

Society of Toxicology-Central State Chapter Annual Report 2015-2016

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Executive committee meetings: The EC members listed above communicated frequently using SOT sponsored conference calls to discuss various issues.

Annual Meeting:

CSSOT Fall annual meeting was held in the Beller Conference Center at the University of Kansas Medical Center on October 8-9, 2016 and was attended by 64 attendees including graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, academic and industry professionals.

Annual Meeting Program highlights:

October 8, 2015

Welcome reception Dinner and Invited lecture

Larry Robertson, PhD, MPH, ATS University of Iowa "PCBs: New Knowledge Gained From Old Pollutants"

October 9, 2015

Keynote address

Aaron Barchowsky, PhD, University of Pittsburgh "Arsenic and stem cell regeneration: novel mitochondrial mechanisms for an ancient poison"

Postdoctoral Student Presentations (3 selected abstracts)

Poster Session (32 posters)

Graduate Student Presentation (3 selected abstracts)

John Doull Award Lecture and Presentation

Hartmut Jaeschke, PhD, University of Kansas Medical Center "Mechanisms of Acetaminophen Hepatotoxicity and Acute Liver Failure in Patients"

Awards presentation: A total of 11 awards were presented judged by a panel of 14 judges. Cash awards of \$225 per award and a certificate were presented to each winner.

Annual Meeting Reception

For last four years CSSOT holds its annual retreat at the SOT annual meeting in the form of a breakfast meet. The 2016 Central States Breakfast was held at the Bourbon House on Monday 7:00 am – 8:00 am March 14, 2016. This small gathering was attended by 35 people including the winners of the fall meeting who were presented with the cash part of the award.

Other activities:

- The annual meeting was attended by 6 high school students supported by the K-12 initiative of SOT.
- A new logo for CSSOT was designed by Partha Kasturi was selected and is being used.
- Partha Kasturi also redesigned the CSSOT website.