

53rd Biophysical Society Meeting and Conference, Boston, US

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53rd Biophysical Society Annual Meeting was held in beautiful locale of Boston, Massachusetts, US from 28th February to 4th March 2009. Boston is tenth largest metropolitan of US famous for its cultural diversity and sea foods and not to miss with its two centre of excellence for education, Harvard University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Biophysical Society is one of the largest scientific associations of international repute. It organizes every year its annual meeting conference which gathers around 6000 leading biophysicist from all over the world. The meeting can be considered as an ideal platform for young biophysicists or scientists at their advanced stage of their career to discuss their findings and problems and to go through the recent developments in the field. The meeting was covering more than 50 sub fields (sub topics) of biophysics, to my surprise. The posters were with good content and the talks were nicely presented.

There were many techniques covered in the talks and posters exposing the unlimited applications of science. Participation in biophysical conference was of great help to my learning skills regarding solving scientific challenges from different perspective. It was quite satisfactory to get feedbacks and discussion at my poster from leading scientists of my area of interests.

The meeting was a good one, many topics being relevant to my research of membrane properties and application of various fluorescence techniques while there was ample opportunity for everyone to jump into areas which borders one's research. In addition to many interesting talks at the conference, there was an exhibition spanning throughout conference from scientific firms displaying recent technical advancement in their area of specialization. The schedule of the meeting was quite a tight one, with the program running from 8 am to 9 pm on most days (including weekends).

Interested students can look for Biophysical meeting in 2010 to be held in California with its wide research disciplines. It is highly recommended for biophysicists. This conference gives you good opportunity for developing networking and collaboration works.

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