

Report from the Young Scientist Committee 2011

The Young Scientist Committee has continued its work on the Young Scientist (YS) issues.

- IATDMCT YS Membership Numbers

After a decrease in the “off-congress” year, the number of IATDMCT YS members has increased again and now stands at 60 including 25 Developing Country YS members. An additional 14 full IATDMCT members have listed YS Interest in their membership profiles.

- IATDMCT YS Contributions to the Compass

The “Young Scientist Corner” is now an established section of the Compass. In the past year, it included announcements of Sara Bremer, Department of Medical Biochemistry, University of Oslo, and Flora Musuamba, Laboratoire de Biochimie, Université Catholique de Louvain, having successfully completed their PhDs. The YS Committee reported on its activities and achievements since its foundation in 2007 and a scientific article on the validation of the Mass Trak XE Kit for TDM of everolimus was contributed by Denise A McKeown, Vice Chair of the YS Committee. Together with Pierre Marquet (President-Elect), YS Markus Meyer and Frank Peters (YS Committee Chair) published a report on the Mass Spectrometry Symposium on the occasion of Past-President Hans Maurer’s 60th birthday.

- IATDMCT YS Participation in the Association Activities

The YS Committee has organized a YS Workshop to be held during the IATDMCT meeting in Stuttgart 2011. The topics of the presentations range from “*in utero* drug exposure” to “*in vitro* metabolism studies” to the “Spice phenomenon” of synthetic cannabinoids which are becoming more popular as drugs of abuse. It will hence give the attendees an idea about the diversity in the field of TDM and CT. Of course, there will also be the traditional YS lunch offering opportunities to network and socialize with YS peers at the beginning of the conference.

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Frank T. Peters
Chair

Denise McKeown
Vice Chair