

FIP-Pharmabridge status report

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Introduction

- **Objective:** strengthening pharmacy services in developing and transitional countries (promoting contacts, networking)
- Intent to supplement, not duplicate other support schemes
- Support to institutions and individual pharmacists
- Pharmabridge has become part of the FIP Board of Pharmacy Practice: special BPP WG with own terms of reference and budget

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The website:

www.pharmabridge.org

Content:

- Information and provision for online registration (no registration fee)
- List with e-mail addresses searchable by category and country for direct contacts (*in preparation*)
- Guidelines for book donations

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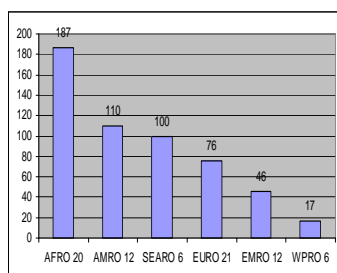
Database overall content

- Pharmabridge Code e.g. AFRO Nigeria-1
- Contact details (name, address etc)
- Practice Category (e.g. hospital pharmacy)
- Field of Activity
- Twinning wishes
- Needs/Offers and links established
- Reports for all criteria, e.g. country, category, needs, offers, links established

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Nos and % of applicants (537 from 76 countries) per world region

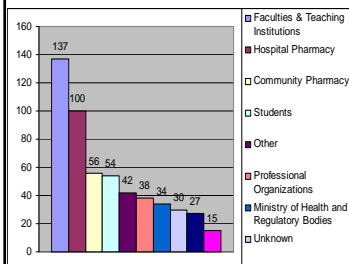


AFRO	187	35%
AMRO	110	20%
SEARO	100	19%
EURO	76	14%
EMRO	46	9%
WPRO	17	3%

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Practice category of applicants



Fac/Teach. Inst.	137 (26%)
Hospital	100 (19%)
Community	56 (11%)
Profess. Org.	38 (7%)
Other	41 (9%)
Students	54 (10%)
Unknown	29 (6%)
Industry	25 (5%)
MoH/Reg. Bodies	34 (6%)
Consultant pharm.	15 (3%)

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Links established:

- **ASHP:** almost 900 copies of AHFS and 5000 copies of The Pharmacists Drug Handbook
- **APhA:** 30 sets of 5 reference books (10 annually)
- **Merck:** 50 sets of Merck publications
- **Facts and Comparisons:** more than 3000 books
- **CD** on formulations for pediatric use (10)
- Ohio Northern students (31) and Individuals (more than 30) on forwarding books and journals
- Addresses provided for visits while abroad (8)
- Visits to practice sites and Internships (9)
- Linking 13 DICs to DI and Res. Centre Canada
- Links on topics like HIV/AIDS, compounding, drug dependence, oncology, pediatry, telepharmacy

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Ohio Northern University Course Catalogue Academic Year 2004-2005. **PHPR 225 - Pharmabridge**

- **Credits:** 1.00
*PHARMABRIDGE A service-oriented program focusing on making relationships with pharmacists in developing countries and providing those pharmacists with needed reference materials for their practices. Research on the chosen country, assessment of the practice of pharmacy standards in that country, communication with the pharmacist noted, and provision of reference materials, if needed. May be repeated indefinitely. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.
- **Other:** 1.00
- **College:** Pharmacy
- **Department:** Pharmacy Practice

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Links established (contin.)

Individual training: clinical pharmacy and drug information

- **Clinical Pharmacy 2006:**
Peruvian academic 4 weeks to USA
Indian academic 4 weeks to UK
- **Drug Information 2006:**
4 weeks training offer in US but candidate did not get visa

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Links established (contin.)

Group training: GMP courses

- **Sri Lanka June 05:** 3 days with 55 partic.
 - **Nigeria December 05:**
2 days for inspectors, 20 participants
2 days for industry people, 33 participants
 - **Planned for 2006:**
Nigeria
Botswana
Cuba
- See www.pharmabridge.org*

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Links established (contin.)

Group training: Pharmacotherapy and Drug Information courses

Offer: course duration 5-15 days

Planned for 2007:

India
Nigeria

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Specific activities by Pharmabridge coordinator in 2006

- **India:** participation (presentation: pharmacist and public health) in Conference on GPP – Ideal Prescription for development of Community Pharmacy
- **Nigeria:** LiveWell initiative (member of Advisory Board)

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Major unlinked Needs

- Exchange between institutions/faculties: 46 (19 hospital, 27 faculties)
- Visits to learn about pharmacy practice: 16 (some around FIP Congress in Australia and US)
- **Need for offers**

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Unlinked offers from developing countries

- Sharing local practice research data
- Accommodation for exchange visits:
 - Ghana (4), Nigeria, Uganda, Zimbabwe
 - Bangladesh, India, Nepal
 - Canada

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Conclusions

- Pharmabridge is providing concrete support to pharmacists in underprivileged countries
- Pharmabridge is becoming a global pharmacist network
- Acknowledgements
- You are invited to join

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