

Report of the Drug Metabolism and Drug Transport Section (DMTS) to the Executive Committee of IUPHAR

1) Activities in 2013

a. The DMTS, in collaboration with Prof. John Miners, organized a symposium on the topic of 'Active Metabolites' for IUTOX 2013 that was held in Seoul, S. Korea in July 2013. Two current members of the DMTS Executive, Allan Rettie and Ann Daly gave presentations in the symposium, a full report of which was supplied in Prof. Miners annual report to the IUPHAR Council.

b. In collaboration with Prof. Cascorbi and the Pharmacogenomics Section of IUPHAR, DMTS assembled and submitted a comprehensive suite of symposia proposals for the WCP2014 program. Several of these were selected for inclusion in the Cape Town program.

c. The Section has also been heavily involved in helping organize a satellite meeting to WCP2014. This initiative was led by former DMTS committee member, Prof. Andrew Walubo. This satellite meeting, entitled 'Methods 2014' (www.methods2014.org) was scheduled take place in Cape Town immediately before WCP2014 and to concentrate on describing methods for studying drug metabolism and transport and for developing herbal-derived medicines. Unfortunately, citing difficulties with sponship and attendee numbers, the meeting was cancelled in early February.

d. The Section had reviewed an application from Prof. Walubo for funds to support the satellite meeting described above, and approved the sum of \$3,000.

2) Proposed Activities for 2014

a. Website update: We have already uploaded information on current activities to the new website and look forward to this going live in the near future.

b. Reconstitution of the Executive: The executive will be refreshed this year. Prof. Ann Daly will take over from Allan Rettie as Chair. The terms of office for several other committee members will also end and, in line with the constitution, we are currently seeking replacements. The section will hold a general meeting during WCP2014.

3) Fundraising efforts

Individualized letters soliciting funds from the major reagent suppliers in the US, were sent to BD Gentest and Xenotech. Despite personalized follow-up no donations were forthcoming, both companies citing the poor financial situation in their markets.

4) Funds in the bank

Report from our Treasurer, Prof. Steve Leeder indicated that the Section has funds of a little over \$17,000 at the beginning of 2014.

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Prof. Allan Rettie, Chair