Midwest Regional Chapter
Society of Toxicology

Fall 2017 Newsletter

The MRC-SOT Presents the Annual Fall Meeting scheduled for Friday, November 3rd, 2017:

“The Impact of Early-life Environmental Toxicant Exposure to Disease Development in Adulthood”

It is with great pleasure that we extend an invitation for you to join us for the upcoming November 3, 2017 Fall Meeting of the Midwest Regional Chapter of the Society of Toxicology.

~See inside for meeting details~
Hello MRC-SOT members,

The Midwest Regional Chapter is proud to present the 2017 Fall meeting and career outreach event. The meeting will take place on Friday, November 3rd from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the AbbVie Campus in North Chicago, Illinois. The topic will focus on the impact of early-life environmental toxicant exposure to disease development in adulthood. Students and postdocs will also have the opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge of the drug discovery and development process. A tour of AbbVie preclinical laboratories will take place from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm on Nov 3rd. The event will be open to 30 students and postdocs on a first-come-first-serve basis. The detailed information, including meeting registration, directions, and scientific program can be found in the newsletter. Many thanks to our President-Elect/Program Chair, Wei Xu, and Councilor, Smita Salian-Mehta, for their efforts in coordinating the fall meeting and the career outreach event.

On behalf of the executive committee, I would like to thank you for the continued support of our regional chapter. **I hope that you had a great summer and I anticipate seeing you at our fall meeting in November!**

Thanks again,
Yi Yang

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**Want to know more about the Midwest Regional Chapter?**

Regional Chapter newsletters, information pertaining to membership, MRC-SOT awards, and nomination/application forms may be viewed or printed from our website: [http://www.toxicology.org/groups/rc/midwest/index.asp](http://www.toxicology.org/groups/rc/midwest/index.asp)
36th Annual MRC-SOT Fall Meeting
November 3rd 2017

AbbVie North Chicago, A4, LL B

“The Impact of Early-life Environmental Toxicant Exposure to Disease Development in Adulthood”

Career Outreach (RSVP Required)
9:30 – 12:00 pm

Registration & Luncheon
12:00 – 1:00 pm

Welcome and Introductions
Yi Yang, President
Wei Xu, President-Elect
AbbVie
1:00 – 1:15 pm

Presentations

Shuk-Mei Ho, PhD
University of Cincinnati, Cancer Center
“Epigenetics, stem cells and prostate cancer”
1:15 - 2:00 pm

Gail Prins, PhD
University of Illinois Chicago
“Prostate stem cells as EDC targets that increase susceptibility to carcinogenesis”
2:00 - 2:45 pm

Refreshment Break
2:45 – 3:00 pm

Will Ricke, Ph.D
University of Wisconsin-Madison
“Developmental origins of prostatic diseases”
3:00 – 3:45 pm

Concluding Remarks
Wei Xu, President-Elect
University of Wisconsin-Madison
36th Annual MRC-SOT Fall Meeting Registration

Registration Fees:
MRC-SOT Members: $50
Nonmembers: $75
Student/Postdoc: $10

On-line registration is requested at the SOT website (link provided below). If not an SOT member, at the first login screen, there is an option to “click here” to create a new account. Upon the creation of a new account, the registrant can select the meeting from the “Events” drop down box and then register for the meeting.

Click here for Online Registration

Students and post-docs will also have the opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge of the drug discovery and development process. A tour of AbbVie preclinical laboratories will take place from 9:30 am to 12 pm on November 3rd 2017. The event will be open to 30 students and post-docs on a first-come-first-serve basis. An RSVP has been set up in the Online Registration for Student/Postdoc Registrants to sign up for the AbbVie Tour. The registered student/Postdocs will be notified in a separate email.

In addition, if you need to pay by mail, a registration form is attached. Fees are payable by Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express at the time of registration.

If payment is by check or money order, please direct payment to MRC-SOT and send to:

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MRC-SOT 2017 Fall Meeting Registration Form

Name: ___________________________  MRC-SOT Member _____ Yes _______No

Title/Position/Company __________________________________________________________

Phone Number _________________________ E-mail address ___________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________

City ____________________________________  State _____________  Zip _______________

Fee Enclosed (please check):
MRC-SOT Member: $50  ☐
Non-Member: $75 ☐
MRC-SOT Students/Post-docs: $10 ☐

Is a receipt required for your registration? ____ Yes       ____ No

Lunch will be served to all attendees.
**Cancellation Policy**
Registrations are transferable. After October 27, 2017, refunds will not be made. We reserve the right to cancel or to change speakers if necessary. In the event of cancellation, all registrants will receive a full refund. We are not responsible for travel expenses in the event of a cancellation or date change.

**Location and Guest Information**
The meeting will be held at AbbVie on 1401 Sheridan Road, North Chicago, IL 60064. Visitors to AbbVie will need to stop at the Main gate on 14th St. and Sheridan Road in order to obtain a badge to enter AbbVie grounds. Please have an ID ready at the Visitor’s Center in order to obtain your badge. After checking in at the Visitor’s Center, parking can be found in either dedicated Visitor Parking spots or anywhere there is space in lot H adjacent to the building A4. The meeting room is in A4, lower level, LL Room B.

Please remember to keep your visitor badge on at all times while on AbbVie grounds. Please turn in your badge to security at one of the lift gates as you leave AbbVie grounds.

**Hotel Accommodations**
No rooms have been reserved for the meeting; therefore, hotel accommodations are the responsibility of individual attendees.

For further information regarding the meeting, please contact the 2017 Fall Meeting Organizer Wei Xu at wxu@oncology.wisc.edu
Hello Graduate students & Postdocs!

I am your graduate student representative, Saniya Rattan, for the Midwest Regional Chapter. As the representative, my responsibilities include encouraging active participation from graduate students in Society of Toxicology (SOT) meetings at both a regional and national level. I’m excited to inform you about the Midwest Regional Chapter Fall Meeting in November.

The Midwest Regional Chapter of the Society of Toxicology (MRC-SOT) will be holding the Fall Meeting on Friday, November 3rd, 2017, at the AbbVie Facility in North Chicago. The topic is “The impact of early-life environmental toxicant exposure to disease development in adulthood”. Please consider attending this meeting if you have an interest in toxicology, or if you would like to become a more active member in toxicology. One exciting aspect of this Fall Meeting is that Smita Salian-Mehta, one of the Councilors for the MRC-SOT, has coordinated an Education Outreach program in the morning specifically for us students and postdoctoral fellows. The Education Outreach program will be located in the AbbVie laboratory facilities and is composed of tours of the Investigative Toxicology and Comparative Medicine animal vivarium facilities. A key benefit of attending this program is that there will be designated time for one-on-one conversations with AbbVie Scientists. The Education Outreach program is limited to the first registered 30 students only, so please take advantage of this opportunity! More details can be found at our website.

It is important to note that you do not have to be a member of the MRC in order to attend, although there are many benefits to becoming a student member. It is highly encouraged that SOT student members become a member of their regional chapter. Membership fees are only $10 and the benefits include access to highly rewarding travel and research awards provided by MRC/SOT, opportunities for networking within academics and industry, and the chance to present your research to other scientists! The membership application is available to download from our website, or you can choose to join when you pay your national SOT dues.

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Please email me with any questions regarding regional or national SOT business or meetings at rattan2@illinois.edu

I look forward to seeing our graduate students in November!

Saniya Rattan
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