

**AGREEMENT FOR A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN  
NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR  
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH  
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION  
&  
SOCIETY OF TOXICOLOGY**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the Society of Toxicology (SOT) recognize the benefits of a collaborative partnership to improve occupational safety and health, as well as prevention and control of disease.

NIOSH and SOT hereby agree to work collaboratively through partnership now and in the future to promote best practices associated with exposure science and control. This will be accomplished by:

- Developing and disseminating information on occupational safety and disease control and prevention at appropriate conferences and through print and electronic media, including NIOSH and SOT websites;
- Participating at conferences, meetings and other key events where occupational safety, disease control and/or prevention are addressed;
- Promoting professional development opportunities to advance education and research in occupational safety, disease control and/or prevention;
- Engaging and educating key decision makers on the value of safety and health in decision making regarding occupational safety, and disease control and prevention;
- Developing and disseminating collaborative publications of mutual interest through NIOSH and SOT publication mechanisms;
- Working with NIOSH Education and Research Centers as a resource for training and research;
- Meeting with appropriate staff and working committees to identify additional priority areas for research and potential collaborations; and
- Participation in appropriate committees of both NIOSH and SOT.

Primary contacts for this agreement will be Shawn Lamb (703-438-3115) of SOT and Albert Munson (304-285-6121) of NIOSH.

NIOSH and SOT will continue to meet periodically to share information, reassess and modify partnership activities, and evaluate results. Unless otherwise extended, this partnership will continue in effect until December 31, 2013. Either signatory may terminate the partnership for any reason at any time, providing 30 days notice is given. The Agreement may be modified at any time with the concurrence of both signatories.

Each party will be responsible for its own acts and the results thereof and shall not be responsible for the acts of the other party and the results thereof. Each party therefore agrees that it will assume all risk and liability to itself, its agents or employees, for any injury to persons or property resulting in any manner from the conduct of its own operations and the operations of its agents or employees under this

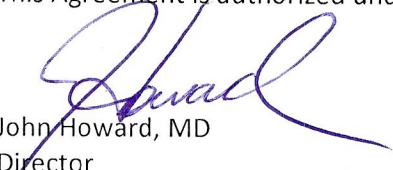
Agreement, and for any loss, cost, damage, or expense resulting at any time from any and all causes due to any act or acts, negligence, or the failure to exercise proper precautions, of or by itself or its agents or its own employees, while conducting activities under and pursuant to this Agreement. The Government's liability shall be governed by the provisions of the Federal Tort Claims Act [28 U.S.C. 2671-80 (1976)].

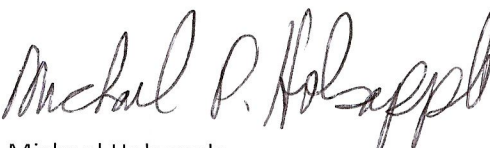
In general, each party is expected to bear the costs of its participation in this project. Nothing in this agreement shall obligate NIOSH, the Department, or the United States to any current or future expenditure of resources in advance of the availability of appropriations from Congress.

Intellectual property rights and the publication rights will be negotiated as appropriate for the individual publications as they are developed.

SOT must obtain prior Government approval for any public information releases concerning this Agreement that refer to NIOSH or one of its employees (by name or title). The specific text, layout, photographs, etc., of the proposed release must be submitted with the request for approval. NIOSH will notify SOT of any public releases concerning this Agreement that refer to SOT.

This Agreement is authorized under 29 U.S.C. §669(a).

  
John Howard, MD  
Director  
National Institute for Occupational  
Safety and Health

  
Michael Holsapple  
President  
Society of Toxicology

Date

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