



## International Society for Nutraceuticals and Functional Foods

### ISNFF 2009

The activities of the ISNFF during 2009 included a short course on nutraceuticals, functional foods and dietary supplements in Skiathos, Greece (May 25-26). This short course preceded the International Flavor Conference organized by the Agricultural and Food Chemistry Division of the American Chemical Society. The conference was attended by participants from 11 countries and was a total success.

The Annual Conference and pre-conference events of the ISNFF were held in San Francisco, CA, October 31-November 4, 2009. The two pre-conferences on "Antioxidants" and "Omega-3s and Beyond" were attended by participants from 12 countries. The Conference itself had 29 sessions including 3 plenary sessions. 180 Oral (48 pre-conference & 132 conference) and 94 poster presentations were made in these events; they were of the highest quality and cutting edge information was provided by internationally-renowned scientists in the field. The events attracted some 400 participants from academia, industry, government, and regulatory agencies with 180. The conference was complemented by a small, but important exhibition that displayed products and services as well as books and journals from different publishers.

Several awards were presented to firms and individuals. These included the following:

#### **Industry Merit Award**

KGK Synergize, Inc, London, ON, Canada

#### **Science and Service Merit Award**

Dr. Chin-Kun Wang, Chung Shan Medical University, Taiwan

#### **Fereidoon Shahidi Fellowship Award**

Leah Cahill, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Ying (Joy) Zhong, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, NL, Canada

#### **Best Poster Presentation Awards**

Anusha Samaranyaka (First Place), University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada; Urado Daisuke (Second Place), Kyoto Prefectural University, Kyoto, Japan; and Shu-Ru Zhuang (Third Place), Chung Shan Medical University, Taichung, Taiwan

The industry and science awards included a plaque and those for Fereidoon Shahidi Fellowship award a plaque and \$1,500 USD cheque each. The poster awards included a certificate and cheques for \$500, 300 and 200 USD, respectively, for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place recipients.

This year, the 2010 meeting of the ISNFF will be held October 11-15 in Bali, Indonesia and short course events in Ghent, Belgium (June 17 & 18) as well as St. John's, Canada (September 7).