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Corton Receives Prestigious Traveling Lectureship Award from Society of Toxicology

Reston, VA (January 26, 2010)—Chris Corton, Ph.D. is the recipient of the Society of Toxicology's 2010 AstraZeneca Traveling Lectureship Award. The award recognizes excellence in research and service in toxicology and enables a lecture tour of Europe to promote collaborations between European and North American toxicologists.

Dr. Corton is a Senior Research Biologist in the Integrated Systems Toxicology Division at the National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Research Triangle Park, NC. For more than two decades, Dr. Corton has studied mechanisms of how chemicals cause cancer in animals and humans. His group has successfully used a multi-pronged strategy including whole genome microarray profiling in animal models to uncover chemical mechanisms of action useful for risk assessment. More recently, his group has evaluated and implementing the use of high-throughput *in vitro* methods for assessing liver toxicity and chemical categorization.

He is on the editorial boards of six journals and has served as member and chair on numerous NIH study sections. He has also served in many capacities in SOT including member and chair of the Continuing Education Committee. Dr. Corton will focus his lecture tour on European scientists who are part of the REACH chemical testing program and who are part of the HepatoSys collaborative network of scientists that are building predictive computational models of chemical effects in the liver.

Dr. Corton will be honored during a formal Awards ceremony during the SOT 49th Annual Meeting and ToxExpo™, on Sunday, March 7, 2010 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The Society of Toxicology is a scientific not-for-profit organization for professionals from around the world who are involved in the study of toxicology. With more than 6,000 members, the Society is creating a safer and healthier world by advancing the science of toxicology. SOT is a forum for novel discoveries and approaches related to toxicology, fosters integration of sub-disciplines that support the evolution of toxicology, and, among other things, increases the impact of toxicology on human health and disease prevention.

For additional information about the 2010 Annual Meeting and ToxExpo™ visit <http://www.toxicology.org/AI/MEET/AM2010/>.

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