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University of Utah Educator Honored for Research Excellence
AACP to present award at annual meeting in July

Alexandria, Va. – The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACCP) will honor a pharmacy educator from The University of Utah for his outstanding research and contributions to the field of pharmaceutical sciences. Glenn D. Prestwich, Ph.D., will receive the prestigious Volwiler Research Achievement Award during the 2008 AACCP and Association of Faculties of Pharmacy of Canada (AFPC) Annual Meeting and Seminars in Chicago, Ill., July 19-23.

“Glenn is an exceptional leader and teacher. He is not only known for his incredible contributions to pharmaceutical education, but for a commitment to research that is vital to the academic community,” explained Lucinda L. Maine, Ph.D., AACCP executive vice president and CEO. “It is an honor to present him with this prestigious award.”

Prestwich is presidential professor of medicinal chemistry at The University of Utah College of Pharmacy, holding adjunct appointments in the departments of chemistry, biochemistry and bioengineering. During his 32 years as a faculty member, Prestwich has published more than 600 technical papers, patents and book chapters including popular articles in *National Geographic* and *Scientific American*.

The overarching theme in all of Prestwich’s research is the use of organic chemistry to address unmet clinical needs. His current research programs focus on new reagents for lipid signaling in cell biology and cancer treatment, and biomaterials for wound repair, cartilage repair, stem cell culture, tissue engineering, scar-free healing, and toxicology and xenograft models.

“Dr. Prestwich’s role at The University of Utah has given new recognition to the importance of translational research in delivering the benefits of medicinal chemistry to researchers, the pharmaceutical industry and patients,” said Chris M. Ireland, Ph.D., professor and chair of the department of medicinal chemistry at the college.

The award consists of a gold medal and a monetary prize, and was established in honor of the late Ernest H. Volwiler, Abbott Laboratories former president and research director. Prestwich will receive his award at the Examining Excellence Award Plenary at the 2008 AACCP/AFPC Annual Meeting and Seminars.

The 2008 AACCP/AFPC Annual Meeting and Seminars, *A Bold New World*, will be held July 19-23, 2008 at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers in Chicago, Ill. The conference offers educational programming, exhibits, networking events and award presentations. *Registration fees are waived for credentialed journalists. Visit the [AACCP Web site](#) or contact our media relations representative for more information.*

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About AACCP

Founded in 1900, the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACCP) is a national organization representing the interests of pharmacy education and educators. Comprising all 105 U.S. colleges and

schools of pharmacy including more than 4,300 faculty, 48,500 students enrolled in professional programs and 3,600 individuals pursuing graduate study, AACP is committed to excellence in pharmacy education. To learn more about AACP, visit its Web site at www.aacp.org.