

## 2012 ASIPS Annual Meeting Report

Greetings to our dear ASIPS members,

In our 19<sup>th</sup> annual meeting which was held on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> in Chicago, Illinois, 20 members including me (Maryam Agharahimi, ASIPS President) came in and we all had a great time! We started our meeting based on our agenda and as always Dr. Parviz Mojaverian, ASIPS founder and executive director started the meeting with a warm welcoming and then discussed about the most recent events that happened around us and among us. One of the news that he was proud to announce was the most recent work of our past president, Dr. Mohsen Sadatrezaei and his research group for successfully developing chewing gum for motion sickness! For more information you can refer to the link below:

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2012-10/aaop-ncg101112.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2012-10/aaop-ncg101112.php)

Dr. Mojaverian then talked about our membership fee and we updated informations of our old members and new members that came to our meeting. Dr. Assad Kazemeiny had a great idea in regard of announcement of any job opening or any other opportunity in LinkedIn so everybody who is in this system can have access to it. Dr. Reza Saberi, the author of English-Persian Pharmaceutical Dictionary, then had explanation about his book.

This year, I was proud to be the winner of the 2012 ASIPS student award sponsored by Dr. Assad Kazemeiny, President and founder of Irvine Analytical Laboratories, Inc. Thank you Dr. Kazemeiny for your generosity and unconditional support for ASIPS! ASIPS student award is 500 dollars and each year will donate to the best applicant in attendance of ASIPS meeting. The new ASIPS President (2012-2014) was voted to be Dr. Nooshin Daneshpour. Dr. Daneshpour is one of our active members and we all have confidence that she will carry all of her responsibilities in the best way! Congratulation Dr. Daneshpour!

By the end, we all had discussion and many valuable suggestions to improve our outcome for future and also to improve our website. We all agreed to make our website (asips.net) a more valuable source of information and updated news, so our current and future scientist can communicate and use it more efficiently.

I owe many thanks to our valuable members specially our executive director, Dr. Mojaverian who let me handle the presidency position for ASIPS for 2010-2012. I feel so privileged to have had the opportunity to be a member of this group and communicate with lovely and professional people through ASIPS.

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