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Danish Professor Wins Society of Toxicology Education Award

Reston, Va.; March 17, 2014 — Celebrating the development of a new generation of toxicologists, the Society of Toxicology (SOT) presents Herman N. Autrup, PhD, ATS, University of Aarhus, Denmark, with the 2014 SOT Education Award. With this award, SOT, a professional association of more than 7,700 toxicologists, annually honors a scientist who has made significant contributions to the education and training of toxicologists. Dr. Autrup will be formally presented with his peer-nominated award at SOT’s 53rd Annual Meeting and ToxExpo in Phoenix, Ariz., on March 23, 2014.

“Dr. Autrup has dedicated his career to the training and mentoring of toxicologists, making a sustained and high-impact contribution to toxicology education on the global stage across several decades,” says nominator Ruth Roberts, PhD, ERT, ATS.

The SOT Education Award recognizes Dr. Autrup for his global teachings about toxicology. Among his many accomplishments are the establishment of toxicology courses and curriculum at Denmark’s University of Aarhus, which offers European Credit Transfer & Accumulation credits; annually teaching environmental and health risk assessment and management of toxic chemicals to students in Thailand; and supervising more than 200 BS, MS, and PhD toxicology students during his career.

In addition to his education efforts, Dr. Autrup is a respected researcher, focusing on molecular epidemiology and nanotoxicology. His commitment to the field of toxicology is evidenced by his volunteer leadership roles. He is currently serving as president of the International Union of Toxicology (IUTOX); associate editor for SOT’s scientific journal, Toxicological Sciences; and co-editor of a widely used environmental and occupational medicine textbook in Denmark that is currently on its fourth edition. Also, he has published more than 200 articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals.

Dr. Autrup received his MS in organic chemistry from the University of Copenhagen and his PhD in experimental pathology from the University of Nairobi in Kenya.

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