

# Annual Report 2024



# Message from the Treasurer





Alan P. Brown PhD, DABT Treasurer

October 2025

Dear Members of the American College of Toxicology,

The American College of Toxicology (ACT) Endowment was established in 2015 to advance the College's commitment to education, leadership, and service by securing future funding for the ACT scholarship and educational award programs. These award programs, which include travel grants, the Furst Award for best student poster, and graduate student fellowships, maximize opportunities for recipients to gain invaluable exposure to current scientific research and to network with professionals in applied toxicology. In 2023, ACT established The Harihara M. Mehendale Award for Best International Student Poster presented at the ACT Annual Meeting to honor the

memory and contributions to the science of toxicology by Dr. Mehendale. This award will be funded from the Endowment.

Endowment contributions are critical to ensure financial resources to help fund our future. Contributing to the Endowment gives members of the College and their families the opportunity to personally invest in the mission of ACT. These generous contributions have allowed the Endowment's funds to exceed \$1,000,000 since its inception. As a result, ACT was able to make a distribution of \$28,377 from the Endowment to provide funding for scholarships and educational awards granted in 2024.

Here within is the 2024 ACT Endowment Annual Report. Fiscal 2024 represented a positive year for investments across multiple sectors which includes both equities and fixed income. The Endowment received \$25,637 in donor contributions in 2024. The fund ended the year with a total balance of \$1,526,526 which represents a net increase of \$141,128 (ie, +10.2%) from the prior year (2023).

On behalf of the College and the Endowment Committee, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all of the donors to the Endowment for your philanthropy and dedication to furthering the College's mission. We hope that you will continue to support the ACT Endowment and encourage others to participate for ensuring success and progress in the discipline and profession of toxicology long into the future. Lastly, I would like to thank the members of the Endowment Committee and ACT Council for their support of the College.

Sincerely, Alan P. Brown, PhD, DABT Treasurer, American College of Toxicology



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#### **International Travel Grant**



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#### **Furst Award**



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### **North American Travel Grant**



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Every year, the American College of Toxicology recognizes outstanding scientists across educational and career levels for their accomplishments. Some ACT awards honor senior-level investigators for lifetime achievement, and others provide scholarships and support for graduate students and early career researchers to attend the ACT Annual Meeting. In 2024 the ACT **Endowment specifically** funded those scholarships and travel grants bestowed to graduate students.

### Mehendale Award \_\_\_\_

### 2023 North American Graduate Fellowship \_\_\_\_



Adedayo Adebisi Lagos State University, Nigeria



Rahul Kumar Louisiana State University

In 2024 the ACT Endowment supported student travel grant and scholarship recipients.

# Thank You!



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The American College of Toxicology sincerely appreciates each of the following contributors for supporting the Endowment from its inception in 2015 to December 31, 2024:

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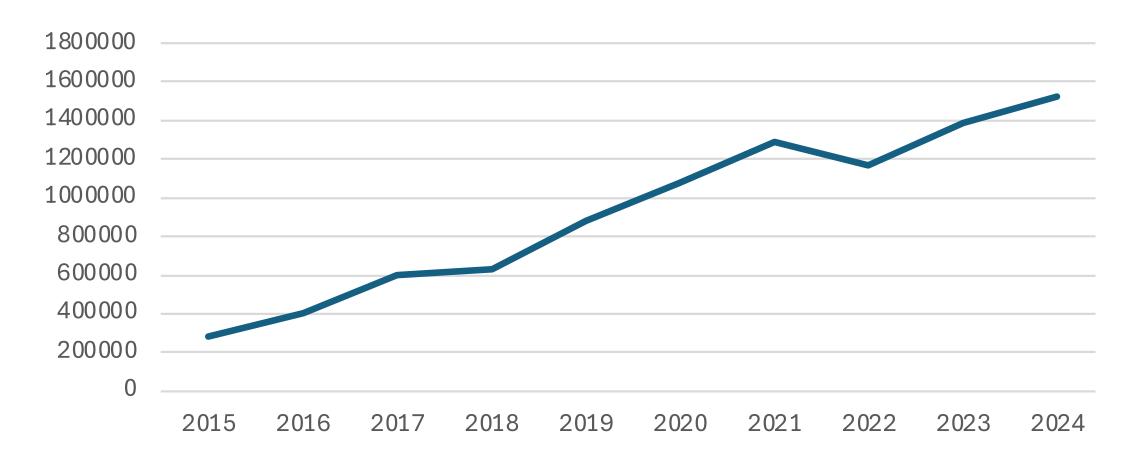
The ACT Endowment is comprised from assets provided by ACT (i.e., initial funding, annual matching program; referred to as Board Designated Endowment) and from gifts provided by individual donors (referred to as Endowment and Net Assets in Perpetuity). The assets are jointly held and invested in a diversity of global equities (e.g. stocks) and global fixed-income investments (e.g. bonds and cash equivalents) at an approximate 60:40 ratio. The investment objectives are the following: first, the conservation of principal for the effective maintenance of purchasing power; and second, the growth of principal and income to offset inflation. Investment objectives are intended to enable an annual distribution of up to 7% to fund ACT Awards (educational awards and scholarships) while enabling growth of the Endowment.

Board Designated Endowment	2024	2023
Changes in Endowment Fund net assets were as follows for the years ended December 31:		
Beginning of Year	\$907,451	\$781,993
Board Contribution to Endowment		75,000
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) In Fair Value	94,953	86,458
Appropriation Of Funds	(28,377)	(36,000)
Board designated Endowment, End of Year	\$974,027	\$907,451

Endowment and Net Assets in Perpetuity	2024	2023
Changes in Endowment Fund net assets were as follows for the years ended December 31:		
Endowment Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$477,947	\$388,348
Contributions	25,637	47,014
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value	48,915	42,585
Endowment Net Assets, End of Year	\$552,499	\$477,947

### **ACT Endowment Year-End Account Balances Since Inception**

Including donor contributions, ACT contributions, and investment activity (interest, dividends, appreciation, fees)



# Ways to Give



There are many ways to support the ACT Endowment. We have a wide variety of means available to help you select a charitable gift that is right for you. Choose a way to give from the options below and receive tax benefits for yourself, your family, and/or your heirs.

#### **Direct Donation**

Make a one-time contribution or pledge a set amount for a designated number of years. Customize your gift by giving in honor or memory of someone special. Unless you prefer to remain anonymous, ACT Endowment will acknowledge your gift in publications. Simply send the donation form directly to ACT Headquarters.

### **Employer Matching**

Double your donation by using an employer-sponsored matching gift program. Many employers will match charitable contributions made by their employees up to a set amount. Through corporate gift matching, you can multiply your gift to the ACT Endowment, making an even bigger impact. Your employer may require that you register the ACT Endowment as a charitable organization with your company.

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Transfer stock holdings to the ACT Endowment. A stock transfer allows you to donate the full fair-market value of stock you have held for at least a year, giving you a high tax deduction while minimizing your capital gains tax. Consult your tax account to determine if this is a good option for you. Your financial advisor will assist you with initiating a charitable stock donation.

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American College of Toxicology Endowment Fund Tax ID# 36-3007817

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