Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>

A Letter from FIP YPG Chairperson
Dear fellow young pharmacists,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a fruitful start to your new year.

The arrival of 2019 has already brought many changes. The Young Pharmacists Group welcomed its newest Steering Committee. Working committees were formed to examine member structure and enhance session proposal submissions, and young pharmacists from all over the world valiantly volunteered to serve as global pharmacy leaders, creating the largest ever YPG Subcommittee.

Our vision this year is one of inclusivity. A new position, Member Relations Coordinator, was created to facilitate communication, collaboration, and unity between individual members, national YPG groups, IPSF, and FIP YPG. Our vision is to create one worldwide network of cohesive young pharmacists. Quality improvements are also underway to cultivate lasting YPG leadership roles within BPS and BPP.

I look optimistically to the future, and I hope to see you all at the upcoming 2019 World Congress in Abu Dhabi!

Best wishes,
Carolyn Dewart
New FIP YPG 2019 Subcommittee

Congratulations to the newly selected subcommittee! The YPG Steering Committee received over 100 applications from young pharmacists around the world for its 2019 YPG Subcommittee, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every applicant. We received many passionate applications from highly qualified YPG members, and we are eager to begin working together to produce another successful year within YPG.
Interview with FIP President: Mr. Dominique Jordan

Mr. Dominique Jordan is the current President of FIP. To start off the new year, we wanted to ask Mr. Jordan a few questions about his vision for the upcoming year and regarding the future of FIP. Ms. Nilhan Uzman, FIP Lead for Education Policy and Implementation, had the pleasure of interviewing the FIP President, Mr. Dominique Jordan recently on behalf of FIP YPG.

Please read the full story here.
We are pleased to announce that one of our very own members and leaders of FIP YPG, Ms. Sherly Meilianti, was featured on the front page of a magazine issue for “Medisina,” which is an Indonesian journal which highlights various practices of Indonesian pharmacy professionals.

Please read the full story here.

Innovation Grant Recipient 2018:
Jack Collins

Mr. Jack Collins is a PhD candidate at The University of Sydney and a practising community pharmacist in Australia. Jack’s area of research is the role of the community pharmacy in consumer self-care. His project explores whether implicit (unconscious) racial bias is present in practising community pharmacists through the use of simulated patients. Through this pilot research, Jack aims to determine to what extent implicit racial bias is present and then use these findings to go on to explore other potential biases and eventually develop interventions to address this bias to improve the uniformity of patient care regardless of patient demography. We interviewed him about his current research project and how he plans to utilise the grant money.

Please read the full story here.

Pharmacist’s Role in Cancer Prevention is Beyond Dispensing

World Cancer Day was celebrated earlier this month (Feb 4) to raise awareness and recognize those who are valiantly fighting this disease. As per a recent WHO report,
more than 9 million people died from cancer in the year 2018 itself, making it the second leading cause of death worldwide! While such statistics may not be new, it must be noted that this figure is partly because of ignorance about the disease and subsequent late diagnosis. A variety of lifestyle and genetic factors are implicated in the incidence of cancer.

Please read the full story here.

Congress Abu Dhabi 2019

Registration is now open! This year, YPG will be involved in several sessions during FIP Congress 2019 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Your YPG Steering Committee and Subcommittee are in the process of planning the fun YPG/IPSF Night, so please be on the lookout for any updates! If you have any ideas, please feel free to share with us by emailing ypg@fip.org.

Call for Abstracts is here: https://abudhabi2019.congress.pharmacy/call-for-abstracts/
The deadline to submit your abstract is 1 May 2019.

Click here to register for early-bird discounted rates, which end 10 June: Register here
We hope to see you there!
**Notices & Upcoming Events**

**YPG/IPSF Night**
Save the date/time for 24 September 2019, 19:30! The venue is to be confirmed and tickets will be released on the FIP Congress website, under registration: [click here](#).

**Mike How Travel Award**
The deadline to apply for this travel award is 15 April 2019. Please visit the website to learn more about how to apply: [click here](#).

**HaMIS Travel Grant**
The deadline to apply for this travel grant is 1 April 2019. Please visit the website to learn more about how to apply: [click here](#).

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**About YPG**
The Young Pharmacists Group (YPG) was officially established as a network of FIP in 2001, but young pharmacists have been a part of FIP for many years. The aim of the YPG is to encourage young pharmacists to get actively involved in international pharmacy and within the sections and organisation of FIP.