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FIP-Pharmabridge Status Report

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INTRODUCTION

Pharmabridge is part of the FIP Board of Pharmacy Practice: as a BPP Sub-Committee with its own terms of reference and budget

- **Objective:** strengthening pharmacy services and pharmacy education in developing and transitional countries (promoting contacts, networking)
- Linking needs and offers identified by participants upon registration
- Support to institutions and individual pharmacists

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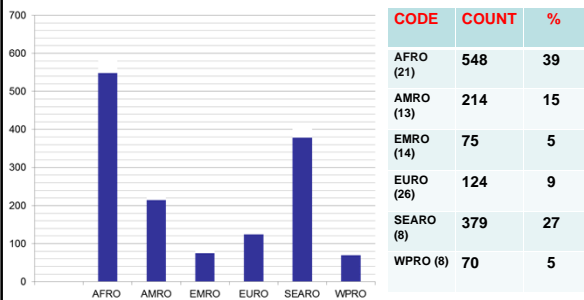
- General information
- Online registration facility (no registration fee)
- Achievements to date
- Free online Access to Drug Information Publishers and database on hospital compounding
- Postgraduate Funding (Guidance on postgraduate education and links to organizations offering fellowships)
- Further information on Pharmabridge:
 - flyer, articles, ppt presentations
 - Guidelines for book donations
- e-mail addresses for direct contact?

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APPLICANTS REPRESENTATION BY WORLD REGION



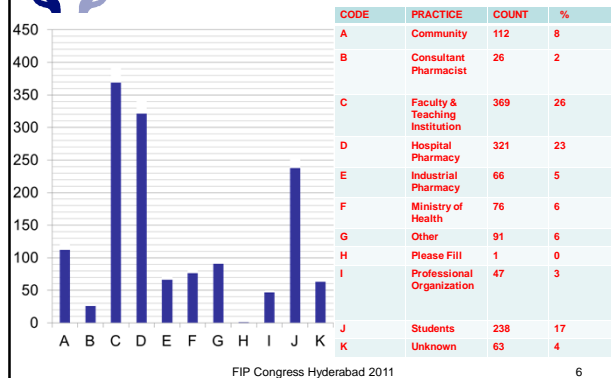
1410 Participants from 91 Countries

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PRACTICE CATEGORIES



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Book and Journal donations

- **ASHP:** AHFS DI (1000 plus), Over 8000 copies of various titles to pharmacy schools e.g.: The Pharmacists Drug Handbook, Handbook Inject. Drugs, Medic. Safety Guide, Preceptors handbook, Consumer Drug Reference, Concepts in Clinical Pharmacokinetics, Medical Abbreviations etc.

ASHP titles reprinted in India: - Concepts in Clinical Pharmacokinetics, 5th edition
- Compounding Sterile Preparations, 3rd edition - Introduction to Hospital and Health-System Pharmacy. Other titles to follow depending on sales. Special arrangements for bulk shipping of AHFS DI to India under discussion.

- **APhA:** 70 sets of 5 reference books (10 annually)
- **Merck:** 50 sets of Merck publications
- **Facts and Comparisons:** more than 3000 books (2004)
- **US students and Individuals** (more than 50) on forwarding books and journals to over 70 parties, special partnership for AJHP

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Books brought to FIP Congresses

YPG members and others bring books to Pharmabridge meeting during FIP Congress for handing over to colleagues from less prosperous countries

The books are available at the end of this session

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Individual practice exposure: clinical pharmacy and drug information

7 people placed for practice exposure/training in 2011 as follows:

Clinical Pharmacy 4 weeks in USA: 2 from India, 2 from Nigeria

Pediatric Pharmacy 4 weeks in Canada: 1 from India, 1 from Uganda

Compounding 2 weeks in USA: 1 from Nigeria

Placements in Finland (Nigerian candidate), in Ghana (Ethiopian candidate), in the UK (Ghanaian and Sudanese candidate) as well as in the US (3 Indian candidates) have been offered and are in the pipeline

Since 2001, over 30 individuals will have undergone practice exposure by the end of 2011 (from Ghana, Egypt, India, Nepal, Nigeria, Peru).

- Pharmabridgeclub electronic network (Pharmabridge alumni)

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University linkages

In many instances contact between trainer and trainees maintained and on occasion special arrangements agreed upon: e.g. research project between Ann Arbor (USA) and Annamalai Nagar (India), 3 months training in pediatrics in Canada for candidates proposed by JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty and Mysore (India)

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Conditions for practice exposure

- Submission of CV (not more than 2 A4 pages) and training objectives
- Candidate to mobilize funds for airfare and if possible accommodation. 500 euro Pharmabridge subsidy per person if needed

People trained so far are almost all from schools of pharmacy and hospital pharmacies. Many are waiting to be placed

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Group training: GMP courses

Course duration: normally up to 5 days

- **Sri Lanka:** June 05
- **Nigeria:** 2005, 2006 and 2007
- **Ghana:** 2007 and 2008 on 5 GMP topics
- **Mongolia:** August 07

Courses include general GMP and on request specific topics, e.g. "How to inspect", "Validation and Water", "Good Documentation Practices" and "Managing quality control laboratories".

Courses have to be organized locally, preferably jointly by the local pharmaceutical manufacturers association and the National drug regulatory authority

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Antenna for South East Asia India impact: Scotland experience

Dr Latif Sheik, Pakistan, will report on exploratory meeting in Hyderabad on the creation of SEA-Pharmabridge antenna

Prof Anantha Nagappa will present a short report on impact of his Pharmabridge visit to Scotland



Group training: Pharmacotherapy and Drug Information

Course duration 5-15 days:

2008: Nepal, 30.06 - 04.07.

2008: Nigeria 15.02 - 27.02
(2009: course re-run with material left by expert in 2008)

2011: Nigeria 20.02 - 27.02

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Other services provided by Pharmabridge

- Addresses for visits abroad: e.g. visit and lecturing of US faculty members to 4 Indian pharmacy schools in connection with FIP Congress in Hyderabad
- Linking on specific topics like DI services, HIV/AIDS, compounding, drug dependence, oncology, pediatric pharmacy, telepharmacy etc
- Providing general advice and guidance (e.g. on WHO)



How you can help to meet needs

- Offer your institutions/faculties/practice site for exchange and practice exposure
- Share your expertise by offering lectures when travelling abroad or run training workshops – local accommodation is usually offered
- Use part of your sabbatical to work in a DC as advisor or lecturer (under UN Volunteer scheme for longer term)
- Forward books and journals etc. For US, local IPSF chapters may be prepared to raise money for transport
- Provide advice on postgraduate practice research from a distance



CONCLUSION

- Pharmabridge is providing concrete support to pharmacy schools, hospitals and individual pharmacists in underprivileged countries.
- Feedback from people having benefited from the programme, and also from those having contributed to it in on way or other, is very positive.
- Pharmabridge has become a global pharmacist network and you are invited to join. Make use of this meeting and the FIP Congress to meet each other.
- Acknowledgements
- You are invited to join

THANK YOU