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INVITATION

ACADEMIC SHOWCASE/WELCOME RECEPTION - 2006

Dear Colleague,

We invite you to participate in the 2006 Academic Showcase. This unique event will be held at the Lisboa Congress Centre, **6:30pm, Thursday, August 24**, in conjunction with the Welcome Reception for the Society's 2006 annual meeting. The *22nd International Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology & Therapeutic Risk Management* (ICPE) will be held August 24-27, at the Lisboa Congress Center, Lisbon, Portugal.

The International Society for Pharmacoepidemiology (ISPE) is an international forum for the open exchange of scientific information among academia, government, and industry. It has goals for the development of policy; as a provider of education; and an advocate for the fields of pharmacoepidemiology and therapeutic risk management. As you probably know, this international meeting is the venue for learning more about pharmacoepidemiology and therapeutic risk management. We expect this year's meeting to be the best yet.

Academic Program Showcase

ISPE would like to highlight graduate academic programs in pharmacoepidemiology, therapeutic risk management, epidemiology and other related disciplines at the conference. We believe this exposure is mutually beneficial to your academic program and to the Society. As a participating program, you will:

- Introduce meeting attendees to new educational opportunities at your school.
- Provide an opportunity for your students to learn about the Society and career opportunities in pharmacoepidemiology and therapeutic risk management while networking with practicing professionals.
- Benefit from increased visibility space for a table at the Welcome Reception
- Wear special colored ribbons indicating your status as an academic supporter
- Receive complimentary table space in the exhibit hall for program handouts. (An exhibit booth may be purchased at a discounted rate.)
- Be listed in the final program distributed and on the ISPE website
- Reinforce ties with your alumni.

The academic programs will be showcased at the Welcome Reception, which will begin at 6:30pm, Thursday, August 24, 2005. This kickoff social event traditionally is the "ice breaker" for the meeting. The Academic Showcase will conclude a day of special sessions for students and faculty, and meeting participants. A special skills workshop organized by the ISPE Student Council and designed to meet student-identified needs is open only to students and will be offered in the

morning. Students also may elect to participate in the *Introduction to Pharmacoepidemiology* (which is concurrent with the Student Skills Workshop) and one of two afternoon sessions -- *Advanced Topics in Pharmacoepidemiology* or *Introduction to Therapeutic Risk Management*. Any student registering for the entire ISPE conference may attend the student skills workshop, and the educational courses at no charge. The Student Council also is planning a social event on Saturday evening, August 26.

We trust you will find this invitation an interesting opportunity for your program and your students, and we encourage your participation at this year's meeting. In exchange for your participation at the *Academic Program Showcase*, a contribution of \$650.00 (US) for Non-Member academic programs, or \$300.00 (US) for ISPE academic members (organizational members) is suggested.

Of course, we anticipate that your faculty and students will participate in the entire conference. For more information about the Society and the annual meeting, please visit the ISPE website, www.pharmacoepi.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Lisbon.

Sincerely,

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