

OUR VISION

The Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology looks forward to :

a. Comply with recommendations by Pharmacists Council of Nigeria and National Universities

Commission: The two accreditation teams (NUC & PCN) recommended that Faculty of Pharmacy should host her Department of Pharmacology during various accreditation visits as obtains in other universities in Nigeria.

b. Create leadership in Pharmacological Knowledge and advanced research in Pharmacology and Toxicology:

Graduates produced will lead the scientific community in advancing knowledge and research in Pharmacology and Toxicology. The Department will foster the establishment of a much needed drug information and poison control/ pharmacovigilance programme, which can only be powered and anchored by relevant professionals and excellent laboratory facilities. The availability of such a facility will help mitigate the public health dangers of an ineffective and poorly coordinated surveillance programme.

c. Provide intensive training in Pharmacology and Toxicology required for the proposed Pharm. D programme:

Pharmacology and Toxicology plays a pivotal role in the Pharm D programme with an ultimate goal to produce Pharmacy Practitioners with knowledge, skills and motivation to provide patient-centered pharmaceutical services. With the proposed Pharm. D. (Doctor of Pharmacy) degree programme, the required pharmacology component of the pharmacy training is more intensive. This can only be driven by a dedicated Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology resident in Faculty of Pharmacy.

d. Increase the critical mass of Pharmacist/Pharmacologist Lecturers: Increasing the critical mass of high quality sustainable Pharmacist/Pharmacologist teachers and researchers who will strengthen Universities and research in the Pharmaceutical Sciences. This would also provide the opportunity to meet number of Pharmacists-Lecturers in core Departments as prescribed by the Pharmacists Council of Nigeria.

e. Provide an impetus for B. Pharm graduates to undertake postgraduate studies in Pharmacology: Postgraduate studies in Pharmacology and Toxicology are required to fuel growth and local knowledge that are relevant to pharmaceutical practice.

f. Establish research collaboration between the Department, the Faculty of Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Industry and other stakeholders such as the National Agency For Food Drug Administration and Control:

The areas of special interest to industrial concerns and various agencies of government include discovery of new molecules, effect of drugs in the human body, novel or improved drug delivery system, drug discovery of drug interactions, and adverse or toxic effects of drugs or chemicals. This would be possible through focused research in these relevant areas by the academic staff.