

**Endowment Fund Name:**  
**Tae-Won Kim Scholarship Award**

**Sponsoring Group:**  
Korean Toxicologist Association in America (KTAA)

**Purpose:**  
The fund will be used to support graduate students and postdoctoral researchers, within the Korean Toxicologist Association in America (KTAA). The fund will be used to support travel awards, trainee awards, or educational opportunities that promote participation in scientific meetings, professional networking, and career advancement in toxicology.

**Management:**  
A committee to manage the award will be appointed by the leadership of the Korean Toxicologist Association in America (KTAA). It is expected that the proceeds of the fund will be used to provide trainee support awards. KTAA will have responsibility for determining the number of awards granted each year, establishing detailed selection criteria, selecting award recipients, and bestowing the awards. The awards will carry the designation "Tae-Won Kim Scholarship Award."

**Background:**  
The Tae-Won Kim Scholarship Award is established to support and encourage the professional growth of toxicologists and trainees, specifically graduate students and postdoctoral researchers, within the Korean toxicology community in the United States. The fund reflects a commitment to fostering scientific excellence, professional growth, and leadership among trainees and early-career scientists. By reducing financial barriers, the fund aims to promote broader participation in scientific exchange and professional development opportunities.

**Funding:**  
It is understood that KTAA leadership shall strive to encourage gifts to the Tae-Won Kim Scholarship Award, thereby increasing the assets of the fund, the annual proceeds, and the positive impact of the fund on trainees. It is anticipated that these contributions will reach the \$50,000 threshold required for the fund to become a permanent endowment, based on the level of interest expressed during consideration of establishing the fund. If the fund does not reach the \$50,000 threshold within the required time period, it is acknowledged that the fund will become a Temporary Restricted Net Asset Fund, and the funds will be disbursed over a period of years specified by the Endowment Board.

**Leadership for Fundraising:**  
Fundraising efforts for the Tae-Won Kim Scholarship Award will be overseen by KTAA leadership in coordination with the SOT Endowment Board. Leadership will be responsible for promoting awareness of the fund, encouraging donations, and ensuring alignment with the fund's stated purpose.

**Termination:**

In the unlikely event that KTAA should cease to exist, or if it no longer wishes to be aligned with the Tae-Won Kim Scholarship Award, the SOT Endowment Board shall recommend to SOT Council the transfer of the remaining assets to a new or existing fund with a purpose consistent with that of the Tae-Won Kim Scholarship Award.

Approved by the Endowment Fund Board: January 16, 2026

Ratified by Council: January 26, 2026