



FIGON Dutch Medicines Days

4, 5, 6 October 2010

Programs in the Spotlight

Wednesday, October 6

Symposium on Drug Education "Drug Education from Development to Application"

Education in Drug Research; how to make (super)talented students interested in Drug Research

For the last decades the emphasis of Drug Education particularly in medicine and pharmacy has been more and more aimed at the application of knowledge in the healthcare. This is a necessary improvement taken into account the high number of avoidable errors occurring whilst prescribing drugs. However, this seems to have a negative effect on the more scientifically oriented education like pharmacology. In the current centrally steered curricula the education in the basic subjects, if they still exist, is mostly incorporated in remaining (more applicative) subjects. The recognisability, but especially familiarisation with fundamental (innovative) research, becomes less because of this. This may result in less interest from the (super)talented students in (innovative) drug research.

During this first FIGON-wide education symposium we would like to draw attention to this matter and jointly come to solutions. After an introduction on the current curricula medicine and pharmacy some examples of initiatives will follow regarding teaching and learning drug research. The symposium will be concluded by a panel discussion concerning the question how (super)talented students can be interested in drug research.

Curricula Medicine and Pharmacy "State of the art" - Theo de Vries (VUmc)

VWO game: The battle against cystic fibrosis - Mariska Bos en Ed Moret (Utrecht)

Bachelor College of Pharmaceutical Sciences - Irma Meijerman en Robbert Jan Kok (Utrecht)

Drug Development course - Robert Rissmann (Leiden)

Postgraduate Education Clinical Pharmacology - Ton de Boer (Utrecht)

Panel discussion 'Innovation start with (young) people'; based on statements

(Invitees: Adam Cohen, Ton de Boer, Daan Crommelin, Rob Henning, Huub Schellekens, Jan Schellens)

The language of this symposium is DUTCH.

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