CNS drug development perspectives for young neurologists

The role of Neurologists participating in drug development activities has increased quite significantly in the past 15 years. The CNS drug market is one of the largest with many indications lacking effective therapy. With the increase of life-expectancy, the burden of neurological diseases will expand notably in the coming years. Participating actively, in bringing to the patients, therapies for conditions with unmet medical needs, is very rewarding for the clinical research neurologist, regardless the challenges. The pharmaceutical industry need for specialized medical staff, with clinical experience, is expanding rapidly. Perspectives for young neurologists wishing to take part in this exciting journey include careers in: Clinical Pharmacology, phase II/III clinical research and development, medical affairs, safety and pharmacovigilance, medical education and communication, regulatory affairs, medical writing, strategy and consultancy. Work opportunities in big pharma companies, Biotechs, CROs and independent consultancy practices, can be considered for neurologists wishing to integrate the drug development field.

Biography

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