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of the Society of Toxicology

Message from the Vice-President

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Dear IRSS Membership,

Thank you for such a fantastic annual meeting! Between the strong and enthusiastic attendance at the Specialty Section event, the numerous cutting-edge scientific sessions from our membership, and the highly cooperative Baltimore weather (whew), it was a really memorable week. To round out the conference, we have assembled the present short newsletter to highlight our IRSS award winners, share news about upcoming relevant meetings, and – mostly – remind everyone to think about symposia, workshops, and continuing education sessions for SOT 2020 in Anaheim, CA!

SOT has a website with detailed notes about the types of scientific sessions, how to prepare and submit strong applications, and how to get endorsements.

<https://www.toxicology.org/events/am/AM2020/preparing-proposals.asp>

This latter aspect requires our IRSS programming committee to review all submissions requesting our support – we score and rank each and provide this feedback to the SOT programming committee to make final selection. We strongly recommend contacting either Irfan Rahman, Ph.D. (Irfan.Rahman@URMC.Rochester.edu) or myself (mcampen@salud.unm.edu) to receive our feedback before submitting to the SOT site. This helps us know what proposals are incoming and make suggestions on ways to improve the submission, suggest additional/alternative speakers, or suggest alternative session types. Quite often we see a glut of symposia proposals, and certain topics may gain more enthusiasm (and face less competition) as a workshop, for instance. Additionally, we did not have a continuing education session this past year.

The penultimate deadline for submitting proposals is MAY 15! Please send a well-developed draft proposal to us by May 1 so we can provide quality feedback in a timely manner.

Best,
Matt

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Congratulations to the 2019 IRSS Award Winners!

Paper of the Year:

Heedoo Lee, Duo Zhang, Debra L. Laskin, Yang Jin. Functional Evidence of Pulmonary Extracellular Vesicles in Infectious and Noninfectious Lung Inflammation. *Journal of Immunology* 201:1500-1509, 2018.



Kelly M. Hanson
University of Rochester
IRSS Graduate Student Award



Skye Kelty
University of California - Davis
Mary Amdur Award



Colette N. Miller, Ph.D.
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Postdoctoral Award



Andres Henriquez, Ph.D.
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Donald Gardner Inhalation Toxicology
Education Award



Petra Haberzettl, Ph.D.
University of Louisville
IRSS Young Investigator Award



Terry Gordon, Ph.D.
New York University
IRSS Career Achievement Award

Upcoming Meetings of Interest for IRSS Members:

This past SOT in Baltimore was well-attended and highlighted numerous areas of research advancement in the field of inhalation and respiratory toxicology. Not surprisingly, there will be several opportunities to share your work, dive deeper into the science, and provide career development opportunities for trainees with related meetings in the coming months.

Society of Toxicologic Pathology (STP) 38th Annual Symposium: June 22-27, 2019, at the Raleigh Convention Center in Raleigh, North Carolina. For additional information, please visit www.toxpath.org/am2019/index.asp.

IUTOX 15th International Congress of Toxicology (ICTXV) Conference: July 15–18, 2019, at the Hawaii Convention Center in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. "Toxicology Solutions for Global Public, Environmental, and Personal Health" is the theme of the meeting. For more information please visit <https://toxicology.org/events/ict/index.asp>.

Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of Toxicity Gordon Research Conference: August 11 - 16, 2019 in Andover, NH. This year's meeting will focus on the topic of " Integration of Emerging Technologies in Mechanistic and Translational Toxicology". For more information please visit <https://www.grc.org/cellular-and-molecular-mechanisms-of-toxicity-conference/2019/>.

EUROTOX 2019: September 8-11, 2019 in Helsinki, Finland. The congress program will include a variety of topics dealing with new and emerging technologies, personalized medicine, and epidemiology of exposure to chemicals. For more information please visit <http://www.eurotox-congress.com/2019/>.

12th International Particle Toxicology Conference: September 11-13, 2019 in Salzburg, Austria. For more information please visit <https://dechema.converia.de/frontend/index.php?sub=349> or contact Albert Duschl, albert.duschl@sbg.ac.at.

Association of Inhalation Toxicologists (AIT) conference: October 14-16, 2019 in Brighton, England. Agenda includes examination of the impact of environmental pollution (volcanic eruptions; inhaled pesticides; environmental and occupational health aspects related to nanomaterials) and an introduction to cystic fibrosis gene therapy programs. For more information please visit <http://www.aitoxicology.org>.

Some Highlights from Baltimore!

