

Please join me in congratulating the following Pharmaceutical Sciences Faculty on their recent accomplishments at international conferences:

Dr. Kabir Lutfy along with his lab members and collaborators, including **Dr. Patrick Chan** from the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administration, presented posters and seminars at the International Narcotics Research Conference 2017 Jun 9-14; Chicago, IL.:

1. Zaveri N, Marquez P, Journigan BV, Hamid A, Lutfy K. AT-328, a selective NOP agonist, reduces the rewarding action of ethanol and cocaine. Poster session
2. Perez S, Marquez P, Farhad O, Hamid A, Lutfy K. Male but not female mice lacking nociceptin exhibit higher anxiety and enhanced reward following exposure to the elevated plus maze test. Poster session
3. Hamid A, Chan P, Lutfy K. The role of endogenous dynorphins in amphetamine sensitization and depression-like behaviors in mice. Poster session
4. Hamid A, Marquez P, Lutfy K. The role of mu opioid receptors in hyperlocomotion and sensitization induced by amphetamine. Poster session
5. Lutfy K. Male but not female mice lacking nociceptin exhibit higher anxiety and enhanced reward following exposure to the elevated plus maze test. Discussion leader presentation
6. Lutfy K. Targeting opioid receptors to treat alcohol use disorders. Podium presentation

Drs. Jeffrey Wang and **Sunil Prabhu** along with their lab members and collaborators presented at the 16th International Symposium of the Society of Chinese Bioscientists in America 2017 Jun 29 – Jul 2; Hangzhou, China:

1. Ding B, Wahid MA, Wang Z, Xie C, Thakkar A, Onyeabor F, Prabhu S, Wang J. Synergistic effect against human pancreatic cells of triptolide and celastrol loaded silk fibroin nanoparticles. Poster session
2. Dr. Wang co-organized the session and presented: Transferrin Fusion Proteins as Potential Oral Therapeutics. Recombinant Fusion Proteins as Novel Therapeutics Scientific Session