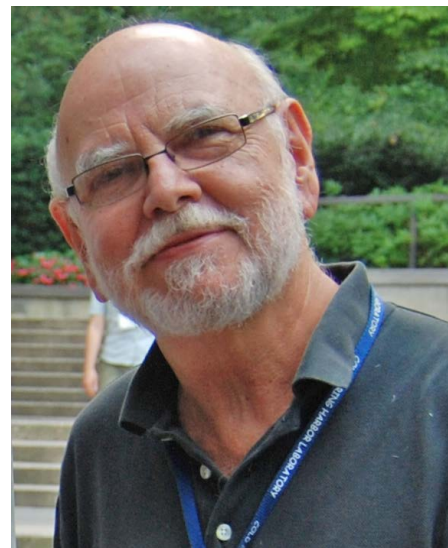


## In Memoriam

**In Memoriam: James A. Poupard, PhD (1943-2022)***Linda A. Miller, CMID Pharma Consulting, LLC, Philadelphia, PA**Janet Hindler, LA County Department of Health, Los Angeles, CA*

James A. Poupard, PhD, microbiologist and lifelong Philadelphian, died on May 22, 2022, after a long illness. Dr. Poupard served several terms as an Advisor to the CLSI Subcommittee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing (AST) before his retirement. He spent 13 years at GlaxoSmithKline Pharmaceuticals (GSK) where he was the Director of Clinical Microbiology and led the Anti-Infective Drug Discovery/Screening Group and a Scientific Product Support Group. In that role he co-coordinated worldwide clinical microbiology activities involving the life-cycle management of an extensive anti-infective portfolio. Following his retirement from GSK, Dr. Poupard became President of the Pharma Institute of Philadelphia, a network of specialists that served the needs of the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and laboratory instrumentation industries. Prior to transitioning to a career in industry, Dr. Poupard was the Director of Microbiology at The Bryn Mawr Hospital and later became Associate Professor of Laboratory Medicine, Pathology, and Medicine at the Medical College of Pennsylvania. Jim's background in clinical microbiology and industry gave him a unique vantage point from which he provided CLSI with many valuable insights, including his contributions to the development of the ISO standard "Reference methods for testing the *in vitro* activity of antimicrobial agents against bacteria involved in infectious diseases" (ISO 20776-1) that resulted in global harmonization of the broth microdilution testing method.

**James A. Poupard, PhD**

Dr. Poupard was active in the American Society for Microbiology (ASM) and the Eastern PA Branch of ASM and was instrumental in creating the Center for the History of Microbiology /ASM Archives (CHOMA). With over 100 scientific publications, Dr. Poupard was a recognized expert in clinical microbiology, antibacterial drug development and factors for determining AST breakpoints. Dr. Poupard was a Fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology.

Jim leaves behind his wife of 60 years, three children and their partners, four grandchildren, two great grandchildren and many friends and colleagues. His insatiable passion for microbiology, educating others about microbiology, the history of science, quantum science, and his love of life were a gift to those who knew him. In his book, *A History of Microbiology in Philadelphia: 1880 to 2010*, Jim expressed his confidence that today's microbiologists can "live up to the many new challenges of a changing science." His contributions helped show us the way.

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