



SOCIETY OF TOXICOLOGY

MID-ATLANTIC CHAPTER

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MID-ATLANTIC CHAPTER MISSION

- Serve as a focal point for toxicological interests within the region
- Encourage interactions among toxicologists in government, industry, and academia
- Sponsor scientific and educational programs in toxicology



The Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Society of Toxicology and its bylaws were officially approved by the Council of the Society of Toxicology at the March 1982 Annual Meeting. The bylaws were last revised and approved in September 2012.

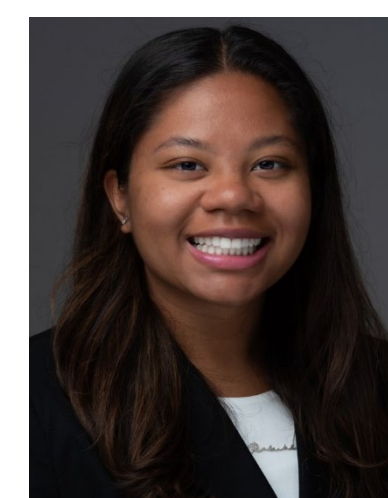
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MASOT MEMBER BENEFITS

- Networking opportunities with toxicologists from various sectors in the region
- Scientific programs organized by MASOT (Fall meeting and Spring webinar) on topics of interest to the membership
- Career development and networking activities for trainees at meetings
- Student poster competition and awards at the annual Fall meeting
- Opportunities for students in toxicology to connect with others in the region

Take advantage of these great benefits and become a MASOT member today!

Full Members: \$30/year | Post-Doc and Student Members: \$15/year

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FALL 2025 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS SPEAKERS



Shashi Ramaiah, PhD, DABT

Founder, President, CEO of SPECCRO & former VP Global Head-Discovery, Investigate and Translational Sciences at Pfizer

Modernizing Toxicology in Drug Development through NAMS Innovation



Madhu Nag, MBS, PhD

Chief Scientific Officer, Insphero

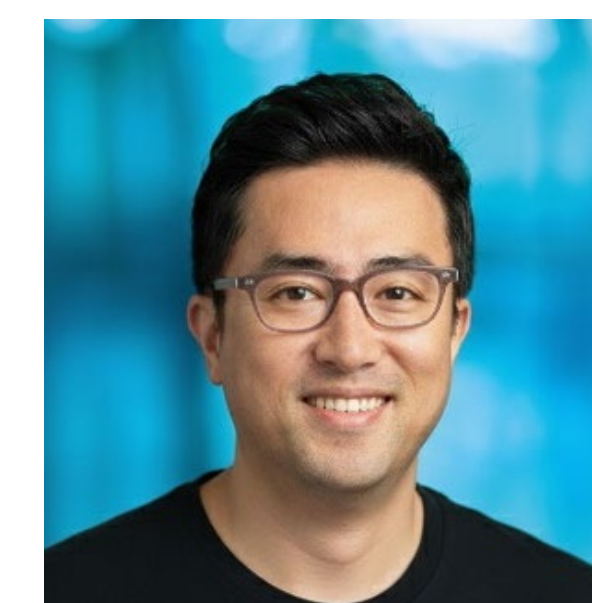
The Human-Centric Mandate: From Animal Testing in Regulatory Integration of NAMS



Srijit Seal, PhD

University of Cambridge

Machine Learning for Toxicity Prediction Using New Approach Methodologies (NAMs): Pillars for Success in the Real World



Dan Huh, PhD

Professor of Bioengineering at University of Pennsylvania

Microengineered Biomimicry of Human Health and Disease



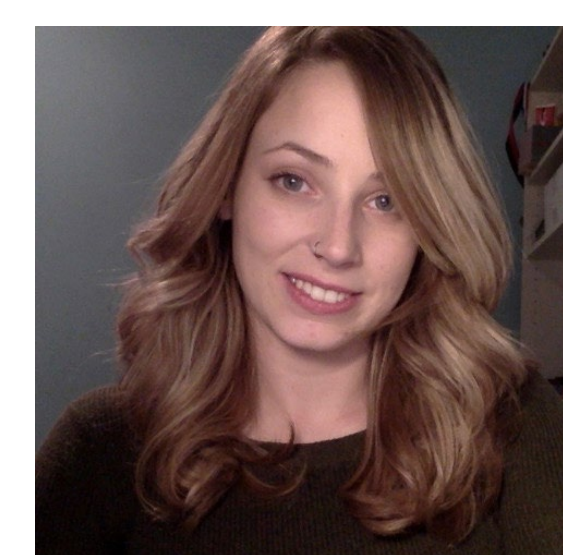
Camila Dore, DVM, MsC, PhD, DACVP

Associate Director, Pathology, Alta Sciences

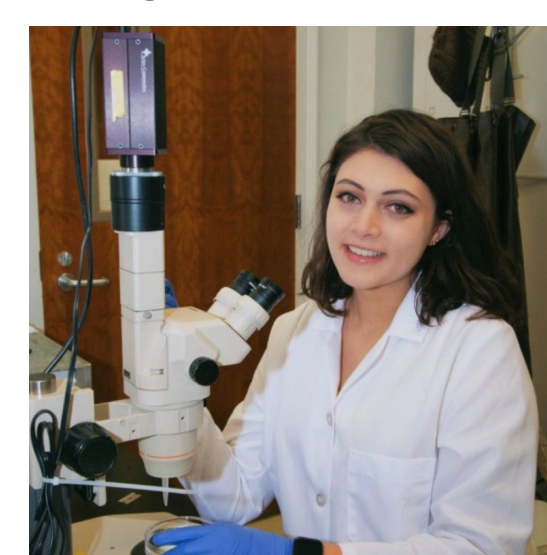
New Approach Methodologies for Studying Testicular Toxicity: Applications, Challenges, and Opportunities

STUDENT POSTER AWARDS

Most Outstanding
Samantha Adams
Rutgers University



Outstanding
Cassandra Winz
Rutgers University



Honorable Mention
Nora Abdelfattah
Rutgers University

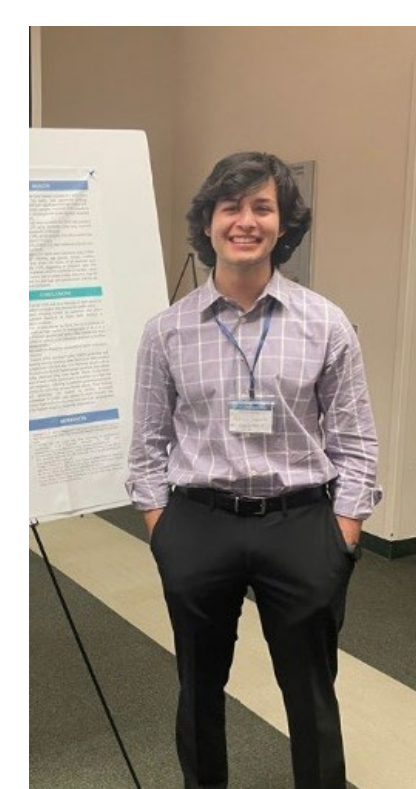


Member's Choice
Chenghui Jiang
Rutgers University



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINTER 2025

Award Winner:
Antonio Saporito
New York University



The MASOT Student Achievement Award is a \$1000 award that was developed to recognize significant achievements of MASOT doctoral student members.

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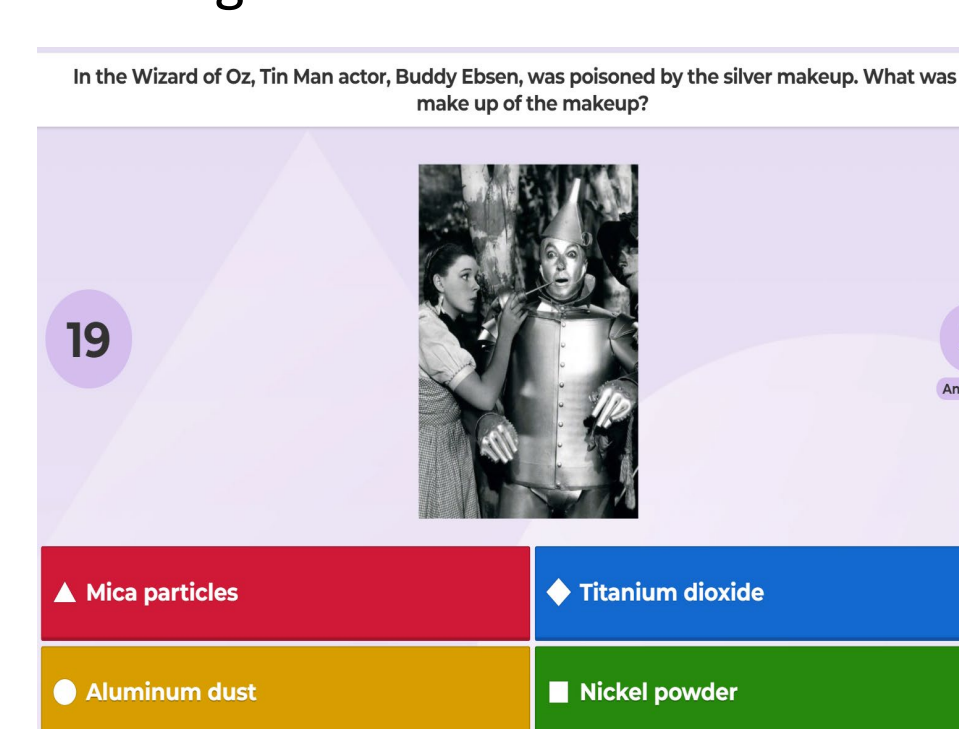
CAREER DEVELOPMENT: TOX JEOPARDY!

Virtual Graduate Student Event Held On: November 4th, 2025



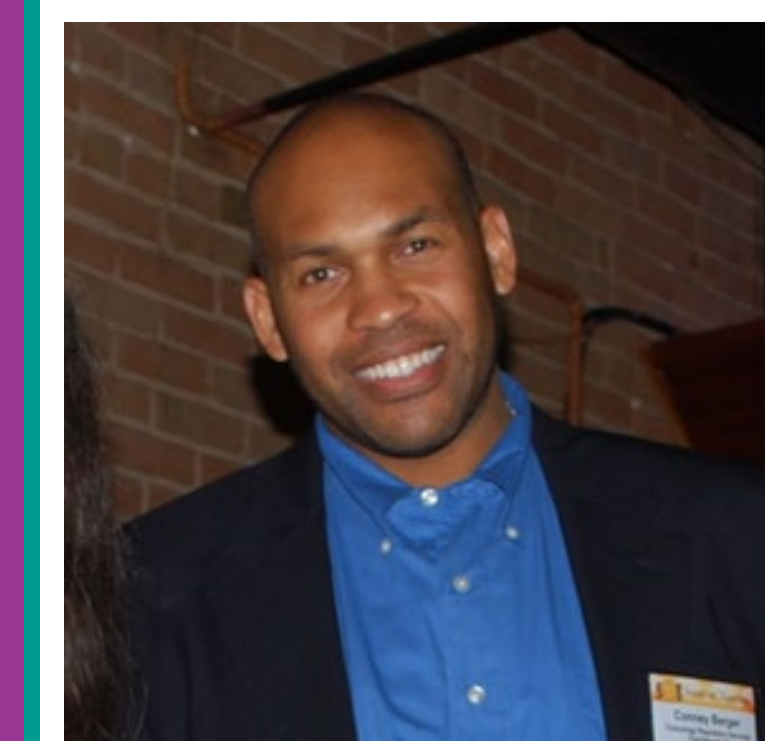
The Tox Jeopardy! event brought together participants for an engaging and educational experience centered on toxicology-related topics. Attendees tested their knowledge through a series of fun yet challenging trivia questions, encouraging critical thinking, and friendly competition. The event fostered a lively atmosphere while promoting learning and awareness of key concepts in toxicology, making it both informative and entertaining for everyone involved!

Congratulations to our winners!!



CONNEY W. BERGER JR. STUDENT AWARD

Award Winner: Rachel Renda
St. John's University



The Conney W. Berger Jr. Student Travel Award is a \$500 award supported by MASOT member donations in memory of a great man and dedicated scientist and former MASOT president who passed away in 2017.



2025 MASOT AMBASSADOR AWARD

Award Winner: Dr. Nicole Kleinstreuer, PhD
Acting NIH Deputy Director for Program Coordination, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives



Novel Approach Methodologies, Focusing on In Vitro and Alternative Methods and Regulatory Acceptance

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH



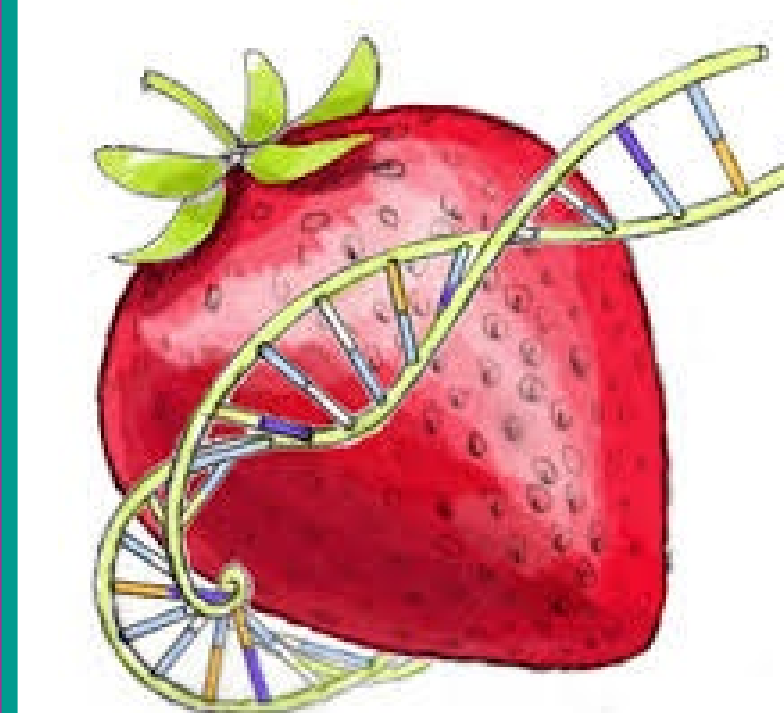
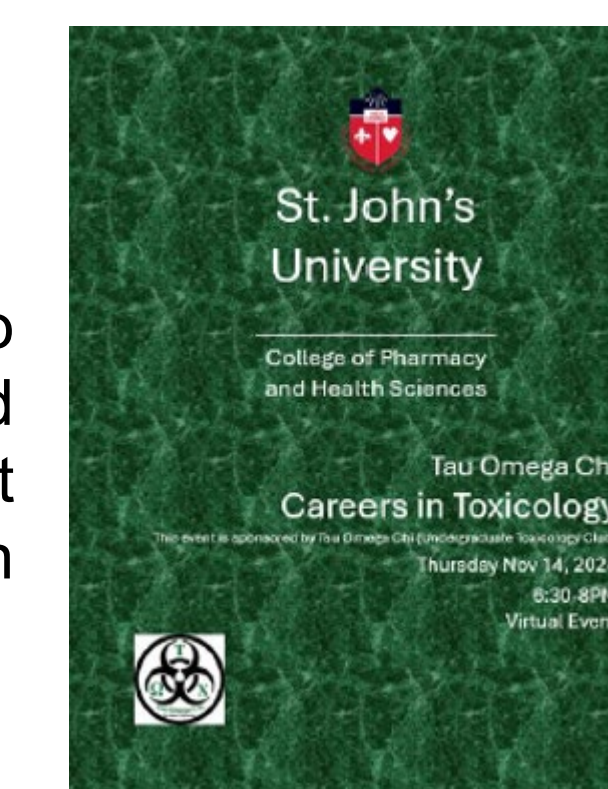
Toxicology, Health and Environmental Disease (THED):

Currently accepting applications for Summer 2026

Rising 10-12th grade high school students from NJ and the surrounding states participated in a two-week toxicology program hosted by EOHSI and the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy at Rutgers University.

St. John's University Dean's Hour: November 12th, 2025

The Dean's Hour features St. John's University alumni who met with graduate and undergraduate students in a 'speed networking' setting, where they provided tips on employment success and answered questions about specific jobs within the field of toxicology.



Girl Scouts of Central and Southern NJ STEM Conference: February 2025

This activity aims to introduce young Girl Scouts to the importance of DNA in science. Here, participants gained a general idea of the Central Dogma of genes and why it is important to study DNA. Attendees applied their knowledge by extracting DNA from strawberries using household items.

Delaware Valley Science Fair

The Delaware Valley Science Fair is an annual competition whereby nearly 1000 students from 6th to 12th grade in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware come together to showcase their sophisticated STEM research projects. Each year MASOT representatives nominate three as winners of MASOT-sponsored awards and students will be given the opportunity to present their work at the 2025 annual MASOT meeting.

