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### ASCPT Distinguished Service Award Goes to Dr. Steven Ryder

**Alexandria, Va. (November 27, 2017)** — The American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics (ASCPT) has selected Steven Ryder, M.D., FACP, as the recipient of its 2018 Henry W. Elliott Distinguished Service Award. The award was established in 1979 to recognize members who continually share time, knowledge, and guidance to advance the Society's mission and programs.

Dr. Ryder is Senior Vice President and Chief Development Officer at Alexion Pharmaceuticals, a biotechnology company that delivers breakthrough treatments to patients with rare, devastating diseases. Before joining Alexion, he served as President of Astellas Pharma Global Development. From 1987 to 2008, he led various groups at Pfizer, including Clinical Development, R&D.



*Dr. Steven Ryder*

Dr. Ryder has 30 years of expertise guiding the development of biological and small molecule drugs, from research to clinical testing to production. His experience spans multiple treatment areas but has focused especially on metabolic diseases, the central nervous system, and cardiovascular health.

Throughout his many years of service for ASCPT, Dr. Ryder has held roles on the Board of Directors, including President from 2008 to 2009. He has also participated on various committees and boards for PhRMA, including the Clinical and Preclinical Development Committee, Clinical Leadership Committee, and Regulatory Executive Committee. Dr. Ryder was an industry representative for the Food and Drug Administration's Endocrine and Metabolic Drugs Advisory Committee. He was a member of the Biotechnology Industry Organization's Health Section Governing Board and chaired Gaylord Hospital's Board of Directors. Among his professional accolades are the Drug Information Association's Thomas W. Teal Award for Excellence in Statistics Publishing and Pfizer Central Research Achievement Award.

"It is a great and unexpected honor for me to accept the ASCPT Henry W. Elliott Distinguished Service Award," said Dr. Ryder. "Investing in the Society and its core mission is a privilege that I hope all members choose to experience."

Dr. Ryder earned his M.D. from Mount Sinai School of Medicine. He trained in internal medicine and endocrinology/metabolism at the Stony Brook School of Medicine and Northport (N.Y.) VA Medical Center and was a Research Associate in the Berson Laboratory at the Bronx VA Medical Center.

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**About ASCPT**

ASCPT is the leading forum for the discussion, development, and integration of clinical pharmacology, translational medicine, and therapeutics. Headquartered in Alexandria, Va., ASCPT was established in 1900. Today, more than 2,300 ASCPT members are committed to advancing the science and practice of translational medicine.

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