JOINT U.S. POLICY STATEMENT

Members of the Human Toxicology Project Consortium agree to the following key policy points to support improved toxicological assessment approaches:

- a focus on human biology-based science to ensure relevance for human health risk assessment
- a focus on ‘pathway’ approaches as an organizing principle
  - to link mode- or mechanism-of-action to adverse outcome
  - to provide the basis for integrated testing strategies
  - to provide testable hypotheses for hazard and risk assessment
  - to provide transparency in risk assessment decision process
- encouragement of an information-sharing and research partnership between U.S. federal agencies and the European Directorate General for Research and Innovation, and similar bodies in other economies as appropriate
- a goal of replacing animal testing with scientifically robust alternative assessment tools