You are invited to join us on **Wednesday, June 13, 2018**, for the inaugural AAAS Pacific Division — AACP Students Symposium: “**Pharmaceutical Research and Development: From Bench to Patient-Centered Care**”. This symposium has an interdisciplinary nature and will include a variety of topics representing: pharmaceutical research and development, contemporary pharmacy practice, and patient-centered care. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about pharmacy research and engage in the dialogue on the impact of pharmaceutical discovery on the field of contemporary pharmacy and patient care.

**THE GOALS OF THIS PROGRAM ARE TO:**

- Showcase results from a wide range of research areas on effective treatment of known and/or emerging diseases.
- Highlight the “translational” component of pharmaceutical research, i.e. how fundamental research discoveries can be utilized in the clinic to ultimately improve patient care.
- Present novel evidence-based approaches to patient-centered pharmaceutical care. Diversity among the presentation topics will allow for open discussion and networking for all attendees.
- Provide an excellent opportunity for oral presentations by students currently enrolled in Colleges/Schools of Pharmacy. Qualified abstracts relating to bench, translational, and clinical research in areas of broad pharmaceutical sciences and pharmacy practice will be accepted for symposium presentation. Accepted abstracts will fall into one of two categories: PharmD track (if presenting author is a PharmD student) or MS/PhD track (if presenting author is a graduate student within a College/School of Pharmacy).

**DATE:**
Wednesday, June 13, 2018

**LOCATION:**
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Please include “AAASPD-AACP Students Symposium” in the e-mail subject line when submitting your abstract. Guidelines on abstract preparation and formatting can be found under the tab "Call for abstracts for contributed papers and posters" at: http://pacific.aaas.org/2018POMONA. Formal or informal inquiries are welcome at the above e-mail or by phone at: (714) 872-5711

**Presenting students will automatically enter the presentation competition to win one of two awards sponsored by the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP). The two winners will receive reimbursement of up to $1000 to cover the cost of attendance at any AACP conference. Abstracts of all presented papers will be published in the proceedings of the AAASPD Annual Meeting.**

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