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Genentech Makes Major Gift to ASHP Foundation's Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership

BETHESDA, Md. (December 11, 2007) ? The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Research and Education Foundation is pleased to announce a \$100,000 grant from Genentech, a leading provider of anti-tumor therapeutics in the United States. The gift will support the work of the Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership, a joint program established by the ASHP Foundation and ASHP.

Considered the founder of the biotechnology industry, Genentech has been a leader in biotechnology for more than 30 years, using human genetic information to discover, develop, commercialize and manufacture biotherapeutics that address significant unmet medical needs.

The Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership was established in late 2006 in order to address a host of leadership issues and challenges facing the profession. The primary goal of the Center is to ensure that there will be a sufficient number of pharmacists who have the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively lead pharmacy departments and address all aspects of safety and quality of medication-use systems in hospitals and health systems in the coming years.

“Both ASHP and the ASHP Foundation are extremely pleased that Genentech has supported this important cause,” says Stephen J. Allen, ASHP Foundation Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer. “This gift will help ensure that important development work can occur to expand the Center’s program offerings. I am hopeful that other health care corporations will consider supporting the Center’s work.”

For specific information relating to the key focal areas of the Center and more information about programs provided by the Center for Health-System Pharmacy Leadership and the ASHP Foundation, please visit www.ashpfoundation.org.

The ASHP Research and Education Foundation was established in 1968 by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists as a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. The mission of the Foundation is to improve the health and well-being of patients in hospitals and health systems through appropriate, safe and effective medication use. The Foundation provides leadership and conducts education and research activities that foster the coordination of interdisciplinary medication management leading to optimal patient outcomes. Emphasis is given to programs that will have a major impact on advancing pharmacy practice in hospitals and health systems, thereby improving public health.

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