



# American Association of Chinese in Toxicology

## A Special Interest Group of Society of Toxicology (SOT-SIG)



### AACT Mission

The objectives of AACT are:

To foster interactions among professionals of Chinese background and/or ethnicity in toxicological or related sciences through the exchange of information in education, technology, employment, or business opportunities;

1) To facilitate collaborative activities in toxicology-related research or projects between Chinese scientists or organizations in the U.S. and abroad;

2) To promote the participation of scientists of any ethnical background who share the same common interests in toxicology and related fields.

AACT members share the vision: creating an organization that connects scientists with Chinese ethnic background in the toxicology and related fields.

### AACT Membership

AACT was established in 2004 and joined the Society of Toxicology Special Interest Groups (SOT-SIG) in 2007. The AACT is a product of the merger between the American Chinese Toxicology Society (ACTS, est. 1984) and American Chinese Society of Toxicology (ACSOT, est. 1995).

We currently have 200+ members. Our membership is multidisciplinary and drawn from academia, industry, and government.

### How to Join AACT?

Free for postdoctoral and student SOT members (first SIG only) and \$15 for each additional.

For non-SOT members: you can still become an AACT member but will receive limited membership privileges.

Please scan the QR code on the right for more info.



### AACT Awards and 2024 Recipients

#### WestChina-Frontier PharmaTech Distinguished Chinese Toxicologist Award of AACT:

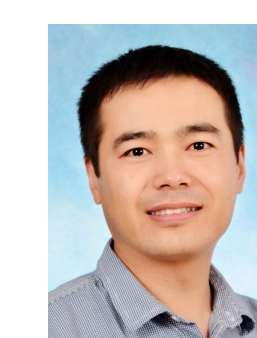
This Award is to honor an established toxicologist of Chinese ethnic origin who is preferably a member of the AACT. The awardee will be chosen by the AACT Award Committee as someone who is deemed to have contributed significantly to the science of toxicology and is exemplary in his/her professional life.



Dr. Hanna Ng  
Everest Medicines

#### JOINN Biomere Outstanding Young Toxicologist Award of AACT:

The Outstanding Young Toxicologist Award is presented to an individual who has made significant contributions to the toxicology field in the early stage of their career in academia, industry, or government.



Dr. Wentao Li  
University of Georgia

#### Jean Lu Student Scholarship Award of AACT:

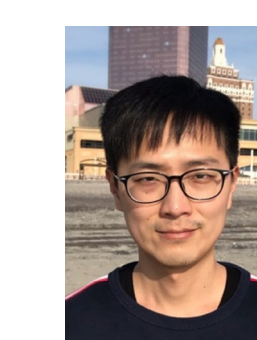
The Jean Lu Student Scholarship Award Fund was established with an initial generous gift from Dr. Frank C. Lu in memory of his wife, Jean Lu. The fund was created to provide a scholarship each year to a Chinese student who is interested in graduate toxicology training. Criteria include scholastic achievement, demonstration of leadership, relevance of thesis to toxicology, and letters of recommendation. Two awards will be given each year. Each recipient will be awarded a plaque and cash stipend.



Zimu Wei  
Michigan State Univ

#### SAFE Best Publication Award of AACT:

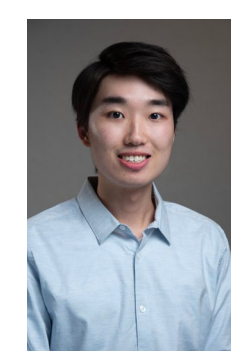
This new Award is created to recognize the best research article published over the preceding year.



Dr. Tong Wang  
Tulane University

#### InnoStar Best Abstract Awards of AACT:

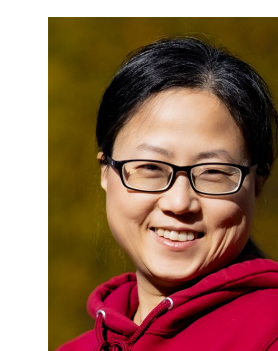
AACT offers student awards each year for presentations made at the SOT Annual Meeting.



First Place  
Tiancheng Hu  
Rutgers University



Second Place  
Dr. Qiran Chen  
University of Florida



Third Place  
Dr. Haiyan Lu  
University of Louisville

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### AACT Key Events at 2024 SOT Meeting

#### American Association of Chinese in Toxicology Special Interest Group Distinguished Chinese Toxicologist Lectureship Award and Reception

**Time:** Monday, March 11, 2024; 4:30 PM to 9:30 PM (Mountain Time)

**Location:** Regency Ballroom A, Hyatt Regency

#### American Association of Chinese in Toxicology Special Interest Group Career Development Workshop

**Time:** Tuesday, March 12, 2024; 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM (Mountain Time)

**Location:** Regency Ballroom D, Hyatt Regency

**Panel members:**

- Yongbin Zhang, DVM, PhD; Senior VP, Co-CTO of Joinn Biomere
- Jia-Sheng Wang, MD, PhD; Professor of the University of Georgia
- Diana Auyeung-Kim, PhD; Executive Director at Genentech

**Overview:**

The three speakers with diverse backgrounds will share their experiences in different career paths. The workshop aims to offer career development tips, facilitate the building of informal mentor-mentee relationships, and provide networking opportunities for students and junior toxicologists.