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Report on 2015 ASIP Experimental Biology Conference, Boston

Dear ICPI Board,

I am really honored and want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for being chosen me as a recipient of the ICPI trainee travel award for 2015 ASIP experimental biology conference in Boston, to attend and present my research work. This was my first international conference and I was excited to show my work to other scientists from all over the world. As a student of PhD 2nd year, It was a precious learning experience for me. It gave me the opportunity to attend a number of seminars where scientists present their current research work on different interesting topics. I learnt a lot about host-parasite interactions, inflammation, cell death and their implications in various diseases. These were all full of new information and ideas that can I use in my research work. I got the opportunity to present a poster on my research with the title " *Entamoeba histolytica* induces pro-inflammatory mediator HMGB1 release in early contact with macrophage". This session was really interactive and interested people came and talk to me about my work and gave me suggestions. Those comments and suggestions were so much encouraging for me and will help me to do my future experimental planning. I also got a change to present my research work in a 10 minute presentation. That was also interactive and encouraging. Finally, by attending this conference I got the change to explore Boston with so many historical and famous places. I want to convey thank you to ICPI board for giving me support and opportunity to attend my first international conference.

Sincerely,

Sharmin Begum