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Dear FIP member

Welcome to the 2020 first edition of The Mortar Board; FIP's AcPS publication issued five times per year to our valued members. Previous editions of The Mortar are now updated and archived on the FIP website [library](#) for your convenience. As the Lead for AcPS Collaboration and Communications Working Group, supported by the active members of this group, I look forward to 2020 with focused communication strategies to better-serve our valued members and the profession. One such way is that our FIPed Partner; the Workforce Development Hub (WDH), will soon have a permanent corner in The Mortar to feature Hub announcements and highlight achievements. So stay tuned!

This newsletter begins with a message from the Section President Prof John Pieper, who summarizes the previous couple of months and looks forward to what's ahead for the Section and FIP.

From Australia, we provide a brief report on exemplary efforts by pharmacists from all sectors of the profession, academics included, who persevered during the latest Australian bushfires to ensure patients' supply of medicines continued and their health needs were attended to.

Under the AIM Leadership Blog, the newsletter shares valuable information on the Global Academic Leadership Fellows Programme (GALFP) and the 2020 FIP AIM Global Academic Leaders Forum (GALF), followed by Congress/Conference announcements and Upcoming Events.

Finally, please find reminders for registration and abstract submission deadlines for all FIP events.

On behalf of the AcPS, I would like to thank you for your continued support for the Section and as Prof Pieper emphasizes, do reach out to your [ExCO](#) representatives to share your thoughts and ideas.



Dalia Bajis, Editor

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Message from the President



Dear AcPS members

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81st FIP World Congress to be held in Brisbane, Australia, 29 August - 2 September 2021. The Section has been working on a three-year budget for 2021, 2022 and 2023. The three-year budget will continue to provide financial support for the YPG Leadership Development Workshop to be held at each World Congress, Pharmabridge exchanges for academicians and our Section project, FIP Global Competency Framework for Educators and Trainers in Pharmacy. Our membership is currently 759 through 31 December 2019. We are on track to meet my goal of 1,000 members by September 2021.

The Section has 1,294 followers on Twitter as of 21 February 2020, an increase of 100 followers since December 2019. The AcPS is sponsoring a webinar, Interprofessional Education: The Pharmacists Role Across the Globe on 19th March 2020. Register [Here](#).

FIP has also published guidelines for pharmacists' management of the coronavirus, entitled international guidelines on how pharmacists should deal with the latest coronavirus outbreak, [SARS-CoV-2](#).

FIP meetings that are on the calendar in the near future include the next FIP Regional Congress in Bali, Indonesia on 1-3 April 2020. The FIP Pharmaceutical Sciences World Congress will be held 22-27 May 2020 in Montreal, Canada.

Registration is also open for the 80th FIP World Congress to be held in Seville, Spain on 13-17 September 2020.

The theme of the 80th World Congress is "The Technological Revolution - Impact on Pharmacy and Health Care". Registration is available at: [FIP Seville](#)

Your new ExCo is very interested in hearing from you. Please share your thoughts with me at john.pieper@stlcp.edu.

On behalf of the AcPS, thank you.

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St. Louis College of Pharmacy, USA

What happened on social media

Support equity for **Women**
in pharmaceutical **Science**
and **Education!**

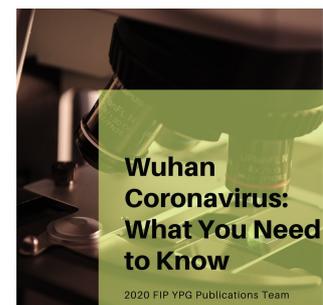


[#FIPWiSE](#) was launched on 11 February to celebrate UN International Day of Women and Girls in Science

FIP HEALTH ADVISORY
CORONAVIRUS 2019-nCoV OUTBREAK:
Information and interim guidelines
for pharmacists and the pharmacy workforce

[Press Release](#)

On 6 February FIP published this document on the 2019-nCoV outbreak, available in seven [languages](#).



This publication was prepared and disseminated by FIP YPG on 1 February. Read more [here](#)

Pharmacists active during the Australian bushfires



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In late 2019 and early 2020, devastating bushfires affected large areas of the states of New South Wales (NSW), Victoria and the Australian Capital Territory (ACT). Fires in Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania and Western Australia also occurred. Hot, dry conditions contributed to around 15 million acres (roughly twice the size of Belgium) of land burnt. Hundreds of homes and businesses were burnt to the ground, along with a huge loss of wildlife and habitat that makes the Australian continent so unique. The lives of 25 firefighters, farmers and residents were lost in the battle to protect these areas.

On the 7th January 2020, a temporary special authority allowing pharmacists to supply most Schedule 4 (Prescription Medicine) without a prescription was issued by the NSW Chief Health Officer. Victoria and the ACT followed suit on the 9th January and a national expansion of the Continued Dispensing Arrangements was announced on the 13th January 2020. This permitted prescription medicines to be supplied from a community pharmacy to patients from a bushfire-affected area until the 31st March 2020. Supply of a Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) quantity of a medicine is allowed if it has previously been prescribed to continue essential treatment and the patient is not able to obtain a prescription from a doctor as a result of the bushfires. Prior to this, pharmacists were only able to supply three (3) days' supply of a medicine without a prescription, severely limiting practical access to essential medicines.

Pharmacists in fire-affected regions reported patients that had lost their homes and, as a consequence, all of their medicines and prescriptions. Many regions had no electricity or telephone services for days or weeks and often patients were unable to travel to a doctor even if they could manage to arrange an appointment. General Practitioner (GP) services were already in high demand as patients with respiratory conditions had been dealing with hazardous air quality for weeks or months before many bushfires became out of control. Pharmacists were able to provide care and continuation of therapy in these areas, often needing to hand-write medication labels and not taking payment for supply.

Professional groups provided support to pharmacists in affected areas by communicating these changes to their members and with advocacy work, including the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (PSA) and the Pharmacy Guild of Australia (PGA). The Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) recently announced a Member Staffing Relief Register for members to utilise during disaster or acute resource shortfall. The Council of Pharmacy Schools (CPS) also encouraged registered academic pharmacists across Australia to voluntarily deploy to affected community pharmacies to allow pharmacy owners to arrange insurance claims

This report was written on 31st January 2020.

AIM Leadership Blog



GALFP

Global Academic
Leadership
Fellows Programme

The Global Academic Leadership Fellows Programme (GALFP) is a unique partnership programme between the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) and FIP Academic Institutional Membership (AIM). [FIP AACP GALFP](#). GALFP supports and contributes to the development of leaders in academic pharmacy and it is launched for FIP AIM Members in the Eastern Mediterranean Region this year. If you are interested in enhancing your academic leadership globally, please visit the [FIP website](#) or e-mail aim@fip.org to apply. The deadline for applications is 4 March 2020.

FIP AIM Global Academic Leaders Forum (GALF) 2020

Hot Topic: Foster the “Culture of Innovation” at your school



This year GALF will take place on 14-15 September 2020 in Seville, Spain alongside the FIP Congress 2020. GALF 2020 will provide interactive workshops, case studies and round-table discussions for academic leaders from all around the world. This year’s GALF hot topic is “Culture of Innovation” and leading experts

“Culture of Innovation will be an informative session which you will gain insights into your own university and the universities of others. Through this session you will attain a better understanding of the concepts for innovation and culture and how they interact; analyse your organization and determine what domains would require innovation; and develop strategies to gradually influence the behaviors to allow innovation to become part of your culture.” - Wayne Hindmarsh, GALF 2020 Chair, FIP AIM Chair, University of Toronto, Canada.

FIP AIM Members receive a special registration link to join GALF for free and benefit from discounted congress rate! If your institution is not a FIP AIM member, you may become a member from [here](#). Non FIP AIM members are welcomed to join GALF and register [here](#).

It's Survey Time!

Nanjing Statements

Statements on Pharmacy
and Pharmaceutical Sciences
Education

The FIP Nanjing Statements were published in 2017 as a guide to the global vision of pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences education. Currently, the research team, led by Dr. Miranda Law from Howard University College of Pharmacy, in collaboration with FIP, has developed a self-assessment tool based on these statements, and are asking academic staff at schools of pharmacy to complete the self-assessment so we can perform validation of the tool. We ask that you be pioneers in this endeavour by participating in this survey using the below link. Your responses will help us validate this newly developed tool.

Participation in this survey is completely voluntary. We greatly appreciate your time and participation: [Nanjing Statements Self-Assessment Tool](#)

PSWC 2020



With this congress, FIP wants to take a critical step in driving a discussion to establish how different disciplines in the pharmaceutical sciences and stakeholders should interact at a global level to advance science as whole. More than ever, innovation is emerging at the interface of disciplines, holding the promise of smart therapeutics, medicines that are sophisticated in their design and optimized to meet the needs of

scientific students. [More information](#)

Workforce Development Hub News



COMING SOON !

MyDispense Global Symposium



MyDispense Global Symposium, Monash Prato Centre, Tuscany Italy 12-14 July 2020

MyDispense is a free simulated learning and teaching environment that is designed to help students develop their skills and competency in dispensing medicinal products systematically, safely and accurately at a level of detail and difficulty corresponding to their knowledge and experience. [Read more](#)

Congress Promotion



7th FIP Pharmaceutical Sciences World Congress (PSWC2020)



Shout out for the Young Scientists Conference 22-23 May 2020 in Montreal, Canada.

[Register Here](#) and submit abstracts.



FIP Regional Conference for South East Asia and the Asian Pacific Regions

The conference will take place in Bali, Indonesia, from **1 to 3 April 2020**, under the title “Achieving health for all: Pharmacy optimising primary health care through digital technology”. This regional conference follows our two successful conferences for the Eastern Mediterranean and the European region in 2019, as part of our mandate under the World Health Organization Astana Declaration. [Read more](#)



FIP World Congress Seville, Spain 13-17 September 2020

Present your research at the FIP World Congress in Seville, Spain. Submit your abstract before 15 April [here](#). If you are inexperienced in writing abstracts you can make use of FIP's free abstract mentoring programme before 5 March. Read more [Here](#).

We sincerely hope many of you will submit their work. Please encourage colleagues to do so as well! If you are interested to act as a mentor or reviewer for abstracts submitted to the Academic Pharmacy Section, please send a message to Aukje Mantel (a.k.mantel@uu.nl).



Interprofessional Education: The Pharmacists Role Across the Globe.

19 March 2020.

Speakers: Gina Prescott, Pharm.D., BCPS , Cameil-Wilson Clarke, Pharm.D., and Lisa Hong, PharmD, BCPS.

Register [Here](#).

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About the Academic Pharmacy Section

FIP's Academic Pharmacy Section was founded in 1972. Our mission is to serve as an international source for networking, collaboration and inspiration for educators to transform pharmacy education for the purpose of advancing practice and science to meet present and future health needs in communities around the world.



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