

NAME OF SPECIALTY SECTION: Food Safety

## **ANNUAL REPORT: 2018-2019**

May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019

### **I. Officers/Committees:**

<u>Officers</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
President:	Yu Janet Zang	Karin (Qingdong) Ke
Vice President:	Karin (Qingdong) Ke	Mansi Krishan
Vice President-Elect:	Mansi Krishan	Chester Rodriguez
Secretary/Treasurer:	Lisa Tonner Navarro	Sharon Meyer
Past President	Laurie Carpenter Dolan	Yu Janet Zang
Councilors:	Cody L Wilson	Cody L Wilson
	Mike Bolger	Mike Bolger
	René Viñas	William Tolleson
	Pam Marone	Logeswari Ponnusamy
PDA Representative:	Gopi Srinivas Gadupudi	Gopi Srinivas Gadupudi
Vice Postdoctoral Representative:		
GSLC Representative:	Suresh Nagumalli	Suresh Nagumalli/Sumira Phatak

Career Development Committee: Chester Rodriguez, Mansi Krishan, Gopi Gadupudi, and Sumira Phatak

Annual Business and Reception Preparation Ad Hoc Committee: Karin (Qingdong) Ke, Mansi Krishan, Sharon Meyer, Logeswari Ponnusamy, and Sumira Phatak

### **II. Activities:**

**2019 Officers Meeting** was held in Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor at Camden Yards Restaurant 7:00 am - 8:30 am on Wednesday, March 13, 2019. Officers discussed annual meeting details and other official business for next year.

**2019 SOT FSSS Mentoring Event** was held at Convention Center 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm on Monday, March 11, 2019. Mentors from industry, government, and academia had productive discussions with mentees that were mostly graduate students and postdocs.

**2019 SOT Annual Meeting Reception** was held at Hilton Baltimore 6pm-7:30pm on Wednesday, March 13, 2019. Approximately 80 people were in attendance.

Dr. Karin Ke called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and reported general business items, including agenda, membership statistics, and donations received in support of the annual meeting reception and the career event. Dr. Mansi Krishan reported FSSS sponsored proposals and the procedure of reviewing and selecting proposals. Dr. Sharon Meyer reported the financial status of FSSS. Dr.

Chester Rodriguez reported the mentoring event, held on March 13, which was a great success. Dr. Mansi Krishan reported the election results and thanked outgoing officers and announced the newly elected officers to the 2019-20 board (Dr. Vijayavel Kannappan as VP-elect; Drs. Ray A. Matulka and Sascha Nicklish as junior councilors, Sumira Phatak as GSLC Representative). Finally, the student awards were presented by the representative from the Burdock Group (for the Burdock Student Travel Award) and Dr. Karin Ke (for the Frank C Lu Best Abstract Award).

Awards:      Burdock Student Travel Award: Sumira Phatak  
                  Frank C. Lu Best Abstract Award: Jeremy Gingrich

**2019 SOT Annual Meeting Courses/Sessions:**

- 1) Complex Mixtures and UVCBs: Analysis, Testing, and Risk Assessment. CE course.  
Sunday, March 10 from 8:15 am to 12:00 pm
- 2) The Delaney Clause, from 1958 to 2019: Making the Model Relevant. Roundtable Session. Tuesday, March 12 from 11:00 am to 12:20 pm

**Newsletters:**

- 1) Fall newsletter: October 2018
- 2) Spring newsletter: March 2019

**Officer Conference Calls:**

- 1) May 4, 2018: introducing new officers, discuss roles and responsibilities, pre-review for the proposals for the SOT 2019
- 2) May 24, 2018: proposal review for the SOT 2019
- 3) Sep 28, 2018: general business, including fall newsletter, proposal update, finance, funds, awards, annual meeting planning
- 4) Feb 27, 2019: Spring newsletter, annual meeting preparation
- 5) April 8, 2019: introducing new officers, discuss roles and responsibilities, update by-laws, update language for Frank Lu Award, discussion on introducing a new award- FSSS Early Career Award, discussion on an addition of graduate student representative.

**Contributions to SOT website:**

Updated the FSSS officer roles and responsibilities document on the FSSS website. Updated the description and requirement for the Burdock Student Travel Award. Called members for adding profiles on the SOT website.

**Other Specialty Section 2018-2019 Activities:**

- 1) Reached out to outside donors for support. Received the following support for the annual meeting reception and for the FSSS Mentoring event at the annual meeting.
  - a. Keller and Heckman (\$1000)
  - b. The Coca cola Company (\$1000)
  - c. American Beverage Association (\$600)
  - d. Cargill (\$600)
  - e. Grocery Manufacturers Association (\$600)
  - f. PepsiCo (\$600)
- 2) Organized the second FSSS Mentoring/Career event at the annual meeting.
- 3) Nominated the student representative (Sumira Phatak) for the SOT GSLC Outstanding Graduate Student Leadership Award