



ASHP Foundation News Release

Twenty-Eight Pharmacists Selected for ASHP Foundation's Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship

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Core News Facts

The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Research and Education Foundation has selected 28 pharmacists to complete a special traineeship in antithrombotic pharmacotherapy that is sponsored by sanofi-aventis U.S.

Antithrombotic medications are prescribed to prevent or treat blood clots, which are the cause of many cardiovascular problems, including stroke, arrhythmia and coronary heart disease. One in three adult men and women in the United States has some form of cardiovascular disease. The ASHP Foundation established the Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship to prepare pharmacist practitioners to establish and maintain specialized services for the management of patients' antithrombotic therapy. The 5-day program provides individualized, intensive clinical training as well as an opportunity to observe and participate in the activities of an established antithrombotic service in a health care system.

"Antithrombotic medications still remain in the forefront of patient safety concerns," said Kenneth A. Kellick, Pharm.D., a traineeship faculty member and the clinical pharmacy coordinator for ambulatory care and director of the Anticoagulation and Dyslipidemia Clinics at the VA Western New York Healthcare System in Buffalo. "The volume of literature and current therapeutic controversies is ever changing with expert opinion and late breaking clinical information. One of the advantages of the Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship is that it allows participants to go beyond the ACCP Chest guidelines and broaden their scopes. During the training period, through hands on experiential training, literature review and discussion, the trainees' knowledge and competence is advanced to the next level. In addition, the program allows the opportunity to network with other colleagues who face the same day-to-day therapeutic dilemmas and forge new opinions and directions using the consensus process."

This year's Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship offered two sessions. The 2009-2010 trainees, specified by session, site and preceptor, are:

Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship, Session I

The University of Illinois at Chicago

Chicago, Ill.

Faculty: Edith Nutescu, Pharm.D.

Jennifer Costello, Pharm.D., BCPS
Saint Barnabas Medical Center
Livingston, N.J.

Crystal Hoffmann, Pharm.D., B.A.
St. Luke's Hospital
Chesterfield, Mo.

*VA Western NY Healthcare System
Buffalo, N.Y.
Faculty: Kenneth A. Kellick, Pharm.D.*

Margaret Haworth, B.S.
Orlando VA Medical Center
Orlando, Fla.

Carolyn Schwartz, Pharm.D., B.S., BCPS
WakeMed Health & Hospitals
Raleigh, N.C.

*UC Davis Medical Center
Davis, Calif.
Faculty: William E. Dager, Pharm.D.*

Matthew Hubble, Pharm.D.
Mercy Medical Center Inpatient Pharmacy
Des Moines, Iowa

Shane VanHandel, Pharm.D.
Rogue Valley Medical Center
Medford, Ore.

*Thomas Jefferson University
Philadelphia, PA
Faculty: Lynda Thomson, Pharm.D., CACP*

Kimberly Pelosi, Pharm.D.
Tampa General Hospital
Tampa, Fla.

Ankit Patel, Pharm.D.
Bayfront Medical Center
St. Petersburg, Fla.

*Meriter Hospital
Madison, WI
Faculty: Clyde Birringer, Pharm.D., BCPS*

Rebecca Garner, Pharm.D.
Phoenix Indian Medical Center Pharmacy
Phoenix, Ariz.

Michael Mikrut, B.A., B.S., Pharm.D.
Mercy Hospital
Chicago, Ill.

*Duke University Medical Center
Durham, NC
Faculty: Michelle R. Schoonover, Pharm.D.*

Troy Bernardo, Pharm.D.
Federal Medical Center Butner
Butner, N.C.

Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship, Session II

*The University of Illinois at Chicago
Chicago, Ill.
Faculty: Edith Nutescu, Pharm.D.*

Melissa R. Dutchak, R.Ph.
University of Colorado Boulder
Boulder, Colo.

Todd Gundrum, Pharm.D.
University of Toledo Medical Center
Toledo, Ohio

*VA Western NY Healthcare System
Buffalo, N.Y.
Faculty: Kenneth A. Kellick, Pharm.D.*

Christine F. Holman, Pharm.D.
Salt Lake City Veterans Affairs Medical Center
Salt Lake City, Utah

Kathryn V. Wolk, Pharm.D.
Philadelphia VA Medical Center
Philadelphia, Penn.

Wisener D. Young, Pharm.D.
Orlando VA Medical Center
Orlando, Fla.

UC Davis Medical Center
Davis, Calif.
Faculty: William E. Dager, Pharm.D.

Giang C. Nguyen, Pharm.D.
Fountain Valley Regional Hospital
Fountain Valley, Calif.

Katrina Babilonia, Pharm.D.
University of Colorado Hospital
Aurora, Colo.

Patricia Van Cleave, Pharm.D.
Midland Memorial Hospital
Midland, Texas

Thomas Jefferson University
Philadelphia, Penn.
Faculty: Lynda Thomson, Pharm.D., CACP

Jane Dateshidze, Pharm.D., M.B.A.
Virtua Memorial
Mt. Holly, N.J.

Uma Srivastava, Pharm.D.
Veterans Affairs Medical Center Dallas
Dallas, Texas

Jessica M. Vink, Pharm.D.
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center-Shadyside
Pittsburgh, Penn.

Meriter Hospital
Madison, Wis.
Faculty: Clyde Birringer, Pharm.D., BCPS

Stephanie R. Longin, Pharm.D.
St. Vincent Healthcare
Billings, Mont.

Andre Mach, Pharm.D., M.B.A.
USAF
Grand Forks, N.D.

*Duke University Medical Center
Durham, N.C.
Faculty: Michelle R. Schoonover, Pharm.D.*

Charlie Colquitt, Pharm.D.
Community Health Centers of Pineallas at Johnnie Ruth Clarke Health Center
St. Petersburg, Fla.

Victoria L. McGruder, Pharm.D.
United Hospital System Inc
Kenosha, Wis.

*University of Washington Medical Center
Seattle, Wash.
Faculty: Ann K. Wittkowsky, Pharm.D., CACP, FASHP, FCCP*

Jacqueline E. Morin, Pharm.D.
Mid-Columbia Medical Center
The Dalles, Ore.

Jennifer A. Taylor, Pharm.D., CACP
Providence Holy Family Hospital Anticoagulation Clinic
Spokane, Wash.

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About the ASHP Foundation

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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