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President's Column

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ACCP Committed to Members

ACCP is acknowledged as the third largest and fastest growing pharmacy association.

Although this is remarkable testimony to our success as a member-driven organization, the ACCP Board of Regents and staff are acutely aware that this kind of success can be a double-edged sword.

On the one hand, the more we grow, the more resources we will have to develop excellent meetings and educational programs, to encourage and support development of excellent research programs, to advocate at the state and national levels for legislation and policy to encourage expansion of our patient care roles, to assist our members in developing their leadership skills and abilities, and to meet overall member needs of all kinds.

On the other hand, our consistent growth over the last 26 years also poses considerable challenges for us. It is easy for large associations of all types to lose that personal touch that accounted for so much of their early success. Rapidly growing organizations often become impersonal and insensitive and struggle to recognize and respond quickly to member needs. Organizations often have big meetings, which can overwhelm attendees and challenge them to find the right meeting hall at the right time. These large associations often lose their charm, and their members, becoming more and more dissatisfied, may split off to find or create smaller organizations that can better target their specific needs.

The ACCP Board of Regents and staff want you to know that we are determined not to become one of those organizations. We are committed to meeting the needs of our members and others who are dedicated to improving length and quality of life through the practice of clinical pharmacy, the education of future practitioners, and the conduct of research. We pledge to continuously evaluate the needs of our members and our



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success in meeting those needs. We will provide cutting-edge educational opportunities through our meetings, programs, products, and services. We will recognize our members appropriately for their accomplishments and help them to become leaders not only within the College, but in all aspects of their professional lives. We will provide assistance and support as they strive to become outstanding clinical practitioners, researchers, and educators. Furthermore, we will reach out to those clinical pharmacists who belong to specialty clinical pharmacy associations, such as the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists, the Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association, the Society of Infectious Disease Pharmacists, the Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group, and others, to foster their continued success.

To accomplish this challenging goal of growing to better meet your needs, while remaining keenly focused on our values and founding principles, we ask for the help of PRN members. We request that you share your best thoughts with us to assist us in responding to your needs and to those of other clinical pharmacists. We welcome your comments and constructive criticism. Never hesitate to share with us your thoughts on how we can meet global and individualized needs as a substantial organization with solid resources, but also remain an agile and active member-driven organization. Your ongoing input to me, Dr. Mike Maddux, or members of the Board of Regents is invited and appreciated.

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PRNs Elect New Officers for 2005–06

The ballots are tallied and the following new PRN officers will begin their duties at the ACCP 2005 Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California.

Adult Medicine: Brian Hemstreet, Chair; Sharon See, Chair-Elect; Suzanne Wortman, Secretary/Treasurer

Ambulatory Care: Sunny Linnebur, Chair; Kelly Ragucci, Chair-Elect; Jill S. Burkiewicz, Secretary; Eric MacLaughlin, Treasurer

Cardiology: Ann Wittkowsky, Chair; Jo Ellen Rodgers, Chair-Elect; Amy Seybert, Secretary/Treasurer

Central Nervous System: Vicki Ellingrod-Ringold, Chair; Collin A. Hovinga, Chair-Elect

Clinical Administration: Todd Nesbit, Chair; John A. Noviasky, Chair-Elect; Emilie L. Karpiuk, Secretary/Treasurer

Critical Care: Eric Wittbrodt, Chair; Robert MacLaren, Chair-Elect; Jeremy Flynn, Secretary/Treasurer

Drug Information: Erin Timpe, Chair; Wendy Smith, Chair-Elect; Allison Bernknopf, Secretary/Treasurer

Education and Training: Patricia Orlando, Chair; Miranda Andrus, Chair-Elect; Cynthia Sanoski, Secretary/Treasurer

Endocrinology and Metabolism: Kim L. Kelly, Chair; Samuel Ellis, Chair-Elect; Mary Ann Halloran, Secretary/Treasurer

Geriatrics: Marty Eng, Chair; Lisa Hutchison, Chair-Elect; Angela Treadway, Secretary/Treasurer

GI/Liver/Nutrition: Todd Canada, Chair; Ginger D. Langley, Chair-Elect; Gordon S. Sacks, Secretary/Treasurer

Hematology/Oncology: Cindy O'Bryant, Chair; Scott Soefje, Chair-Elect; Kellie L. Jones, Secretary/Treasurer

Immunology/Transplantation: Meredith Aull, Chair; Sony Tuteja, Chair-Elect; Lisa McDevitt, Secretary/Treasurer

Infectious Diseases: Patrick Clay, Chair; Daryl DePestel, Chair-Elect; Amanda Corbett, Secretary/Treasurer

Nephrology: Amy Barton Pai, Chair; Harold J. Manley, Chair-Elect

Outcomes and Economics: Paul Windisch, Chair; Marianne McCollum, Chair-Elect; Gary Cochran, Secretary/Treasurer

Pain Management: Kenneth Jackson, Chair; Jacqueline Piozet, Chair-Elect; Valerie Pennington, Secretary/Treasurer

Pediatrics: David Knoppert, Chair; Mary Worthington, Chair-Elect

Pharmaceutical Industry: Margaret Noyes Essex, Chair; Jill C. Chappell, Chair-Elect; Diana Isom, Secretary/Treasurer

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics: Paul R. Hutson, Chair; George A. Davis, Chair-Elect; Brian Overholser, Secretary/Treasurer

Women's Health: Karen Gunning, Chair; Deborah Sturpe, Chair-Elect, Patricia R. Wigle, Secretary/Treasurer; Elizabeth W. Young, Public Policy Liaison

A big thank you to all of these candidates who also ran in this election: Susan Bruce, Jeffrey Bruno, Jack Chen, Theo Darkow, Renee DeHart, Philip Empey, Melissa Foldi, David M. Hachey, Ronald Hall, Cynthia Jackevicius, Ishaq Lat, Tonya M. Martin, Santhi Masilamani, Mark A. Newnham, Amy Pakyz, Richard Parrish, Kerry Pickworth, Kalen B. Porter, Stacy Shord, Christopher, Sikes, Bill Simmons, Judianne Slish, Judith Smith, Katherine P. Smith, Alka Somani, Liza Takiya, Sarah A. Tracy, Sheryl Vondracek, Kristina Ward, Alan Zillich, and Issam Zineh.

PRN Officers' Meeting Scheduled

If you are a PRN officer, make plans to attend the PRN Officers' Meeting on Saturday, October 22, from 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

During this meeting, new officers will receive orientation on their roles and duties in leading an ACCP PRN. It will be a chance to review ACCP's *PRN Handbook*, go over commonly asked questions, and talk over ideas with other PRN officers. Officers will meet their Board of Regents liaison, and a business meeting will be held. Do not miss this important meeting!

If you have any questions, please call ACCP at (816) 531-2177 or e-mail Nancy Perrin, Director of Professional Development, at nperrin@accp.com.



Attendees of the 2005 ACCP Annual Meeting can look forward to educational programming and famous sites in San Francisco, such as Fisherman's Wharf.

Photo courtesy of the San Francisco Convention and Visitors' Bureau.

2005 Annual Meeting PRN Calendar At-A-Glance

Saturday, October 22, 2005

- 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **ACCP Bookstore**
- 8:00 a.m. – 5:15 p.m. **Basic Training for New Clinical Faculty and Preceptors**
- 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Depression: Ruling Both Mind and Body**
- 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Pharmacy Student to Student Pharmacist: Opportunities in Pharmacy Practice**
- 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Beyond Ouch—Pain and Palliation in Pediatrics**
- 1:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. **An Update in Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy**
- 1:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. **Health Behavior Change: A Workshop for Clinical Practitioners**
- 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Registration**
- 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **PRN Officers' Meeting**
- 5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Newcomer Reception**
- 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. **Satellite Symposia**
- Comprehensive Diabetes Management: Intensive Glucose Control and Beyond; *sanofi-aventis*
 - Contemporary Issues in Antifungal Pharmacotherapy; *Pfizer*
 - Identification and Prevention of Venous Thromboembolism: Affecting Outcomes Through the Expanded Role of Pharmacists; *sanofi-aventis*

Sunday, October 23, 2005

- 6:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Meeting Registration and ACCP Bookstore**; *Registration totebags provided courtesy of AstraZeneca.*
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Opening General Session**
- 12:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Committee and Task Force Luncheon and Meetings**
- 12:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **ACCP Recruitment Forum**
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Satellite Symposia**
- Advances in the Management of Neuropathic Pain; *Pfizer*
 - Advances in the Management of Systemic Fungal Infections: Applying New Evidence to Improve Patient Outcomes; *Merck & Company*
 - Medical Therapy in Acute Coronary Syndrome: Focus on Antithrombotic Therapy; *Bristol-Myers Squibb/Sanofi Pharmaceuticals Partnership*
- 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **ACCP Business and Town Hall Meeting**
- 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **Opening Reception**
Cash bar and light hors d'oeuvres. All attendees are invited.

Monday, October 24, 2005

- 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Registration and ACCP Bookstore**

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Satellite Symposia**

- Challenges and Opportunities in the Management of Nosocomial Infections: A Year in Review; *Wyeth Pharmaceuticals*
- The Challenge of Stroke: Optimizing, Monitoring, and Treatment; *Novo Nordisk*
- The Continuing Evolution of Dyslipidemia Management: New Strategies, Goals, and Challenges; *Merck & Company*
- New Approaches to Reducing Cardiometabolic Risk Factors: Moving Beyond Current Practice to Improve Patient Care; *sanofi-aventis*

9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Significant Papers in Pharmacotherapy**

9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Curricular Tracks**

Curricular Track 1—**Clinical Lab Testing**

Curricular Track 2—**Clinical Practice New Services/Practice Sites**; *Supported by a grant from Merck and Company.*

Curricular Track 3—**Inflammation: The Missing Link**; *Supported in part by a grant from Bristol-Myers Squibb.*

Curricular Track 4—**Biotechnology: Has It Delivered New Patient Therapies**; *Supported by a grant from Amgen.*

Curricular Track 5—**Leadership Development**

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Pharmacy Industry Forum Exhibits and Lunch**

11:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Scientific Poster Presentations**

12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **PRN Focus Session**

Adult Medicine and Ambulatory Care—**Defining and Improving Transitional Pharmaceutical Care in the Medicine Patient**

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Becoming an ACCP Advocate**

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Scientific Paper Platform Presentations: Pharmacogenomics and Nephrology**

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Clinical Administration—**Highly Effective Employees: Critical Factors for Successful Recruitment, Retention, and Satisfaction**

GI/Liver/Nutrition—**Progress and Controversy in the Management of Hepatic Disorders**

Immunology/Transplantation—**Optimizing Transplant Outcomes with Therapeutic Drug Monitoring and Immune Monitoring Strategies**; *Supported by a grant from Roche Laboratories.*

Pediatrics PRN and Women's Health PRN Focus Session—**State of the Art in HIV Pharmacotherapy: Pregnancy, the Newborn, the Infant, and Child**; *Supported by a grant from GlaxoSmithKline.*

1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Research Strategies for Clinical Pharmacy Practitioners**

3:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. **Scientific Paper Platform Presentations: Infectious Diseases**

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3:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Critical Care—In the Trenches: Why and How to Rationalize the Use of Specific Agents

Geriatrics PRN and Central Nervous System—**Non-Parkinson's Movement Disorders: Updates and Methods for Monitoring Drug Therapy**; *Supported by a grant from Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals.*

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics—**Pharmacokinetic Consulting 101**

Women's Health—**Updates and Controversies in Infertility Treatment**

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **PRN Business Meetings and Networking Forums**

Adult Medicine—Information about past and future activities of each PRN committee will be presented. A report from the board liaison and brief presentations from the membership will be given. Food and beverages will be provided.

Cardiology—At the networking forum, there will be a business meeting followed by an informal reception, allowing for networking among members. Members will have time to collaborate on PRN-related projects, and trainees will have the chance to look for job opportunities. Trainees will also be presenting ongoing research via moderated poster presentations. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Drug Information—Chair Kelly Smith will open the meeting and welcome members after which Amy Peak will acknowledge sponsors. Minutes from the 2005 Spring Meeting will then be read, followed by old and new business. Glen Schumock, the board liaison, will present and new officers will be introduced. Amy Peak will present "Comparison of Tertiary Drug Information Databases." Networking will follow meeting adjournment. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Education and Training—Patricia Orlando, PRN chair-elect, will open the meeting, making introductions and announcements. There will be open discussion on the draft of ACPE Standards and Guidelines. The focus of the discussion will be "Standard 14: Curricular Core: Pharmacy Practice Experiences." Join this PRN to voice your opinion regarding the revised standard on experiential education. Food and beverages will be provided.

Endocrine and Metabolism—This new PRN will have a networking meeting to interact and foster ideas for collaboration among the members. There will also be a business meeting to provide further leadership and growth for the PRN. Food and beverages will be provided.

Geriatrics—The business meeting will be followed by an open forum to share ideas and experiences with active learning and laboratory experiences, such as Geriatric Sensitivity Lab. Food and beverages will be provided.

GI/Liver/Nutrition—Socializing will start at 6:00 p.m. which will include welcoming the new PRN officers and developing new charges for this PRN. Following the business meeting, the PRN Travel Award winner, Dr. Angie Bakshi, will present her research titled "An In Vitro Comparison of Different Providers to Deliver Four Proton Pump Inhibitor (PPI) Products through a Feeding Tube." Food and beverages will be provided.

Hematology/Oncology—This PRN networking forum will consist of a business meeting following by a presentation from

the 2004 minisabbatical recipient, informal member discussions, and networking. Food and beverages will be provided.

Nephrology—The PRN members will discuss their clinical practice and research activities. They will also discuss Medicare Part D and the CMS proposed revisions to the Conditions for Coverage for ESRD facilities. Food and beverages will be provided.

Pain Management—This PRN business meeting will include a newsletter report, as well as discussion of the future direction and development of a new Nominations Committee. There will be a review of ballot results regarding the name change of the PRN and need for possible action or communication with the Board of Regents. A brief clinical presentation followed by networking will close the meeting. Food and beverages will be provided.

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics—Following the business meeting will be informal presentations by various PK/PD fellows. Food and beverages will be provided.

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. **Research Institute/PRN Reception and Silent Auction**

Tuesday, October 25, 2005

7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Registration and ACCP Bookstore**

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Satellite Symposia**

- Current and Emerging Issues in Managing Patients with Acute Decompensated Heart Failure; *Scios*
- Improving Patient Outcomes: A Focus on Access to Effective Care for Acute Ischemic Stroke; *AstraZeneca*
- Rx for Success in Bipolar Mania: Novel Agents and Clinical Implications; *Shire U.S.*
- Understanding the Pharmacology of New Opioid-Receptor Antagonists and Improvements in the Management of Postoperative Ileus; *GlaxoSmithKline*

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Pharmacy Industry Forum Exhibits and Breakfast**

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Scientific Poster Presentations**

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Chapter Officers' Meeting**

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Curricular Tracks**

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Curricular Track 5—**Leadership Development**

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Novel Approaches to Understanding Adverse Drug Reactions**

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Meet the Experts**

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. **The ACCP Research Institute Grants Review Process**

1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **How to be a 5-Star Scientific Journal Reviewer**

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1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Scientific Paper Platform Presentations: **Oncology and Pharmacokinetics/ Pharmacodynamics**

1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Endocrine and Metabolism—**New and Emerging Therapeutic Options in the Treatment of Diabetes Mellitus, Obesity and Metabolic Disorders**; *Supported by a grant from sanofi-aventis.*

Outcomes and Economics—**The Science and Practice of Medication Adherence**; *Supported by a grant from Allergan Global Health Outcomes.*

Cardiology—**Providing Pharmacotherapy in Advanced Cardiac Life Support**

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Department Chairs Meeting**

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **PRN Focus Sessions**

Drug Information—**Practical Drug Information for Pharmacists**

Hematology/Oncology—**Update in Oncology Developmental Therapeutics**

Education and Training—**Chasing the Evolution of Experiential Evaluation**

Infectious Diseases—**Antifungal Update: A Little Bit for Everyone**; *Supported by a grant from Astellas Pharma U.S.*

Nephrology—**New Approaches to Quantifying Renal Function**; *Supported by a grant from Watson Pharmaceuticals.*

Pain Management—**Convergent Paths: Pharmaceutical Care and Palliative Care**

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Scientific Paper Platform Presentations: **Cardiology**

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. **PRN Business Meetings and Networking Forums**

Ambulatory Care—The meeting will combine business with networking. The business portion will concern past and future activities of each PRN committee, current activities of ACCP relating specifically to the PRN, and potential future activities of the PRN. Also included will be time to highlight innovative practice within Ambulatory Care. The networking portion will encourage interaction among members. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Central Nervous System—In addition to the usual business and the review of this year's activities, there will be recognition of the new officers, discussion of plans for 2006, and a report from the board liaison. A minisabbatical award will be presented, followed by PRN member poster presentations and discussion. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Clinical Administration—New officers will be introduced, followed by minutes from the April 2005 meeting. A poster presentation will precede discussion of possible programs for 2006. Food and beverages will be provided.

Critical Care—The business meeting will include a summary of PRN activities for 2004–2005 and reports from PRN committees and officers. Special activities are the presentation of resident/fellow research awards, and networking. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Immunology and Transplantation—The business meeting will be followed by an exciting debate: “Is there a role for Campth-1H in solid organ transplantation?” Two solid organ transplant residents will be invited to debate the pros and cons of using Campth-1H in solid organ transplant recipients. Food and beverages will be provided.

Infectious Diseases—Welcoming statements to current, new, and prospective members from the chair will start the meeting. The PRN Annual Report will be given, followed by recognition of incoming and outgoing PRN officers, and brief summary presentations, including minisabbatical award projects. The meeting will end with concluding remarks and informal networking and socializing. Food and beverages will be provided.

Outcomes and Economics—Activities will commence by welcoming the PRN members. Recognition of OCEC members' accomplishments will precede new and old business and committee reports. The meeting will end with time for socializing and networking. Food and beverages will be provided.

Pediatrics—This PRN will start with networking before a business meeting. Dr. Terri Slagle will lead a special presentation titled “Pulmonary Hypertension in the Newborn.” Food and beverages will be provided.

Pharmaceutical Industry—The agenda will begin with networking before the business meeting, which will include the introduction of the new PRN officers, new and old business, adjournment and continued networking. Food and beverages will be provided.

Women's Health—Introduction of new PRN officers and a business meeting will be followed by a presentation and discussion of the AACP Contraception and Women's Health Curriculum, which has been developed by PRN members Laura Hansen and Shareen El-Ibiary. Food and beverages will be provided.

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. **Satellite Symposium**

- *Beneath the Surface: The Pleiotropic Chapter in the Saga of Lipid-Lowering Therapies; AstraZeneca*

Wednesday, October 26, 2005

7:30 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. **Registration and Bookstore**

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Scientific Poster Presentations**

PRN Poster Presentations

- *Ambulatory Care*
- *Clinical Administration*
- *Endocrine and Metabolism*
- *Nephrology*

9:45 a.m. **Presentation of Best Poster and Best Student, Resident, Fellow Paper Award Winners**

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Curricular Tracks**

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Curricular Track 5—**Leadership Development**

For more information about the ACCP Annual Meeting, go to:
<http://www.accp.com/am05.php>

ACCP Silent Auction ... Great Fun for an Even Greater Cause

The ACCP Research Institute Silent Auction/PRN Reception is one of the highlights of the College's Annual Meeting. This year should be no exception, so mark your calendar for Monday, October 24, 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., and plan for a really good time—all in support of the ACCP Frontiers Fund!

Look at just some of the many wonderful items already donated for the auction by your fellow ACCP members:

- **artwork and photography:** fantastic landscape and under water photographs.
- **clothing and sports equipment:** handmade clothing and accessories; 2005 Masters golf memorabilia; school of pharmacy logo wear from Buffalo, Illinois, Kentucky, North Dakota, and Pitt.
- **education and training:** minisabbaticals at Kaiser Colorado and NIH, reference books and subscriptions.
- **food and regional items:** a variety of fantastic wines, Omaha and Lobel's steaks, and regional cookbooks.
- **home and luxury items:** beautiful handcrafted jewelry, decorative baskets, handcarved desk box, pewter hors d'oeuvres server, marble apothecary jar.
- **travel and recreation:** week in an Idaho cabin; timeshare weeks in Orlando and Frisco, CO; golf outing for two; 40K frequent flier miles; day-sail on Chesapeake Bay.
- **electronics:** amazing 11-in-1 survival lantern, iPod nano.

Plus, you can add to your fun with tasty refreshments and add to your return on investment by playing games or entering the evening's raffles.

But most importantly, the silent auction, gifts from individual ACCP members, and support from many of the PRNs have allowed the ACCP Research Institute to fund more than \$350,000 in new clinical and health services research over the past two years:

2004

Evaluation of a Program to Improve Hypertension Care

Sean Hennessy, Pharm.D., Ph.D.

University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

Pharmacogenomic Reasons for Poor Lupus Nephritis Outcomes

Melanie S. Joy, Pharm.D.

University of North Carolina

Evaluation of Diabetic Nephropathy in Hispanic Americans

Thomas Charles Dowling, Pharm.D., Ph.D.

University of Maryland

also supported by the Amgen Nephrology Research Award



Attendees enjoy the activities at a past ACCP Research Institute Silent Auction/PRN Reception.

Improving the Quality of Medication Use in Older Adults

Mary T. Roth, Pharm.D., MHS

University of North Carolina

2005

Genetic Polymorphisms and Vascular Access Thrombosis

Donald Brophy, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS

Virginia Commonwealth University

Medication Use at the End of Life

Christine Ruby, Pharm.D., BCPS

University of Pittsburgh

Outcomes after Discharge from a Pharmacist-run Secondary Prevention Service

Kari Olson, Pharm.D., BCPS

Kaiser Foundation Health Plan

also supported by the Kos Dyslipidemia Research Award

Optimizing the Treatment of Recurrent Ovarian Cancer

Judith Smith, Pharm.D., BCOP

University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Pretreatment of Albuterol vs. Montelukast in Exercise-Induced Bronchospasm in Children

Hengameh Raissy, Pharm.D.

University of New Mexico

also supported by the Sanofi-Aventis Allergy/Asthma Research Award

Kinetics and Dynamics of IV Enoxaparin in the Trauma ICU

Curtis Haas, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS

State University of New York

Gastrointestinal Adaptation in Patients with Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Surgery

Lingtak-Neander Chan, Pharm.D., BCNSP

University of Washington

The goal is to provide at least \$300,000 in Frontiers Research Awards in 2006 based on donations to the Frontiers Fund made in 2005. So please enjoy yourself at the Silent Auction, spend some money to support a very important ACCP initiative, and consider how you can support the Frontiers Fund through your personal gift.



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Invest Today to Expand Pharmacy's Frontiers

Minisabbaticals Help Members Develop New Practice and Research Skills

Through their minisabbatical programs, six of the College's PRNs have opportunities for their members to gain new practice or research skills that will help them develop new clinical services or expand their research capabilities. The following minisabbaticals were awarded in 2005:

Cardiology—The Cardiology PRN provided two minisabbaticals this year. Snehal Bhatt, Pharm.D., BCPS, Assistant Professor at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, will be working with William Dager, Pharm.D., at the University of California-Davis to gain first-hand knowledge and experience in the creation, justification, and clinical practice of a pharmacist-driven inpatient antithrombosis management service. In the second program, Kevin Garey, Pharm.D., Assistant Professor at the University of Houston, will participate in a training program offered by the Center for Biofilm Engineering at Montana State University. Dr. Garey will incorporate techniques to characterize biofilm structure learned during the minisabbatical into his research on the prevention and treatment of cardiovascular surgical site infections following coronary artery bypass graft or replacement surgery.

Central Nervous System—Two CNS Minisabbaticals were awarded: to Kelly Lee, Pharm.D., BCPP, Assistant Professor at Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy, and to Richard Silvia, Pharm.D., BCPP, Assistant Professor at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy. During her program, Dr. Lee will work with Karen Hudmon, Dr.P.H., in the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at Yale University to develop her skills in health survey research. Dr. Lee's focus during the program will be to develop and implement a survey that assesses the attitudes of Latinos toward antidepressant medications and psychosocial treatment for depression. Dr. Silvia's minisabbatical will be mentored by John Markowitz, Pharm.D., BCPP, at the Medical University of South Carolina. There, Dr. Silvia will learn how to perform the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique and genotype patients based on PCR results. His goal is to apply this technique in his own research to determine which patients are more susceptible to the metabolic adverse effects of antipsychotic medications.

Hematology/Oncology—Cindy O'Bryant, Pharm.D., BCOP, Assistant Professor with the University of Colorado and Clinical Oncology Pharmacy Specialist at the University of Colorado Cancer Center will do the 2005 Hematology/Oncology Minisabbatical. Dr. O'Bryant's minisabbatical will be mentored by S. Gail Eckhardt, M.D., in the University of Colorado Health Science Center Division of Oncology. She will develop skills in western analysis of molecular markers that predict response to chemotherapeutic agents.

Infectious Diseases—The 2005 Infectious Diseases Minisabbatical was awarded to Joe Kishel, Pharm.D., BCPS, Infectious Diseases Clinical Pharmacy Specialist at Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and Penn State College of Medicine in Hershey, PA. He expects the minisabbatical experience to

enhance his own clinical pharmacokinetic consult service by working in the services developed by Drs. Thomas Lodise and Ben Lomaestro at the Albany VA Medical Center and Albany Medical Center, respectively.

Nephrology—Michael Bentley, Pharm.D., an Assistant Professor at the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy and Clinical Pharmacist at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital, has been awarded the 2005 Nephrology Minisabbatical. During his program, Dr. Bentley will work with Bruce Mueller, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS, at the University of Michigan to develop and evaluate a protocol to minimize the acid-base and electrolyte disturbances commonly seen in patients during continuous renal replacement therapy.

Pain Management—As part of his Pain Management Minisabbatical, Rob Hutchison, Pharm.D., Pain Management Clinical Specialist at Presbyterian Hospital Dallas, will work in the laboratory of Mary Meagher, Ph.D., in the Department of Psychology at Texas A&M University. His goal is to enhance his understanding of how stress and emotion alter pain reactivity and perception, as well as the neural substrates of affective pain modulation.

Learn more about these PRN Minisabbaticals, administered through the ACCP Research Institute, at <http://www.accp.com/frontiers/research.php#indev>.

Interested in Forming a New PRN?

Do you think there is a need for a new PRN? The identification of a PRN is based upon the practice and research interests of ACCP members.

The guidelines below outline what it takes to form a PRN. Practice and Research Networks within ACCP may or may not parallel recognized pharmacy or medical specialties.

1. Each PRN must maintain a minimum of 50 members; ACCP will use other means to foster networking among the interests of smaller groups. An individual ACCP member may elect membership in any number of PRNs. Practice and Research Networks having fewer than 50 members for two consecutive years will be dissolved.
2. Each PRN shall serve a group of ACCP members in a uniquely defined interest area. The Board of Regents shall approve the designation of each PRN.
3. Each PRN shall select a name that reflects its interest area. The name must be approved by the Board of Regents.
4. Each PRN shall elect a member to serve as chair for the following year, according to the process described in the *PRN Handbook*.

For more information about forming a PRN, call ACCP at (816) 531-2177 or e-mail Nancy Perrin, Director of Professional Development, at nperrin@accp.com.

PRN News Briefs

Ambulatory Care

The Ambulatory Care PRN officers would like to congratulate the following members for being elected to ACCP office: Stuart Haines (President-Elect), Mary Roth (Secretary), and Joe Saseen (Board of Regents). In addition, six members of the PRN have been elected Fellows of ACCP and will be recognized at the Annual Meeting: Melissa M. Blair, Patrick P. Gleason, Laura B. Hansen, Kelly R. Ragucci, Emmanuel Saltiel, and Ann K. Wittkowsky.

With regard to the Frontiers Fund, the Ambulatory Care PRN will be donating \$1 for every \$5 that individual members contribute, as well as \$100 in support of every research proposal submitted by one of the PRN's members. In addition, thanks to the PRN's Research and Scholarship Committee, seed grant money will be available for projects by PRN members. The first annual award will be available in 2006, according to information from the PRN.

With regard to potential publications, Ambulatory Care PRN members will be working with Pain Management PRN members on the topic "Nonmalignant Pain with Focus on NSAID Therapy."

The PRN will also be announcing the First Annual Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2005 Annual Meeting. This award will be given to a deserving member who has been instrumental in serving the mission of ACCP and in meeting the goals set forth within the PRN.

PRN members look forward to networking at the 2005 Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California, where the Ambulatory Care/Adult Medicine Focus Session will be titled "Defining and Improving Transitional Pharmaceutical Care in the Medicine Patient."

Cardiology

Added Qualifications in Cardiology. Applications for the upcoming review cycle are due December 31, 2005. Those interested can access application materials at www.bpsweb.org. The PRN officers congratulate those recently receiving qualifications.

Opinion Paper on Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI). Members of the PRN will be developing an Opinion Paper in collaboration with the AHA on the upcoming PCI Guidelines.

Bibliographies in Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy. Members of the PRN have published four bibliographies in *Pharmacotherapy* covering arrhythmia, acute coronary syndrome, hypertension, and heart failure. A bibliography on dyslipidemia remains in progress.

Pre-Meeting Symposium. The PRN is sponsoring "An Update in Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy" before the Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 22. Topics include a review of revised heart failure guidelines, controversial issues in PCI,



An attendee discusses a poster with its presenter. The poster sessions are popular events at ACCP's Annual Meetings.

cardiovascular diagnostic laboratory measures, practical aspects of lipid management, and controversial issues surrounding anti-thrombotic use.

Critical Care

The Critical Care PRN had a busy and exciting 2005, according to the PRN's communications committee. Restructuring of the PRN listserv is under way to enhance efficiency in searching activities and sharing files. The Resident/Fellow Travel Award was reinstated and requires submission of an abstract to the spring or annual ACCP meeting. The award provides \$750 to offset travel costs. Recipients include: Jaclyn LeBlanc, Pharm.D. at Ohio State University, and Seth R. Bauer, Pharm.D. at Mayo Clinic. Finally, the Annual Meeting Critical Care focus session, entitled "In the Trenches of Clinical Pharmacy," will focus on topics including insulin, corticosteroids, dexmedetomidine, and the impact of recent clinical trials.

Hematology/Oncology

At the 2005 ACCP spring meeting in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, the PRN held a premeeting symposium about the treatment of colon cancer and lymphomas, followed by pharmacoeconomic aspects for both disease states. The PRN officers congratulate HongXia Zheng who has completed a minisabbatical and Cindy O'Bryant who was awarded the 2005 minisabbatical award for her research "Assessing Biological Correlates Associated with the Combination of a Molecular Targeted Agent and Bortezomib." Congratulations also go to Judith Smith who was selected as a fellow of ACCP and received one of the awards from the Frontier's program for her work "Optimizing Treatment of Recurrent Ovarian Cancer."

Women's Health

The Women's Health Pharmacy Curriculum will be presented at the Women's Health PRN Networking Forum at the ACCP Annual Meeting on Tuesday, October 25. This curriculum is designed to be used as a resource by pharmacy schools and contains six modules that can be used alone or in combination. The modules include: background/history of contraception, over-the-counter contraception and natural family planning methods, emergency contraception, prescription contraception, intrauterine systems and devices, and medical abortion. The modules focus on different aspects of contraception and include a faculty guide, assessment materials, a small group workshop guide, and various case vignettes.

StuNet Helps Students Connect

ACCP's student members can connect live at the upcoming ACCP Annual Meeting, and online using StuNet, ACCP's student network. Both resources are designed to help student pharmacists develop as professionals and build a network of peers nationally and internationally.

StuNet was launched early this year and is rapidly evolving. Originally envisioned as a virtual chapter, StuNet is maturing into an electronic network featuring a listserv and soon-to-be launched Web site with professional resources for ACCP student members. The StuNet listserv continues to grow, with more than 300 student subscribers. All current ACCP student members subscribe, and as new students apply for membership, they are automatically subscribed to StuNet. There is no additional fee to participate in StuNet—it's a benefit of membership for students. As it develops, StuNet will provide students with resources on many aspects of professional career development and personal growth. It will also offer students a place to express their opinions, get answers, develop leadership skills, and network with other ACCP members.

The StuNet Web pages will be available late this month, and will feature career development information, residency and fellowship FAQs, book reviews, and many other resources. Look for announcements on the ACCP Web site, in future issues of the *ACCP Report*, and via e-mails to ACCP members as more information becomes available. Students and faculty members who would like to learn more about StuNet are encouraged to contact Melissa Morris, Membership Project Manager, at mmorris@accp.com, or (816) 531-2177, ext. 13.

PRN Membership Totals	
PRNs	Total # of Members
Adult Medicine	471
Ambulatory Care	968
Cardiology	705
Central Nervous System	187
Clinical Administration	152
Critical Care	837
Drug Information	183
Education and Training	166
Endocrinology	69
Geriatrics	180
GI/Liver/Nutrition	124
Hematology/Oncology	461
Immunology/Transplantation	186
Infectious Diseases	735
Nephrology	169
Outcomes and Economics	131
Pain Management	189
Pediatrics	295
Pharmaceutical Industry	308
Pharmacokinetics	125
Women's Health	113
Total	6754

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