience that Osmosis has helped me grow in the right direction. Throughout my short scientific career, Osmosis has reminded me of the importance of communicating science to a wider audience. As I prepare to graduate and go off to graduate school, I know I would not have had nearly the same undergraduate experience if it was not for Osmosis. Good luck to next year’s editor, Anthony Isenhour, I know I’m leaving Osmosis in good hands :) 

Your editor,
Mickey Murvin

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Maria Florentin
Major: Chemistry
Minor: Business Administration
Next year: Biomedical research postbacc before medical school
Favorite part of Osmosis: Being able to bring to life the stories/topics through design and imagery

Adriana Grimes
Major: Biology
Minor: Healthcare Studies
Next Year: Working as a medical assistant in Boston
Favorite Part of Osmosis: Being able to write about academic passions that don’t get covered in classes

McKenzie Murvin
Major: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Minors: Mathematics and Integrated Science
Next Year: Biological and Biomedical Sciences PhD program at UNC- Chapel Hill
Favorite Part of Osmosis: Being able to combine my love of science, writing, and graphic design.

Melanie Lippert
Majors: Biology and Journalism
Next Year: Joining the peace corps in Senegal as a forestry and environmental change agent.
Favorite Part of Osmosis: Getting to read through everyone’s really cool stories while editing.

Anvi Savani
Major: Biology
Minor: Healthcare Studies
Next Year: Working as a dental assistant before applying to dental school.
Favorite Part of Osmosis: Learning about science and social implications