

NAME OF SPECIALTY SECTION Drug Discovery Toxicology

ANNUAL REPORT: 2017-2018

May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018

I. Officers/Committees:

<u>Officers</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
President:	Raymond A Kemper	Pete Newham
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Committees: If applicable.

II. Activities:

2018 SOT Annual Meeting Reception was held in San Antonio on Tuesday, March 13, 2017.

Approximately 70 people were in attendance.

Dr. Howard Mellor called the meeting to order at 6 PM on Tuesday, March 13, 2017.

Meeting Minutes:

The meeting opened with a welcome from Dr. Howard Mellor. It was followed by the announcement of the Emil A. Pfitzer Award for best graduate student and post-doctoral poster presentations. All abstracts were reviewed and the top five candidates from each category were invited to present their posters at the SOT Annual Meeting for final judging. After the poster awards the announcement was made that the DDTSS would renew the Paper of the Year Award competition and the first Winner of the DDTSS paper of the Year 2017 was acknowledged. Matt Peters presented a few slides highlighting the key aspects described in the paper.

To increase collaboration, networking and team spirit the next 20min were dedicated to solving different puzzles. Finally, the reception ended by welcoming and introducing incoming officers (Zoe Zhong, Marianna Stamou, Pankajini Mallick (second term) and Victoria Horton) and service plaques were presented to outgoing officers (Pete Newham, Anthony Bahinski and Guncha Taneja).

Paper of the Year Award – Deconvoluting Kinase Inhibitor Induced Cardiotoxicity – Award accepted by Matt Peters (\$1000).

Poster Awards:

Graduate Students:

1st place poster – Takumi Kagawa (\$1000).

2nd place poster – Souvarish Sarkar (\$400).

3rd place poster – Kyle Saitta (\$150).

Post-Doctoral Fellows:

1st place poster – Maria Beatriz Monteiro (\$1000).

2nd place poster – Xi Li (\$400).

3rd place postdoctoral poster – M Abongwa (\$150).

1 post-doctoral travel award: Pankajini Mallick (\$1440)

2018 SOT Annual Meeting Courses/Sessions: DDTSS endorsed 1 CE course, 1 symposium sessions and 2 workshops for the 2018 annual meeting.

Endowment Fund Details: For the nine-month period ending March 31st, 2018, the Emil A. Pfitzer Drug Discovery Student Award Endowment showed a net gain of \$4,703 giving an ending balance of \$102,550.

Newsletters: A newsletter was sent out to the DDTSS membership in Fall, 2017.

Teleseminars: The DDTSS did not present webinars in 2017-2018:

White Papers: No white papers were published by DDTSS in 2017-2018.

Contributions to SOT website: Award listings on the DDTSS website were recently updated to reflect changes to the 2018 poster competitions. First, second and third place prizes at both the graduate student and postdoctoral levels were presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting, made possible by the Emil Pfitzer endowment fund.