



# The SOTudent e-Letter

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## [A Message from the Student Advisory Committee \(SAC\)](#)

Dear Students,

Welcome to the fall edition of the SOTudent e-Letter! This newsletter, published by the SOT Student Advisory Committee, is a semi-annual publication for graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. This newsletter contains important Regional Chapter updates, reminders about SOT Awards, and other important news for student members.

## [About the SAC](#)

Each SOT Regional Chapter selects one graduate student member to represent its Chapter on the Student Advisory Committee. The SAC was created to provide student liaisons between the Regional Chapters and National SOT. Our job is to address the needs of students in the Society and to promote student participation and membership. If you are interested in learning more about the SAC, you can access the following SOT website, <http://www.toxicology.org/ai/spd/studentservices.asp> or just get in contact with one of us!

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# Regional Chapter Information

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## Regional Chapter student member tallies:

ALLEGHENY-ERIE	11
CENTRAL STATES	24
GULF COAST	5
LAKE ONTARIO	4
MICHIGAN	15
MID-ATLANTIC	29
MIDWEST	11
MOUNTAIN WEST	20
NATIONAL CAPITAL	33
NORTH CAROLINA	70
NORTHEAST	19
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	9
NORTHLAND	7
OHIO VALLEY	33
PACIFIC NORTHWEST	31
SOUTH CENTRAL	15
SOUTHEASTERN	24
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	17

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Fall 2005 TOTAL 377

## Total number of National SOT student members:

1132

## Proportion of Current Student Members:

Graduate Students	= 53%
Post-Doctoral	= 31%
Within 1 year of graduate school or post-doc	= 12%
Other	= 4%

## How can you become a Regional Chapter and a National SOT student member?

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Being a student member at the National and Regional levels provides excellent opportunities for you to interact with other student members and toxicology experts in SOT. You are permitted access to a job placement program, student awards and recognition, and you have the opportunity to be a part of a larger community of scientists. Membership in SOT gives you the opportunity to network at the National and Regional SOT meetings and facilitates communication that could open the door for new research collaborations. It's also a great way to network with future employers! Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

**How to apply to be a student member:** Apply today! Application information is available online at [http://www.toxicology.org/dotnet/membership\\_app.aspx](http://www.toxicology.org/dotnet/membership_app.aspx).

**Already a student member of SOT?** Renew your dues online! To renew your National or Regional SOT membership, go to <https://www.toxicology.org/dotnet/2005dues.aspx>.

## Allegheny-Erie Chapter

***Student Representative: Ashley Murray***

The Allegheny-Erie Regional Chapter of the Society of Toxicology (AESOT) is planning its fall meeting. The meeting will be on October 7, 2005 in Morgantown, WV. Dr. John Morris from the University of Connecticut and Dr. Jeff Fedan from the National Institutes for Occupational Safety and Health will speak on Inhalation Toxicology. All students are encouraged and invited to attend!

Graduate Student members of AESOT are also invited to apply for the Maryanne Stock Student Research Award. This award is for up to \$1,000 and will be given to support a student's thesis/dissertation research project in toxicology. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2005. Further information and complete instructions for applying can be found on the AESOT website at <http://www.toxicology.org/isot/rc/allegheny/index.htm>.

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## Gulf Coast Chapter

***Student Representative: Courtney Hill***

The regional Gulf Coast Society of Toxicology meeting will be held November 4-5 at the Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin, Texas. Registration is due by October 3<sup>rd</sup> and is \$50 for students and \$60 for post-docs. Registration includes an abstract book, breakfast, lunch and a fajita dinner. Conference seating is limited to 100 individuals, so send in the forms early! You may also submit an abstract for either a poster or platform presentation. The posters and platform presentations will be judged, and the top three in each category will receive a monetary award during the dinner reception.

Information regarding the GCSOT meeting can be found at the SOT conference page (<http://www.toxicology.org/ai/meet/conferences.asp>). A link is available to download the registration forms. If you have any questions regarding the meeting or abstracts, please email Shawnda Sanders at [ssanders@mdanderson.org](mailto:ssanders@mdanderson.org).

## Midwest Chapter

***Student Representative: Tisha King-Heiden***

The Spring 2005 meeting held May 13<sup>th</sup> in Lincolnshire, IL, was a great success! The focus of the meeting was "Current Topics in Great Lakes Ecotoxicology, Human Health, Regulation, and Commercial Development: How do you value the Great Lakes Resource?" This year's Fall 2005 meeting will focus on issues surrounding the use of animals in toxicological research. The date, time and place have yet to be decided, so stay tuned!

If you have any questions regarding the Victor Drill Award, MRC Young Investigator Award, or about becoming involved in the Midwest Regional Chapter, please contact Tisha King Heiden at [kingtc@uwm.edu](mailto:kingtc@uwm.edu).

### Mountain West Chapter

***Student Representative: Andrew Annalora***

The Mountain West Society of Toxicology (MWSOT) held its annual meeting September 15-16, 2005 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The program this year was focused on: “*Environmental Cardiology*” *The Role of Xenobiotics on Cardiovascular Health*. The meeting was co-hosted by the Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute, New Mexico National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Center, and the University of New Mexico School of Pharmacy. For additional information on the meeting please consult the MWSOT website: <http://www.toxicology.org/isot/rc/MtWest/MWSOTHome.html>

In addition, the MWSOT recently elected new Regional Officers and Student Councilors. (For full details consult the MSOT homepage). Congratulations to Chris Reilly of the University of Utah, who was elected the new president of the MWSOT and a special thank you to our former president Linda Quattrochi of University of Colorado Health Sciences Center for all of her service. In addition, two new MWSOT Student Councilors were elected: Lisa Ahern of the University of Arizona and Natalie Lassen of the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center. Congratulations Lisa and Natalie! We hope you enjoy becoming active members of the Regional Chapter as well as committed volunteers to the National Student Advisory Committee (SAC). The former MWSOT SAC representative Andrew Annalora will continue to participate in SAC activities as a Specialty Section Student Representative for the Molecular Biology Specialty Section (MBSS) of the Society of Toxicology.

### Mid Atlantic Chapter

***Student Representative: Lauren Tarantino***

On August 22<sup>nd</sup>, graduate students from the MASOT region (NYU and Rutgers) attended a field trip to Schering-Plough Corporation in Kenilworth, NJ. Our trusty tour guide for the day was Dr. Anthony Schatz, a MASOT council member and an Occupational Toxicologist for Schering-Plough. The whole day was geared towards learning about the drug development process in a pharmaceutical company as well as interacting with toxicologists representing different areas of the research and development spectrum. It was interesting to see where different toxicology specialties are needed in the pharmaceutical industry to test novel compounds and to ensure the safety of patients taking the developed and marketed drugs as well as to protect workers and the environment. In the morning, students got to experience the pre-clinical side of drug development. Students interacted with two toxicologists from Schering-Plough’s research institute; Dr. John McNulty, a general toxicology study director responsible for acute, sub-chronic, and chronic tox testing, and Dr. Barry McIntyre, a reproductive toxicology study director. Their talks with the students were very well received. Patricia Gillespie, of NYU, stated, “It was wonderful to really get to hear what is involved with being a toxicologist in an

industry setting.” One great point that was evident was that both Dr. McNulty and Dr. McIntyre really enjoyed their jobs, and they have fun doing their work.

After lunch at the Schering-Plough cafeteria, which was a definite improvement over the normal fare of a graduate student, it was on to see the whole manufacturing process of the drug Claritin. Students donned safety glasses, lab coats, booties, and not-so-attractive hairnets, and were toured around the facilities by one of the NJ Safety Services Managers, Mr. Ed Rauch. “It was great to walk around and see exactly how a drug gets to market from the warehouse, to mixing of the compounds, tableting, and finally to the packaging plant,” said Chunli Quan, also from NYU. From there, it was on for two more talks from toxicologists in the afternoon. Mr. Nick Roden provided insight into the job of an environmental toxicologist. Our final talk was from Dr. Schatz who gave us the run down of a typical day in the life of an occupational toxicologist and told us the career path he took to arrive at his current position. He stressed to us how important it is to be yourself, work well with other professionals (e.g., safety, industrial hygiene, marketing, legal, administration, etc.), do your job with integrity, learn to prioritize tasks effectively, be passionate about your job, and to have fun at work. In all, it was a memorable experience for all the students involved and would be a highly recommended activity for other students who might get this type of opportunity in the future.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, contact your co-MASOT councilors for 2005-2006:

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## National Capital Chapter

***Student Representative: Mashaal Al-Namaeh***

The NCAC-SOT student day is going to be in November 3, 2005 in the NIH, Lister Hill Auditorium, National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, MD. The title of the symposium is "Conflict Resolution and Negotiation Skills for Graduate students and Post-Docs."

## North Carolina Chapter

***Student Representative: Beth Wasilak***

The North Carolina Society of Toxicology Fall Meeting will be held on October 19<sup>th</sup> at CIIT, Research Triangle Park, NC. Although a title for the meeting has not yet been confirmed, the topic will be PBPK Modeling in Safety Assessment. Invited speakers will be Harvey Clewell of CIIT and Tom Coleman of the University of Mississippi and Biological Simulators, Inc. Refreshments will be generously provided by Gene Logic, Inc.

The Spring Meeting of The North Carolina Society of Toxicology has been scheduled for February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The meeting will be held at USEPA Main Building, Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC. There will be a poster session for pre-doctoral students and competition for merit awards. This is a great way to prepare for presentation at the national SOT meeting in March and to introduce your research to local Toxicologists. Check our website for additional information regarding abstract submission and meeting details as they become available.

In closing, I would just like to say that I am looking forward to serving as the student representative for the North Carolina Chapter of SOT. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me, Beth Wasilak, at [bawasila@ncsu.edu](mailto:bawasila@ncsu.edu).

### Northeast Chapter

***Student Representative: Joe Lynch***

NESOT meeting will be hosted by Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals on Oct 7th. There will be a focus on immunotoxicity and juvenile toxicity.

### Northern California Chapter

***Student Representative: Jessica Houghton***

UC Davis hosted a very successful conference titled "Air Toxics in Central California" in Napa on August 29th, where we heard from speakers about the sources of air toxics, health effects, and new technologies. The following graduate students received poster awards: Page Spiess, Vince Seaman, and Lei Wong, all from UC Davis. Speakers were from UCD, CARB (California Air Resources Board), and UC Merced.

### Northland Chapter

***Student Representative: Jessica Berthiaume***

The NL-SOT Fall meeting was September 30th, 2005, at the EPA laboratory in Duluth, MN. The fall meeting centered on issues related to thyroid toxicity with several invited talks from speakers, including Paul Cooke (Univ. of Illinois), Joe Tiegte (EPA), Grant Anderson (Univ. of Minnesota), and Jon Butenhoff (3M). The meeting was FREE for students and undergraduates were encourage to attend. A FREE lunch provided the opportunity to meet with toxicology professionals.

NL-SOT is interested in hearing from you! If you have questions or comments about student issues, please feel free to contact the NL-SOT student representative, Jessica Berthiaume, at [jberthi1@d.umn.edu](mailto:jberthi1@d.umn.edu). To keep up-to-date with NL-SOT events, visit <http://www.toxicology.org/isot/RC/northland/Index.htm> for more information.

## Ohio Valley Chapter

***Student Representative: Janet Zang***

### **Meeting announcement**

The OVSOT 2005 annual meeting will be held on October 28, 2005 in Louisville, Kentucky at the Rudd Heart and Lung Center of the Jewish Hospital. The theme of the meeting this year will be “Cardiovascular Toxicology in Pharmaceutical Development.” Graduate students are encouraged to submit abstracts and eight will be selected to give a short oral presentation. The winners for the *Best Oral Presentation Award* and the *Best Poster Presentation Award* will be announced at the end of the meeting. OVSOT will continue to host the Learn with the Experts program during the lunch, during which students will have the opportunity to talk in groups with experts from academia, industry, government and hospitals. The meeting brochure will be posted on the websites of OVSOT and the Jewish Hospital Rudd Heart and Lung Center.

### **Teleseminar**

OVSOT will host another teleseminar on September 26, 2005, at 12:00 pm ET. We are pleased to have Dr. A. Jay Gandolfi from the University of Arizona as the speaker this time. He will talk about the use of *in vitro* systems to evaluate cell specific injury towards metal exposure. For more information, please contact Dr. Tim Dalton at [DALTONTP@UCMAIL.UC.EDU](mailto:DALTONTP@UCMAIL.UC.EDU).

## Pacific Northwest Chapter

***Student Representative: Stephanie Smith-Roe***

The PANWAT Regional Meeting for 2005 was held September 8 – 9 in the beautiful coastal town of Astoria, Oregon. This year’s topic was “Nutraceutical Development and Safety Assessment.” Keynote speaker presentations were given by Dr. David B. Carlson of the FDA, Dr. Cynthia Wenner of Bastyr University, Dr. Bruce Kelman of Veritox, and Dr. Dave Muanza of the Biotics Research Corporation. These presentations focused on the challenges surrounding the development and regulation of nutraceuticals. Student awards are given at PANWAT meetings for best presentation and best poster. Sabrina Peterson from University of Washington (Dr. David Eaton’s lab) and Haley Neff-Laford from Washington State University (Dr. Paige Lawrence’s lab) won first and second place, respectively, for best platform presentation (\$175), and Timothy Park from Oregon State University/Oregon Health Sciences University (Dr. Glen Kisby’s lab) and Isaac Mohar from University of Washington (Dr. Terry Kavanagh’s lab) won first and second place, respectively, for best poster presentation (\$75). Next year’s meeting will be held at the University of Montana in Missoula from August 24 – 25, and the topic will be related to animal models for disease. I highly encourage students to attend the PANWAT meeting, which is very student-friendly and an excellent opportunity to present data and to develop networking skills. Please visit the PANWAT's homepage for additional information (<http://www.toxicology.org/isot/rc/panwat/home.htm>).

## South Central Chapter

***Student Representative: Vishakha Bhave***

We welcome you to join us on October 20-21, 2005, for our fall meeting at University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Little Rock, Arkansas. Students will be able to present recent work during poster and platform sessions. Student awards will be given for best platform and poster presentations. There will be separate awards for nonstudent/nonfaculty (includes postdoctoral fellows and research associates) best platform or poster presentations. The Chapter gives two Technology Transfer Awards at the Fall Meeting, each a cash award of up to \$750. This award enables graduate students to visit another laboratory and learn a new technique not available in the present laboratory or university. The deadline for this award was September 17, 2005. In addition to these awards, the chapter also gives three travel awards to graduate students or postdoctoral fellows to attend the Annual SOT Meeting. The chapter has always supported student participation by giving out a variety of student awards at both the chapter and annual meetings and we, the students, are thankful to the chapter for that. If you have any questions about the awards or if you are interested in joining or becoming involved in the South Central Regional Chapter, please contact Vishakha S Bhave at [bhavev@tribe.ulm.edu](mailto:bhavev@tribe.ulm.edu).

## South Eastern Chapter

***Student Representative: Carey Hines***

The Southeastern Society of Toxicology (SESOT) is having a joint meeting with the Southeastern Pharmacology Society (SEPS) October 19 through 21 at Select Hotels by Holiday Inn - Nashville Vanderbilt, 2613 West End Avenue, Nashville, TN. The meeting registration, conference payment, hotel reservation, and abstract submission deadlines were September 15, 2005. General correspondence, questions and requests for information should be addressed to Karen Gieg at (615) 322-1182 or [karen.gieg@Vanderbilt.edu](mailto:karen.gieg@Vanderbilt.edu). Information requests regarding the hotel and accommodations should be addressed to Cordelia Blake at (615) 327-6510 (fax 615-327-6632) or [cblake@mmc.edu](mailto:cblake@mmc.edu). Program, abstract and registration forms will be available soon on the meeting Web site: <http://pharmacology.mc.vanderbilt.edu/seps-sesot/> This meeting will be hosted by Meharry Medical College and Vanderbilt University.

# Specialty Section Information

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*SAC Specialty Section Coordinator: Ashley Murray*

The Specialty Section Representatives Council (SSRC) has been working hard to increase student involvement in the Specialty Sections of SOT. Fourteen of the 20 Specialty Sections have elected representatives! We look forward to having involvement from all 20 Specialty Sections!

Everyone is energized and excited about bringing the importance of the Specialty Sections to the student membership. Specialty Sections provide students with many invaluable opportunities. Membership allows for interaction and networking with scientists of similar interests. It can also provide students with opportunities for future employment and collaborations. The Specialty Sections also provide a variety of student awards. So check out the SOT web site for more information on application criteria and deadlines!

For more information about the interests of the individual Specialty Sections and student-relevant benefits, check out the Specialty Section Student Communication [http://www.toxicology.org/AI/FA/SS\\_packet05\\_web.pdf](http://www.toxicology.org/AI/FA/SS_packet05_web.pdf) is available for downloading on the SOT website!

So further your career and boost your resume by joining a Specialty Section today! Best of all, first one..... **Is Free!!!**

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## **Specialty Section student member tallies:**

BIOLOGICAL MODELING	20	COMPARATIVE AND VETERINARY	7
CARCINOGENESIS	46	DERMAL TOXICOLOGY	9
DRUG DISCOVERY	20	ETHICAL, LEGAL, AND SOCIAL ISSUES	1
FOOD SAFETY	11	IMMUNOTOXICOLOGY	44
IN VITRO	15	INHALATION	27
MECHANISMS	54	METALS	30
MOLECULAR BIOLOGY	30	NEUROTOXICOLOGY	72
OCCUPATIONAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH	15	REGULATORY AND SAFETY EVALUATION	15
REPRODUCTIVE AND DEVELOPMENTAL	55	RISK ASSESSMENT	35
TOX. AND EXPLORATORY PATHOLOGY	2	WOMEN IN TOXICOLOGY	43

# SOT Committee Reports

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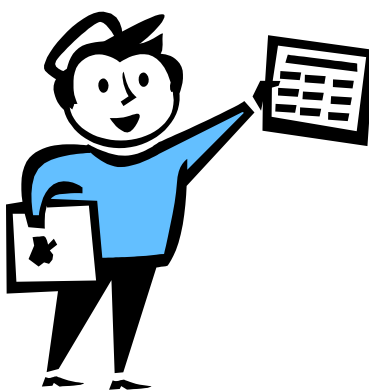
## Membership Committee

### ***SAC Representative to Membership: Tisha King-Heiden***

The Membership Committee continues to strive to make the transition from Student/Post-doc Membership to Associate and Full membership to SOT even easier. If you have been a Student/Post doc member for one year or more, you may apply for Associate membership for a one-year reduced rate! If accepted, you may continue to pay dues at the student rate of \$20 for one year, and may join one Specialty Section at no cost for that year as well! This is a fantastic opportunity to become more involved with SOT and to interact with colleagues in new ways (e.g., participate in committees). For more information and to fill out the on-line membership application, go to the membership section at <http://www.toxicology.org/>. Deadlines for application review cycles are September 1, January 1, and May 1. For more information, contact Rosibel Alvarenga at [Rosibel@toxicology.org](mailto:Rosibel@toxicology.org).

If you know new students in your program or laboratory, please encourage them to become members of SOT. And remember, in order to be eligible for student awards for 2006, applications must be submitted by October 9<sup>th</sup>!

If you have suggestions or ideas on how to increase Student/Post-doc membership or to facilitate the transition to Associate membership, please contact Tisha at [kingtc@uwm.edu](mailto:kingtc@uwm.edu).



# Post-Doctoral Assembly News

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SOT Post-docs!

I wanted to take this opportunity to update you on the activities of the Society of Toxicology's Post-doctoral Assembly (PDA). There are several events at SOT 2006 that may be of interest to you. The Career Resource and Development Committee and the PDA are putting together a session specifically focused on the Society's post-doctoral membership to be held from 4:30-6:00 pm on Monday, March 6. Be watching your mail for updates on this exciting session! Don't forget to join your post-doc colleagues after the Student/Post-doctoral Fellow Mixer at the Post-doctoral Assembly Event on Sunday, March 5 from 8:00-9:00 pm. Light appetizers and a cash bar will be available. Take this opportunity to network with each other, discuss issues of importance to you, plan activities, and get to know the nominees for PDA Board positions for 2005-06. Finally, I would like to invite each of you to participate in the PDA. As a growing organization within the SOT there are many new programs and challenges that need your input and assistance. In the upcoming months you will be hearing more with respect to nominations for election of next years PDA Board. Don't let this opportunity pass you by. If you have considered getting involved in the Society this is your chance. In addition, one of the initiatives that the PDA is actively pursuing is the placement of ad-hoc post-doctoral representatives with Regional Chapters and Specialty Sections. If you have a particular interest in becoming involved with a particular group in the Society, please contact myself or another member of the PDA Board. It is often the initiatives of creative post-docs in the Society that lead to lasting and effective programs. If you have more questions, please visit our website: <http://www.toxicology.org/ai/spd/PD.asp> where PDA Board contact information and a whole lot more is available!

Looking forward to seeing all of you in sunny San Diego!

Sincerely,

Jim Luyendyk  
Chair, SOT-PDA

# Society of Toxicology Awards

## Colgate-Palmolive/SOT Awards for Student Research Training in Alternative Methods

The purpose of the Colgate-Palmolive/SOT Awards for Student Research Training in Alternative Methods is to enhance student research training using *in vitro* methods or alternative techniques to reduce, replace or refine the use of animals in toxicological research. The Education Committee presents the awards to graduate students or to institutions that provide research internships. Up to five awards at \$3,500 each are available. Deadlines are Feb. 15, June 15, and Oct. 9. Applications after Feb. 15 will be accepted until all 2005-06 funds are committed.

## Graduate Student Fellowship—Novartis Award

The Graduate Student Fellowship—Novartis Award is available to student members of the SOT engaged in full-time graduate study towards a Ph.D. degree in toxicology. The major professor must be a SOT member. The Education Committee's evaluation is based primarily on originality of the dissertation research, productivity, relevance to toxicology, scholastic achievement and letters of recommendation. Finalists are interviewed at the Annual Meeting and receive travel support. The deadline for applications is October 9.

## Graduate Student Travel Support

This monetary support defrays expenses for students presenting platform talks or posters at the SOT annual meeting. To be eligible, the student must be a SOT member (or have submitted a membership application) who has not previously received a graduate student travel award. The deadline for applications is October 9.

## Regional Chapter Awards

Regional Chapter	Award	Due Date
Allegheny-Erie	Student Research Award	10/31/2005
Allegheny-Erie	Student Travel Award	11/30/2005
Central States	Graduate and Post-Doctoral Student Travel Award	12/01/2005
Midwest	Victor A. Drill Award	05/01/2006
National Capital	Bern Schwetz Student Travel Award	01/15/2006
National Capital	Student Poster Award	04/15/2006
North Carolina	Graduate Student Award	01/15/2006
Northeast	Northeast RC Student Travel Award	11/29/2005
Northern California	Student Travel Award	01/16/2006
South Central	Student Travel Award	Spring Meeting

## Postdoctoral Position Open

### **Postdoctoral Position Available in NIH/NIAAA-Funded Study on Mechanisms of Steatosis in Alcohol-Induced Hepatotoxicity. University of Louisville, KY**

A postdoctoral position is available to study the molecular mechanisms responsible for chronic alcohol-induced steatosis and overall liver pathology. Specifically, this position will involve investigations aimed at determining mechanisms by which alcohol causes lipid accumulation in the liver and how this effect modulates the progression of tissue damage. Research will include *in vivo* studies, coupled with *in vitro* biochemical and molecular analyses. Therefore, candidates with previous experience in these areas are highly desirable.

Individuals must have a PhD and background in the basic science of biochemistry, cellular physiology, and/or chemistry. Women and members of underrepresented minority groups are particularly encouraged to apply. Interested individuals should send a statement of research interest, CV, and the names of three references to Dr. Gavin E. Arteel, Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology and The James Graham Brown Cancer Center, University Louisville, 500 S Preston Street, Bldg A, Rm 1319, Louisville KY, 40292, email: [gavin.arteel@louisville.edu](mailto:gavin.arteel@louisville.edu). Salary is commensurate with qualifications.

## K-12 Committee Invites Students and Post-docs to Explore San Diego Natural History Museum

### **Top Ten Reasons to Find Out More:**

- 10--Enjoy a day at the museum on us (yes, that means free)
- 09--Have another reason to come to SOT on Sunday March 5 and have fun
- 08--Ready excuse to go to the museum and play like a kid
- 07--Be one of the first to see the Genome traveling exhibit
- 06--CV booster showing public education activities
- 05--Get to be an expert for a day (before you have those magic letters at the end of your name)
- 04--Gain an opportunity to interact with kids and get them excited about science
- 03--Get a chance to use your toxicology knowledge to benefit the public
- 02--(Did we mention the CV building part??)
- 01--Learn how to interact with those involved in the actual education of our future scientists

Volunteer to assist with the SOT K-12 Committee's San Diego program at <http://www.toxicology.org/dotnet/volunteer.aspx> .

## Logo Contest: Opportunity for Toxicology Students to Help the Toxicology Education Foundation (TEF)

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The Toxicology Education Foundation (TEF) invites toxicology students to submit a design for a new TEF logo. The logo should reflect the overall mission of the Foundation and convey the importance and dynamic nature of toxicology. The contest is open to any student in toxicology. Students may submit up to 3 designs for consideration. The prize for the winning design is US \$250. The deadline for submission is December 31, 2005. More information can be found at <http://www.tox-edfoundation.org/LogoContest.pdf>

TEF is dedicated to increasing public understanding of toxicology and promoting, encouraging, and supporting educational activities and programs about toxicology. The foundation's primary project at this time is production of a video to help the public better understand chemical and drug safety. Other TEF projects have included funding development and dissemination of materials for classroom science instruction, supporting science teacher development workshops, and providing travel funding for students to attend international meetings. More information about TEF and TEF projects can be found at <http://www.tox-edfoundation.org/>.

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