



## **Midwest Regional Chapter Society of Toxicology**

### **37<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Meeting and Award Announcement**

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# **37<sup>th</sup> Annual MRC-SOT Spring Meeting**

## **May 19, 2017**

### **Doubletree by Hilton, Mundelein, Illinois**

Plans for the 37th Annual Spring Meeting of the Midwest Regional Chapter of SOT (MRC-SOT) are being finalized. The meeting will be held on Friday, May 19th at the Doubletree by Hilton hotel in Mundelein, IL. The first part of the meeting will focus on “Female Reproductive Toxicology”. The second part of the meeting is a career outreach workshop. A panel of speakers from industry and academics will share information and case studies about their expertise, the type of work they do, and how they positioned themselves for their career. A copy of the program along with the registration form and directions to the meeting site can be found on Pages 3-5 in the announcement.

In addition, the meeting will also include the presentation of the Young Investigator Award, Midwest Best Student Publication Award, Early Career Toxicologist Award, and the Kenneth P. Dubois Career Achievement Award, as well as a poster session featuring the annual Victor A. Drill student research competition. The winner will receive funds to be used for travel or accommodations expenses or toxicology textbooks.

All students and post-docs affiliated with institutions in the MRC’s geographical region are encouraged to submit abstracts for the poster competition. The abstracts and posters may be on work that was also presented at the 2017 national SOT meeting.

The Awards Committee is also soliciting applications for the MRC Young Investigators Award and Best Publications Award, as well as nominations for the Kenneth Dubois Career Award, and Early Career Toxicologist Award for our Spring 2017 meeting. Information regarding all awards offered and the application/nomination processes can be found on the MRC-SOT website (<http://www.toxicology.org/groups/rc/midwest/index.asp>) and on Pages 6-9 of this announcement.

# 37<sup>th</sup> Annual MRC-SOT Spring Meeting

May 19, 2017

Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Mundelein, IL

## *“Female Reproductive Toxicology”*

### Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:00 – 8:45 am

### Welcome and Introductions

**Bill Bracken, President**

AbbVie

**Yi Yang, President-Elect**

AbbVie

8:45 – 9:00 am

### Platform Presentations

#### Hunter Rogers and Kelly McKinnon

Northwestern University

*“Meet EVATAR: A Microfluidic Culture Model of the Human Female Reproductive Tract and 28-Day Menstrual Cycle”*

9:00 – 9:45 am

### Refreshment Break

9:45 – 10:00 am

#### Indrani Bagchi, Ph.D.

University of Illinois

*“Effects of Bisphenol A on Uterine Function”*

10:00 – 10:45 am

#### Shahid Parvez, Ph.D.

Indiana University

*“Environmental Exposures and Repro-Developmental Health Outcomes”*

10:45 – 11:30 am

### Student Poster Viewing

11:30 – 12:30 pm

### Luncheon and Business Meeting

12:30 – 1:30 pm

### 2016 Young Investigator Award Presentation

#### Jeffrey A. Willy, Ph.D.

Eli Lilly and Company

*“The Unfolded Protein Response Regulates Hepatocellular Injury during the Pathogenesis of Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis”*

1:30 – 2:00 pm

### Career Outreach Workshop: Opportunities in Toxicology

#### Panel Presentations

*“Toxicology Study Director and Life in a CRO”*

*“Project Rep in Drug Development”*

*“Regulatory Affairs”*

*“Investigative Toxicology in Drug Discovery”*

*“Safety in the Food Industry”*

*“Occupational Toxicology”*

*“From Post-doc to Tenure Track in Academia”*

*“Lessons Learned in Industry vs. Academia”*

2:00 – 3:00 pm

### Refreshment Break

3:00 – 3:15 pm

### Continue Career Outreach

3:15 – 4:00 pm

### Concluding Remarks

**Yi Yang, President-Elect**

AbbVie

4:00 – 4:15 pm



## 37th Annual MRC-SOT Spring Meeting Registration

### Registration Fees:

MRC-SOT Members: **\$130 (by May 16)/\$150 (May 17 or after)**

Nonmembers: **\$150 (by May 16)/\$170 (May 17 or after)**

Student/Postdoc: **\$25 (waived if presenting a poster)**

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](#)

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

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

Ashley Pomper  
Society of Toxicology  
1812 Michael Faraday Drive  
Suite 300  
Reston, VA 20190  
Phone: 703.438.3115

### Cancellation Policy:

Registrations are transferable. After May 16, 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.

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### MRC-SOT 2017 Spring 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:  \$130 (if postmarked by 5/16/2017)  
 \$150 (if postmarked 5/17/2016 or after)

Non-Member:  \$150 (if postmarked by 5/16/2017)  
 \$170 (if postmarked 5/17/2016 or after)

Students/Post-docs:  \$25 /  Waived if presenting a poster

Is a receipt required for your registration?  Yes  No

Breakfast and lunch will be served to all attendees.

**Location:**

The meeting will be held at the:  
Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Libertyville-Mundelein  
510 E IL Route 83  
Mundelein, IL 60060

**Driving Directions****Directions from O'Hare International Airport:**

As you exit the airport, you will be on I-90 east heading towards Chicago. Take the 294 tollway North 25 miles. Exit at Route 60 (Town Line Road). Make a left on Town Line Road. When you get to Route 45, make a left and the Doubletree by Hilton hotel will be one block on your right.

**Directions from Milwaukee and General Mitchell Airport:**

As you exit Milwaukee, you will be on I-94 heading East from Wisconsin to Illinois. Once in Illinois, proceed on I-94 and exit off onto Route 60 (Town Line Road) exit. Make a right turn onto Route 60 (Town Line Road). Turn left on Route 45 and the Doubletree by Hilton hotel will be one block on your right.

**Directions from Midway Airport**

Take Cicero Avenue (Route 50) North to I-55 South. Off I-55 South, take the 294 tollway North 25 miles. Exit off Route 60 (Town Line Road). Make a left on Town Line Road. When you get to Route 45, make a left and the Doubletree by Hilton hotel is on your right.

**Hotel Accommodations**

For individuals who are arriving the night before the meeting or staying overnight after the meeting, the following hotels are suggested. No rooms have been reserved for the meeting; therefore, hotel accommodations are the responsibility of individual attendees.

Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Libertyville-Mundelein  
510 E IL Route 83  
Mundelein, IL 60060  
Phone: 847-949-5100

Link to online registration:

<http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/gi/reservations/index.jhtml?hotel=CHIMUDT&corporateCode=0000041657>

Holiday Inn Express Libertyville  
77 West Buckley Road  
Libertyville, IL 60048

Holiday Inn Express Vernon Hills  
975 North Lakeview Parkway  
Vernon Hills, IL 60061

Courtyard Chicago Lincolnshire  
505 Milwaukee Avenue  
Lincolnshire, IL 60069

For further information regarding the meeting, please contact the 2017 Spring Meeting Organizer, Yi Yang at [yi.yang@abbvie.com](mailto:yi.yang@abbvie.com).

# MRC-SOT Award Announcement

Dear Midwest Chapter Members,

Applications deadlines for the Professional and Student/Post-Doc Awards offered from the Midwest Regional Chapter have been extended. Descriptions for awards offered are described below. Send completed applications to [Stephanie\\_Hughes1@baxter.com](mailto:Stephanie_Hughes1@baxter.com).

## **Professional Awards**

Recommendations shall consist of a letter (one page limit) describing the accomplishments of the candidate; verbal recommendations will not be considered. Letters of recommendation must be submitted to the Awards Committee Chairperson no later than **April 28<sup>th</sup>** following the nomination request. Membership in the MRC/SOT or National SOT is not required. The proposed candidate should still be in active practice in toxicology or a closely related field or recently retired and must have demonstrated a sustained and high level of activity in toxicology or a closely related field, for example, by unique research achievements, special teaching proficiency, and/or through promoting the interests and concerns of toxicology. The award will be presented by the President of the MRC/SOT at the Annual Spring Meeting of the Chapter.

**The Kenneth P. DuBois Award** honors an outstanding Midwest toxicologist with a career involving several years (15+) of distinguished professional experience in the field of toxicology.

**The Early Career Toxicologist Award** honors an outstanding Midwest toxicologist with up to 10 years of professional experience in the field of toxicology.

## **Student and Post-doctoral Awards**

The same research project may be submitted for the Best Student Publication Award and Young Investigator Award; however, one individual will not be eligible to receive two awards for the same research.

**The Young Investigator Award** is presented at the MRC/SOT Spring meeting to the applicant who submits the best undergraduate or graduate research proposal. In addition to the application, the advisor should submit a letter of recommendation. Winners will present their research at the following Annual Meeting of MRC/SOT and will receive funds to be used for continuing education in toxicology e.g. travel to national or regional meeting and/or purchase of textbook(s), participation in workshops and/or research. The application deadline is **April 28<sup>th</sup>**.

**Best Student Publication Award** is presented at the MRC/SOT Spring meeting for the best nominated paper published in a peer-reviewed journal within the last 12 months by a graduate student or post-doctoral fellow as the first or senior author. The candidate must be actively involved in a training program or have completed their studies within the past 12 months. In addition to the application, the advisor should submit a letter of recommendation. Winners will receive funds to be used for continuing education in toxicology e.g. travel to national or regional meeting and/or purchase of textbook(s), participation in workshops. The application deadline is **April 28<sup>th</sup>**.

**The Victor A. Drill Award** is awarded to the top student poster presentation(s) at the MRC/SOT Spring meeting. Winners will receive funds to be used for continuing education in toxicology e.g. travel to national or regional meeting and/or purchase of textbook(s), participation in workshops. The application deadline is **May 5<sup>th</sup>**.

Regards,

Stephanie Hughes  
[Stephanie\\_Hughes1@baxter.com](mailto:Stephanie_Hughes1@baxter.com)

## Midwest Regional Chapter Society of Toxicology (MRC/SOT)

### Application for Professional Awards

For which award are you nominating? Kenneth P. DuBois \_\_\_\_\_ Early Career Toxicologist \_\_\_\_\_

#### Nominator Information

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Name	Address	City, State	Zip
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Are you an MRC/SOT Member? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

#### Candidate Information (leave blank if nominating yourself)

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Name	Address	City, State	Zip
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Organization	Telephone	Email
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#### Instructions:

- Please include a curriculum vitae (CV, if available) and a recommendation letter (one page limit) describing the accomplishments of the candidate.
- The proposed candidate should have worked in toxicology or a closely related field for a period of at least 15 years (DuBuois award) or up to 10 years (Early Career Award), spending most of his/her professional life in the Midwest Region.
- Membership in the MRC/SOT or in SOT is not required for candidacy.
- The proposed candidate should still be in active practice in toxicology or a closely related field or recently retired (less than 3 years). Active practice is defined as performing, directing, or managing activities in the areas of research, analytical testing, teaching, consulting, clinical practice and/or regulatory affairs.
- The proposed candidate must have demonstrated a sustained and high level of activity in toxicology or a closely related field, for example, by unique research achievements, special teaching proficiency, and/or through promoting the interests and concerns of toxicology.
- Deadline for entry is April 28th.

Return nomination form and supporting materials via email to designated Award Contact on MRC/SOT website: <https://www.toxicology.org/groups/rc/midwest/Awards.asp>

## Midwest Regional Chapter Society of Toxicology (MRC/SOT)

### Application for Student and Post-doctoral Awards

For which award are you applying? Victor A. Drill \_\_\_ Young Investigator\_\_\_ Student Publication\_\_\_  
Please use separate applications if applying for more than one award.

#### Applicant Information

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Name Address City, State Zip

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Organization Telephone Email

Are you an MRC/SOT Member? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

Are you currently: Student\_\_\_ Post-Doc\_\_\_

Have you previously won an MRC/SOT award for this same abstract? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

Have you previously won an award for this same abstract/proposal/journal article from another Regional Chapter or specialty section? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

Will you be presenting a poster at the MRC/SOT Spring Meeting? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

#### Mentor Information

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Name Address City, State Zip

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Organization Telephone Email

#### Graduate Academic History

Institution	Major	GPA	Degree Awarded

#### Academic and Professional Honors

(i.e. scholarships, traineeships, development awards, professional societies):

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#### Publications

(leave blank if none)

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Instructions:

- Abstract or proposals in any area of toxicology are acceptable.



- Please include Title, Authors, Author affiliations and abstract body (Victor A Drill and Student Publication) or Research Objectives and Proposed methods (Young Investigator).
- Insert abstract/proposal in box below (one additional page is permitted for overflow).
- Include a letter of recommendation from Advisor (Young Investigator and Student Publication Awards).
- Please include pdf copy of journal article (Student Publication Award only).
- There is no abstract fee.
- The deadline for Young Investigator and Best Student Publication is April 28<sup>th</sup>. The deadline for Victor A. Drill is May 5<sup>th</sup>.

<b>Title</b>
<b>Authors</b>
<b>Abstract or Research Objectives and Proposed Methods</b>

<b>APPLICANT CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE:</b> I certify that the information and statements above are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the award, if an award is issued as a result of this application.	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

Return abstract forms via email to designated Award Contact on MRC/SOT website:  
<https://www.toxicology.org/groups/rc/midwest/Awards.asp>