President’s Corner

NACCT 2010: Right around the corner

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Even though October seems a long way off, it will be here before we know it. The next six months will fly by and the 2010 NAACPT meeting in Denver will be upon us. The North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Denver Colorado from October 9-12, 2010. Pre-meeting Symposia will take place October 7 & 8. As you know, NACCT meeting is the premier international meeting for the presentation of new basic and clinical research in toxicology. As you have all been notified by emails from both AACT and NACCT, the deadline for submission of abstracts for original scientific research is midnight APRIL 7, 2010. So that gives you last minute procrastinators one week from today to submit your documents. The process is quite streamlined, with everything handled electronically. Please go to www.clintox.org for details on how to submit your abstract.

Another thing I find surprising is how quickly ½ of my two-year term as president of AACT has flown by. I am enjoying the job and find it extremely rewarding to work with such a dynamic Board of Trustees. President-elect Alan Woolf will take the reigns as president at the Denver meeting in October. Dr. Woolf and I have been working together closely since 2008 and the transition promises to be a smooth one.

Today, April 1, 2010, elections open up for the AACT to select a new President-Elect. Two extremely qualified candidates are running for the office this year, and AACT will be in capable hands regardless of who wins. The successful candidate will take office as President-Elect at the close of the NACCT/2010 meeting in Denver.

You can log on to the members-only section of the AACT website to vote. You will also be notified by email that the balloting has begun; all voting is done electronically as in prior years. Please join me in wishing our two candidates Bob Hoffman, MD and Elizabeth Scharman, PharmD good luck.

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AACTion Wants Your News

This is your newsletter, so we want to hear from you. Any and all news is welcome: promotions, lectures, publications, moves, new positions, etc. Have you (or another member you know of) been in the news or interviewed by the press? We want to hear from you. News can be emailed to: cgray@clintox.com or the editors of AACTion.
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Future AACT Elections

A second round of important AACT elections will be held during June of 2010. Nominations will be accepted from April 1, 2010 through May 15, 2010, for two (2) Board of Trustee positions as well as for the role of Treasurer of AACT and Secretary of AACT. Please submit letters of nomination along with a current CV for anyone interested in being considered to run for any of these positions. All nominees will be carefully considered by the AACT Nominating Committee who will choose the candidate slates for each position. Please submit nominations to President Michael Greenberg via e-mail at mgreenbe@drexelmed.edu.

AACT Elections Open Now for Office of President-Elect

Treasurer, Secretary, Two Board Positions to Follow

The nominating Committee of AACT has selected Elizabeth Scharman, PharmD and Robert Hoffman, MD, as the nominees for the position of AACT President-Elect.

The election will begin April 1, 2010 and members will be permitted to vote for 30 days until the last day of April. Detailed instructions regarding the election and candidate profiles will be sent to members electronically. The elected candidate will be installed as President-Elect of AACT at the business meeting at NACCT 2010 in Denver in October.

Milestone Synergy of AACT with the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM)

AACT President Michael Greenberg has announced that the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM) has agreed to offer the AACT Question of the Day to its members on an ‘opt-in’ basis. The AACT Question of the Day, the very popular member benefit, is being offered to ACOEM members free of charge, as a service to the profession. Several AACT members who are also ACOEM members have noted that fully 50% or more of the Toxicology Question of the Day have an occupational or environmental theme, and would be pertinent to ACOEM members. ACOEM’s Board of Directors was enthusiastic about the offer, and is very grateful to AACT for offering this service free to its members. So far response has been very popular and many members have signed on. The AACT Question of the Day has been an AACT feature educational offering for the past year and a half. It has proved to be extremely popular among members and is currently being translated daily into Spanish and re-distributed to colleagues in Mexico, South America and Central America. Please watch for future plans for the AACT Question of the Day.
Upcoming Meetings

NACCT 2010
October 7-12, 2010
Denver, CO
www.clintox.org

Midwest Association for Toxicology and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (MATT)
April 29-30th, 2010
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
http://www.midwesttox.org/annualMeeting.html

Southwestern Association of Toxicologists
Spring 2009 SAT Meeting
April 30 - May 2, 2009
San Antonio, TX
http://www.sat-tox.org/index.php

American Occupational Health Conference
ACOEM Annual Scientific Meeting
May 2 - 5, 2010
Orlando, FL

California Association of Toxicologists
Spring Meeting
May 2010
Sacramento, CA
http://www.cal-tox.org/

XXX International Congress of the European Association of Poisons Centres and Clinical Toxicologists
May 11-14, 2010
Bordeaux, France

The Society of Toxicologic Pathology (STP)
2010 Annual Meeting
June 19-24, 2010
Chicago, Illinois
http://www.toxpath.org/

IUTOX 2010 Congress (XII International Congress of Toxicology)
July 11-15, 2010
Barcelona, Spain
http://www.icoh2009.co.za/cgi-bin/giga.cgi?c=1600

The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT)
Joint Meeting with the Society of Toxicological and Forensic Chemistry (GTFCh)
Bonn, Germany
August 29-September 2, 2010
http://tiaft2010.gtfch.org/

Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT)
October 18 - 22, 2010
Richmond, VA
http://www.soft-tox.org/