

2023 AWARD RECIPIENT

James A. Popp, DVM, PhD, ATS, IATP, DACVP

James A. Popp received his D.V.M. degree from The Ohio State University followed by residency training in veterinary pathology and a Ph.D. degree in Comparative Pathology from the University of California, Davis. Following post-doctoral training in biochemical pathology and chemical carcinogenesis at Fels Research Institute (Temple Medical School), he served on the faculty of the University of Florida before joining the Chemical Industry Institute of Toxicology (CIIT) shortly after the Institute was founded. Over the ensuing 15 years, Dr. Popp developed and directed a productive research program in hepatotoxicity and hepatocarcinogenesis with emphasis on liver tumor promotion. During part of his tenure at CIIT, he served as a Department Head and Vice President of the Institute. He has held the position of Vice President in several pharmaceutical companies for 11 years. In 2004, Dr. Popp founded Stratoxon LLC, a toxicology consulting organization providing advice and support regarding issues identified in animal toxicity studies.

Professional expertise is recognized by board certification as a Diplomate, American College of Veterinary Pathology and by peer recognition as a Fellow, Academy of Toxicological Sciences and as a Fellow, International Academy of Toxicologic Pathology. Dr. Popp has served in the leadership of several professional societies including service as President of the Society of Toxicologic Pathology, President of the Academy of Toxicological Sciences and President of the Society of Toxicology. In addition to other awards received, Dr. Popp was recognized by the Society of Toxicologic Pathology as recipient of the 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award.

Dr. Popp has been a frequent contributor to governmental toxicology efforts including service of a 3 year term on the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors and the Report on Carcinogens subcommittee, as Chair of several NTP special workshops and as Chair of the Board of Scientific Advisors for the FDA National Center for Toxicological Research. Dr. Popp has authored or co-authored 140 peer reviewed publications/book chapters and has served as editor/co-editor of 5 books/monographs with emphasis on hepatocarcinogenesis and toxicologic pathology.