



7TH CONGRESS OF TOXICOLOGY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

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The Toxicology Society of South Africa (TOXSA) was established as a Learned Society on 15 May 2001 in Stellenbosch, South Africa. In 2009, TOXSA will be hosting the 7th Congress of Toxicology in Developing Countries (7CTDC) to be held in Sun City, South Africa in 6-10 September 2009.

As TOXSA is the only toxicology society in the region, we plan to focus on stimulating interest in this important discipline by harmonizing existing toxicology skills and capacity in developed countries with the needs of developing countries. For any further information and online registration, please visit the web site of the conference at <http://www.7ctdc.co.za>

Topics to be covered include:

- Clinical Toxicology.
- Forensic Toxicology.
- Safety in food including GMO and minimum residual levels.
- Toxic exposures in the working environment in developing countries.
- Toxicological issues related to environmental pollutants including:
 - Endocrine disruptors.
 - Particles.
 - Metal ions.
 - Asbestos.
 - Contaminants from electronic waste disposal and exposures in the developing world e.g., metals brominated flame retarders etc.
- Ethics in clinical trials and pre-clinical testing in developing countries.
- Capacity building in toxicology in developing countries including training and information transfer.
- Toxicological issues related to traditional remedies.
 - New law on label claims for medicinal plants
- Veterinary toxicology.
- The role of poison centres in developing countries.
- Risk assessment.
 - The science of risk assessment and risk communication in developed and developing countries.
 - Mixtures and risk assessment.
- Latent effects of early life exposures.
- Toxicogenomics and proteomics.

Awards: Fellowships are available that will cover registration and accommodation fees of 25 participants from developing countries. Selection of awardees will depend on scientific merit of the abstracts submitted.

Deadlines to be considered:

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| Call for abstracts | 1 st November 2008 |
| Abstract submission: | 31 st January 2009 |
| Early registration: | 15 th April 2009 |