

Minutes for the August 12, 2024 Hazard and Dose-Response Specialty Group (HDRSG)

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1. The chair-elect position remains open. An announcement has been placed in the SRA newsletter twice; however, there has not been any response.
2. The HDRSG has not yet received a list of applicants for the student award. Two requests have been made for the list and the group is awaiting a response.
3. Local universities in the Austin area were sent information regarding the annual meeting and travel award to encourage local students to participate.
4. Speakers on inhalation dosimetry were contacted and asked to present at the September webinar and the group is waiting for a response. As a path forward, it was suggested that the HDRSG switch topics and invite a speaker to present a webinar on physiologically-based pharmacokinetic (PBPK) models.
5. Topics discussed during the quarterly chair's meeting were summarized for the group.
 - a. There have been some difficulties communicating with membership by email using the tools provided by SRA. SRA has shared approaches with members to whitelist SRA emails to prevent them from being filtered to spam.
 - b. The SRA has expressed a preference for running elections using Election Runner. There have been difficulties using Election Runner in the past. Last year the election was created on Google Forms. The link to vote was sent only to active members of the HDRSG to avoid voting by non-members.
 - c. SRA has launched a new Expert Directory. It could become a good resource for finding experts. It is unclear how much participation or usage the directory will receive.
6. The HDRSG plans to request nominations for the executive committee next week to solicit nominations for next year.