

- \* Expand our physicians and health workers training programs
- \* Initiate training in other fields like applied sciences, agriculture, humanities.
- \* Establish special courses in different disciplines for Iraqi professionals
- \* Promote joint research projects with Iraqi scientists.
- \* Promote submission to the TJMS.







TOFIQ is the outcome of over two decades of struggle and hard work. It became a reality after the conference at the Library of Congress, Washington DC in 2008 — and the Iraqi American Academics conference at The National Academies in Washington DC in 2009.— The official launching of "Together For Iraq" was in 2009 which lead to the establishment of TOFIQ in 2011.

#### Website: WWW.TOFIQ.ORG

In the lead up, we took crucial steps:

2006 --Philadelphia; trained three physicians in radiology through the American College of Radiology at leading medical centers in USA.

2008 -- Henry Ford Health System granted 100 training opportunities for Iraqi physicians. With support of DHHS More than 30 physicians came to train for 6-8 weeks.

2008 Iraq Health Summit, Washington DC. Under the auspices of HE Secretary of DHHS and HE Minister of Health in Iraq.

2009 The Iraqi American Academics and Professional Conference was hosted by The National Academies. More than 300 Iraqi American academics and professional attended with leading American scientists including Noble prize Laureate.

Three awards were presented: Mesopotamia Award to the best in: medicine, engineering, applied sciences, humanities and culture. A second award presented to five in each of the named five lines. The third award, Life Achievement Award, was granted to those academics who were eighty years young and older.



## TOFIQ

#### **TOGETHER FOR IRAQ**



**TOFIQ** (Together For Iraq) is a nongovernmental nonprofit organization established by Iraqi American academics and professionals to promote all aspects of higher education and research in Iraq. It shall coordinate its activities with Iraq's institutions, academicians, and professionals.

**TOFIQ** means "Good luck." Luck alone will not deliver us to fulfill our goals and meet the needs of our homeland. It is our work together that will bring us to the new horizon.

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Iraq was the center of excellence in medicine and education in the Middle East. Today, education and healthcare need is in need of reforms and development. Education needs updating of: schools' curriculum, labs, and teaching methods. Members are ready to help through their personal capacity, institutions and scientific and professional organizations.

#### The elected Executive

**Committee:** 

#### President:

Abdul Hadi Al Khalili, MD

Vice President:

Adil Shamoo, PhD

Secretary:

Ali Al Attar, MD

Treasurer:

Wael Khamas, PhD



### Our successes so far

Each year since we started, we have met our basic goals. We succeeded in bringing medical and veterinary personnel from Iraq to train in the United State in fields ranging from colorectal surgery, cardiology, neurosurgery and veterinary medicine. We also have been working on assisting medical librarians to train at U.S. medical libraries for eight weeks.

## Our journal

Tofiq Journal of Medical Sciences (TJMS) was established as a peer reviewed open access journal to help researchers, faculty and professionals in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing and biotechnology in Iraq to make the world see their scientific achievements.

**TJMS** is devoted to the publication of original research, commentaries on a current topic, letters to the editor, and editorials in the field of medical sciences.

The early focus of the journal is on clinical burden of disease in Iraq: documentation of its nature and extent; clinical patterns and epidemiology; diagnostic findings; and means of improving health standards in general.

The journal website is: TJMS.tofiq.org





## Why we are here:

Tofiq is dedicated to promote all aspects of higher education and research in Iraq. It shall coordinate its activities with Iraq's institutions, academicians, and professionals.

\* Help re-build the Iraqi academic institutions.

\* Help in conducting research and educational activities in Iraq

\* Support joint forums with Iraqi academicians and professionals

\* Raise funds to further the Corporation's goals

\* Help re-build the Iraqi health system

