Marilyn E. Morris, Ph.D. Bestowed AAPS Distinguished Service Award
Recipient recognized for 25+ years of distinguished leadership in the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists to help achieve its mission

ARLINGTON, VA (October 16, 2018) – The American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists is pleased to announce the 2018 Distinguished Service Award winner. Marilyn E. Morris, Ph.D., the SUNY Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University at Buffalo, State University of New York, was honored for her numerous contributions across the association. Dr. Morris has been actively and continuously involved with AAPS volunteer leadership since 1990 at almost every level and plays a key role in the organization’s success to the present day. From the very start of her involvement, she has championed the scientific growth of students, the advancement of women in the pharmaceutical sciences, and the role of AAPS in providing a forum for all pharmaceutical scientists to interact in meaningful ways.

Her untiring efforts and involvement led to her election to the AAPS Board of Directors and then to AAPS President where she was instrumental in hiring a new Executive Director and developing a new strategic plan. Since that time, she has been deeply involved in the work of the AAPS Foundation and represents AAPS interests in several professional organizations.

According to Dr. Morris, “one of my most valuable accomplishments was outreach to members, encouraging them to become involved in leadership positions...Many are now our current leaders.”

The AAPS Distinguished Service Award brings recognition and public appreciation to a member for a lifetime of service to AAPS. Distinguished Service Award recipients are held up as an example of the inclusive, collaborative volunteer leadership AAPS encourages.

“Those of us who have the fortune to befriend Marilyn Morris know how much AAPS means to her, and she to AAPS. She leads by example... She gets things done. She is a role model for us in terms of dedication and service to AAPS” added nominator and AAPS Past-President Anthony DeStefano, Ph.D.

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