

AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON ARTHROPOD-BORNE VIRUSES (ACAV)

ACAV Executive Council Members—2021

Member/Position	Term Expires
Patricia Aguilar, <i>Chair</i>	2021
David Morens, <i>Past-Chair</i>	2021
Rebecca Christofferson, <i>Chair-Elect</i>	2021
Shannon Bennett, <i>Secretary</i>	2021
Rebecca Christofferson, <i>Treasurer</i>	2021
Rebecca Christofferson, <i>Councilor</i>	2021
Lark Coffey, <i>Councilor</i>	2021
David Morens, <i>Councilor</i>	2021
Shannon Bennett, <i>Councilor</i>	2022
Louis Lambrechts, <i>Councilor</i>	2022
Patricia Aguilar, <i>Councilor</i>	2023
Nathan Grubaugh, <i>Councilor</i>	2023
Matthew Aliota, <i>Councilor</i>	2024
Maria Onyango, <i>Councilor</i>	2024
Saravanan Thangamani, <i>Councilor</i>	2024
Amy Krystosik, <i>Councilor for Trainees</i>	2021
Ann Powers, <i>Ex Officio Chair SIE</i>	
Thomas Ksiazek, <i>Ex Officio Chair SALS</i>	
Mike Turell, <i>Ex Officio Chair, SEAS</i>	
Nikos Vasilakis, <i>Ex Officio Chair, SIRACA</i>	

GUIDELINES FOR THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON ARTHROPOD-BORNE VIRUSES

During the 1987 executive council meeting of the American Committee on Arthropod-borne Viruses (ACAV) in Los Angeles, it was agreed that guidelines for the committee need to be established and recorded in a single document. The ACAV currently operates under procedures that are stated in various reports. A summary statement of the ACAV organization would assist new executive council members and chairpersons in understanding how the committee operates. In addition, modifications in procedures could easily be incorporated into a centralized body of information.

The information that follows is intended only as a guide for the ACAV organization; goals of the ACAV are stated in other publications. During the formation of ACAV it was agreed that the group would not be a formal organization with by-laws. Rather, it would provide a forum for exchange of information among people interested in arbovirus research.

The ACAV meets annually in association with the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH). An executive council is the governing body of the ACAV. The council is chaired by a person who directs council and committee meetings and retains the ACAV files. The chairperson of the executive committee serves a 4-year renewable term and is elected by the executive council at the

annual council meeting. The council consists of six people who each serve a 4-year term. New council members are elected by members of the ACAV. Council members who are rotating off form a search committee that nominates council candidates; the slate of candidates must be approved by the existing council. The chairperson of the council sends ballots to the ACAV membership. The candidates who receive the most votes are notified and take office at the next annual meeting of the ACAV. There is no quorum for the election of officers or for other council and committee votes. Should a member of the executive council resign or leave the ACAV, a new council member is appointed by the executive council to complete the original member's term.

Other ACAV positions include a secretary, treasurer, historian and international advisors. The secretary is the newest member of the council and records minutes of the council meeting. The treasurer is appointed to a 4-year renewable term by the executive council and maintains the ACAV funds in a subaccount of the ASTMH. Withdrawals and deposits from the ACAV account are arranged with the treasurer. The council chairperson must approve all withdrawals,

The historian is designated by the council and provides historical information on the operation of the ACAV. The council selects international advisors, determines the number of advisors, and defines the length of the advisor's terms.

All people interested in joining the ACAV may do so by attending a meeting and signing their name to the attendance sheet. Membership in the ASTMH is not a requirement for membership in the ACAV. People missing three consecutive meetings will lose their membership in the ACAV. Exceptions to this attendance rule are made for people with emeritus status and for some overseas participants. Emeritus status is automatic upon retirement. The executive council must approve an attendance exception for people living overseas.

Subcommittees are an important part of the ACAV and are formed when sufficient interest is presented to the executive council by ACAV members. The council reviews proposed subcommittees and decides whether a particular subcommittee is needed. When council approves the formation of a subcommittee, it appoints a chairperson. The subcommittee chairperson, in consultation with the ACAV chairperson, appoints subcommittee members. New subcommittees formalize their objectives and structure. All subcommittees report progress on objectives at the annual meeting to the ACAV.

The ACAV presents three awards, when appropriate, in staggered three-year intervals. The chair of the executive council appoints a nominating committee for each award. Recipients of awards are selected by the executive council. An announcement requesting nominations for each pending award is published in the Tropical Medicine

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and Hygiene News at least six months prior to the ASTMH annual meeting. This procedure provides the nominating committee with nominations and documentation from ACAV members. The Scherer/Hardy Award is given to an outstanding graduate either before graduation or up to 3 years post-graduation. Accrued interest from the account for this award is used to defray costs associated with the student's participation at the annual ASTMH meeting. The council chairperson may use general ACAV funds to assist in this effort. The Dalrymple Young Award is given to a mid-career investigator who has made an outstanding contribution to arbovirology. The Richard M. Taylor Award is given to a person who has made outstanding contributions to arbovirology throughout his or her career. Medals for the Young and Taylor Awards are retained by the treasurer until they are requested by the chairperson for presentation at the annual committee meeting.

In addition to award presentations, the agenda for each annual meeting includes old and new business, epidemic reports, and a symposium on a relevant topic. Prospective symposium topics are discussed by the executive council and solicited from the committee membership, but the final decision on what will be presented is determined by the chairperson.

Awards

Richard M. Taylor Award

Presented to a person who has made outstanding contributions to arbovirology throughout his or her career.

Laura Kramer	2018
John (Jack) Woodall*	2016
Carol Blair	2015
Barry Beaty	2012
C.J. Peters	2012
Thomas Yuill	2009
Robert Tesh	2009
Charles Calisher	2006
Frederick A. Murphy	2002
Philip K. Russell	2000
Leon Rosen	2000
Scott Halstead	1999
Thomas Monath	1994
James Hardy	1990
Robert E. Shope	1987
Karl Johnson	1987
Harry Hoogstral	1984
Thomas H.G. Aitken	1984
Telford Work	1981
Ottis and Calisa Causey	1980
Wilbur Downs	1979

*Given out of rotation

Pedro Galindo	1977
Roy W. Chamberlain	1975
William C. Reeves	1973
McD. Hammon	1970
Jordi Casals	1968
Richard M. Taylor	1966

Dalrymple/Young

Gregory Ebel	2019
Kathryn Hanley	2016
Ebihara Hidecki	2013
Jonathan Towner	2010
Heinz Feldmann	2005
Scott C. Weaver	2002
Stuart T. Nichol	1999
Connie Schmaljohn	1996
James LeDuc	1990
Donald Burke	1990
Barry Beaty	1988
Thomas Monath	1985
David Bishop	1982

Scherer/Hardy Award

Nathan Grubaugh	2018
Farooq Nasar	2015
Alexander Ciota	2013
Amy Schuh	2013
Brian Bird	2010
Patricia V. Aguilar	2007
Gregory D. Ebel	2004
Aaron Brault	2001
Ann M. Powers	1997
Kurt Kamrud	1997
Scott C. Weaver	1993
George Ludwig	1989
Rebeca Rico-Hesse	1986
Daniel Sundin	1983

ACAV Student Travel Award

Jasmine Ayers	2020
Allen Esterly	2020
Mariah Hassert	2020
Cesar Lopez	2020
Zoe Lyski	2020
Taylor Stone	2020
Chantal Vogels	2020
Priscila Castanha	2019
Marissa Childs	2019
Francesca Falconi	2019
Siew Wai Fong	2019
Cat Lippi	2019
Alice Michie	2019

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Blake Schouest	2019	James Weger	2016
Juan Aguilar	2018	Albert Auguste	2015
Nikita Cudjoe	2018	Rebecca Hamlin	2015
Laura Dickson	2018	Lewis Hun	2015
Danilo Lemos	2018	Stacy Scroggs	2015
Daniela Michlmayr	2018	Nunya Chotiwan	2014
Ranya Mulchandani	2018	Brittany Dodson	2014
Nivison Nery, Jr	2018	Nisha Duggal	2014
Maria Onyango	2018	Nathan Grubaugh	2014
Nunya Chotiwan	2017	Meghan Elizabeth Hermance	2014
Amy Krystosik	2017		
Carla Mavian	2017	Kelly Labell Travel Award	
Erin McDonald	2017	Nicholas Bergren	2013
Wen Yang Tsai	2017	Andrea Bingham	2012
Joseph Fauver	2016	Patrick Vander Kelen	2011
Claire Heath	2016	Sheri Anderson	2010
Devika Sirohi	2016	Nicole Arrigo	2009