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Join a working group

Topic-oriented



Biology & Society

We work against the misuse of sociobiology, biological determinism, evolutionary psychology, and other forms of "race science."



Climate Change

We organize STEM to work with student, community, indigenous, and labor groups on divestment, energy democracy, and other climate justice activism.



Technology

We develop radical analyses and actions against corporate and state use of technologies for private gain and oppressive social relations.



Militarism

We analyze the effects of militarism and military funding on science, scientists, and domestic and international policy.

Caucuses



BIPOC Caucus

We are committed to anti-racist and anti-colonial work within and outside of STEM. We demand that the needs and concerns of communities of color be addressed.

Infrastructure



Information Technology (IT)

We work on upkeep and expansion of the SftP digital infrastructure and provide our experience and expertise to allied grassroots organizations.



People's Science Network

We raise money and support the longevity and impact organizing projects of our affiliated groups.

Publication



Editorial Collective

We write, design, and edit to create SftP's tri-annual print magazine as well as online content.



Archive Digitization

We digitize the first iteration of SftP magazine (1969–1989) and create educational projects with the archives.

Local chapters

Mexico | Puerto Rico | Canada | Cambridge (UK) Albany | Ames | Ann Arbor | Atlanta | Boston | Knoxville NYC | Santa Cruz | Twin Cities | DC | Western Mass.

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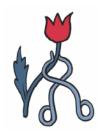
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Science for the People originally arose in 1969 out of the anti-war movement and lasted until 1989. With radical analysis and non-hierarchical governing structure, we tackled the militarization of scientific research, corporate control of research agendas, political implications of Sociobiology and other pseudo-scientific theories, environmental consequences of energy policy, inequalities in health care, and many other issues. Since 2015, SftP veterans have collaborated with a new generation of SftP members to explore the history of radical science and have rebuilt the organization for today. SftP organizes scientists, activists, students, and scholars to face these issues head-on in research institutions, universities, and communities. SftP members strive to:



Oppose all forms of oppression, exploitation, and marginalization, while recognizing the role of science in these conditions, and the responsibility of science in liberatory struggles against all of these conditions



Build parity within the organization for marginalized, oppressed, and exploited peoples

We have to call for opening science up to those who have been excluded, democratizing what is a very authoritarian structure modeled on the corporation, and insist on the goal of a science aimed at the creation of a just society compatible with a rich and diverse nature. We should not hide behind but rather undermine the cult of expertise in favor of approaches that combine professional and nonprofessional participation.

—Richard Levins



Work to organize labor in the scientific workforce



Conduct radical, politically and scientifically informed investigation into problems of science and society



Oppose the assumption that humans have the right to exert violence upon, exploit, and control other humans, non-human animals, and nature



Promote positive instances of the use of scientific and technical expertise, providing scientists with knowledge and opportunities to use their specific training in accordance with SftP principles



Resist the use of science for exploitation, oppression, capitalism, imperialism, war, and environmental destruction



Recognize scientific knowledge outside of establishment institutions



Struggle for system change to address the root causes of social, economic, and ecological problems



Recognize, support, and encourage the role of scientific knowledge and scientific investigation in building equitable futures, increasing understandings of our world, and guiding public policy



Affirm a deep respect for all life in the motivation for and practice of science



Fight the corruption of science by systems of power and build democratic forms to expand access to scientific tools and knowledge