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Dr. Amita Joshi Is ASCPT's Mid-Career Leadership Award Recipient

Alexandria, Va. (November 27, 2017) — Amita Joshi, Ph.D., is the 2018 recipient of the American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics (ASCPT) Malle Jurima–Romet Mid-Career Leadership Award. The award spotlights scientists who exemplify professional growth through continued leadership, research excellence, and a commitment to the future of clinical pharmacology and translational medicine.

Dr. Joshi has 27 years of industry experience in pharmaceutical development. As Vice President of Clinical Pharmacology at Genentech, she is responsible for determining proper dosage and dosing frequency for medicines undergoing approval. She also manages the department's overall clinical pharmacology strategy and oversees clinical-stage development of small molecules, large molecules, and antibody drug conjugates.



Dr. Amita Joshi

The goal of Dr. Joshi's team is to find the right amount of medicine to achieve the intended effect, without adverse reactions. To do this, they assess the relationship between the medicine's dose and exposure in the body and how patients respond. They also study how intrinsic factors like gender, weight, age, and disease status, or extrinsic factors, like concomitant medicines, affect the exposure of the medicine. What they do translates to prescribing guidance for both investigative and approved drugs.

Previously, Dr. Joshi was a Principal Research Scientist at DuPont Pharmaceuticals, specializing in pharmacokinetics of small-molecule cancer and HIV drugs.

In recognition of her accomplishments as an innovator and female leader, Dr. Joshi received the Professional BusinessWomen of California Industry Leader Award and the Most Influential Women in Business Award from *San Francisco Business Times*. She has been invited to speak on dose optimization at many national conferences and symposia.

Dr. Joshi is an active member of ASCPT. She chaired the Biologics Community in 2014–15 and participated on the Scientific Program Committee in 2012–13. She has also been a volunteer leader for the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists, contributing to various task forces, committees, and conference symposia, workshops, and short courses.

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“I am truly humbled and honored to receive the Malle Jurima–Romet Mid-Career Leadership Award,” said Dr. Joshi. “It is gratifying to be selected by my peers in the clinical pharmacology community for my contributions to the growth and vitality of our field. It is also satisfying to see my work is impactful, and therefore I am energized and motivated to continue and further enhance my efforts. We are fortunate to have ASCPT as a great resource for building bridges among colleagues and for advancing the practice and impact of clinical pharmacology.”

Dr. Joshi earned her master’s degree in clinical pharmacology from Bombay University, India, and her Ph.D. in pharmacokinetics from the University of Texas at Austin.

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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