

The American College of Toxicology (ACT) in conjunction with IUTOX is eager to continue educational opportunities for the worldwide toxicology community. Such commitments are consistent with the mission of IUTOX to support the development of the next generation of toxicologists, as well as the mission of ACT to “Educate, Lead, and Serve.”

Consistent with these goals, ACT has striven throughout this extraordinary year of 2020 to deliver relevant, high-quality, and engaging meetings and educational courses.

- ACT courses were converted to a virtual format; attendance and engagement was excellent!
 - Pathology for Nonpathologists (May 18 to June 4, 2020)
 - Advanced Comprehensive Toxicology (June 22 to October 9, 2020)

The [41st ACT Annual Meeting](#), November 12–19, 2020, will be held virtually. The virtual meeting includes:

- A Broad Range of Symposia and Workshops Crafted by ACT Members
 - The Popular Hot Topics Session
 - Two Plenary Lectures Discussing the Latest Research Developments in the Field
 - Poster Session Populated with Novel Research Methods and Findings
 - Awards Ceremony with a Distinguished Scientist Keynote Lecture
 - Interactive ACT Expo Live! with Access to Leading Industry Vendors
 - Exhibitor-Hosted Programs Featuring the Latest in Technology, Research, and Services
 - Nine Continuing Education Courses for All Career Levels
 - An Engaging Array of Austin-based Networking Activities, including
 - Welcome Reception Featuring Line Dancing and Mixology Lessons
 - Austin City Limits Studio Tour
 - Water Boat Tour of Austin Showcasing the Congress Avenue Bridge Bats
 - Music Headlined by Austin Musicians
 - Virtual 7th Annual ToxTrot
 - ACT Member Mixer with Music Bingo
 - Relaxing and Refreshing Wellness Activities
 - Early Career Social and Speed Networking Activities
 - Closing Social with Dueling Pianists Playing Your Requests
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- ACT has developed a topical Continuing Education Course for the 11th Congress of Toxicology in Developing Countries (CTDC11) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in June 2021, co-sponsored by IUTOX and the Malaysian Society of Toxicology (MySOT). The course theme is Vaccine Development in the 21st Century and the content includes presentations on: Introduction and History; Regulatory Requirements; Case Studies and Challenges for the Global Development of Vaccines; and a special groups presentation on Vaccines (COVID-19) and Pregnancy.
 - The [42nd ACT Annual Meeting](#) (November 14–17, 2021) will be held in National Harbor, Maryland, USA (near Washington, D.C.) and is planned as an in-person event.
 - The deadline for submitting symposia, mini-symposia, and Continuing Education course proposals is December 31, 2020; [submit soon!](#)
 - Applications for the ACT [International Travel Grants](#) are accepted as early as March 1, 2021 and the submission deadline is May 1, 2021; plan now to attend!
 - Locations for the 2022 and 2023 ACT Annual Meetings have also been determined (see [ACT calendar](#) for details).
 - Plan now to attend in 2022 at the Gaylord Rockies located in Denver, Colorado and apply for a Travel Grant. Graduate students and doctoral level toxicologists awarded an International Travel Grant will be provided a waived meeting registration fee, travel funds to the meeting,

a gratis Continuing Education course, meals per diem, plus hotel accommodations. Travel Grant recipients must present a poster based on their research. Applications are accepted March 1 to May 1.

- Graduate student recipients also become eligible to compete for the highly esteemed Furst Award (best poster presentation) which provides an additional monetary award for a single recipient.
- Besides scientific meetings with continuing education, ACT offers week-long, in-person educational classes (see 2021 courses below), online learning (free Signature webinars, eLearning, and an Early Career series), plus our ToxChats® podcasts throughout the year.
- Dates are set for [in-person educational courses in 2021](#) and registration will be opening soon on the ACT website:
 - Toxicology for Pharmaceutical and Regulatory Scientists: March 29–April 2
 - Pathology for Nonpathologists Co-Hosted with the Society of Toxicologic Pathology: May 17–21
 - Practical Application of Toxicology in Drug Development Co-Hosted with the British Toxicology Society and CAMS: June 21–June 25 in Cambridge, United Kingdom
 - Advanced Comprehensive Toxicology: August 2–6
- Note that some educational materials may now be made available free-of-charge upon request with appropriate justification. To inquire about opportunities, email ACT Headquarters.