

Professional Development Grant Report
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Participation in the Spring 2011 National Meeting
of the American Chemical Society

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Restatement of professional enhancement opportunity

National meetings of the American Chemical Society (ACS) provide great opportunities for scientists to present and obtain latest information on chemical research in their areas of interest, as well as network with other chemical professionals. This year's spring meeting took place in Anaheim California (March 27-31). Our paper titled: "Iron-carbonyl clusters containing polyaromatic thiolate ligands: Electrocatalysts for hydrogen production" was accepted for presentation at the Meeting (PAPER ID: 10411; Division of Inorganic Chemistry SESSION: Inorganic Catalysts). The ATU professional development grant enabled me to attend the meeting.

Review of the professional enhancement opportunity

American Chemical Society is the largest organization of chemical professionals in North America. Each year, ACS organizes two national meetings and expositions. These meetings attract about 10,000 chemists, chemical engineers, and students. During the meeting, chemists take part in more than 9,000 presentations organized into technical symposia that highlight important research advances. These meetings are ideal settings for students, faculty and other chemical professionals to exchange scientific information and discuss professional matters.

Summary of experiences had

The principal investigator and two students presented a poster on our research conducted at ATU during the spring 2011 ACS meeting in Anaheim California. Many meeting attendees visited our poster and engaged us in very fruitful discussions. Our poster was selected for SCIMIX, a meeting-wide presentation of papers representing the best in terms of the science and broad interest.

Conclusion

Thanks to the funding provided through the ATU Professional Development Grant, I was able to present our paper at the spring 2011 national meeting of the American Chemical Society. A copy of the poster is attached.