

UCB Fellowship Alumni Spotlight:



Osamagbe Woghiren, PharmD
U.S. Principal Safety Officer,
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At UCB, innovation thrives through the expertise and dedication of our people, transforming scientific advancements into meaningful outcomes for patients worldwide. We are proud to spotlight Osamagbe (Osa) Woghiren, PharmD, a recent graduate of our Medical Safety & Pharmacovigilance PharmD fellowship, who has quickly advanced within UCB and now plays a key role in enhancing global patient safety.

In her role as the U.S. Principal Safety Officer within International Pharmacovigilance, Osa is responsible for a range of critical activities, including submissions and launch support, audit and inspection readiness, safety reporting, and local risk management. Her work helps ensure compliance with both local and international regulations, as well as UCB's internal standards. "Building on the comprehensive exposure to various aspects of the pharmacovigilance system provided by the fellowship, I was well-prepared to confidently step into my current role", Osa shares.

To provide insight into her current role, Osa briefly discusses three current key priorities: First, she supports U.S. Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) Operations oversight, collaborating with internal and external stakeholders to optimize REMS programs and ensure FDA compliance. Second, she applies her regulatory intelligence expertise, conducting various program reviews to assess for any impact on PV-regulatory obligations. Third, she leads innovation discussions with cross-functional SMEs to improve key safety processes, noting that "In pharmacovigilance, especially in today's rapidly evolving landscape driven by technological advancements and digitalization, our approaches should evolve to meet these demands while prioritizing patient safety and regulatory compliance".

Osa's passion as an industry pharmacist lies in contributing meaningfully to patient safety. Reflecting on her journey, she concludes, "The fellowship's rotational structure provided me with the opportunity to acquire a broad range of knowledge and skills essential for success. Post-fellowship, I continue to deepen my expertise in pharmacovigilance".