



In Vitro Specialty Section Newsletter

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UPCOMING SOT MEETING IN SALT LAKE CITY

The meeting in Salt Lake City is next week and I hope everyone is looking forward to the scientific sessions and a chance catch up with your colleagues. This year the In vitro Specialty Section submitted 6 CE programs and 4 were accepted by SOT. These programs are:

Application of Stem Cells in Biomedical Research (CE Course) Chaired by Julio Davila

Unfolding the Secrets in Culturing Brain Cells: Theory, Techniques and Beyond (CE Course) Chaired by Timothy Shafer and Wei Zheng

Cutaneous Toxicity – Current Methods and Concepts in Safety Evaluation and Relevance to Human Exposure (CE Course) Chaired by Nancy Monteiro-Riviere and Carol Auletta

Genomic and Proteomic Array Formats on the Cutting Edge (CE Course) Chaired by Mary Jane Cunningham

Symposium Session: Use and Application of Stem Cells in Toxicology (Monday Symposium)

I want to thank everyone that was involved in the planning of these programs. I think it is great that out of the 13 CE courses offered, the In Vitro Specialty section was involved in 4 of these programs. I hope you can attend one or more of these programs!!!

IN VITRO SPECIALTY SECTION MEETING

This year the Specialty section meeting and reception will take place on Wednesday evening from 6-7:30 PM. The meeting will take place in Rm 150 ABC of the Salt Palace Convention Center (Lower Level, see page 10 of SOT program book).

This year we hope to have a good meeting. An order of business will be the discussion of possible new programs for submission to SOT for the upcoming meetings. We will introduce our new officers for 2003 during this meeting.

The highlight of the meeting will be the announcement of the student and postdoctoral award winners. This year there are 4 winners who will receive a cash award and a gift certificate from Taylor and Francis.

Finally, to make your time more enjoyable, we will be giving out some door prizes to those in attendance. Please plan to attend. SEE YOU THERE!!!

RESULTS OF THE ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

The results from the election have been tabulated by SOT. The results were as follows:

Vice President Elect	Sid Green
Secretary/Treasurer	Martin Gilman
Councilors	Rosita Rodriguez
Councilor	Joan Tarloff

Congratulations to our newly elected officers!!! Their term begins May 2003. I am sure that they will be looking forward to their new responsibilities in the In Vitro Specialty section.

Programs for 2004

It is time to begin to think about programs for future SOT meetings. As you attend SOT this year, think about programs you want to see at the 2004 SOT meeting. Contact me or one of the officers regarding potential programs for the next year. In Vitro did quite well this year in getting the program committee to approve its submissions but we want to do even better in 2004.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the newsletter please send them to me, Monica Valentovic (Valentov@marshall.edu). Also send me any news about your career changes, honors, promotions or publications as I would like to include information about our members in upcoming newsletters.

