



# Out Toxicologists and Allies Special Interest Group

Supporting the Inclusion, Promotion, Retention, and Professional Development of the  
LGBT+ Community in the Field of Toxicology

## Mission

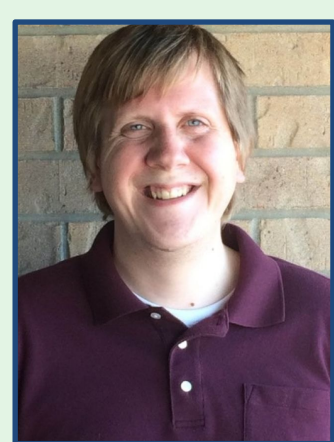
The Out Toxicologists and Allies (OTA) Special Interest Group is established to support and promote scientists who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and related community members (LGBT+), and expand the diversity and inclusivity initiatives of the Society of Toxicology (SOT). Membership in OTA is open to all SOT LGBT+ members as well as allies who embrace diversity and promote inclusiveness within the SOT. OTA recognizes that individuals come from diverse backgrounds and strives to be supportive of all intersecting identities.

## Goals

- Provide professional and social development opportunities towards the advancement of diversity and inclusion in the toxicology workforce at all major SOT events.
- Highlight the scientific achievements of LGBT+ toxicologists as well as allies who embrace diversity and promote inclusiveness within the field of toxicology each year through sponsored seminars and awards.
- Serve as a leading organization for all scientific groups in support of diversity and inclusivity by building working collaborations with SOT special interest groups and external groups specifically dedicated to supporting LGBT+ individuals in scientific fields.

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## Please Join US!

Virtual OTA Reception  
March 22nd, 2021  
6:00 to 7:00 PM (EST)

OTA presents: Trivia,  
New 2020-2021 Officers,  
and Updates and Goals  
for 2021-2022

## 2021 SOT EVENTS OF INTEREST

<b>3/15/2021</b>	
Opening Plenary Session	9:45-11:00 AM
<b>3/16/2021</b>	
Toxicopigenetics and the Use of piRNA for Precision Environmental Health Research	10:00-11:00 AM
Meet the Director: A Conversation with Rick Woychik	2:45-3:15 PM
<b>3/17/2021</b>	
Individualized Toxicity is the Future of Risk Assessment	10:00-11:15 AM
<b>3/18/2021</b>	
Air Pollution as a Risk Factor for Neurodevelopmental Disorders and Neurodegenerative Diseases	10:00-11:00 AM
Unraveling the Molecular Mechanisms of Cannabinoid-Mediated Immune Modulation and Cannabinoid Receptor 2 as a Putative Therapeutic Target	2:45-3:45 PM
<b>3/22/2021</b>	
Understanding Three Fundamental Quantitative Principles is a Prerequisite for Improving Toxicological Science and Risk Assessment	10:00-11:00 AM
Computational Intelligence: Building "Smart Models" for Toxicology in the Era of Big Data	2:45-4:15 PM
The Placenta: A Recorder and Transducer of Environmental Toxics	2:45-3:45 PM
<b>3/23/2021</b>	
Using Luciferase-Based Mouse Reporter Lines to Detect and Track Epigenetic Changes Induced by Environmental Exposures	10:00-11:00 AM
The Exciting Challenge of Working in Regulatory Toxicology	2:45-3:45 PM
<b>3/24/2021</b>	
A Career in Advancing the Field of Toxicology: A Tribute to Linda S. Birnbaum	10:00-11:00 AM
Oxidative Stress in Multiple Manifestations of Toxicity	5:30-8:15 PM
<b>3/25/2021</b>	
COVID-19 Therapeutics and Vaccines: A Race to Save Lives	11:30 AM-1:30 PM

## 2021-2022 Incoming Officers

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Junior Councilor  
Phillip Wages



Graduate Student Rep  
Megumi Matsushita



## LGBT+ Mentoring Webinar

April 13th, 2021  
3:30-5:00 PM EST

Speakers: Alycia Mosley Austin  
and Tom Lewandowski

Register at OTA Reception!



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SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP OF SOT

