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Erasure from the Register on the direction of the Statutory Committee

The name of the following person was erased from the Register of Pharmaceutical Chemists on 14 May 2008 following the direction of the Statutory Committee at its meeting on 14 February 2008: **Christopher Dotchin** (registration number 1051544), of Newcastle upon Tyne.

Jeremy Holmes
Chief Executive and Registrar

Disciplinary Committee inquiries

The Disciplinary Committee will meet at the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain on Tuesday 27, Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 May 2008 at 9.30am to hear the following matters:

1. The Statutory Committee inquiry into **Sanjay Janubhai Patel** (registration number 76827) who on 28 July 2006

- at Oxford Crown Court was convicted of seven counts of false accounting.
2. The Statutory Committee inquiry into **Samir Patel** (registration number 74641) who on 30 October 2006 at Lewes Crown Court was convicted of: supplying a Controlled Drug to another (Diconal); supplying a Controlled Drug to another (Fentanyl, Durogesic); four counts of contravening regulations made under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971. A further 134 offences of contravening regulations made under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 were taken into account by the court.
3. The application for restoration on behalf of **Ziad Khattab** (previous registration number 1067963).

Statutory Committees Secretariat

Disciplinary Committee decisions

The Disciplinary Committee met from Monday 12 to Friday 16 May 2008 and made the following directions:

1. The Committee refused an application for restoration on behalf of **Bharatkumar Ramanbhai Patel** (previous registration number 74635).

2. Following a Statutory Committee inquiry into **Mohammad Amir Yasin** (registration number 1072446), the committee directed the removal of Mr Yasin's name from the Register of Pharmaceutical Chemists. Under Section 11 of the Pharmacy Act 1954, the direction to remove Mr Yasin's name from the Register is not to take effect until the expiration of a period of three months from the date on which notice of removal was given or in a case where an appeal has been brought against the direction, until the appeal is determined or withdrawn.
3. Following a Statutory Committee inquiry into **Jawid Ahmed Yusuf** (registration number 84208), the committee directed the removal of Mr Yusuf's name from the Register. Under Section 11 of the Pharmacy Act 1954, the direction to remove Mr Yusuf's name from the Register is not to take effect until the expiration of a period of three months from the date on which notice of removal was given or in a case where an appeal has been brought against the direction, until the appeal is determined or withdrawn.
4. Following a Statutory Committee inquiry into

Royal Pharmaceutical Society and Academy of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Symposium: Equipping our students for a changing profession

- **Date:** Monday 10 November 2008
- **Venue:** Royal Pharmaceutical Society, London
- **Content:** While the UK pharmacy degree continues to be internationally recognised for its scope and quality, it is essential to ensure that there is a suitable level of connection between the educational outputs of the degree and the needs of the profession. This meeting is intended to bring together academics, policy makers, employers and recent graduates in order to exchange views on how we should address current needs and future changes in the profession at the undergraduate level.
- **Fee:** £125 for members of the Society or the Academy; £140 for non-members (a reduced fee of £99 for those registering before 31 July); £50 for students
- **Further information:** Julie Churchill, Royal Pharmaceutical Society, 1 Lambeth High Street, London SE1 7JN (tel 020 7572 2261; e-mail science@rpsgb.org)

Joint Pharmaceutical Analysis Group

Symposium: Combating counterfeit medicines

- **Date:** Thursday 12 June 2008
- **Venue:** King's College London (Waterloo campus)
- **Content:** Counterfeit medicines are estimated to account for more than 10 per cent of the global medicines market and in some developing countries this figure is thought to be as high as 50 per cent. One prediction is that global counterfeit drug sales will reach \$75bn by 2010. This symposium looks at methods to detect counterfeit medicines, the current and prospective legislative position, and ways to combat counterfeiting. The exhibition presents relevant equipment and systems to detect and combat counterfeit medicines.
- **Fees:** £105 for members of JPAG (must be registered before 1 June 2008), £175 for members of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society or the Royal Society of Chemistry, £25 for retired, student or unemployed members of the RPSGB or the RSC, £175 for non-members.
- **Further information:** Julie Churchill, Royal Pharmaceutical Society, 1 Lambeth High Street, London, SE1 7JN (tel 020 7572 2261; e-mail science@rpsgb.org).

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Symposium: Tableting technology for the pharmaceutical industry

- **Dates:** Monday 24 – Wednesday 26 November 2008
- **Venue:** Moller Centre, Cambridge
- **Content:** An intensive course on the formulation, production and properties of pharmaceutical tablets. This course will examine the basic concepts of equipment selection, granulation and end-point determination, formulation optimisation and prediction, in-process monitoring, film coating and official and non-official dissolution tests. It is designed to be applicable to the day to day problems of tableting, linked to a sound theoretical knowledge of the principles involved.
- **Fees:** £1,605 for non-members or £1,550 for members of the Society or the Academy. The fees include two nights' accommodation, meals and refreshments, a welcome reception, social programme and a resource pack with full course documentation and CD-ROM.
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Scottish Pharmacy Board roadshows

In the wake of the Clarke Inquiry into a future professional body for pharmacy, the Scottish Pharmacy Board is running a series of roadshows across Scotland entitled "Professional leadership — your choice". Dates and venues for the roadshows are as follows:

- **27 May** Brahan Lecture Theatre, Highland Hospice, Inverness
- **2 June** Palm Court Hotel, 17 Seafield Road, Aberdeen
- **4 June** Queens Hotel, 105 Leonard Street, Perth
- **9 June** University of Strathclyde, 27 Taylor Street, Glasgow
- **10 June** Royal Pharmaceutical Society, 36 York Place, Edinburgh

All roadshows will begin at 7 for 7.30pm. They will be hosted by Lyndon Braddick, director for Scotland, and will include presentations from Rose Marie Parr, SPB chairman, and Frank Owens, SPB vice-chairman. Refreshments will be provided.

Kantilal Khushalbhai

Mistry (registration number 74015), the committee directed the removal of Mr Mistry's name from the Register of Pharmaceutical Chemists. Under Section 11 of the Pharmacy Act 1954, the direction to remove Mr Mistry's name from the Register is not to take effect until the expiration of a period of three months from the date on which notice of removal was given or in a case where an appeal has been brought against the direction, until the appeal is determined or withdrawn.

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DEATHS

James On 5 May, Bryan David James, MRPharmS, aged 64, of Central Pharmacy, 208 Ystrad Road, Pentre, Mid Glamorgan CF41 7PE. Mr James registered in 1969. See tribute column.

Keir On 9 May, David Leitch Keir, aged 91, of Woodlands, off Glasgow Road, Perth PH2 0PJ. Mr Keir registered in 1941 and retired from the Register in 2004.

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Symposium: Pharmacogenetics in context

- **Date:** Wednesday 4 June 2008
- **Venue:** Royal Pharmaceutical Society, 1 Lambeth High Street, London SE1
- **Content:** Understanding the impact of genetic variability in drug response is an important component of the implementation of personalised medicine. However, rapid and widespread introduction of robust and acceptable genetic tests is yet to happen. This symposium will review the reasons for this and the current state of play with regard to the translation of research findings into clinical practice.
- **Fees:** £125 for members of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society or Academy of Pharmaceutical Sciences, or £140 for non-members (plus a discounted fee of £50 for students)
- **Further information:** Julie Churchill, Royal Pharmaceutical Society, 1 Lambeth High Street, London SE1 7JN (tel 020 7572 2261; e-mail science@rpsqb.org)

TRIBUTES

James In a tribute to the late Bryan David James, MIKE PRICE writes: I probably first met Bryan when I was a young pharmacist doing "reliefs" for Boots in the Rhondda valleys in the early 1980s.

It was attendance at rugby internationals during the mid 80s when we forged our friendship; in this respect Bryan was no different from most Welsh pharmacists, sharing a passion for their national sport and team. He was also fond of

playing snooker with other Rhondda pharmacists. After working for many years as a pharmacy manager, he had acquired a traditional pharmacy in Ton Pentre, a close-knit ex-mining community near Treorchy. He maintained it that way; a local pharmacy (counter service, correct smells) that encompassed values of simple, honest and attentive personal service.

As a man, Bryan was modest, introspective, philosophical and had a wise head when you needed



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Financial help for pharmacists and their dependants and information about convalescence 0161 427 9776 or 01323 890135

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advice. He enjoyed his life, and was generous to those he loved. He will be missed. My deepest sympathies extend to his wife Gwyneth and his family.

DIARY

Local meetings

Events listed below are meetings of Royal Pharmaceutical Society branches. Details of all future meetings notified to *The Journal* appear in the Diary section of *PJ Online* (www.pjonline.com/diary)

Wednesday 28 May

Northamptonshire "Update on chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and medicines use review advice" by Steve Hickey (Northampton General Hospital Restart Team). Kettering Conference Centre, Thurston Drive, Kettering. Buffet 7pm, meeting 7.30pm.

Thursday 29 May

Hull "The Clarke report" by Dorothy Drury (member of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society's Council). The Bell Hotel, Driffield. Buffet 6.30pm, meeting 7pm.

Tuesday 3 June

Dudley "Care of the diabetes patient" by Sue Bacon (clinical nurse specialist, Dudley Primary Care Trust). Dudley Clinical Education Centre, Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley. 7.45 for 8pm. **South East Metropolitan** "Focus Group for England: consultation on the Benevolent Fund" by Jill Gorin. Clarendon Hotel, Blackheath. Buffet 7.30pm, meeting 8pm.

Thursday 5 June

Huddersfield "First pharmacists with special interests accredited in anticoagulation" by Rachel Urban (community pharmacy development and clinical governance pharmacist, Bradford and Airedale Teaching Primary Care Trust). Boardroom, Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, Acre Street, Lindley, Huddersfield. Buffet 7.30pm, meeting 8pm. **Medway** "A night in pain" by Sarah Coulling (acute pain specialist nurse and non medical prescriber). Medway School of Pharmacy, Anson Building, Central Avenue, Chatham Maritime. Buffet 7.15pm, meeting 7.45pm.

Friday 6 June

Clwyd "Guided walk". The Devil's Gorge, Loggerheads Country Park. 6.45pm.