Fund Name: Environmental Carcinogenesis Research Fellowship Fund

Sponsoring Specialty Section: Carcinogenesis Specialty Section

Purpose: This Fund is being created by a group of SOT members who have actively conducted research in environmental carcinogenesis for many years. The donors are interested in fostering the continued advancement of carcinogenesis research by promoting research that integrates emerging science (genomics, epigenetics, metabolomics, microbiomics, exposomics, etc.) into studies that help define mechanisms of, susceptibility to, and prevention of carcinogenesis. The Fund will be used to encourage students and postdoctoral fellows within the first three years of training to conduct research in carcinogenesis.

Proceeds from the Environmental Carcinogenesis Research Fellowship Fund will be used to provide stipends (for research, travel to scientific meetings, attending special training courses) to student and postdoctoral fellow who are recipients of awards given for excellence in carcinogenesis research.

Funding: It is anticipated that the initial contributions and associated matching funds will result in the Fund having assets of $50,000 or more at the end of three years, thereby qualifying it as a “Permanently Restricted Net Asset Fund” that will be continued into perpetuity.

It is understood that the Carcinogenesis Specialty Section leadership shall strive to encourage gifts to the Environmental Carcinogenesis Research Fellowship Fund, thereby increasing the assets in the Fund, the annual proceeds, and, most importantly, the positive impact of the Fund on trainees.

In the unlikely event that for any reason the Carcinogenesis Specialty Section should cease to exist, the Environmental Carcinogenesis Research Fellowship Fund and the SOT Endowment Fund Board shall recommend to the SOT Council and the SOT Council shall ratify a successor unit within the SOT whose interests are aligned with the Fund and its purpose to ensure that it is continued in perpetuity.

Management: The Carcinogenesis Research Fellowship Award Fund will be aligned with the Carcinogenesis Specialty Section, who will have the responsibility for identifying the number of awards to be given each year, the detailed criteria for selection of the award recipients, the selection of recipients, and the bestowing of the awards at an event held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the SOT. The name of the awards shall specifically reference the Environmental Carcinogenesis Research Fellowship Award Fund.
**Background:** This Fund is being created by the current, past, and future Presidents of the Carcinogenesis Specialty Section, who have actively conducted research on environmental carcinogenesis for many decades.

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