



Welcome to the Iranian American Life Science Network Newsletter. Our quarterly newsletters are designed to inform our members and friends of what is going on with the organization and with the Iranian American community in the life sciences area.

IALSN BOARD OF DIRECTORS



The Iranian American Life Science Network (IALSN) Board of Directors regrettably informs the membership that Parissa Sohie informed the board that while she will continue to be a member of the board and contribute to IALSN in that capacity, because of her work schedule she no longer can fulfill the duties of the Chief Financial Officer. The board reluctantly accepted Parissa's resignation. Sam Tahmassebi offered to step in as the new CFO. After a confirmation vote by the board, the board is pleased to welcome Sam Tahmassebi as the new CFO, who will take over on December 1st.

The makeup of the Board of Directors and the officers of IALSN is as follows. Please feel free to contact any of the individuals on the list with any suggestions you have for improving the organization, or for topics for future meeting.

Officers:

Maryam Famourzadeh (CEO)
Sam Tahmassebi (CFO & Secretary)
Kambiz Aghili (Agent, Service of Process)
Mehran Moghaddam (Science & Education)

Board Members:

Shawn Mojtahedian
Vahid Naini
Kourosch Parivar
Parissa Sohie
Masood Tayebie



Tehran University, School of Medicine

SPONSORSHIP



Our main source of funds for organizing and delivering our various meetings is the generosity of our various sponsors. The Board of Directors has provided for three levels of sponsorship as follows:

Platinum Level

Sponsorship of \$1000/event. The sponsorship will include two free event tickets, a 15 minute presentation on the sponsor company, its services and scientific contributions, posting of the company banner at the events, and company logo and link on the IALSN website and newsletter.

Gold Level

Sponsorship of \$600/event. The sponsorship will include two free event tickets and company logo and link on the IALSN website and the newsletter.

Silver Level

Sponsorship of \$300/event. The sponsorship will include one free event ticket and sponsor's name will be listed on the IALSN website and newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Our next quarterly meeting will be held on

December 12, 2007
6-8 PM

Celgene Signal Research
1st Floor Conference Room
4550 Towne Centre Court
San Diego, CA 92121

The speaker for this event is Dr. Daniel Darvish. Dr. Darvish is the co-founder and board member of ARM (Advancement of Research in Myopathies), a non-profit organization, and laboratory co-director and board member of HIBM Research Group, a non-profit organization. HIBM, which stands for Human Inclusion Body Myopathy, is a rare form of myopathy. Dr. Darvish, who suffers from HIBM, will speak about the disease, his personal struggle with coping with the disease, the state of the research in finding a cure, and issues surrounding running a non-profit organization and raising funds.

EVENT SPONSOR

Bur September quarterly meeting is generously sponsored by our Platinum Level sponsor:



BioDuro

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REGISTRATION FEES

Because of the generosity of our sponsor, IALSN members can attend the December meeting for free. The registration fee for non-members is

\$15, pre-registration by December 10th
\$20, at the door

Non-members who RSVP by December 10th qualify to pay the pre-registered fee at the door.

For information on how to become a member, please see our website at

www.ialsn.org/membership.html

CALENDAR OF FUTURE EVENTS

Mark your calendars! The dates for our events in the calendar year 2008 have been tentatively set as follows:

January 30 Mid Quarter Educational Event
Sponsored Accium BioSciences of Seattle, WA.
March 26 Norouz Event (Members Only)
April 30th Spring Quarterly event
June 25th Summer Quarterly event
Sep 24th Fall Quarterly event
Dec 17th Winter Quarterly event

More information will be provided as each respective date draws near.

CONTACT

We encourage you to contact any of the board members with your ideas and/or comments. Specifically:

For questions regarding the sponsorship of one of our events, please contact Sam Tahmassebi at sam@biotechnologylawgroup.com.

For suggestions for speakers for our meetings, please contact Mehran Moghaddam at mmoghadd@celgene.com.

For announcements or suggestions for the newsletter, please contact Sam Tahmassebi at sam@biotechnologylawgroup.com.

For general comments or questions, please contact Maryam Famourzadeh at mfamourzadeh@hotmail.com.

As always, please check out our website

www.ialsn.org

for the latest news and information.