Resolution: Creation of Roger O. McClellan Student Award Fund

Endowment Fund Name: Roger O. McClellan Student Award Fund

Sponsoring Specialty Sections: Comparative and Veterinary Specialty Section

Toxicology and Exploratory Pathology Specialty Section

Purpose: To encourage individuals trained in Veterinary Medicine to pursue careers in biomedical research including comparative toxicology and pathology. Proceeds from the Fund will be used to provide cash stipends to award recipients selected on the basis of the scientific merit of papers proposed for presentation at the Annual Meeting.

Funding: Roger and Kathleen McClellan have made a gift of $15,000 to initiate the Fund. With the “50th SOT Anniversary Match” the Fund has a balance of $30,000. The two Specialty Sections are committed to encouraging further contributions to the Fund.

Management: Special consideration will be given to papers that exemplify the role of comparative medicine in evaluating the safety/risks of exposure to chemicals or physical agents. Nominees for the Award(s) must be individuals enrolled in a program leading to a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) degree or in a post-DVM residency or graduate program.

The Award recipients will be selected by a Committee jointly appointed by the Comparative and Veterinary Specialty Section and the Toxicologic and Exploratory Pathology Specialty Section or their successor entities. The Award(s) will complement other Awards of these two Specialty Sections. If the proceeds are sufficient, Travel Awards may be given to individuals based on merit and meeting the above criteria.

Background: Roger O. McClellan received his DVM from Washington State University. He has spent his entire career in biomedical research with emphasis on inhalation toxicology and human health risk analysis drawing on his training in comparative
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medicine. He was one of only a few Veterinarians and Toxicologists elected to the Institute of Medicine. He has served the SOT in many roles including as President (1989-1990) and Founding Chair of the SOT Endowment Fund Board.

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