

## Medical Toxicology Foundation Releases 2014 Annual Report

*The American College of Medical Toxicology announces the release of the Medical Toxicology Foundation 2014 Annual Report. The report highlights the Foundation's achievements in promoting the impact and value of medical toxicology in the provision of safe, high-quality care.*

Phoenix, Arizona ([PRWEB](#)) October 28, 2014 -- The Medical Toxicology Foundation (MTF) has released its 2014 Annual Report, which summarizes the numerous awards available from the Foundation and highlights the achievements of past award winners in promoting the valuable role of medical [toxicology](#) in the provision of safe, high quality care. The report details nearly \$100,000 provided in awards in recent years to fund research and educational activities within the specialty of medical toxicology. The MTF is a non-profit charitable organization affiliated with the American College of Medical Toxicology (ACMT). As part of its commitment to sustaining and improving the practice of medical toxicology, the Foundation funds medical [toxicology education and research](#) programs that are vital to the care of patients suffering from the adverse effects of drug, chemical and natural toxin exposures.

The report also describes awards currently available for the promotion of research and career development in medical toxicology. The newest MTF initiative, The Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Award, supports outstanding research and educational initiatives that have the greatest potential to reduce the misuse and abuse of prescription drugs, particularly among young people. The first award from this fund was presented to Katherine Boyle, MD, from the Division of Medical Toxicology at the University of Massachusetts to support her research entitled 'Teaching Effective Opioid Prescribing Through a Simulation Curriculum'. This award was endowed by Ward Donovan, M.D., a medical [toxicologist](#) who has dedicated his career to toxicology research and education as well as the treatment of poisoned patients. Dr. Donovan is also a past President of the ACMT.

Additional [awards](#) are available to fund innovative research and teaching projects. The 2014 recipients of these awards are Katherine Katsung, MD, from Regions Hospital in St. Paul, MN and Nathan Menke, MD, PhD, from the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Dr. Katsung is investigating treatments for toxicity related to propranolol, a common cardiovascular medication, and Dr. Menke is studying tools to aid in predicting severe toxicity related to acetaminophen poisoning.

According to Suzanne White, MD, President of ACMT, "It excites me as I see the possibilities for helping patients and realizing breakthroughs we never before thought would be possible. I can feel momentum gaining for the Medical Toxicology Foundation and the work conducted by its members."

### About ACMT

ACMT is a professional, non-profit association of physicians with recognized expertise in medical toxicology. The ACMT mission is to advance quality care of poisoned patients and public health through physicians who specialize in consultative, emergency, environmental, forensic, and occupational toxicology. For more information, visit <http://www.acmt.net>, or follow on Twitter @acmt.