

AMP ANNUAL MEETING 2017: POST MEETING REPORT

Firstly, I feel grateful to the Association for Molecular Pathology(AMP) and the committee members for awarding me the AMP International Travel Trainee Award. I had intended to attend the AMP Annual Meeting since my inception in the field of Molecular Pathology about 2 years ago and the AMP International Travel Trainee Award made it possible for me to attend the AMP Annual Meeting 2017 held at Salt Palace Convention Center, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The meeting was very informative and well organized. All the sessions that I attended were very useful and will help in my future practice of Molecular Pathology.

The meeting commenced with the corporate workshop which introduced me to some of the very advanced technical aspects in the field of Molecular Pathology. On the subsequent days, the sessions and the speaker talks were pertaining to the research work, guidelines and recent developments in different fields of Molecular Pathology. The information at the various exhibitor booths in the exhibit hall and the corporate presentations of the different exhibitors were the highlights of the meeting for me.

Another important aspect of the meeting was the opportunity to interact with some of the members of the AMP committee as well as the faculty members from different institutes in the United States. The special networking and trainee luncheon organized everyday, assisted in understanding the training process of the fellow trainees from the United States and also helped with making new contacts. The interaction with the members of the Bioinformatics committee was indeed a pleasure with their prompt invitation to attend the Bioinformatics informal meeting.

The Business Meeting and Awards Session provided an insight into the vastness of AMP as an organization globally. The commitment and guidance provided by members from different committees for the functioning of AMP as an organization and development of Molecular Pathology community are indeed noteworthy. The dinner event highlighted the jolly, lighthearted side of the AMP members and delegates, the food been delicious and the AMP song performed was to cherish for.

The AMP International Travel Trainee Award provided an opportunity to attend the coveted AMP Annual Meeting. The experience and the interaction at the meeting has made me a lifelong member of AMP which will keep me going ahead in my work in the field of Molecular Pathology.

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