

Mukund S. Chorghade to Receive 2014 Henry A. Hill Award



Dr. Mukund S. Chorghade is the recipient of the 2014 Henry A. Hill Award. The award will be presented to Dr. Chorghade at the October 16, 2014 meeting of the Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society (NESACS). The Hill Award is presented annually to a member of NESACS for meritorious service to the Section and to the profession of chemistry.

Dr. Mukund Chorghade has been an active and enthusiastic member of NESACS and a member of the Board of Directors since 1997. He served as NESACS Chair in 2007, Public Services Committee Chair, Professional Services Committee Chair, and Interim Editor of the Nucleus. An enthusiastic participant in the ACS Department of Career Services, he has participated in programs for mentoring and coaching NESACS members at all career stages. He serves, with pride and joy, as a resource for the ACS Entrepreneurial Resource Center and is involved in the organization of several programs at national and section level to catalyze and stimulate entrepreneurship.

Dr. Chorghade is President of Chorghade Enterprises and Chief Scientific Officer, THINQ Pharma and Empiriko. He is an adjunct research professor at Northeastern University and has appointments at Harvard and MIT. He provides synthetic chemistry and development expertise to solution of problems in medicinal chemistry, process route

selection and manufacturing. He has engineered collaborations with academic, government and industrial laboratories. His company, Empiriko, recently successfully launched proprietary oxidative catalysts (Biomimiks™) to conduct and predict metabolic profiling of drugs (in vitro and ex vivo).

Dr. Chorhade earned B. Sc. and M. Sc. degrees from the University of Poona and a Ph. D. in organic chemistry from Georgetown University. He completed postdoctoral appointments at the University of Virginia and Harvard University, visiting scientist appointments at University of British Columbia, College de France / Universite' Louis Pasteur, Cambridge and Caltech and directed research groups at Dow Chemicals, Abbott Laboratories, CytoMed and Genzyme. A recipient of three "Scientist of the Year Awards," he is an elected Fellow of the ACS, AAAS and RSC and has been a featured speaker in national and international symposia. He is active in ACS, AAAS, RSC, and serves on numerous professional Scientific Advisory Boards.