

## Årsberetning 2020 – seksjon for toksikologi

Here is the Toxicology board's report on our activities during February 2020 through January 2021. This report is submitted for approval at the annual meeting of the Section for Toxicology which will be held digitally using Zoom from 15.30-16:00 on January 28<sup>th</sup> 2021.

### 1. The composition of the board

The board members for the toxicology section in the year 2020 has been as follows:

Leder – Jason Matthews (2019-2021) – UiO, Oslo  
Vibeke Ansteinsson, (2019-2021)- TKØ, Oslo  
Anita Solhaug, (2019-2021)- VI, Oslo,  
Odd Andre Karlsen (2020-2022) – UiB, Bergen  
Dag Markus Eide (2019-2021) – FHI, Oslo  
Marie Dahlberg Persson (2020-2022) – Miljødirektoratet, Oslo  
Johanna Samulin Erdem (2020-2022) – Stami, Oslo

#### **Varamedlemmer:**

Solveig Føreland, varamedlem, (2019-2021)- UNN, Tromsø

**Valgkomiteen for 2020:** Shan Zienolddiny and Hubert Dirven

### 2. The work of the board

The board had three digital meetings and many email communications during the year.

#### **Vintermøtet 2020**

Award for best poster went to Torill Horvli for her poster titled “Mixture effects of benzo[a]pyrene and perfluoroalkyl substances on the aryl hydrocarbon receptor signalling pathway and energy metabolism of Atlantic cod (*Gadus morhua*)”. The judges were Anita Solhaug and Jon E Dahl.

Award for best presentation (Frie foredrag) went to Siri Øfsthus Goksøyr (UiB) for her presentation titled “A battery of Atlantic cod (*Gadus morhua*) stress-activated receptors as a bioassay tool to analyse sediment extracts”. The judges were Jason Matthews and Hubert Dirven.

#### **Spring Meeting 2020 (Vårmøtet 2020)**

No meeting was organized due to Coronavirus Pandemic.

#### **Fall Meeting 2020 (Høstmøtet 2020)**

Toxicology board supported the NETS2020 meeting, which was held digitally in Bergen. Odd André Karlsen was one of many of the Scientific Organizing Committee. The digital NETS2020 meeting was a great success.

Briefly, NETS2020 with the subtitle "Ocean Health in the Anthropocene" was organized digitally November 4-5, 2020, using a combination of Zoom and Gather softwares. Gather was for social interactions and for a digital poster session, while Zoom was used for the speakers' presentation. There were 145 registered attendees. NETS2020 was divided into 6 scientific sessions with 40 platform presentations, including 6 invited keynote speakers (3 international). A digital poster session was organized online (18 posters). This type of digital meeting could be an option for future NSFT meetings.

### ***Nominasjon av NSFT's publikasjonspris innen toksikologi for 2020***

Since 2014, NSFT has awarded a prize for the year's best publication from Norwegian based Researchers within pharmacology and toxicology (accepted for publication in the period 1 November the year before to 31 October this year).

The deadline for submission or rather nomination of an article is usually in mid-November. However, due to the special circumstances surrounding the Coronavirus pandemic in 2020, the nomination deadline has been extended to February 1<sup>st</sup> 2021. The composition of the committee has not been finalized but will consist of Jason Matthews (UiO), two additional Researchers/Scientists working in the field of Toxicology.

As of Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 2021, the board has received 3 nominations.

### ***Vintermøtet 2021***

No meeting was organized due to Coronavirus Pandemic. However, a joint Pharmacology and Toxicology spring/ early fall meeting is planned. The theme, location (whether digital or not) will be announced at a later date. The best paper award winners in pharmacology and toxicology will have the opportunity to present their study at the joint meeting.

**3. Establishment of a «Poulsson» prize in Environmental Toxicology/Økotoksikologi.** This still needs to be discussed. According to the Poulsson award charter, the award cannot be given to an Økotoksikolog. This needs to be confirmed. If this is indeed the case, then a new award for outstanding contributions to Økotoksikologi will need to be established.

**4. Utgivelse av "TOKSIKOLOGEN"- Toksikologiseksjonens fagtidsskrift.** There were no editions of "Toksikologen" produced in 2020. There have been suggestions to revive this, but no firm interest.

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## **Agenda:**

1. Approval of notice of meeting and agenda
2. Election of chairman and someone to write the minutes
3. Annual report for the toxicology section 2020.
  - a. The head of the section reviews the annual report
4. Election of new board/nomination committee members
  - a. New board in the toxicology section
  - b. New Nomination Committee
5. Poulsson Award
  - a. Nominations for Poulsson Award in Toxicology
  - b. Establishment of an honorary award (Poulsson Award or similar) for ecotoxicologists
6. Toxicologists/toksikologen
  - a. How can we revise this?
7. Meetings 2021 - new proposals and continuation of ideas
  - a. Spring and autumn meeting 2021
  - b. Input to winter meeting 2022
8. Other items

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