

## Isabel E. Stauffer Meritorious Service Award 2002/2003 Sponsored by Pharmaceutical Partners of Canada Margaret Gray

The Isabel E. Stauffer Meritorious Service Award, sponsored by Pharmaceutical Partners of Canada, is presented annually to a CSHP member in recognition of prolonged service and involvement in CSHP. This award recognizes members of the Society for significant, sustained contributions to CSHP, primarily at the branch and chapter levels.

Margaret Gray earned her Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree, with distinction, from the University of Saskatchewan in 1987. She moved directly into hospital pharmacy practice at the Misericordia Hospital in Edmonton, where her practice focused on work in a mixed intensive care/cardiac care unit. When the Capital Health Region was created in 1995, Margaret became 1 of 3 drug utilization pharmacists in the region, with her focus continuing in the area of drugs used in critical care, cardiology, and infectious diseases. Her responsibilities during this time included serving as cochair for the Regional Anaesthesia Advisory Subcommittee (of the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee) and as Pharmacy Representative to the Capital Health Cardiac Sciences Program Planning Council. Margaret is now one of a team of antimicrobial utilization pharmacists working in the Capital Health Region. She is responsible for issues related to infectious diseases, primarily for the University of Alberta Hospitals, Caritas Health Group (comprising 2 active treatment hospitals and 1 long-term care facility), and the Leduc Community Hospital.

Margaret has shared her expertise as a teacher, a speaker, and a mentor. Her insight has contributed to the development of students, residents, and pharmacists in pharmacokinetics, critical care, infectious diseases, and drug utilization. Her experience in interdisciplinary teamwork has resulted in ongoing development of programs in internal medicine and critical care.

Margaret has been an active member of CSHP since she was a pharmacy student in Saskatoon. Her commitment to the Society is evident through her volunteerism at the chapter, branch, and national levels. She has served as Central Chapter Chair (1993–1995), Branch Presidential Officer (1995–1997), and Branch Delegate (1997–2000) for the Alberta Branch, as well as



Margaret Gray (at right), accompanied by Sherry Piersol of Pharmaceutical Partners of Canada.

being involved in planning the Western Branches Banff Seminar (1998–2000) and serving as cochair for the conference in 2000. Nationally, Margaret has also served CSHP through various committees and task forces. Her involvement includes the Public Relations Committee, the Bylaws Committee (chair), the Pharmacist Prescribing Task Force, the Entry-Level PharmD Task Force, the Seamless Care Joint Task Force (acting cochair), and the Strategic Planning Committee (chair). Margaret is now completing her term on CSHP Council as Past President of our Society. Margaret was also honoured this year with the Practitioner Award presented by Alberta Branch CSHP.

## Distinguished Service Award 2002/2003 Sponsored by Janssen Ortho (Canada) Inc Bob Nakagawa

The Distinguished Service Award, sponsored by Janssen Ortho (Canada) Inc., is presented annually to a CSHP member in recognition of outstanding achievement in hospital pharmacy practice. The award recognizes significant ongoing contributions to hospital pharmacy practice and to the CSHP at the national, branch, and local levels.

Bob Nakagawa received his Bachelor of Science of Pharmacy in 1980 from the University of British Columbia (UBC) and subsequently completed a residency in hospital pharmacy at St Paul's Hospital in Vancouver. Bob is a licensed pharmacist in British Columbia. He is registered with the Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada and is a Fellow of the CSHP. Bob is currently a Clinical Adjunct Professor in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences and an Associate Member of the Faculty of Medicine at UBC.

During his professional career, Bob has had extensive involvement with numerous professional organizations, committees, and task forces, at both the provincial and national levels. He has served as President of CSHP (national), the BC Branch of the same organization, and the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia (the provincial licensing body). Bob has been recognized for his professional contributions and has received numerous awards. In 1996, he was awarded the Dean's Certificate of Merit from the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences at UBC. In addition, he has received the Isabel E. Stauffer Meritorious Service Award from the CSHP. He was listed in the *International Who's Who of Professionals* in 2001.

Bob is an expert in public drug plan management and provides advice on this topic to federal and provincial governments and international bodies. In 2001 he was appointed to the Steering Committee of the Reforming States Group. Bob has 23 years of experience



Bob Nakagawa (at right), accompanied by John Harvey of Janssen-Ortho (Canada) Inc.

working in health care in Canada. He has held several director-level positions since 1992, including Director of Pharmacy and Director of Patient Care Services at Lion's Gate Hospital in Vancouver. He has been the Director of Pharmacare in the British Columbia Ministry of Health and is currently Director of Pharmacy in the Fraser Health Authority in British Columbia.

## PPC Review 2003

**D**rum roll please! We are happy to announce that the 34th Professional Practice Conference (PPC) was a resounding success! Our final numbers show a grand total of 1098 registrants, including exhibitors. But the numbers alone don't tell the full story — the true measure of our success was the reaction of registrants to the high calibre of the educational program and other events.

CSHP staff seemed to have thought of everything! Their smiles provided a terrific start for each day, and their superb organizational skills were evident as they greeted registrants, processed on-site registrations, answered questions, and assisted speakers. And once again, the CSHP Educational Services Committee had assembled an impressive array of speakers to discuss a variety of therapeutic and health-related topics. Attendees had the opportunity to improve their knowledge in areas ranging from medication safety to medical myths, and many of us paused to consider our own health and lifestyle choices during Vivian Quiring's presentation "Hey, What About Me?!" Poster presentations were held on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday, including a special poster presentation session featuring handheld devices in the exhibit hall on Monday. In addition to our formal CSHP program, a total of 11 satellite symposia provided our corporate members and sponsors an opportunity to highlight other pertinent topics.

The extensive exhibits area, with over 63 booths and 252 exhibitor representatives on site, allowed registrants to view the newest and best in innovative products. The "new look" and cozy seating area of the CSHP booth was a big success, and draws for a multitude of door prizes added an element of fun and excitement to the proceedings in the exhibit hall. A raffle was held for a handheld computer donated by Sabex, and we were delighted when Judy Chong, the incoming chair of the Educational Services Committee, was announced as the winner!

As in previous years, the Awards Luncheons were a highlight of the conference. These luncheons provide a forum for recognition of our award winners, and at the same time allow registrants to relax and socialize. A total of 18 awards were presented, and 38 members were recognized for their submissions. The CSHP Distinguished Service Award, sponsored by Janssen Ortho, was awarded to Bob Nakagawa, and the recipient of our Isabel E. Stauffer Meritorious Service Award was Margaret Gray.

The Career Opportunities evening was a big success again this year, with 26 employer exhibits and



Honourable Gary G. Mar, Alberta Minister of Health and Wellness, keynote speaker for Research and Education Foundation dinner.

approximately 250 attendees. This event is a great forum for students, residents, and pharmacists contemplating career changes to meet prospective employers in a casual environment.

This year, the keynote speaker for the CSHP Research and Education Foundation dinner was the Honourable Gary G. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness for the province of Alberta. Attendees were immediately put at ease by Minister Mar's relaxed and humorous speaking style, and we were all highly impressed by his commitment to quality health care and his insight into the role of the pharmacist. As Master of Ceremonies, Research and Education Foundation Chair Bill Wilson maintained a congenial atmosphere throughout the evening, and the spirit of friendly competition among the participants in the silent auction raised \$2600 for the Foundation. Following the meal, the new CSHP Fellows were presented with their certificates and pins by Bonnie Salsman, Chair-Elect of the CSHP Board of Fellows. In total, this event raised approximately \$17 000 for the support of institutional pharmacy research.

Another highlight of the conference was the launch of the new Professional Standards for Hospital Pharmacy Practice, introduced by President Mike Gaucher at the opening session on Sunday (see page 110 of this issue). For this and other CSHP official publications, visit our Web site at [www.cshp.ca](http://www.cshp.ca).

Be sure not to miss next year's PPC at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel!

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Bonnie Salsman and Laurie Carquez

# Awards Presentations at 2003 PPC



## **Apotex Inc./PACE Award**

*Management Issues in Pharmaceutical Care*

**Elaine Chong, accompanied by Jim House of Apotex Inc./PACE**

Facilitating Delivery of Continuing Pharmacy Education via Streaming Media in a Large Canadian Tertiary Care Teaching Hospital



## **Baxter Corporation Award**

*Innovation in Safe Medicine Practices*

**Janet Smith (at left), accompanied by Alicia Gatt of Baxter Corporation**

Assessing the Guidelines for Potassium Replacement in Pediatric Oncology Patients Receiving Amphotericin B

## **Baxa Canada Award**

*Innovative Practitioner*

**S. Jo-Anne Wilson, Philip S. Wells, Michael J. Kovacs, Geoffrey M. Lewis, Janet Martin, Erica Burton, David R. Anderson**

A Randomized Controlled Trial Comparing the Quality of Oral Anticoagulant Monitoring by Anticoagulation Clinics with Family Physicians  
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## **Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group Award**

*Clinical Pharmacy Program*

**Shannon Sinclair, Janice Ma, and Régis Vaillancourt, accompanied by Theresa Atkinson of Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group**

Pharmacist-Managed Lipid Clinics: Development and Implementation in Ambulatory Care



## **Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group Award**

*Oral Anticoagulant Therapy*

**Claudia Bucci, Fran Paradiso-Hardy, Patti Madorin, and Stephanie Ong, accompanied by Todd Spencer (at left) of Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group**

Application of a Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) in a Pharmacy-Directed Warfarin Dosing Program

**GlaxoSmithKline Inc. Award**

*Pharmaceutical Care*

**Lori Romonko Slack, Tak Fung, Cheryl Jeffery, Steve Long**

Integration of a Pharmacist into a Multidisciplinary Geriatric Assessment Clinic: Does Better Communication of Drug-Related Problems and Related Recommendations to Community Caregivers Enhance the Care of Clinic Clients?

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**GlaxoSmithKline Inc. Award**

*Pharmacy Administration*

**Chole Campbell and Charmaine Cooke, accompanied by Anne Tran (middle) of GlaxoSmithKline Inc.**

Effect of Changes in Drug Benefit Status of Combination Topical Corticosteroid/Antibiotic Products



**Mayne Pharma (Canada) Inc. Award**

*Oncology*

**George Dranitsaris (at left), accompanied by Pierre Beaulieu of Mayne Pharma (Canada) Inc.**

Identifying the Optimal Timing of HER-2 Testing in Patients with Breast Cancer: A Canadian Economic Evaluation



**Novopharm Ltd. Award**

*New Programs in Patient Counselling – Papers or Audio Visuals*

**Patti Madorin, Fran Paradiso-Hardy, and Angie Giotis, accompanied by Pera Lee (at left) of Novopharm Ltd.**

Development, Implementation, and Evaluation of a Cardiovascular Medication Education Audiovisual Program



**Merck Frosst Canada and Co. Award**

*Rational Drug Use*

**Rubina Sunderji and Vivian Leung, accompanied by Janie Hubert of Merck Frosst Canada and Co.**

Switching from Abciximab to Eptifibatid for Percutaneous Coronary Interventions: A Local Analysis (SWAP Study)

**Novartis Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc. Award**

*Pharmacoeconomics*

**Carlo A. Marra, John M. Esdaile, Aslam H. Anis**

Practical Pharmacogenetics: The Cost-Effectiveness of Screening for Thiopurine S-Methyltransferase (TPMT) Polymorphisms in Patients with Rheumatological Conditions Treated with Azathioprine (AZA)

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**Pfizer Canada Inc. Award**

*Long-Term Health Care*

**Charles Bayliff (at left), accompanied by Martin Chung of Pfizer Canada Inc.**

Pharmacist's Contributions, Prescribing Practices, and Workload Measurement in an Outpatient Thoracic Rehabilitation Program



**Pharmascience Inc. Award**

*Patient Care Enhancement*

**Janet Martin, Charles Bayliff, and Sarah Connelly, accompanied by Marc Mireault (at right) of Pharmascience Inc.**

Seamless Care: Evaluating the Impact of a New Discharge Prescription Form



**Sabex Inc. Award**

*Palliative Care*

**Dominique Martel, accompanied by Steve Currie of Sabex Inc.**

A Profile on the Use of Alternative and Complementary Therapies in Children with Cancer



**Hoffmann – La Roche Limited Award**

*Specialties in Pharmacy Practice*

**Anne Dar Santos (at left), accompanied by Rosemary Hager of Hoffmann – La Roche Limited**

Multidisciplinary Approach to Erythropoietin Resistance in a Hemodialysis Unit

**Schering Canada Inc. Award**  
*Pharmacokinetic or Hospital Pharmacy –  
 Industry Relations Research*  
**Linda Awdishu, Sandra Taylor, Scott Walker,  
 and Sharon Yeung, accompanied by  
 Paul Manchur (at right) of Schering Canada Inc.**

Pharmacokinetics of Oral Ciprofloxacin in Non-Infected Patients on Continuous Cycling Peritoneal Dialysis

