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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Greetings and Best wishes for July 4, hope you are enjoying the summer of 2013. In keeping with our goals to grow we have undertaken a few new initiatives and made a few changes. Drs. Vijai Kumar and Rutesh Dave are working diligently on the awards platform. We want to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Bhargava who has been chairing the student's award committee for several years, and welcome Dr. Hardeep Saluja who will take over this very important responsibility. The details of the student's award are in this edition of the Newsletter. The Long Island Chapter of AAiPS has also selected a new panel of leaders - Congratulations to Utsav Patel and Zarna Patel who will be taking the organization forward, one change they are making is to expand the reach of the association to Pharm D. students.

AAiPS members continue to be recognized for their contributions, See the news regarding Dr. Mahendra Patel and AAiPS EC Committee member Dr. Rutesh Dave.

Looking to the second half of this year, we are organizing a symposium on nanotechnology on September 2013. Speakers from industry, academia and FDA will be participating at this event; in addition students will have an opportunity to present posters on related topics. I am very excited about this new initiative we have undertaken. Also, plans are underway for yet another fantastic AAiPS annual meeting on Wednesday Nov 13 in San Antonio. Please make sure you hold the date on your calendars.

I am looking forward to meeting you all in person at the various events, in the meantime please feel free to contact me by email at udaydoshi@aol.com

Best wishes.

Uday Doshi

President

QUOTES

“Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.”
— Mahatma Gandhi.

“If you want to know what a man's like, take a good look at how he treats his inferiors, not his equals.”
— J.K. Rowling, *Harry Potter and the goblet of fire*

CALL FOR NOMINATION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR YEARS 2014-2015

In accordance with the constitution (see italicized material below), the Nominating Committee are seeking nominations from AAiPS membership for the following posts for the two years term starting January 2014:

President

Vice-President

Chairman – METRO DC Chapter

A three (3) member Nomination Committee shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the Executive Committee for starting the election process at least five months before the forthcoming Annual Meeting of the General Membership. The President, the Vice President, the Treasurer and the Secretary shall be elected by the entire membership of the Association. The President and the Vice President will serve for a term of two years. The Treasurer and the Secretary shall serve for a period of four years. The Officers of the Association, i.e. the President, the Vice President, the Secretary and the Treasurer should be members of the association in good standing. The President shall be an individual of Indian origin.

Please send your nomination or intention to run for office in writing by September 10, 2013 to

Dr. Mohan Kabadi, Chair, Nominating Committee

At AAiPS P.O. Box 7244 Colonia, NJ. 07067

NEWS FROM AAIPS – LIU STUDENT CHAPTER

News from AAiPS-LIU Student Chapter: Constitution of the new AAIPS student chapter was revised and approved in Spring 2013. LIU's student government association provided funding in the amount close to \$ 1200.00 to support its activity throughout the academic year ending in August 2013. One of the aims was to create more awareness amongst the Pharm.D. Students to get more involved in research/industry related activities and committee met several times to discuss how to increase awareness and generate motivation for our Pharm.D. Students. Following approaches will be taken in upcoming year

- 1) Fund students (Pharm.D and Graduate) to attend regional meetings
- 2) Create more Deans hour and bring in Industrial scientist to interact with students
- 3) Facilitate internship opportunities for students
- 4) Allow one networking session per year on-campus or off-campus and invite students and Pharma industry scientists to interact with each other.

Other news: Utsav Patel was elected to be the president of IAPS-AAIPS student chapter, Zarna Patel will handle AAIPS related activities and was elected as Chair of AAIPS.

AWARDS

The **American Association of Indian Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAiPS)** is pleased to announce the availability of **SIX** awards for the graduate students in Pharmaceutical Sciences, Regulatory and Clinical Sciences. **Four** awards will be given in the field of pharmaceutical sciences and **two** in the field of regulatory and

clinical sciences. Applicants in pharmaceutical sciences should submit their research findings. Applications for consideration to the regulatory and clinical science should be focused on the drug regulation and practice and science in the clinical setting respectively. All applicants must present their research findings at the 2013 Annual meeting of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS). **FOUR** awards will be given to the students of Indian heritage and **TWO** are open to all graduate students.

Interested graduate students should submit a two page summary of their research findings. The format should include **Title, Author, Affiliation, Objective, Methodologies, Results, Discussions and Conclusions**. Please include your Telephone #, Fax #, and email address with your submission.

Please send your submissions by **Friday, August, 30 2013** to:

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CONGRATULATIONS

AAiPS extends its heartiest congratulations to Dr Rutesh Dave for being one of the four recipients of Long Island University's most prestigious faculty awards, the David Newton Awards for Excellence in Teaching. "I believe in teaching students how to relate the theoretical knowledge gained in class to real life scenarios," said Dr. Dave. "This award is a reflection of our students'

support, which further motivates us to teach better every day.”



Dr. Dave teaches in the professional and graduate level programs at LIU Pharmacy and also maintains an active research laboratory. His research interests include pre-formulation, formulation, powder technology and novel drug-delivery systems. He has published several scientific posters and papers in his field of research and plays an active role in various pharmaceutical organizations. Currently he has six M.S. and eight Ph.D. students working under his supervision in his lab, which he fondly calls the “Technology Development Center.”

AAiPS extends its heartiest congratulations to Dr Mahendra Patel for being one of the 100 "Outstanding Americans" felicitated on

May 11th with the Ellis Island Medal of Honor.

Dr. Patel is CEO of Navinta LLC, provides low-cost medications to needy patients in India thru Patel Charitable Foundation and the Patel Charitable Foundation supports educational and medical concerns in both the U.S. and India.



Dr Mahendra Patel at the award ceremony



At the May 11 dinner gala, from left, Dr. Panna Barai, Dr. Bharat Barai, Jayashree Patel, Mahendra Patel, Ramesh Patel and Sucheta Patel.

PAST EVENTS

AAiPS extended its support to PHARMA Pro&Pack Expo 2013 at Mumbai, India held

in April this year where more than 200 exhibiting companies from 14 countries. The event was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief minister of Maharashtra Prithviraj Chavan. The Exhibition has left a strong footprint in the Indian pharma economy, as giving the best opportunity to the industry to promote the Brand India concept. As being the show intitated, promoted, organized by industry itself, it helped to share a common platform for even a micro scaled entrepreneur to exhibit alongside industry giants and promote their skills and services.



A detailed event of the report is available at <http://www.pharmapropack.com/pdf/PPPE-2013-Post-Show-Report.pdf>

UPCOMING EVENTS



TECHNOLOGY symposium

It is our great pleasure to invite you to attend the AAiPS symposium on

Role of Nanotechnology in Development of Complex Generics and Biosimilars
September 14th 2013, 8am – 2 pm.
Location Dolce Vita, Basking Ridge New Jersey

In line with our mission, we are organizing this event to encourage advancement of pharmaceutical sciences by providing a

platform for scientists to come together and exchange ideas.

Preliminary Program: (8:00 AM to 2 PM)

Student poster display begins	7.30 am
Registration/Breakfast	8:00-8:50am
Introductions	8:50-9:00am
Speaker 1	9:00-9:40am
Speaker 2	9:40-10:20am
Break and posters	10:20 –11:00am
Speaker 3	11.00–11.40am
Speaker 4	11:40 am– 12:20pm
Lunch	12:20 – 1:00pm
Round table & Q&A	1:00 – 1:30 pm
Closing remarks and award ceremony	1:30- 2:00 pm

Details will be announced on our website soon.

Tabletting Course

- *From Dr Michael Repka*

I just wanted to let you know that the long held Tabletting Course at the University of Tennessee has been moved to The University of Mississippi starting with the September 22-27, 2013 course. We at Ole Miss are very excited about this change in venue.

To continue the quality, continuity and value of this extremely successful course, Mr. Ed Brunson and Dr. Jim Johnson from UTenn will be directing the course along with Dr. Jit Majumdar and myself. One change has been the addition of a Melt Extrusion presentation and hands-on lab.

If you would, please pass this web link on to anyone whom you might think would be interested. Registration can be made online or by mail. Just as for the courses held at UTenn, due to the hands-on nature of the course, we have a limited number of

registrants that we can accept, so please encourage early registration.

Thank you for your help in disseminating this information. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

URL:

<http://www.outreach.olemiss.edu/tablettech>

Best Regards,

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This forum is a great platform for informing every one of recent changes in your professional life. If you have moved to a new job or need to update contact information, email us and we will post it.

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One year (four issues): \$1000 full page, \$500 half a page, \$250 quarter page

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Contact: Ramesh Raikar
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