

DABT NEWS

WINTER 2019



ABT Annual Mixer Meeting At Society of Toxicology

Monday, March 11, 2019
4:45-6:15 pm

Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor
ABC & East Ballroom

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It's always an exciting place to visit!

Diplomates: Come get the newly-designed
ABT bling!



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THE DOSE



As the saying goes, “All good things must come to an end.” It has been a privilege and an honor to serve on the board of directors for the American Board of Toxicology (ABT) over the past four years. Additionally, it has been very rewarding to serve as the VP and President the past two years. I have enjoyed getting to know many of you and to work closely with a few of you. I greatly appreciate all of the hard work that is put forth by so many to ensure that ABT remains the premier credentialing organization in the field of toxicology. The successful changes that have been implemented over the past few years are a testament to this hard work. The newest big change is the new ABT website. It received a much-needed facelift. Please take a look!

As most of you are aware, we have restructured the certification exam in order to align it with current practices in toxicology, based upon the jobs analysis survey. The mission of the ABT is to identify, maintain, and evolve a standard for professional competency in the field of toxicology. Thus, as the field of toxicology changes so must the certification exam. Please rest assured that we are working very hard to ensure that the certification exam remains rigorous such that only qualified toxicologists can pass. We have successfully administered the second certification exam using the new format. The feedback from the candidates was very positive and helpful. We also continue to receive positive feedback regarding the new recertification process. If you have any questions regarding the new recertification process, please stop by the booth at SOT in Baltimore, or contact the ABT office. Also, please let your colleagues know about the ABT exhibitor-hosted session to be held at SOT in Baltimore, wherein we will discuss **the value of ABT certification as well as provide a brief overview of the revised exam and recertification procedures.**

Lastly, as my term as president of ABT comes to an end, I trust that each of you value your status as Diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology (DABT) as much as I do. As a past ABT president Carol Wood put it, “Each of us as a Diplomate has earned the highest, most rigorous, credential available in toxicology. I urge you to be ambassadors for both ABT and our profession.” For those of you who wish to give back to ABT, there are various ways in which you can do so, including applying for positions on the board of directors or serving on the question writing or outreach committees. We are always in need of volunteer ambassadors for ABT. For example, one of our fellow DABTs made a great plug for ABT in a recent SOT blog (Toxicology: Do, or Do Not. There Is No “Try”! **Posted By:** Margaret H Whittaker, Thu Nov 15th, 2018). To all of you interested in finding out how you can give back to ABT, please stop by the booth at SOT in Baltimore, or feel free to contact the ABT office. Also, don’t forget to join us at the ABT mixer in Baltimore!

Kevin Welch
President, 2018-19

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Did you know that every Tuesday is Tuesday Trivia on Twitter? Follow us and see if you know the answer each week.

Treasurer's Report



I have taken over the role of ABT Treasurer following the departure of Norman Kim from the board. The transition was very easy for me because Norman was organized and was able to provide me with a wealth of historical data. Thanks to the efforts of previous boards and Susie Masten, I stepped into a sound financial situation. Total revenue for 2018 was \$262,310 and expenses were \$237,524. Compared to 2017, revenue was 2.8% higher and expenses were 1.2% higher. The net gain for the year was \$24,069. The gain was accomplished even though there was a major expenditure to upgrade the outdated website. If you have not already done so, please check out the new website. The new site is a vast improvement over the previous website. Susie did a terrific job of having the total cost for the website come in at approximately half of what had been budgeted. The board was able to cover all expenses for the year from the checking account and did not have to tap into the investment account. Because of a large drop in the stock market in the fourth quarter of 2018, the investment account suffered a 6.9% loss in 2018. On December 31, 2018, the investment account had a value of \$550,041. I have quarterly phone calls with our investment advisors, Lynx Investment Advisory, LLC, to review our investments. I am happy to report that following a strong showing for the stock market in January, the investment account is almost made up all of the loss in value that occurred in 2018. The Board has approved the 2019 ABT budget of \$259,340 in revenue and \$240,824 in expenses, with an anticipated surplus of \$18,516. The Board continuously monitors revenue and expenses to ensure that we are being good stewards of the organization's finances.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Stump
Treasurer

CERTIFICATION EXAM 2019

October 12, 2019

**Application Deadline:
April 30, 2019**

Locations

**Research Triangle Park, NC
Santa Clara, CA
Edinburgh, Scotland
Seoul, South Korea
Chennai, India**

Outgoing Board Members

It is time to bid farewell to the two outgoing members of the ABT Board of Directors who will complete their terms on April 1. It has been a long four years, yet it went by in the blink of an eye! Both of the retiring Board Members have made a significant contribution to the American Board of Toxicology. The remaining Directors on the Board wish to express their appreciation and commend their colleagues for a job well done.

Kevin Welch and Amy Roe



Recertification Reminder

Classes of 1980/85/1990/1995/2000/2005/2010/2015

Diplomates in the above classes will begin the recertification process this year. The schedule for this year is as follows:

Letters mailed, Email notice sent	January 28, 2019
Completed application and fee due	March 31, 2019*
Literature Review Info Emailed	May 6, 2019
Literature Review Answers Due	July 8, 2019
Committee Review	Summer 2019
Results sent to Diplomates	Fall 2019
Corrected Deficiencies Due	June 1, 2020
Recertification Letters/Stickers Sent	December 1, 2020

*After March 31, 2019, a late penalty of \$150 is assessed. ABT is not accountable for any lost or undelivered mail. All fees are non-refundable.

Dear Auntie Dote

Dear Auntie Dote:

I just passed the exam and I am so excited! But I am also confused! I see ABT-certified toxicologists calling themselves both Diplomat and Diplomate. Which one is correct?

What's My Title?

Dear What's My Title:

This is a great question! In Merriam-Webster's online dictionary (<https://www.merriam-webster.com/>) the definitions are as follows:

- Diplomat: one employed or skilled in diplomacy, **or** a foreign diplomat
- Diplomate: a person who holds a diploma

Since ABT can't really test if candidates are skilled in diplomacy and most DABTs are not foreign officials, the correct title is Diplomate.

New Website and Logo!

Have you seen the new ABT website and logo? Thanks to all who submitted ideas for the logo contest. Ultimately, the Board chose a logo that was a conglomeration of several ideas. We hope everyone agrees the result is much more modern and fresh-looking than the original. See them side-by-side to compare!



2019 Certification Exam Update

The new format of the ABT Certification Examination was administered for the second time in 2018. Candidates took the exam in five locations across the globe on October 6, 2018. Many thanks to the proctors who were invaluable in the smooth administration, calming of nervous candidates and tireless escorting of test-takers to the restrooms. After the exam, the Board worked with a consultant to equate the passing score to that of the redesigned 2017 exam, keeping with best practices in the certification industry. Congratulations to the 175 new Diplomates!



NC Exam Proctors
Jack Snyder, Susie Masten,
Laurie Wood & Dan Kemp

Scotland Proctors
Ailsa Jackson, Amy Roe & John
Snawder

Korea Proctors
Andy Kiorpes & Shin-Young Park

California Proctors
Drew Badger and Robinan Gentry



India Exam Proctors
MR Srinivasan & KS Rao

Reminder: Continuing Education Credit Changes

One of the changes in the recertification process that began in 2017 is the credit system for continuing education activities. The allowable number of credits for various activities was updated. Diplomates, especially those recertifying this year, should ensure that they are entering the correct number of credits in their online accounts. A full listing of activities and allowable credits for activities both pre- and post-2017 are available in the Recertification Handbook. The handbook is a very helpful resource and can be downloaded from the ABT website. One especially notable change that comes to mind as SOT draws near is that the credits for Professional Meeting attendance are now limited to 10 per year rather than the previous 15. Also, if you are having trouble obtaining CE credits, contact the ABT office now for guidance! This is much preferred to waiting until it is time to recertify and finding you are short!



American Board of Toxicology, Inc.

Recertification Handbook

Updated January 2018

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ABT Co-Chairs Session at 2018 ICE Meeting

Last November, Board member Jack Snyder and Executive Director Susie Masten attended the annual Institute for Credentialing Excellence (ICE) annual meeting in Austin, Texas. ABT is a member of ICE, a professional membership association that provides education, networking, and other resources for organizations and individuals who work in and serve the credentialing industry. They also co-chaired a session titled “Exams in Transition: Revamping your exam program while keeping your stakeholders on board” with Carla Caro. Carla is the Program Director at ACT ProExam and also facilitated the ABT Job Analysis. The ABT Board regularly sends representatives to this meeting and the information learned has been pivotal in all the changes that have been taking place to keep the ABT exam aligned with certification industry best practices.



Susie Masten, Jack Snyder & Carla Caro

Welcome New Board Members

The following Diplomates were elected to the Board of Directors and began four-year terms on April 1, 2018:



Ailsa Jackson



Pius Joseph



Daniel Kemp

FUN FACTS

Total Active DABTs

2490

10

Countries in which exam has been given

Total Board members since 1979

115

3543

Total candidates that have taken exam

Countries with active Diplomates

31

Thanks to the Question Writing Committee

The Board would like to acknowledge the Herculean efforts of the ABT Question Writing Committee members. Over the past 3 years, these volunteers have devoted countless hours to ABT's efforts to redesign the certification examination.

Robert Mitkus, Chair
Carol Wood, Co-Chair
Greg Finch
Eric Harstad
Mark S. Johnson
Elaina Kenyon

Lewis Kinter
Andy Kiorpes
Yafan Li
Denise Rodeheaver
Jack Snyder

Speaking of the Question Writing Committee...

The Board is looking for Diplomates who would like to join the Question Writing Committee. We are especially in need of Diplomates who have expertise in Risk Assessment (with emphasis on Exposure Assessment or Dose-Response Assessment). Please realize the time commitment involved. Members have to sign in to the online database system at least weekly to keep up with writing and reviewing questions. CE credit is given for serving on this important Committee. If you are interested, please submit a CV to the Board of Directors in care of the Executive Director at info@abtox.org.

All in the Family

There are many DABTs who are married to each other. Now we have a father and son who are both certified as well. David Woolley, son of former Board member and European liaison Adam Woolley, passed the 2018 examination. See the newest DABT Duo!



Adam and David Woolley

In Memoriam

ABT is sad to convey the loss of the following Diplomates and former Diplomates:

- Deepak K. Agarwal, Class of 1985
- David R. Cawthon, Class of 2009
- Robert T. Drew, Class of 1981
- Michael J. McKenna, Class of 1980
- Frederick W. Oehme, Class of 1980

DIPLOMATES OF 2018

One hundred seventy-five candidates passed the 2018 Certification Examination and were granted Diplomate status. The Board would like to congratulate them all.

David Adams	Laurie Dolan	Tejas Lahoti	Renee Schmid
Olulanu Aina	Dayna Dreher	Tanya Lalvani	Travis Schmit
Joshua Allen	James Eucher	Rachel Lawrence	Barbara Schmitt
John Allran	Jennifer Fleischer	Jinsoo Lee	Clarissa Shaffer
Sarah Alpert	Aaron Fullerton	Qiang Li	Ankit Shah
Evgeny Andronov	Ernest Fung	Jian-Yu Lin	Brenda Shinyashiki
Zachary Antonio	Yoshiyuki Furukawa	Nina Ljumanovic	Jaime Shriver
Sairam Arava	Selvam Ganapathy	Angela Lynch	Dayananda Siddappa T
Chinami Aruga	Shanthi Ganesan	Andrew Lynn	Steven Singleton
Sainath Babu	Gail Geist	Anil Kumar Madupu	Phillip Smiraldo
Bruce Bagley	Sarah Gilpin	Om Makwana	Samantha Snow
Ellen Baker	Cristi Gomez	Lakshmi Narayana M	Chelsea Snyder
Emmanuelle Balme	Madhusudan Goravanahally	David McMillan	Nathaniel Snyder
Gordon Barrett	Richard Green	Paul Melstrom	Chunjuan Song
Susanne Bartels	Allison Greminger	Robert Mingoia	Zheng Song
Martin Beliveau	Na Guan	Anurag Mishra	Stan Spence
Shelley Belouski	Michael Hackett	Shrawan Mishra	Leslie Steen
Amrith Bennet	Wendy Haines	Marin Mladinic	Radhakrishna Sura
Phillip Beske	Rhiannon Hardwick	Supida Monaikul	Jutamas Suwanpradid
Frank Bettmann	Todd Haryu	Arianne Motter	Dominic Tauer
Liz Bogaert	Tsuneo Hashizume	Esra Mutlu	George Taylor
Mohammed Bourdi	Han Kiat Ho	Monaz Mysorewala	Belete Teferedegne
Kelly Brant	Holly Hommerding	Gao Wa Na Ren	Govindarajan Thangavelu
Frdric Brouta	ChingYi Hsieh	Ravishankar Nagarajan	Li Tian
Marc Bruder	Jentsung Hsieh	Muna Nahar	Nicolo Visconti
Amanda Burns	Onyi Irrechukwu	Vinod Nair	Sarah Vunck
Sandra Chang	Nikolai Ivanov	Winnie Ng	Hongping Wan
Hemantkumar Chaudhari	Jonathan Jackson	Thu Nguyen	Bonnie Wang
Jing Chen	Eric Jacquinet	Shingo Okubo	Hsiang-Tsui Wang
Yuan-Siao Chen	Paul James	Michael Otteneder	Ying Wang
WanYun Cheng	Tianyi Jiang	Gladys Ouedraogo	Andrew Warren
Yana Chervona	Peter Kilford	Laura Pitzonka	Darmood Wei
Jin Kyu Choi	Min-Sik Kim	Daniella Pizzurro	Heather Wenzel
Shambhunath Choudhary	Sun-Don Kim	Mary Popovech	Jared Wilsey
Joseph Cichocki	Owen Kinsky	Rohit Rajoria	David Woolley
Joel Cohen	Thomas Kissner	Marcia Ratner	Andrew Wyen
Heather Conway	Sheri Klas	Guillaume Ravel	John (Xuejun) Yin
William Cook	Brian Knapp	Brad Reinfeld	Berran Yucesoy
Stuart Creton	Gabriel Knudsen	Leena Rivina	Xin Yue
Christopher Daige	Weixi Kong	Marie-Luce Rosseels	Jiawei Zhang
Kallesh Danappa Jayappa	Supriya Kulkarni	Shambhu Roy	Jingjie Zhang
Edward Dere	Kiyoshi Kushima	Echoleah Rufer	Shuxin Zhang
Dhanraj Deshmukh	Deepa Kuttappan	Adam Ryan	Zi Xing (Andy) Zhu
Yasmin Dietz	Sofianos Kyriakidis	Smita Salian-Mehta	

Recertified Diplomates

Congratulations to those Diplomates from the classes of 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2008, and 2013 who completed the recertification process and are now certified from January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2023.

CLASS OF 1983		
George A. Burdock	David L. McCormick	Richard D. Phillips
Darol E. Dodd	Jon C. Mirsalis	Ronald K. Wolff
Lee E. Geiger		
CLASS OF 1988		
Daniel M. Bagley	Jon C. Cook	W. Mark Lafranconi
Kathleen P. Baran	M. J. DiBartolomeis	Chiu-Wing Lam
Barbara D. Beck	Mitchell B. Friedman	Kim L. Li
Edwin C. Bisinger, Jr.	Vincent F. Garry	Melissa A. McDiarmid
William M. Bracken	Laura C. Green	Charles S. Schwartz
Lorrene A. Buckley	Alan M. Hoberman	Jeffrey S. Tepper
Gary J. Chellman	Ijaz S. Jamall	David B. Warheit
Anne E. Chester	Don W. Korte	
CLASS OF 1993		
Stanley T. Atwood	Sue M. Ford	Laura M. Plunkett
R. Wayne Ball	Gary B. Freeman	Frances M. Reid
Cheryl B. Bast	Robin C. Guy	Brian C. Rogers
Christopher Bevan	Steven J. Hermansky	Robert E. Rogers
James A. Blank	Joyce K. Heward	David Ross
Jeanine L. Bussiere	Joseph J. Horvath	Andrew L. Rubin
Ishrat S. Chaudhuri	Randy D. Jones	John J. Schlager
Robert D. Cox	Abdelrazak Kadry	William S. Utley
David W. Cragin	Randal J. Keller	Matti J. Viluksela
Lynn B. Davenport	Elaina M. Kenyon	John S. Wheeler
Damon A. Delistraty	William C. Kershaw	JohnWhysner
David C. Dorman	Brian J. Lukey	Kevin D. Williams
Penelope Duerksen-Hughes	Daniel S. Marsman	Daniel M. Wilson
Willem D. Faber	Frank J. Mastrocco	Diana Wong
Bruce E. Fishman	Peter R. McClure	
CLASS OF 1998		
Jeffrey L. Ambroso	Lynn Flowers	Janet M. Petruska
Laura Andrews	Jaisri Giridhar	Joseph A. Prezioso
Bruce K. Beyer	Tee Lamont Guidotti	Santhini Ramasamy
Harry W. Broening	Scott P. Henry	Keith Robinson
Alan P. Brown	Tracy A. Kimmel	Peter J. Sausen
Steven J. Bulera	James C. Kraner	Robert S. Skoglund
David O. Clarke	Wade B. Lawrence	Richard W. Slaughter
Dorothy B. Colagiovanni	Linda J. Loretz	Lisa Marie Sweeney
Frances G. Crofts	Dino Manca	Michael V. Templin
Martin C. Dyrhoff	Mark G. Mense	Pramod S. Terse
Jeffrey S. Eggers	Joyce K. Nelson	

Recertified Diplomates

CLASS OF 2003

Vikram Arora	Thomas B. Grizzle	Lisa A. Murphy
Felix Ayala-Fierro	Felicity Grzemski	Jan Oberdoerster
Douglas J. Ball	Lynne T. Haber	Thomas Petry
Leslie A. Beyer	Bora Han	Ryan J. Potts
Scott E. Boley	Michelle J. Hooth	Melva N. Rios
Nancy Bordelon	Abdallah Jacob Jabbour	Shakil Saghir
Marie C. Capdevielle	Ailsa M. Jackson	Christopher J. Saranko
Linda Lee Carlock	Catherine F. Jacobson	Satin G. Sawant
Ronald J. Christopher	Toshihiro Kawamoto	Gabriele Schmuck
Joachim Coenen	Sang-Tae Kim	Marlowe J. Schneidkraut
Christina L. Zuch de Zafra	Anthony L. Knafla	Jorgen Schutzsack
George L. DeGeorge	Francis H. Kruszewski	Pramila Singh
Stephane H. Dhalluin	Robert Landsiedel	Brian P. Slezak
Heather V. Dowty	Leslie E. Lemke	Pamela J. Spencer
Robert T. Dunn II	Thomas A. Lewandowski	Baohong Tian
Maxene R. Dwyer	Alexander Lyubimov	Daphne Y. Vasconcelos
Joseph A. Dybowski	Cynthia L. Mann	Javier C. Waksman
Barbara Emde	Lawrence W. Masten	Tina Wismer
Alexius Freyberger	John M. McNulty	Haizhou Zhang
Saryu Goel	Mark A. Morse	Ningjia Zheng

CLASS OF 2008

S. Satheesh Anand	Hajime Hiraragi	Robert J. Pawliuk
Udayan Apte	Heli M. Hollnagel	Ping Peng
Laura M. Aschenbrenner	B. Timothy Hummer	Liudmila Polonchuk
Sunita Babbar	Christopher H. Hurst	Zaher A. Kh. Radi
Fengju Bai	Eun Ju Jeong	Karen Miller Ruble
Kevin Bartnik	Darin R. Kent	David J. Scholl
Neetesh Bhandari	Patrick J. Kirby	Lijiang Shen
Kenneth T. Bogen	Chandrashekhar K. Korgaonkar	Jeffrey G. Sherman
Mark J. Chappel	Lori E. Kotch	Doron Shinar
Darcey L. Clark	Kannan Krishnan	Willy Solis
Pragati S. Coder	Kate E. Lane	Timothy M. Stakhiv
Kay A. Criswell	William Wai Lum Lee	Sharon Buring Stuard
Erica L. Dahl	Jacob Lesniak	Theresa D. Sweeney
Michael P. DeLorme	Xiangrong Li	Colleen M. Synan
Hadi Falahatpisheh	Michael H. Lumpkin	Christopher D. Toscano
Christian P. Freichel	Shouqi Luo	Aurore Varela
Kevin French	Timothy MacLachlan	Thomas Visalli
Brian C. Gilger	Erik J. Martin	Brian Vuilleminot
Albert C. Gilotti	Charles R. Mattis	Gensheng Wang
Geoffrey H. Goodfellow	David B. Mayfield	Jeremy Wong
Jaspreet S. Gujral	Bill Mitchell	James S. Yan
Maureen R. Gwinn	Andrew J. Olaharski	Fan Zhang
Paul Hanlon	Soyeon Park	Hui Zhang
James R. Hartke	Laura M. Patrone	
Norm Healey	Andrew Pawlisz	

Recertified Diplomates

CLASS OF 2013

Irene Abraham	Dawn Fallacara	Alessandro Panteri
Colleen Almgren	Guillermo Fernandez	Sang-ki Park
Ulf Andersson	Jennifer Foreman	Ankushreddy Patil
Amy Aslamkhan	Marie Fortin	Senthilkumar Kuppusamy
Dattaprasad Bakre	Robert Foxenberg	Jenny Phillips
Tarun Balani	Katy Goyak	Robyn L. Prueitt
Kevin Beard	Jonathan Heyen	Ramya Rajagopal
Mamta Behl	Courtney Horvath	Penelope Rice
Heidi Bialk	Ruwan Jayasinghe	Pauline Ryan
Eileen Blasi	Marlene Juedes	Bibek Sharma
Laura Boone	J. Phillip Kaiser	Catherine J. Shelp
Michael Boyle	Vijaykumar P. Kale	Tom Steinbach
John Buchweitz	Athena Keene	Sathya T.N.
Andrew Burdick	Matthew Kelley	Raghu Tadagavadi
Yvonne Burkart	Yumee Kim	Sheetal Thakur
Keri Cannon	April Kluever	Michael Thibodeau
Erik Carlson	Marisa Kreider	Christine Thiffault
Sara Carney	Stephen LeMaster	Jonathan D. Toot
Sabyasachi Chakraborty	Albert Licollari	Gaurav Tyagi
Mei-Yin Chiu	Anne Loccisano	Jonathan Urban
Rena Chung	Christopher Long	Deepa V
Jennifer Cohen	Britt McAtee	Elizabeth Vancza
Kevin Connor	Rene Meisner	Shannon Wallace
Meredith Crosby	Zhen Meng	Zemin Wang
Tracy Deats	Dana Minnick	Jill Ward
Xiaomin Deng	Sonia Miranda	Qiangen Wu
Cyril Desevaux	Ying Mu	Xi Yang
Kristina DeSmet	Stefan Nechev	Jie Zhang
Jamie Doran	Kimberly Norman	Na Zhang
Reem Elbekai	Rachel Novick	Hanjun Zou
Patrick Elias	Arun Kumar Pandiri	