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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

(submitted by Stephen Frantz)

This will be my final newsletter greeting to the Chapter as your President. I have enjoyed serving the Chapter and hope that my leadership during this past year has made a positive impact on the activities of the Chapter and its members. I am pleased to turn over the president's role to our current President-Elect, Jim McKim, and hope that you will show him the same great support and enthusiasm that I have enjoyed during my tenure.

Finally, the venue for the Spring Symposium has the theme of "Juvenile Toxicology" and will be held once again at the Brook Lodge Hotel & Conference Resort in Augusta, MI on Friday, May 20, 2005. The planning for this symposium is being led by our President-Elect Jim McKim, with the preliminary agenda presented below, and we once again have assembled an excellent slate of speakers for this topic. We hope you will enjoy this symposium and that another excellent turnout will again mark the recent successes we have had with this local scientific meeting.

Meeting Announcement

The Michigan Society of Toxicology

The Michigan Society of Toxicology is pleased to announce their Spring meeting.

Topic: Juvenile Toxicology

Where: Brook Lodge
6535 N 42nd Street
Augusta MI

When: May 20th
8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Special events include:

- Nationally recognized speakers.
- Poster session. Abstract submission guidelines on the registration form.
- Registration discounts for students
- Registration includes continental breakfast and lunch buffet

[Final Meeting Program and directions to The Brook Lodge will be available in late April.](#)

Questions concerning this meeting can be directed to:

Stephen Frantz (MI SOT president) via email at stephen.frantz@mpiresearch.com

or

Paul Stemmer (MI SOT secretary/treasurer) via email at pmstemmer@wayne.edu.

Preliminary Agenda 2005 Michigan SOT Spring Symposium

8:00 a.m. Registration

8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:45 a.m. Welcome – Stephen W. Frantz, Ph.D.,
D.A.B.T., MPI Research
President, Michigan Chapter, SOT

Remarks – James M. McKim, Ph.D.,
D.A.B.T., CeeTox, Inc.
President-Elect, Michigan Chapter, SOT

9:00 a.m. Ali S. Faqi, D.V.M., Ph.D., D.A.B.T.,
MPI Research, Kalamazoo, MI
*“Interspecies Analysis of
Comparative Organ Systems”*

9:45 a.m. Sue Marty, Ph.D., D.A.B.T.,
Dow Chemical Co., Midland, MI
*“Industry Perspectives for Juvenile
Toxicology Testing”*

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. LaRonda L. Morford, Ph.D.
Eli Lilly and Co., Greenfield, IN
*“Study Design Considerations and
Data Interpretation of Juvenile
Animal Testing in the Nonclinical
Stages of Drug Development”*

11:30 a.m. Lunch and Posters

1:00 p.m. Mark E. Hurrt, Ph.D.
Pfizer Safety Sciences, Groton, CT
*“Juvenile Animal Models:
Predictability for Human Pediatric
Toxicity”*

1:45 p.m. Final Speaker and Topic to be Named

2:30 p.m. Chapter Business

3:00 p.m. Adjournment

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible to attend the Spring Symposium.



**Michigan Society of Toxicology
Registration Form**

***Deadline for registration and abstract
submission is May 12, 2005***

Name: _____

Affiliation (Company, University, etc):

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Email: _____

Poster Presentation: Yes **No**

*If yes: Please provide an abstract of no more
than 250 words including, title of poster,
authors and affiliations. These abstracts
should be sent via email to:*

pmstemmer@wayne.edu.

Registration Fee:

- Member (\$50.00)
 Student (member or non-member) (\$25.00)
 Non-member (\$75.00)

Membership applications can be obtained at:

Michigan Chapter:

<http://www.toxicology.org/memberservices/regionalchapter/michigan/MichiganChaptDues.pdf>

***Please make registration checks payable to:
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The Brook Lodge: (269) 731-2200

Information about Brook Lodge online at:

<http://www.hfs.msu.edu/brooklodge/about.html>

When making reservations please say you are attending the Michigan SOT meeting and they will give you a discount rate of \$119.00 (single room occupancy). Reservations should be made by April 26, 2005.

Chapter Member Profile



Stephen W. Frantz, Ph.D., D.A.B.T., is the current President of the Michigan Chapter of the Society of Toxicology. Dr. Frantz earned his Bachelor of Science in Physiology from Michigan State University in 1974, then moved from East Lansing to Ann Arbor to begin his graduate studies at the University of Michigan. There he earned a Master of Science in Medicinal Chemistry in 1978 and his Ph.D. in Toxicology in 1981. He became a Diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology in 1986.

Dr. Frantz is currently employed by MPI Research in Mattawan, MI where he is the Director of Pharmaceutical Business Development and Senior Study Director. In the former capacity, Dr. Frantz is responsible for recruitment of major pharmaceutical company toxicology business and comprehensive study packages to MPI Research. As Senior Study Director, he is responsible for all aspects of study conduct, data interpretation, and report finalization for those studies he conducts on multiple species and study types at MPI Research.

Prior to his employment at MPI Research, Dr. Frantz worked for Bristol-Myers Squibb (1996-2002), ConvaTec/Bristol-Myers Squibb (1995-1996), Merck & Company

(1993-1995), Bushy Run Research Center/Union Carbide Corporation (1985-1993), and Dow Chemical Company (1981-1985) where he held various research and safety toxicology positions.

Dr. Frantz publishes on a regular basis in the toxicology literature principally on aspects of cutaneous toxicology. His CV lists 31 manuscripts and book chapters.

In his spare time, Dr. Frantz enjoys spending time with his family, including playing with his granddaughter, Taylor, playing golf and poker, traveling, attending sporting events, and going out to dinner with friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MISMR:

Michigan Society for Medical Research
PRESENTS



Wednesday, May 18, 2005

9:00AM - 4:30PM

Genoa Woods Executive Conference & Banquet Center
7707 Conference Center Drive • Brighton, Michigan

PROGRAM & REGISTRATION INFORMATION TO COME
For additional information please email: mismr@umich.edu

SEPTEMBER ISSUE PREVIEW

The September, 2005 Issue of the Newsletter will feature a review of the Spring meeting, a preview of the Fall meeting, and other items of interest to our members.

Please submit any member news or ideas for the newsletter to your local contact person or directly to the editors. Material for the September newsletter should be submitted no later than September 12, 2005.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Don't forget that your membership to the Michigan Regional Chapter of the SOT includes:

- Discounted registration fees for chapter meetings
- Newsletter with chapter and regional news
- Free listing in the newsletter of training and employment opportunities
- Free listing in the newsletter of positions desired

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Postdoctoral fellowships, research assistantships, government positions, and industrial positions can be advertised in this space. Submissions to the editor should include a brief description of the position and contact information. This service is free to members!

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR POSITION PHARMACOLOGY AND TOXICOLOGY MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

The Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology at Michigan State University is accepting applications for a tenure-track faculty position at the Assistant Professor or Associate Professor level. We are seeking candidates with an interest and expertise in inflammation as it relates to pathophysiological mechanisms or adverse consequences of drugs or other chemicals in living systems. Preference will be given to candidates who complement existing strengths in the areas of neurodegenerative, respiratory/airway or hepatic disease. Candidates should have a Ph.D. or equivalent in Pharmacology & Toxicology or related discipline, extensive postdoctoral research

experience and demonstrated success in obtaining extramural funding. The candidate will have the opportunity to participate in dynamic and nationally-recognized interdisciplinary research and training programs including the Center for Integrative Toxicology, the National Food Safety and Toxicology Center, the Cell and Molecular Biology Program, the Center for Biological Modeling, the Genetics Program and the Neuroscience Program. The successful candidate will be expected to establish an independent and extramurally-funded research program and to contribute to teaching and other departmental activities. Interested individuals should send their curriculum vitae, statement of research interests and future research plans, and 3 letters of recommendation. Electronic submission to hummeld@msu.edu is encouraged; paper applications may be sent to: Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology, Michigan State University, B440 Life Sciences Building, East Lansing, MI 48824-1317. Review of applications will begin immediately and applications will be accepted until the position is filled. **See our web site:** <http://www.phmtox.msu.edu>. *Michigan State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and encourages applications from women and minorities.*

POSITION DESIRED

Individuals seeking positions in the region can advertise in this section. Submissions to the editor should include a brief description of research interests, experience, education, type of position desired, and geographical location desired. This service is free to members!

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