



Physicians Specializing in the Care of Poisoned Patients

A Bimonthly Newsletter

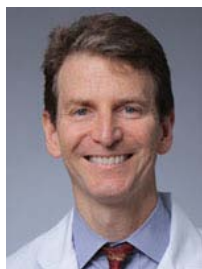
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President's Perspective

Lewis S. Nelson, MD, FACMT
President



The ACMT Board and many (if not all) of our College members have expended great effort trying to make medical toxicology a viable specialty.

We have cumulatively spent countless hours to put our specialty of medical toxicology and its practitioners within view of governmental offices, other professional medical organizations and providers, as well as in the minds of the public. We, as a discipline, are not alone in this quest, and I have read many recent editorials by leaders in other specialties with similar lamentations.

As occurs within many areas of complex medical care, medical toxicologists must

coordinate with other healthcare and scientific professionals who have expertise in related disciplines to optimize care for patients and the public. Over the years we have grown to value the knowledge and experiences of our non-physician toxicologist and non-toxicologist physician colleagues, and have developed strong working relationships on both organizational and individual levels. The time has likely come to recognize these collaborations by allowing the individuals to identify as members of the College. A few weeks ago I sent out a note to all members seeking comment as the board considers this proposal. I received many responses most in support but some expressing concerns. No decision has been made, and a vote of the membership is planned.

By having others with a strong interest and unique perspective in toxicology join our College as Affiliate Members, the board hopes to strengthen the position of the College and thereby solidify the future of medical and clinical toxicology within the medical establishment. Our goal is to attract people with whom we have worked

and interacted (e.g. forensic toxicologists, researchers), who have asked to be part of OUR organizations but cannot. ACMT is a stand-alone organization, and sets its own destiny. The American College of Cardiology has echocardiography technologists and nurse practitioners in their ranks as Affiliates despite the existence of the non-medical American Heart Association. Likewise ACMT should encourage membership by physician and non-physicians who are interested in being part of the care team for poisoned patients. Although a cardiovascular anesthesiologist is not a cardiologist, they can join ACC as an Affiliate, the same as an occupational physician or addiction researchers should be able to join ACMT. The ACC is still a physician organization and nobody would think otherwise simply because they have a small group of non-physicians as affiliate members. Non physician toxicologists and physician non-toxicologists want to belong to ACMT because they find it beneficial in a personal or professional manner. For what its worth, I anticipate relatively few affiliates, but the mindset of inclusiveness is one that ACMT should embrace.

Another recent inroad into relationship building followed a meeting between our executive director and myself with the leadership of the Society of Toxicology. The subsequent joint efforts of AACT's board member Ken McMartin, EAPCCT's leaders Sally Bradbury and Allister Vale, and several members of ACMT (including Rick Wang, John Benitez) have led to the development of a new Specialty Section within the Society of Toxicology aptly named Clinical and Translational Toxicology. The role of these Specialty Sections is in part to develop focused content for the annual SOT meeting and participate in external scientific activities. This is a first step towards bringing more clinically focused material to a primarily basic science audience. It also provides the opportunity for clinicians to work closely with scientists pursuing research that may ultimately impact human lives. This entire process was spearheaded and tirelessly saw to completion by Michael Ottlinger, to whom a debt of gratitude is owed.

To further publicly display our interests and abilities and shape how we are perceived by the outside world ACMT has

continued to pursue our public statement. Such statements may be made by organizations in several ways, both formally and spontaneously. Among the most visible are formal position statements, and ACMT has been working diligently to update and expand our inventory of such guidance. Silas Smith has compulsively reviewed each existing document, worked with original authors when possible to update them, labored with his committee to approve the revisions, and fielded requests for new documents. For those interested in the existing positions statements or authoring others, please click [here](#).

As always, education has been among our greatest strengths. You will hear more about some of these efforts, but we are currently preparing a satellite symposium for the Spring Conference in March 2012 that covers the safety issues associated with opioid analgesics. In addition, a free standing conference on the risks and benefits of chelation therapy for varied indications is nearly complete. This conference will be held at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and

receive support in part through our cooperative agreement. Both of these conferences hope to showcase the expertise of medical toxicology and create opportunities for advancement for College members and other clinical toxicologists. (As a reminder, the Spring Conference will be in San Diego on March 16-18, 2012 and is entitled "Iatrogenesis: Toxicology & Medication Safety in the Healthcare Setting".)

As usual, thanks to all of the members who have taken an active interest in any of the above, or any other College activity. The College is its members, and we all share an interest in making medical toxicology a visible, viable medical discipline about which all of us can be proud. Strengthening medical toxicology's presence in the house of medicine will prove beneficial to all medical and clinical toxicologists, and we must continue to work together for the betterment of all. These difficult economic times, with limited healthcare resources, remind us that we "must all hang together, or we will all hang separately."

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Global Toxicology Bulletin

Rais Vohra, MD, Paul Dargan, MD, FACMT, and David Wood, MD

The Asia-Pacific Association of Medical Toxicology (APAMT) 10th Annual Congress will take place from 11 to 14 November in Penang, Malaysia. The deadline for abstract submissions is August 15. Paul Dargan, MD has organized a symposium this year on behalf of the ACMT International Committee entitled "Recreational Drugs in the Asia Pacific Region" and several members of the International Committee will be speaking in this symposium.

More information and details about this meeting can be found [here](#).

David Wood, MD on behalf of the ACMT International Committee has recently completed a survey of the global toxicology community, inquiring about available resources and needs for medical toxicology practice, research and education and the role of the ACMT in helping with these needs. This results of this survey will form the basis of the ACMT International Committee's plans as we move forward over the next 1-2 years. Thanks to everyone who helped with this important project, and for those who are curious, Dr. David Wood and Dr. Paul Dargan will be presenting the initial results of this survey at NACCT in Washington DC this fall and the full survey results will be published in the Journal of Medical Toxicology in due course.

We are pleased to announce an exciting new initiative, the establishment of a Fellows Section of the International Committee. All fellows-in-training with an interest in finding out more about opportunities in international toxicology are encouraged to join. The purposes of this section include facilitating international rotations for toxicology trainees, and development of a relevant and practical curriculum on tropical/developing world toxicology. For more info, please email Rais Vohra (raisvohra@hotmail.com) or sign up with us on FB.

"Wait a minute, did you just say FB?" Why, yes we did—because now you can keep up with the ACMT International Committee's updates, discussions, and announcements on our new [Facebook page](#).

How awesome is that, L.O.L.! :-]

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The ToxIC Case Registry Achieves New Milestones

Jeffrey Brent, MD, PhD, FACMT

Paul Wax, MD, FACMT

The ACMT medical toxicology case Registry continues to grow and to achieve new milestones. Recently the 7,000th case was entered. Our feeling was that the Registry could begin to be mined for research studies once 5,000 cases were enrolled and it would become a powerful research tool at about 10,000 cases. These estimates were based on the distribution of the kinds of cases that are on the Registry. At our current rate of enrollment that 10,000 mark should be reached well before the end of the year.

There are five abstracts based on Registry data that will be presented at NACCT this year. These abstracts are based on mostly statistical data. However, the Registry was designed to be an instrument for in depth studies based on access to the entire medical records of enrolled patients. This kind of in depth research requires thought, planning and time to execute. Because of this, the time is now to start thinking about high quality Registry-based studies that will be ready for NACCT in 2012. We are always available to discuss potential studies and to assist in getting them underway. The ACMT Research Committee is also prepared to assist in the design of Registry-based studies, if requested.

Keeping the Registry going and developing its full potential is a complex undertaking. We have several important committees that play key roles. These are Database Management, Database Development, Education, Toxicosurveillance, and Quality Assurance. If you would like to serve on any of these committees, please let us know at ToxIC@acmt.net.

2011 NACCT Accepted ToxIC Abstracts

- 1. Alcohol Intoxication, Co-Ingestion And Withdrawal In Medical Toxicology Consultations: A Review Of The Toxic Case Registry**
Timothy Wiegand, Michael Kamali, Norma Barton, Paul Wax
- 2. Themes and Trends in Serious Intentional Self-Poisoning**
Erica E Smolcic, Kamal Sachdeva, Amanda G Cresswell, J W Donovan, Joseph J Rasimas
- 3. Comparison of Data in the Toxicology Investigators Consortium (ToxIC) Registry with the National Poison Data System (NPDS)**
Kurt Kleinschmidt, Paul Wax
- 4. Using the ToxIC Registry to Investigate the Bedside Diagnosis and Treatment of Serotonin Syndrome**
Kristin M Engebretsen, Anthony F Pizon, Christopher J Misfeldt
- 5. Hyperkalemia Does Not Predict Outcome From Digoxin Excess in Patients With Renal Dysfunction**
Kathy Hart, Charles McKay

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ACMT Board of Directors Election Results

Congratulations to the ACMT's newest board members, William (Russ) Kerns, II, MD, and Eric Lavonas, MD. The new members will begin their terms following the ACMT Board of Directors meeting in September 2011.

Howard Greller, MD and Charles McKay, MD were also re-elected to the Board of Directors for a second term. Please scroll down to find out more about these Board Members.

Congratulations to all!

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Howard Greller, MD, FACMT



Dr. Greller received his BA from Yale University and his MD from the New York University School of Medicine. He did his residency in Emergency Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and completed a fellowship in Medical Toxicology at the New York University School of Medicine / New York City Poison Control Center. Dr. Greller is board certified in medical toxicology and emergency medicine.

Currently, Dr. Greller is an assistant professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine. He has served as the Chairman of the ACMT Website Committee for the past four years. He oversees the development, design, implementation and transition of the ACMT website: www.acmt.net. He launched the Enduring Education committee, dedicated to the enhancement, preservation and advancement of the educational efforts for the college. He is the moderator and administrator of the Forum of ACMT, the College's online discussion board.

Dr. Greller has served as a member of the Board of Directors of both the college and the Medical Toxicology Foundation. He has worked closely with other committee chairs and board members to foster educational goals, such as the Innovative Teaching Award, which is an unrestricted grant for innovations in medical toxicology education. Dr. Greller's vision is to "make ACMT, and the information possessed by medical toxicologists, more accessible in the world of medicine."

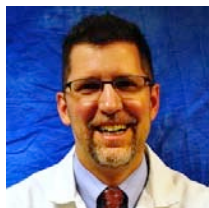
William (Russ) Kerns, II, MD, FACMT



After graduating from Randolph-Macon College, Dr. Kerns received his medical degree from Medical College of Virginia, and completed his Medical Toxicology fellowship at the Carolinas Medical Center. He is board certified in Emergency Medicine.

Dr. Kerns serves on the Journal of Medical Toxicology editorial board. He is also a faculty member of the Department of Emergency Medicine at the Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, NC. His academic mission focuses exclusively on toxicology and includes bedside and poison center patient care, resident and fellow education, coordination of toxicology research, and contribution to local and state educational programs. Since 2000, he has directed Carolinas Medical Toxicology Fellowship training program. Dr. Kerns also endeavors to promote toxicology at the national level through participation in education and research programs.

Eric Lavonas, MD, FACMT



Dr. Lavonas, a native of upstate New York, is the associate director of the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center. After graduating from University of Rochester, he received his medical degree from State University of New York Health Science Center at Syracuse. He completed his residency in Emergency Medicine at Methodist Hospital of Indiana, and completed a fellowship in Medical Toxicology at Carolinas Medical Center.

He particularly enjoys collaborative projects; recently, he has been involved with the ILCOR and American Heart Association ALS working groups, the ACEP Clinical Policies Committee, the Undersea & Hyperbaric Medicine sub-board, and the CDC CO poisoning surveillance working group. He has been an ACMT member since 1999. Dr. Lavonas has also chaired the ACMT By-laws committee for 6 years, and currently chairs the Liaison committee.

Charles McKay, MD, FACMT



After graduating from both Dartmouth College and Medical School, Dr. McKay completed an internship and residency in Internal Medicine at Rhode Island Hospital. He completed his residency in Emergency Medicine at Denver General Hospital, and completed practice pathway preceptorships in Medical Toxicology at the Rocky Mountain and New York Poison Control Centers.

Dr. McKay is a medical toxicologist at Hartford Hospital and the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, where he is an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine. He is a diplomat of the ABMT and the ABMS Toxicology Subboard. He is the Associate Medical Director of the Connecticut Poison Control Center and the Director of the Toxicology Fellowship at UConn. Dr. McKay also directs a toxicology consult service at Hartford Hospital and Connecticut Children's Medical Center (CCMC). As Medical Director of Occupational Health Services for Hartford Hospital and CCMC, he also evaluates questions of workplace safety and toxic exposure for 9,000 employees.

He has served on the ACMT Board of Directors since 2007 and is the Past Chair of the ACMT Practice Committee. Dr. McKay is active in biopreparedness efforts at the local and state level and has helped lead ACMT's participation in the Department of Homeland Security's Chemical Terrorism Risk Assessment (CTRA) process. Dr. McKay is also the National Coordinator of the ACMT-ATSDR Regional Consultation Network.

Dr. McKay seeks "to develop sustainable practice opportunities for medical toxicologists." His interests lie in clinical patient care, occupational and environmental toxicology, biopreparedness, and training of residents and fellows. He also enjoys scuba diving and distance running.

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Medical Toxicology Life-Long Learning and Self Assessment

ACMT and AACT Invite You to a Free On-Line Webinar Review Course for the 2011 Life-Long Learning and Self Assessment (LLSA).

Wednesday July 27, 2011

1:00pm-3:30pm EDT

This 2.5 hour session hosted by Kurt Kleinschmidt, MD and Diane Calello, MD will provide you with a comprehensive review on the required reading materials for the 2011 LLSA test (click [here](#) to access the list of articles directly from the ABEM website).

Webinar participants may take the 2011 test together upon completion of the review course.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND THIS ONLINE EVENT

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Subboard Soliciting Readings for the 2013 LLSA Exam

The Medical Toxicology Subboard is soliciting readings for the 2013 LLSA test, for which the designated content areas will be **Principles of Toxicology, and Therapeutics**. The Subboard will select approximately one-third to one-half of the readings for the 2013 LLSA test from these two designated areas of the Core Content of Medical Toxicology, while the balance of the readings will be drawn from remaining content areas of the *Core Content*.

To be considered for inclusion in the 2013 LLSA test, recommendations must be received by **September 1, 2011**.

[Click here for submission information.](#)

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Mentorship and Professional Development Program: An Update

Trevonne Thompson, MD

The American College of Medical Toxicology/Medical Toxicology Institute Mentorship and Professional Development program is up and running. This program was established to provide an informal professional development program to aid medical toxicologists in exploring career opportunities and advancing professionally within all aspects of medical toxicology practices. This program is open to medical toxicologists in any stage of their career, including fellows-in-training. The program facilitates connections between willing mentors and mentees and unobtrusively monitors the progress of the relationship. The goal of this program is to strengthen and broaden the skill set of medical toxicologists and to ultimately elevate our wonderful specialty. The mentorship and professional development program is designed to work remotely; physical proximity is not necessary for the relationship to develop.

Mentorship has been shown to increase career satisfaction and advancement for both mentors and mentees. For those interested in serving as a mentor or benefiting from mentorship, please visit the ACMT website, or click [here](#) for more information. In addition, you may contact the program coordinators—Ann-Jeannette Geib, MD, and Trevonne Thompson, MD—at mentorship@acmt.net.

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MTFITA Minute

Medical Toxicology Fellows-In-Training Association
Brandon Warrick, MD

The Medical Toxicology Fellow-in-Training Association (MTFITA) is in the process of transitioning over to a new executive board. We would like to congratulate the graduating seniors and welcome the new toxicology Fellows. A special thanks goes out to J.J. Rasimas, Frances Lin, Soumya Pandalai, and Brandon Warrick for their work with MTFITA over the last year. The new board members are Brian Wolk, Fiona Garlich, and Brandon Warrick.

For those who are not familiar with MTFITA, we provide a voice for the fellows-in-training. ACMT, Paul Wax, Jeffrey Brent, and many other esteemed toxicologists support MTFITA and feel the organization is important to the advancement of medical toxicology as a field. MTFITA also gives fellows an opportunity to network with others in their field, conducts seminars explaining how to go about finding a job after graduation, and provides information on the various niche opportunities available in medical toxicology.

This coming year we are planning a social event to welcome new toxicology fellows at NAACT, and are working on coordinating with the Medical Toxicology Institute Mentorship and Professional Development program (see above) to mentor new graduates in research and/or setting up a practice. If you are interested in being a mentor, please contact Ann-Jeannette Geib, MD, and Trevonne Thompson, MD at mentorship@acmt.net.

We also hope to expand the fellow-in-training section of the ACMT website. Currently, the website has a forum accessible to all toxicology fellows, allowing us to keep in touch across the country. We are looking to add a list of on-line and print resources that will help enhance the learning of toxicology. We would like to express our appreciation of the hard work and dedication that Michelle Ruha and Lewis Nelson have shown and continue to show, in hosting webcast/conference calls to discuss interesting cases.

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JMT Update

Christine Murphy, MD
Fellow-in-training Editorial Board Member



As the new fellow-in-training (FIT) member of the editorial board, I am very excited to be involved with JMT at a period of such growth and evolution. While JMT has undergone significant changes over the past year, we are still growing and striving to improve our content. As always, our goal is to increase the number of quality submissions we receive while continuing to maintain rapid turn-around times and keep up with the fast paced evolution of technology in an effort to better serve our reader base.

At the March editorial board meeting, one of the topics discussed was how to increase the number of submissions we receive but maintain a continued balance in the types of articles published. We also deliberated on soliciting more content related to the most frequently downloaded manuscript topics. While we have undergone several changes over the last year to make this journal more attractive to authors and readers, we would still like to see continued improvement in this area. Michael

Weston, a Senior Editor with Springer, has been very helpful in this process and is working closely with the JMT Editorial Board to help this journal reach its full potential. Central to this discussion was the topic of journal impact factors and ways to improve JMT's impact factor (IF), which has not yet been assigned.

An impact factor is one of the elements that lends credibility and notoriety to a journal. The idea of assigning a journal an IF originated in a 1955 essay by Eugene Garfield as a "new approach to subject control of the literature of science" and came to fruition in his 1972 article "Citation analysis as a tool in journal evaluation".^{1,2} Today, Thompson Reuters Institute of Scientific Information assigns impact factors to journals. The overall importance of an assigned IF is a highly contentious topic in some circles but is meant to provide a means of noting journal quality. Journal content, as well as how many times articles published within that journal are cited within a given time period are the primary elements that comprise the IF calculation. One of the biggest concerns regarding assigned IFs is their misuse in judging the quality of an author's work and the influence that implication has on promotion and tenure. In an upcoming issue of JMT, Drs. David Jang and Daniel Rusyniak will present a discussion regarding the importance of IF and how it is determined.

As the new academic year is upon us, JMT would like to encourage authors to submit original research and review articles. Not only will these contributions help to improve the quality of JMT, but will help with the assignment of JMT's IF in the future.

1. Garfield E. Citation indexes to science: a new dimension in documentation through association of ideas. *Science* 1955;122(3159):108-11
2. Garfield E. Citation analysis as a tool in journal evolution. *Science* 1972;178(4060):471-479.

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Congratulations to Newly Board Certified & Re-Certified Medical Toxicologists

Newly Board Certified

ACMT heartily congratulates the following 44 physicians who successfully passed the Board Certification Examination in Medical Toxicology in 2010. We realize the effort that is required to gain board certification in Medical Toxicology and ACMT wants to recognize the significant achievement made by these individuals.

Keenan Bora
Jennifer Boyle
Jennifer Buchanan
Robert Cannon
Shaun Carstairs
Nathan Charlton
Ryan Chuang
Richard Church
Joseph D'orazio
Bram Dolcourt
Jennifer Englund
Brenna Farmer
Spencer Greene
Amit Gupta
Ejaaz Kalimullah
Abhishek Katiyar
Michael Kinnan
Allyson Kreshak
Michael Levine
Jennifer Lowry
Jenny Lu
Daniel Lugassy
Michael Lynch
Nima Majlesi
Andre Matthews
Timothy Meehan
Alexander Miller
Alicia Minns
Ryan Morrissey
Sean Nordt
Katherine O'Donnell
Jennifer Prosser
Christopher Rosenbaum
Kapil Sharma
Serge-Emile Simpson
Jennifer Smith
Wayne Snodgras
Samuel Stelpflug
Shawn Varney
David Vearrier
Patrick West
Stella Wong
Amy Young
Michael Young
Amy Zosel

Newly Board Re-Certified

High fives are also in order for the following 33 physicians who successfully passed the Medical Toxicology Cognitive Expertise Examination in 2010 and are hereby recertified in Medical Toxicology. Your perseverance and long-term commitment to the field of Medical Toxicology is recognized and appreciated. May your medical toxicology careers continue to flourish in the years ahead.

Nelson Avery
Christina Hantsch-Bardsley
Ed Cetaruk
Cathleen Clancy
Richard Clark
William Dribben
Sophia Dyer
Michele Burns Ewald
Colin Goto
Dave Gummin
In-Hei Hahn
Scott Hardy
Kennon Heard
Mary Beth Hines
Zane Horowitz
William Hurley
Marianne Inqels
Erica Liebelt
Chris Linden
Perry Lovely
Michael Miller
Robert Nadig
Robert Norton
Katherine Prvbys
Cyrus Rangan
Joe Rella
Marco Sivilotti
Jeff Suchard
Dan Sudakin
Dave Tanen
Andrew Topliff
Paul Wax
Robert Wright
Shan Yin



Please let us know at info@acmt.net if we have missed anyone.

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Toxicology in the News

Andrew Stolbach, MD

When classmates of Arnold Drummond wanted drugs, his classmates bought them from dealers on their school grounds. Of course, I am referring to a 1983 episode of *Diff'rent Strokes* when First Lady Nancy Reagan [comes to school](#) to tell Arnold to "Just Say No." Nowadays, drugs can be found in all sorts of places: Intestines, the internet, coloring books.

A Nigerian body packer who arrived on a flight from Paris was [arrested](#) at Dulles Airport with 3 pounds of heroin. The 97 packets were valued at \$100,000. Suspicious law-enforcement officials identified the packets by x-ray. According to the article, two other Nigerians body packers were arrested in the spring.

More and more [buprenorphine is being smuggled into prison](#). In Massachusetts, Suboxone accounted for 12 percent of contraband discovered in state prisons. The drug has found favor because of its wider availability and ease of transport. Creative smugglers have crushed the drug into a paste and put it on children's artwork.



Suboxone fish in a coloring book smuggled into prison

We all know you can get [anything](#) on the Internet nowadays. A recent [study](#) in the *Journal of Health Affairs* found that each ten percent increase in the availability of high-speed Internet service in a state was associated with a one percent increase in admissions for prescription drug abuse. This phenomenon may be caused by the proliferation of Internet pharmacies.

One solution to prescription drug abuse is the development of abuse-resistant formulations of opioids. An abuse-resistant form of OxyContin (OxyContin OP) [turns into a gummy substance](#) after attempted crushing that cannot be snorted easily. The 80 mg OxyContin OP tablets have a street value of \$40, even though oxycodone is usually about \$1/mg. This "discount" probably demonstrates that there is some deterrent effect. An immediate-release form of oxycodone, ([Oxecta](#)) was recently approved by FDA. The makers claim that the tablets deter abuse, but the FDA is requiring a post-approval epidemiologic study to specifically address this question. Until that study is complete, the makers of the drug can only say, "We are not allowed to say this drug deters abuse [wink.]" A prior version of the drug, which was [not approved](#), was formulated with niacin in order to produce an uncomfortable "niacin flush" in would-be drug abusers who attempted to crush the pill. Perhaps it seemed like a good idea, but some users actually thought niacin increased "euphoria."

Oxycodone, heroin, and buprenorphine are all safer than [keeping a black mamba as a pet](#). A 56-year-old woman was found dead with fang marks in her arm. Seventy-five snakes, including a five-foot black mamba, shared the home with her and her boyfriend. The boyfriend placed the blame on that particular snake, although none of the others were identified in the story. The snake was instructed by its lawyer to withhold any comment.

Also in the news:

Reports of ["detergent suicide"](#) from mixtures of household chemicals, usually intended to make hydrogen sulfide. Because of the lethality and dispersion of the gas, first responders and family members of the deceased can become victims, themselves.

The maker of Zicam was [arrested](#) for illegally marketing an "anti-bird flu drug" that did not have FDA approval.

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2011 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Have you paid your dues?

The deadline for 2011 membership renewal was February 28, 2011.

In order to renew, please go to www.acmt.net and simply login to the 'Members Only' section of the site, select 'Renew Membership' and follow the prompts.



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National Case Conference

Don't forget to join your colleagues for an hour of fast-paced, multi-national, interactive discussion of several intriguing or controversial medical toxicology cases. This web and phone-based conference is held on the third Thursday of each month at 1pm EDT.

If you have a case that you think would make for interesting and educational fodder, please forward it to ncc@acmt.net for consideration.

Did you miss the last conference?
Don't worry, you can listen to all previous case conferences on the ACMT website [here](#).

Calendar of Events

2011

July 27-28 **Radiological & Chemical Agents of Opportunity**
New York, NY
[Course Brochure](#)
[Register Here](#)

Sept 21-26 **North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology**
Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC
[More Information](#)
[Register Here](#)

Nov 12-14 **Asia Pacific Association of Medical Toxicology**
10th Annual Congress
Golden Sands Resort, Penang
[More Information](#)
[Register Here](#)

2012

March 16-18 **10th Annual ACMT Spring Conference**
Catamaran Resort & Spa
San Diego, CA
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ACMT members please share with us any news of yourself or ACMT colleagues. We would like to hear about awards, grants, collaborations, moves, promotions, interviews, media interactions, invited national or international presentations or any other accomplishments for incorporation into our bimonthly newsletter. How do you like the new format of the newsletter? Send information to newsletter@acmt.net.

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