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Some minor edits.

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Non-UNMC email

For those of you who are SOT members you will find in your email today a message from the Program Committee for an instructional session on the competitive nature of the annual submissions. We must have a "snappy attention-grabbing" proposal and with the very timely nature of the IRIS arsenic risk assessment, we [probably] have a reasonable chance of success. But nothing is a guarantee, yet with arsenic we have (a lot of) real human disease as contrast to many other substances (like phthalates or bisphenols) with only animal data of unknown or little relevance to humans. Everyone agrees that environmental arsenic can be deadly and that the best way to avoid these diseases is to prevent or at least limit exposure.

The US EPA has a very tough job when it comes to arsenic; which of the many adverse outcomes occur at the lowest exposures - or are they all rather similar? How should one apply the data from ~3000+ publications on arsenic collected by IRIS and what is most relevant/important? Please be aware that other regulatory agencies both inside the US and from other countries are also keen to understand arsenic exposures and hazards. Assuming we can get on the SOT Program and perhaps (in the future) publish the results maybe we can aid these other countries.

Please take a look at this first draft and if there are errors let me know. If there is a key point or two that needs to be added, let me know. The attention span of the Program Committee is very limited - we get dozens of proposals. So we cannot be too wordy or too long.

Let me know what you think. And for the speakers, would you be kind enough to send me a tentative working title and I shall enter these into the draft.

Calvin W.

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