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## Lifetime Commitment to Public Health Recognized

### *Brazilian Pharmacy Association Honors USP's Roger Williams*

**Rockville, Md., August 17, 2009** — In recognition of a long-term commitment to advancing public health, the Brazilian National Academy of Pharmacy (Academia Nacional de Farmácia or ANF) has awarded Roger L. Williams, M.D., the distinction of International Honorary Member. Dr. Williams is chief executive officer of the U.S. Pharmacopeial (USP) Convention, a scientific nonprofit organization whose mission is to improve the health of people around the world through standards and related programs that help ensure the quality, safety and benefit of medicines and foods. The ANF is a 72-year-old association dedicated to recognizing and advocating the highest standards of pharmacy throughout Brazil.

According to Lauro Moretto, Pharm.D., secretary general of ANF, “Dr. Williams is well-deserving of this honor. His extensive professional experience, scientific awards and achievements, both nationally and internationally, speak to an exemplary career that has been dedicated to the advancement of public health. We are very pleased to have Dr. Williams as part of ANF.”

“I am deeply honored to accept this distinction,” said Dr. Williams. “I greatly admire the work of Dr. Moretto and the ANF, and share their vision of excellence in pharmacy science and practice.”

Dr. Williams was trained at Oberlin College and at the University of Chicago’s School of Medicine. He served in the United States Army first in Korea and then at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, where he conducted anti-malarial drug research. Prior to joining USP, Dr. Williams worked in academia and at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). He is a board certified internist and clinical pharmacologist and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Omega Alpha. He received the U.S. Army Award of Merit from the Army and many awards while at FDA. He is a fellow of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists, an expert member of the International Pharmacy Federation Board of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and has represented USP at the World Health Organization. Dr. Williams has authored or co-authored more than 200 published writings on many topics, focusing on applied regulatory and compendial science.

USP is headquartered in the United States and has offices and laboratories in Brazil, China and India, and an office in Switzerland. In these countries and throughout the world, USP works closely with regulators, manufacturers and practitioners to improve the quality and purity of medicines and food ingredients.

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