32nd EUROPEAN SYMPOSIUM on CLINICAL PHARMACY WILL BE HELD
IN VALENCE-SPAIN by 29 October - 1 November 2003.

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Although the steps in our country are new and few in numbers, Clinical Pharmacy Practice especially in US and the European Countries is very developed and considered as "The Future" of Pharmacy Profession and pharmacist who are educated in this field getting together in several symposiums and congresses to discuss the topics and the future of this topic. in this respect, ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM which is organised every year in October by ECSP (European Society of Clinical Pharmacy) will be held this year in Valencia-Spain, between 29 October - 1 November.

Pharmacy practice, follows the development from compounding to distributing onto clinical pharmacy and taking responsibilities in pharmaeutical care. Paraleli to these development, many new subjects will be considered and evaluated in this symposium. The main topic of the symposium  **Pharmacists in the Healthcare Team: Standards of Practice and Systems of Care**, attempt to collect and share out different views and concepts between various health-care systems, and will be discussed in detail according to the future of practice. Local descriptions of Pharmaceutical Care and an overview of various research projects, like how Pharmaceutical Care has been implemented in various community pharmacy practices in Europe will be evaluated. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss and "practice" implementation during the workshop. Experiences and models from EuroPharm Forum will be used as materials. This session provides an overview of different approaches to pharmaceutical care research. The relationship with other healthcare providers, barriers and constraints that play a significant role in the implementation process and approaches in pharmaceutical care services will be evaluated.

Some other discussions about practical issues required for a pharmacist-led clinic, also an overview of evidence-based standards of care from clinical and community pharmacy perspective will take place.
One of the challenges for pharmacy practice today is how to turn clinical evidence into standards for care and in particular, pharmaceutical care to optimise pharmacotherapy and achieve expected patient outcomes. How should be standards of practice in every country and what are the educational requirements to effect changing practice will also be explored during this symposium.

The implementation of standardised Pharmaceutical Care Plans (PCPs) for cancer patients receiving chemotherapy, pharmacist’s contribution to patient care, chronic pain management, the pharmacist’s role in infectious diseases, nutrition: computer-assisted individualisation of enteral nutrition, adverse drug reactions, the pharmacist’s impact on antibacterial drug therapy in hospital settings and the methodology of management of patients with severe mental illness will be discussed during the symposium.

An other subject of interest will be “Pain and Sedation in Pediatric Practice.” Especially the Clinical Pharmacists who are in the practice of pediatric patients can attend the Masterclass session and Workshops all day long during the symposium.

Besides the poster session and workshops on various subjects during the meeting, a discussion on “The Pharmacist in the Healthcare Team: Integration and Education” will be held on a Student-symposium session.

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