

EDITORIAL

Finding Iranian Society for the History of Pharmacy as the Member of International Society for the History of Pharmacy

International Society for the History of Pharmacy (ISHP) is an old society (established in 1926) which aims to handle “*all matters of a pharmaceutical historical nature without commercial interests. It endeavors to reach its goal by promoting research in writing and teaching the history of pharmacy as well as disseminating knowledge and obtaining recognition for this discipline. Its institutions serve this purpose.*”¹

The 28 national societies are the members of ISHP. ISHP organized an International congress every two years, hosted by these national societies. The next congress entitled “43rd International Congress for the History of Pharmacy” would be held in Warsaw (Poland), 12-15 September 2017.

Recently, the national society of “Iranian Society for the History of Pharmacy (IrSHP) was organized and located in Department of History of Medicine, School of Traditional Medicine (Heravi building), Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) (Figure 1). This national society was approved by ISHP as the member of this International society in 2017 and Dr. Arman Zargaran (PharmD and PhD in traditional pharmacy; Assistant professor in school of traditional medicine, TUMS) as the founder of this society became the first president of IrSHP.

As the first activity, a chapter entitled “The History of Pharmacopeias in Iran (Persia): From Antiquity to Current Era” was written by two members of this society for Working Group History of Pharmacopeia, International Society for the History of Pharmacy.² It seems that it is a great opportunity to develop international cooperation between Iranian

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1- <http://histpharm.org/aims-scope/>

2- Zargaran et al., 2017.



side and other International members.



Figure 1. School of traditional medicine (Heravi building) of TUMS, IrSHP and department of history of medicine are located in it.

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