# AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON ARTHROPOD- BORNE VIRUSES AND ZOONOTIC VIRUSES (ACAV)

#### ACAV Executive Council Members—2024

#### **MEMBER/POSITION TERM EXPIRES** Mauricio Nogueira, Chair and Councilor . . . . . . . . 2024 Shannan Rossi, Chair-Elect and Councilor . . . . . . . 2024 Saravanan Thangamani, Past-Chair . . . . . . . . . . . 2024 Meghan Hermance, Treasurer . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2027 Matthew Aliota, Councilor . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2024 Maria Onyango, Councilor . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2024 Amy Krystosik, Councilor......2025 Meghan Hermance, Councilor . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2026 Gillian Eastwood, Councilor . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2027 Rachel Lange, Councilor for Trainees............ 2024 Ann Powers, Ex Officio Chair, SIE Thomas Ksiazek, Ex Officio Chair, SALS Mike Turell, Ex Officio Chair, SEAS Nikos Vasilakis, Ex Officio Chair, SIRACA

## GUIDELINES FOR THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON ARTHROPOD-BORNE VIRUSES AND ZOONOTIC 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.

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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 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.

Duane Gubler
Laura Kramer
John (Jack) Woodall*
Carol Blair
Barry Beaty
C.J. Peters
Thomas Yuill
Robert Tesh
Charles Calisher
Frederick A. Murphy
Philip K. Russell
Leon Rosen
Scott Halstead
Thomas Monath
James Hardy
Robert E. Shope

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Karl Johnson	1987
Harry Hoogstral	1984
Thomas H.G. Aitken	1984
Telford Work	1981
Orts 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	
Nikos Vasilakis	2023
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	
David Bishop	1982
Scherer/Hardy Award	
Anna Fagre	2021
Nathan Grubaugh	
Farooq Nasar	

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Alexander Ciota
Amy Schuh
Brian Bird 2010
Patricia V. Aguilar 2007
Gregory D. Ebel
Aaron Brault
Ann M. Powers 1997
Kurt Kamrud
Scott C. Weaver
George Ludwig
Rebeca Rico-Hesse
Daniel Sundin

#### **ACAV Student Travel Award**

Arturo Barbachano-Guerrero	2023
Helene Cecilia	2023
Paola Flores	2023
Verity Hill	2023
Parker Norman	2023
Natalia Ingrid Oliveira Da Silva	2023

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Julian Bakker		Daniela Michlmayr	
Rachel Lange		Ranya Mulchandani	
Krisangel Lopez		Nivison Nery, Jr	
Livia Sacchetto		Maria Onyango	2018
Taylor Stone	. 2022	Nunya Chotiwan	2017
Manette Tanelus	. 2022	Amy Krystosik	2017
Olanrewaju Igah	. 2022	Carla Mavian	2017
Rachel Fay	. 2021	Erin McDonald	2017
Adam Hendy	. 2021	Wen Yang Tsai	2017
Rachel Lange	. 2021	Joseph Fauver	2016
Viridiana Laredo-Tiscareno	. 2021	Claire Heath	2016
Izabela Rezende	. 2021	Devika Sirohi	2016
Megan Vogt	. 2021	James Weger	2016
Jasmine Ayers	. 2020	Albert Auguste	2015
Allen Esterly	. 2020	Rebecca Hamlin	2015
Mariah Hassert	. 2020	Lewis Hun	2015
Cesar Lopez	. 2020	Stacy Scroggs	2015
Zoe Lyski	. 2020	Nunya Chotiwan	
Taylor Stone	. 2020	Brittany Dodson	2014
Chantal Vogels	. 2020	Nisha Duggal	2014
Priscila Castanha	. 2019	Nathan Grubaugh	2014
Marissa Childs	. 2019	Meghan Elizabeth Hermance	2014
Francesca Falconi	. 2019		
Siew Wai Fong	. 2019	Kelly Labell Travel Award	
Cat Lippi	. 2019	Nicholas Bergren	2013
Alice Michie	. 2019	Andrea Bingham	2012
Blake Schouest	. 2019	Patrick Vander Kelen	2011
Juan Aguilar	. 2018	Sheri Anderson	2010
Nikita Cudjoe		Nicole Arrigo	2009
Laura Dickson		<del>-</del>	