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Toxicology Investigator’s Consortium (Toxic): Overview and Next Steps

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In 2009, a group of American Medical Toxicologists came together to form the Toxicology Investigators Consortium also known as Toxic. The premise for this collaboration had been the noticeable growth of bedside toxicology consultation services provided by medical toxicologists at a number of hospitals throughout the United States. This development provided an opportunity to form a consortium that has the potential to greatly enhance toxicovigilance and research in medical toxicology. As part of this endeavor, a Registry was established that identifies cases that are seen at the bedside by medical toxicologists both in their capacity as inpatient consultants or attendings, and/or outpatient clinicians. As of May 2010, 17 toxicology centers were enrolling patients in this Registry and plans were underway to expand the Registry to 30 or more sites. More than 750 cases were added to the Registry during the first several months. This presentation will describe the formation of Toxic and the Toxic Registry, discuss the data form that had been developed for case entry, and describe the toxicovigilance and research efforts that are currently underway and planned for Toxic.