

Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association

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Siddhartha Mukherjee to be Keynote Speaker at HOPA Annual Conference March 16-19, 2016 - Atlanta, GA *Early Bird Registration Discounts End February 5*

Chicago, IL (February 3, 2016): Pulitzer Prize-winning author and oncologist, Siddhartha Mukherjee, M.D., Ph.D., will be the opening keynote speaker at the HOPA 12th Annual Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Mukherjee, a leading cancer physician and researcher, authored the *Emperor of All Maladies: A Biography of Cancer*, which was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for general nonfiction in 2011. This was later adapted into a six-hour film released in March 2015 titled “*Cancer: the Emperor of All Maladies*.” Other notable works by Dr. Mukherjee include *The Laws of Medicine*, multiple articles published in national news outlets, and the forthcoming *The Gene*.

The HOPA Annual Conference is the premier learning event for all practitioners who specialize in the field of hematology/oncology pharmacy. Conference programming is designed for seasoned and new practitioners alike, providing education and resources to help attendees deliver the highest quality of care for their patients. New at this year’s conference, HOPA will feature:

- Significant papers in hematology/oncology
- An interdisciplinary practice panel focusing on the cost of cancer care
- Practice management-focused general sessions
- Chemotherapy safety sessions presented by the Institute for Safe Medication Practices
- State of the Art in Oncology Pharmacy Research

Other conference highlights include eight hours of BCOP recertification credit, breakout sessions on topics including leadership and drug spending, and a variety of networking events. Three timely preconference sessions will be offered on March 16, allowing attendees to enrich their conference experience and maximize learning opportunities while in Atlanta.

Special Early Bird pricing ends February 5, 2016. For more information, visit www.hoparx.org.



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HOPA is a nonprofit professional organization formed in 2004 to help oncology and hematology pharmacy practitioners and their associates provide the best possible cancer care. HOPA supports research, conducts educational conferences to advance knowledge, encourages professional development and advocates for health policy issues that improve patient care. HOPA has more than 2,300 members and includes oncology pharmacists, as well as pharmacy interns, residents, technicians, researchers, and administrators specializing in hematology/oncology practice.

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