



Mission

The **Out Toxicologists and Allies** (OTA) Special Interest Group promotes the philosophy that supporting **diversity and inclusivity** contributes to better science. In this effort we are working towards the professional and social advancement of all toxicologists that identify as **lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and/or gender expansive, queer and/or questioning, intersex, asexual, and two-spirit, and related community members (LGBTQIA2S+)**.



Goals

- We strive to...**
- Provide **professional and social development opportunities** for the advancement of diversity and inclusion in the toxicology workforce at **all major SOT events**.
 - **Highlight** the scientific achievements of LGBTQIA2S+ toxicologists and allies with our **sponsored seminars and awards**.
 - **Serve as a leading organization** for all scientific groups in support of diversity and inclusion by **building working collaborations** within SOT and external groups dedicated to supporting LGBTQIA2S+ in scientific fields.

Any questions, suggestions, or interest in collaborations please reach out to one of the officers or by email at OutToxicologistsAndAllies@gmail.com

Community Impact

Last year, we raised an incredible **\$2,110** for the **Orlando Youth Alliance!** **THANK YOU!**
This year as a group, OTA is raising funds for **The San Diego LGBT Community Center** to enhance and sustain the vibrant LGBTQ community of San Diego, California.

Please consider contributing a donation with us by sending funds to OTA Jr. Councillor Dr. Ashley Brinkman's Venmo with subject "San Diego Community Center": @Ashley-Brinkman-2



Become an OTA Member Here:



Out Toxicologists and Allies Special Interest Group supports the inclusion, promotion, retention, and professional development of the LGBTQIA2S+ toxicology community.

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Thank you for all the memories throughout the years!

Resources



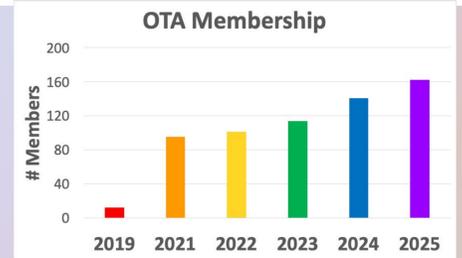
All-Gender/single-stall restrooms in the San Diego Convention Center can be found in Lobby A, within the ToxExpo, and on the Upper Level, near Room 7A.

Peer support hotlines, science, know your rights, & more! Find it here on this living web doc:



Celebrating our Membership!

- 291 publications by OTA members in 2024-2025!
- 154 members across 29 states, DC, Canada, Germany, and Malaysia!



OTA continues to grow!

Congratulations to our OTA award winners!



Dr. Brittany Rickard
(North Carolina State U.)
OTA Postdoctoral Fellow Achievement Award



Catherine Lucey
(Columbia University)
OTA Graduate Student Achievement Award

These awards applaud the scientific achievement and service championing the development of LGBTQIA2S+ scientists. Thank you for your contributions!

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Join a Committee!

Committees are open to all OTA members! A great opportunity to meet OTA members in a low-commitment format.

- The **Programming Committee** puts together the newsletter, plans the annual reception, and organizes webinars
- The **Nominating Committee** solicits donations and spearheads the OTA award review process

We'd love to have you! If interested, email: OutToxicologistsAndAllies@gmail.com

Trans people always have and always will exist

Celebrate trans joy

We thank **ToxServices** and our private sponsors for supporting our mission to create diverse and inclusive spaces in toxicology!