



Hispanic Organization of Toxicologists (HOT) SOT Special Interest Group (SIG) “Building Bridges Through Toxicology”



MENTORSHIP
Career guidance • Leadership pathways • Trainee-focused

SUPPORT
Travel awards • Endowment fund • Scholarships

COMMUNITY
Belonging • Visibility • Networking

2025-2026 BY THE NUMBERS

Approx. 200 members | \$3,000 Awarded | 6 Travel Awards + 1 Distinguished Toxicologist Award

- Members represent >15 countries, all career stages (associate, full, emeritus, and retired members; graduate students and postdocs), and all sectors (industry, government, academia, and other)

Membership video:  ¡Únete hoy a HOT! Join HOT today! To join HOT: 

2026 HOT AWARD WINNERS

2026 HOT Travel Award

- Alanis Torres-Berríos, PhD** – Michigan State University (Oral presentation: **Ballroom 6C @ 11:30 AM Tues**)
- Javier Huayta, PhD** – Duke University (P3575)
- Idoia Meaza Isusi, PhD** – University of Louisville (P4682)
- Alma Ávila Oropeza, MS** – University of Rochester (P4530)
- Alfredo Rojas, BS** – Clemson University (P3182)
- Patrick Vieira de Souza, BS** – São Paulo State University (P3831)

Michelle Hernandez, PhD
2026 HOT Distinguished Toxicologist

Federico Sinche Chele, PhD
(Treasurer)
2026 Outstanding HOT Officer

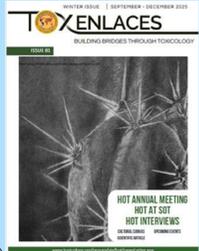



WHAT WE HAVE DONE THIS YEAR

Toxenlaces, HOT's exclusive newsletter

What's inside -

- Scientific articles from members
- Interviews
- Members' accomplishments and milestones
- HOT activities at SOT and beyond
- Upcoming webinars
- And more news of interest to our members



José Francisco Delgado Jiménez, PhD
Toxenlaces Editor



2026 HOT Annual Reception @SOT

- Who:** HOT members and friends
- When:** Tuesday, March 24 @ 7 pm – 10 pm
- Where:** House of Blues (Voodoo Room) on Fifth Ave

Join us for our presentation and a fun-filled evening of Latin music and food!



Webinars/Continuing Education

HOT is presenting a webinar in Spanish! Descubra el Examen de Certificación de la Junta Americana de Toxicología (ABT): Lo que Todo Candidato Debe Saber. No pierda la oportunidad de participar en este seminario web, que es una oportunidad única en español para aprender sobre la certificación del ABT. Además, se hablará de experiencias personales, desafíos, consejos, recursos y métodos de estudio esenciales para guiarte en el camino hacia el éxito.

Presentador Dr. Kelly Salinas, PhD, DABT, Toxicóloga en SRC, HOT Presidente

Presentador Dr. Jorge G. Muñoz, PhD, DABT, HOT Vice Presidente

Presentador Dr. David García Tapia, MVZ, MS, PhD, DABT, Dipl. ACVP, Director Ejecutivo de Patología Toxicológica en ELI, & Company

Presentador Dra. Naniela Reyes, PhD, DABT, Asesora Científica Senior de la U.S. EPA

- A recent webinar (in Spanish) organized by José Torres and Jorge G. Muñoz Ortiz was well-received.
- HOT members are presenting @ SOT

Join HOT/our distribution list to be “in the know” for upcoming webinars/continuing education opportunities!

Mentorship Activity @ SOT

The goals of this event are to:

- Connect you to component groups like HOT
- Provide the opportunity to meet diverse professionals from all sectors, increase networks, and explore career paths

Register today (it's free)!
Members of the HOT Executive Committee will serve as table hosts for this event!



HOT Endowment

The HOT Endowment Fund has reached perpetuity. The fund allows us to provide financial support to our award winners.

Quote from a 2025 Travel Award Winner:

“Winning the HOT Travel Award is deeply meaningful to me, both personally and professionally. As a first-generation Mexican-American from a low-income household, pursuing higher education once felt out of reach. This award represents not only how far I have come, but also the importance of increasing access and visibility for underrepresented voices in science.”

Thank you to our sponsors¹ for making this possible!



Outreach/Staying Connected

Follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, and What'sApp:





#WeAreHOT – use this hashtag during the meeting and you may be featured on our channels!

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