Biography

Timothy Pastoor, PhD, DABT, ATS

Dr. Pastoor obtained his PhD in toxicology from the University of Michigan, is certified by the American Board of Toxicology (DABT) and is a Fellow of the Academy of Toxicological Sciences (ATS). Dr. Pastoor is president of the Health and Environmental Sciences Institute (HESI) and is a Board member of the International Life Sciences Institute (ILSI) and the American Council on Science and Health (ACSH). Dr. Pastoor retired in 2015 from Syngenta as Principal Scientist and founded the company Pastoor Science Communications, LLC that is centered around his passion for sound science, communicated well.

Dr. Pastoor has over 35 years of international experience in fundamental toxicity testing, mode of action research, and human health risk assessment. For most his career, including positions with DuPont, ICI, Zeneca, Novartis, and Syngenta, Dr. Pastoor led toxicology and risk assessment experts in the conduct of safety, health, and environmental studies to assess risk to humans and the environment. In those roles, he was involved in toxicological research projects and product development and was frequently asked to interact with media, community groups, legislators, and regulatory agencies. He is a frequent lecturer on toxicology and risk assessment subjects.

In his "retirement" Dr. Pastoor has remained actively engaged in science, toxicology, risk assessment, and science communication. He is also finding time to help the University of North Carolina develop the Professional Science Masters program in toxicology. As founder and CEO of Pastoor Science Communications and through his role as HESI president, he is leading global groups from academia, government, and corporations in developing consensus on difficult scientific issues.

Tim is an avid fly fisherman and photographer, and hopes his knees allow him to continue playing tennis for many years to come.

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