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From the President

Dear AAVP Members,

A community is not just made of those you live with or near, but also of those with whom you have something in common. Our parasitology community was in full force in Minneapolis this past July. We had a terrific meeting, with a large number of students participating. One student who attended the AAVP meeting for the first time said to me, "This is the most welcoming group of professionals I've ever met." A grand compliment to the "community" in our society.

We have much larger communities than we thought we had before this hurricane season. Our science community rose to the challenge of helping colleagues in science who were affected by Hurricanes Katrina or (and!) Rita. Research programs that were disrupted by these natural disasters have a possibility of continuing. Students with no classrooms have the chance to complete degrees that could have been put on hold. I deeply admire the community of our profession and its ability to face challenges.

There are always challenges to be met in science; our association faces them in basic and applied research, in education and in extension. For example: Can we determine the mechanism of ruminant strongyle anthelmintic resistance? Can we identify it in the field? Can we develop strategies for reduction of resistance? Can we teach students to diagnosis it? Can we help farmers and ranchers control it? I would like

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our association to work as a community to tackle these challenges. You'll be hearing more from me on this topic.

This year I'm trying to provide more focus and clarity to the goals and tasks of our AAVP committees (another form of community!). Most of the committees have a full compliment of members (at least 2 per "rotation" year), but we still have many openings and could use your brains and time (see elsewhere in this newsletter for the list of committees). Additionally, as an Executive Board, we're trying to ensure that our association continues to meet the intentions of the original founders as well as the needs of today's parasitologists.

If you have thoughts on these or any other topics of interest to our association, please contact me! I'm very glad to be a part of our parasitology community.

With respect,

Ann Donoghue

From the Secretary/Treasurer

The 2006 dues year started September 1, 2005 and runs to August 31, 2006. I have attached a 2006 Membership Renewal form in this issue of the Newsletter for your payment of dues and any past dues. Please call or email me if you have any questions about your dues status. The annual AAVP membership dues are a great bargain at $30 for regular members and $10 for students. In addition to the association benefits, AAVP members receive Veterinary Therapeutics free of charge.

As announced during the business meeting at the 2005 annual meeting in Minneapolis, MN, AAVP affiliation with Veterinary Parasitology has been obtained and AAVP will appear on the journal cover. In addition, electronic subscriptions of the journal are now available to the AAVP membership for only $30.00 annually. The subscription is voluntary and is not included in the $30.00 regular or $10.00 student member dues. You can subscript to Veterinary Parasitology using the 2006 AAVP Membership Renewal form and including your payment along with your dues.

When completing your dues renewal form, please update the contact information including address, telephone and email changes. Since electronic communication is becoming the major form of AAVP communication, it is imperative that I have your current and correct email address. Please note that you can now add your area of research interest on the form.

Also attached to this issue of the Newsletter is a 2006 new member application form. Please pass along a copy of this form to colleagues or students who would be interested in joining AAVP. The 2006 dues and new member application forms are also available on the AAVP web site (http://www.aavp.org). Recently, the web site was updated to include a historical listing of the AAVP officers, approved amendments to the AAVP by-laws, and new job postings.

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Committee Reports

Current AAVP Officers

Left to Right: AAVP Officers for 2005-2006: Drs. Alan A. Marchiondo (Secretary/Treasurer), Ann R. Donoghue (President), David S. Lindsay (Vice-President and Program Chair), Linda S. Mansfield (Immediate Past-President) and Daniel E. Snyder (President-Elect).

Based on the results of electrons, the current Officers of AAVP for 2005-2006 are as follows: President - Dr. Ann Donoghue, PR Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Fort Collins, CO; President-Elect - Dr. Dan Snyder, Elanco Animal Health, Greenfield, IN; Vice-President and Program Chair - Dr. David Lindsay, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VI; Secretary/Treasurer - Dr. Alan Marchiondo, IVX Animal Health, St. Joseph, MO; Past-President - Dr. Linda Mansfield, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

AAVP Mid-Year Meeting

The 1st Mid-Year Executive Board Meeting was held in Kansas City, MO, on February 4-5, 2005. Dr. Linda Mansfield issued a meeting report at the annual board meeting in Minneapolis, MN. Dr. Craig Reinemeyer will prioritize the SWOT (Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities, Threats) analysis and vision plan of the meeting and establish initiatives according to tasks appropriate for each committee. The next mid-year meeting will be held on February 3-4, 2006 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, in Kansas City, MO.

2005 Annual Meeting Report

Report of the Secretary Treasurer

The 50th annual meeting of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists was held in the Millennium Hotel, Minneapolis, MN, Saturday July 16 through Tuesday morning July 19, 2005. Approximately 120 Parasitologists consisting of members, invited speakers and guests from academia, government and industry were in attendance. Approximately 69 oral presentations were presented. Dr. Daniel E. Snyder, Program Chair, should be commended for organizing the scientific program that resulted in a well run and organized meeting including concurrent sessions, symposia and roundtable discussions.

I wish to thank all of our Corporate Event Sponsors, Corporate and Private Sponsors, and Meeting Sponsors. Support at each of these levels has been instrumental in keeping our Association solvent and has allowed us to develop and implement a number of professional and student awards, organize excellent annual meetings, and keep our meeting registration fees at a reasonable rate. A listing of all our meeting sponsors is provided in the 2005 Proceedings book. This year Bayer, Merial and Novartis hosted socials. Merial provided a symposium entitled “Strategic Parasite Control” prior to their social. A textbook, entitled “A History of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (1956-2005)” authored by Dr. Roncalli was sponsored by Pfizer. Bayer sponsored an AAVP 50th anniversary commemorative silver coin designed by Dr. Alan A. Marchiondo.

A commemoration of the 50th meeting anniversary of AAVP was presentation by Dr. Raffaele A. Roncalli entitled “Veterinary parasitology through advertising- a history of 150 years”. The AAVP/AVMA President’s Symposium was organized by Dr. Linda Mansfield on “Drug Resistance in Parasites: Mechanisms and strategies for rational veterinary drug use for treatment of parasitic

infections". A number of awards were presented at the annual meeting and the Awards Chair in a separate section of this Newsletter will summarize these awards. *Submitted by Dr. Alan A. Marchiondo, Secretary/Treasurer, AAVP.*

List of AAVP Committee Chairs and Members

The **chairs** and members of the AAVP Committees for 2005-2006 are provided below. *Submitted by Dr. Ann Donoghue*.

Officers

President: Ann Donoghue
Secretary/Treasurer: Al Marchiondo
President Elect: Dan Snyder
Past President: Linda Mansfield
Vice President and Program Chair: David Lindsay
Incoming Vice President: To be elected 2Q2006

Nominations

2006: Dwight Bowman, Karen Snowden
2007: Sid Ewing, Jorge Guerrero
2008: Pat Payne, Gary Conboy

Appointed Committees

Finance
2006: **Larry Cruthers**, Bob Arther
2007: Brad Scandrett, vacant
2008: Ray Kaplan, Beto Perez de Leon

Program
2006: Ann Donoghue, vacant
2007: Dan Snyder, vacant
2008: **David Lindsay**, vacant

Archivist
2006: Raf Roncalli
2007: vacant
2008: **Tom Nolan**

Standing Committees

Outreach / Research
2006: Charles MacKenzie, William Barton
2007: **David Granstrom**, Jennifer Ketsiz
2008: Abraham Quezada, Bob Schenkel

Education
2006: Gary Conboy, Charles Faulkner
2007: **Dwight Bowman**, Susan Little
2008: Lora Ballweber, vacant

Awards
2006: Jenifer Edmonds, Merijo Jordan
2007: **Sara Marley**, Alexa Rosypal
2008: Andrew Peregrine, vacant

Constitution / Bylaws
2006: **Gil Myers**, vacant
2007: Tom Yazwinski, vacant
2008: vacant, vacant

Publications / Internet
2006: **Doug Colwell**, vacant
2007: Thomas Letonja, Ray Kaplan
2008: Tom Nolan, Richard Martin

Newsletter / Editorial Board
2006: **Patrick Meeus**, David Gerdon
2007: Alexa Rosypal, Siva Ranjan
2008: vacant, vacant

Ad hoc Appointments

Past Presidents: Craig Reinemeyer, Joe Urban, Linda Mansfield
Historian: Raphael Roncalli
List Serve Monitor: Bert Stromberg
Web Master: Al Marchiondo

AAVP Student Representative

New AAVP student representative Isabelle Verzberger

Sheila Mitchell was the 2004-2005 AAVP Student Representative. At the 2005 annual meeting in Minneapolis, MN, Isabelle Verzberger from the Atlantic Veterinary College, University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown, Canada, was elected as the

2005-2006 Student Representative for the AAVP Student Committee. Dr. Isabelle Verzberger is a Ph.D. student in the Department of Pathology and Microbiology at the Atlantic Veterinary College (AVC) in Prince Edward Island, Canada since 2001. Isabelle's research is focused on immune based detection *of Angiostrongylus vasorum* (the French Heartworm) parasite infection in dogs and molecular characterization of the antigen. She is supervised by Drs. Gary Conboy and Fred Markham. Her main research interests are: parasitology, molecular biology and immunology. Isabelle has a DVM degree from The University of Veterinary Medicine Kosice, Slovakia. She has graduated with an honorary degree for her research on occurrence of canine Spirocercosis in Israel.

Awards

2005 AAVP Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist Award (sponsored by Merial)

The AAVP Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist Award recipient for 2005 is Dr. Jorge Guerrero, Pennington, NJ. A bibliography about Dr. Guerrero was published in the 2005 AAVP Meeting Proceedings and is reprinted here. In addition, his acceptance speech is also included in this issue of the Newsletter.

Jorge Guerrero, D.V.M, Ph.D. was born in 1942 in Andahuaylas a small town in the middle of the Peruvian Andes. His education and formative years were in Lima as his family migrated to the capital of Peru. He is also a USA citizen and has resided in the town of Pennington, NJ since 1976. He and his wife Mary Anne have two children, Regina and Sebastian, both born in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Jorge received the Bachelor and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degrees from San Marcos University in Lima, Peru, in 1965 and the MS and PhD degrees from the University of Illinois, Urbana USA in 1968 and 1971, respectively. He has been a Diplomate of the European Veterinary Parasitology College since its inception in 2004.

Dr. Guerrero is an internationally recognized veterinary parasitologist, with a unique blend of experience in the animal health industry and academia. He has been Adjunct Professor of Parasitology at the University of Pennsylvania since 1983, with teaching duties in the professional veterinary program, as well as in the graduate program in Parasitology. His early teaching duties were at San Marcos University in Lima, Peru, the Escola Paulista de Medicina and the Universidade de Sao Paulo in Brazil. Recently (2004) he was honored with the title of Honorary (Emeritus) Professor at San Marcos University. He has served as Visiting Professor of Veterinary Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases for the Facolta de Medicina Veterinaria, Universita degli Studi di Milano, Milan, Italy (1991); Facultad de Medicina Veterinaria, Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Lima, Peru (2001-2004); Faculdade de Medicina Veterinaria. Universidade Federal Fluminense, Niteroi, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (2002); Facultad de Medicina Veterinaria, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia, Lima, Peru (2003-present); and Facultad de Veterinaria, Universidad de Santiago de Compostela, Lugo, Spain (2004).

Upon leaving Pitman Moore, Inc. (a Johnson & Johnson Company), as Director of their Pre-Clinical Research Department in 1984, he joined Merck and Co., Inc., as Associate

Director of Technical Services, and remained with Merck (later, Merial) until his retirement as an Executive Director in 2001. In 1993-1994, he was Director of Operations for MSD AGVET Spain, and the following year he was made Regional Managing Director of MSD AGVET Spain and Portugal (Iberian Region). In 1996, he returned to the USA and was later promoted to Executive Director of Veterinary Professional Services (VPS) at Merial. In this position, he was responsible for technical veterinary guidelines and direction for Merial North American Operations. He supervised a staff of 23 veterinarians and 14 veterinary technicians in the USA and directed the activities of the VPS groups in Canada and Mexico. While at Merck, he was recipient of the Award for Creativity from the Art Direction Magazine for creation of Momentum, an MSD AGVET magazine (1992) and the Chairman's Award for his participation in the development of PARABAN, a computer program for design of strategic anthelmintic treatments of cattle (1993). Among other academic accomplishments, he received a Fulbright Scholarship to study Immunoparasitology in the USA from 1967 to1972 and was appointed to membership on the Board of Directors of the Latin American Professorship Program of the American Society for Microbiology from 1985 to 1994. More recently, he was elected to the Board of Directors of the Eastern States Veterinary Association and The North American Veterinary Conference (2002); appointed to the Executive Board of the American Heartworm Society as Director, in charge of continuing education and organization of the triennial Heartworm Symposia for 2004-2007; elected to a second term as President of the New Jersey Society for Parasitology (2001); appointed Editor-in-Chief of the International Journal of Applied Research in Veterinary Medicine (2004); appointed to the Board of Editors of the journal Veterinary Therapeutics (2003); appointed to the National External Advisory Committee of the College of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Illinois (2003); and elected to the Nominating Committee of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (2004). In addition to organizing and chairing numerous symposia and sessions at national and international meetings, he has been an invited speaker for the American Veterinary Medical Association meetings (2) and Invited Professor (Lecturer) to universities in Peru (5), Brazil (9), Spain (4), Italy (2), Mexico (2), Sweden (1), and Australia (1) and was elected "Universal Veterinarian of the Year of the Fifth Centenary of the Discovery of America," given at the University of Salamanca (Spain) in 1992. Dr. Guerrero has authored or co-authored over 150 refereed original research articles and 17 book chapters, and he is currently co-authoring a book on endoparasitic infections of dogs and cats.

Dr. Frank S. Hurtig (left) and Dr. Sara E. Marley (right), Chair of AAVP Awards Committee, Merial LTD, present the AAVP Distinguished Veterinary Parasitology Award to Dr. Jorge Guerrero (center).

Acceptance of the Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist Award of 2005-2006

I would like to begin this presentation by extending my most sincere thanks to the members of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists and the AAVP Awards Committee for this distinguished award. To tell you that I was overwhelmed by being selected and joining such a distinguished list of Veterinary Parasitologists

is an understatement. When I saw the list of previous recipients and discovered names of such great esteem, such as J. P. Dubey, Lord Soulsby, Bill Campbell, and especially Norman D. Levine, I could hardly believe that I was now being placed among them. Norman Levine was my major professor and adviser in Parasitology during my time as a graduate student.

Before going any further I want to also extend my sincere thanks to my friend and colleague of many years, Dr. John McCall, who obviously had more confidence in my worthiness of this award than I did. Being nominated by him was already an honor to me. I also would like to publicly thank those colleagues who wrote letters in support of my nomination. To all of you, my deepest gratitude.

My entry into the field of Veterinary Parasitology was a fortunate accident of life during the summer of 1963. I had just taken the core course in Veterinary Parasitology at the College of Veterinary Medicine of San Marcos University in Lima, Peru, when I was asked by Professors Carlos Chavez and Carlos Guerrero Diaz if I was interested in joining them in a field research project to study the anthelmintic effect of a wonderful new drug against nematode parasites of sheep in the high altitudes of Peru. That wonderful drug was thiabendazole and the sponsor Merck and Co, Inc. Little did I know I was participating in the first revolution in nematode parasite control in Veterinary Medicine. One week after starting the trial in a sheep farm located in the middle of the Andes at 4800 meters above sea level, and after I had recovered of high altitude disease, the professors returned to Lima, leaving me to fend for myself. Thus, I conducted the trial alone until necropsy time. As I had the opportunity to experience first-hand the wonderful effect of TBZ, I got hooked on the usefulness of applied parasitology, and from that time on, I only wanted to work in parasitological research. My compensation for those two superb months that changed my life: a pair of rubber boots that, by the way, I still have in my garage to remind me of my humble beginnings.

But, that was not the only time the pharmaceutical industry influenced my early professional life. When I was a fourth-year veterinary student, Bayer Laboratories was generous enough to give me a fellowship to conduct field research with an organophosphate oral anthelmintic called Maretin or Rametin again in sheep kept at high altitudes. That research work became my veterinary graduating thesis and one of my first published papers.

The next important influence in my professional life cycle was Dr. Hugo de Souza Lopes, my professor of Medical Entomology at the Oswaldo Cruz Institute in Rio de Janeiro. I was fortunate to receive an FAO scholarship to train there for 2 months immediately upon my graduation from Veterinary School prior to starting my duties as an instructor in Parasitology at my college in Lima.

However, it was not until 1967 when I arrived at the University of Illinois, thanks to a Fulbright scholarship, that I truly immersed myself in parasitological research. Once again, I had the good fortune to have two wonderful mentors in Drs. Paul H. Silverman in the area of Immunology and Norman D. Levine in the area of Parasitology. It was the direct influence of Uncle Norman, as he fondly became known to me and my family, and his wife Helen Saxon Levine, that defined my line of work in nematode parasites of domestic animals. Both Helen and Uncle Norman were pivotal examples in my life as a professional.

After completing the PhD degree in Illinois, I returned to Peru for one year, and then moved to Sao Paulo, Brazil, where I initially

taught at the Escola Paulista de Medicina and later at the University of Sao Paulo. At that time, the pharmaceutical industry again changed my life, as I was fortunate to be selected to join the Tropical Research team of Johnson & Johnson do Brazil. Our research work in association with Janssen Pharmaceutical was geared to the discovery of parasiticides for diseases ranging from human amibiasis to Dermatobia hominis. As such, I had the good fortune to work with wonderful drugs, such as levamisole, mebendazole, flubendazole, and closantel and with extraordinary individuals, such as Paul Janssen, Dennis Thienpont, and Oscar Vanparijs. As J&J had recently purchased Pitman Moore Inc. in the US, I had the good fortune of being transferred to New Jersey and settled in Pennington, a beautiful town where my family and I have made our home for the past 29 years. At Pitman Moore, I had the pleasure of working under the direction of Dr. Michael Rohovsky and also established a life-long working relationship with Kathleen Newcomb

But the lure of working with newer compounds and the promise that ivermectin represented to anyone working in Parasitology was too great a temptation to pass up. This opportunity resulted in another momentous event in my life. In 1984, I joined Merck AgVet, and under the leadership of Dr. Bill Leaning, I experienced the joy of studying IVM in actual field use and introducing this second revolution in parasite control in nearly every country of the world. Two books edited with Bill Leaning were the result of many of the activities of those years: ”The Economic Impact of Bovine Parasitism” and “Epidemiology of Bovine Nematode Parasites in the Americas”. The work with ivermectin in dogs and cats also resulted in a series of epidemiological studies of canine and feline heartworm in different parts of the world and the foundation of the International Feline Heartworm Advisory Council, an organization that counted on the help of many scientists from around the globe, such as Claudio Genchi and Norma Labarthe.

At Merck AgVet, I was also fortunate to be challenged as an administrator when I received the opportunity to preside over the Spanish subsidiary initially, and later the Portuguese subsidiary as well. This show of confidence awarded to me by upper management of Merck AgVet gave me the opportunity to interact with outstanding parasitologists from the other side of the Atlantic, resulting in the creation of the Miguel Cordero del Campillo Iberian Prize for the Best Thesis on Veterinary Parasitology. Of those years, I hold fond memories of sharing the excitement of the challenge with Profs. Francisco Rojo, Pablo Diez Baños, Patrocinio Morrondo, Santiago Hernandez, and the unforgettable Ignacio Navarrete—may he rest in peace.

Upon returning to the US, other new and exciting assignments awaited, as we introduced eprinomectin for cattle and ivermectin for cats. The excitement of these introductions only increased with the creation of Merial, opening the door to working with fipronil. During that period, I also established the Merial Symposium as part of the annual meeting of the AAVP. I am glad to see that the initial idea and philosophy for this event is still kept alive today.

Six years ago, I was faced with a serious health challenge, which forced me to reassess my personal and professional priorities. This challenge, which fortunately had a happy ending, resulted in my early retirement from Merck, affording me more time and a new professional life as a consultant and roving professor.

In my academic life, it has been my good fortune to be associated, since 1984, with an outstanding group of professionals at the School of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania. Working with Dr.

Gerry Schad, Sparky Lok, Colin Johnston, Tom Nolan, and the veterinary students of Penn has been both stimulating and rewarding.

For those colleagues of my generation, let me assure you there is life after retirement. In my recent professional life, I have been blessed to be elected to the Board of Directors of the North American Veterinary Conference and the American Heartworm Society. Both boards have been sources of great challenge, accomplishment, with abiding friendships, and intellectual stimulation abounding. For all that and to all my colleagues on both boards, I am extremely thankful.
My friend for more than 36 years and my wife for over 34, Mary Anne Guerrero, has faced many challenges, international moves, and endless absences on my part, with a smile. In spite of the challenges, or perhaps because of them, we have shared a wonderful life together. Without her unwavering support, constant consideration and understanding I would not have been able to reach the goals I set for myself. Our two children Regina Elizabeth and Andre Sebastian, both living in New York City, are a very important part of my supportive family and constant source of inspiration, reminding me of what is important in life. We have a saying in Spanish: “God sends us children to keep us humble”. To my little family, I express my sincere gratitude.

In closing, I want to emphasize the many blessings that I have received in my personal life and in my professional life, working for first-class institutions in industrial research as well as in academia. Most of all, I want to thank you, my peers, for your generosity in bestowing this award on me. I can tell you with complete honesty, I stand humbly before you today still in a state of disbelief, as you have considered me to be of the stature of my predecessors.

Muchas Gracias!
Jorge Guerrero

2005 AAVP Student Awards

The 2005 AAVP Awards Committee selected the following students for awards, which were presented at the annual meeting.

AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant Award Winners: Seven students or post-docs applied for AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant Awards. Funds were awarded to these individuals to assist them in attending the annual meeting. The names of the travel grant recipients, including institutions and advisors, were: Rajshekhar Gaji (University of Kentucky, D.K. Howe); Isabelle Verzberger (University of Prince Edward Island, G. Conboy); Dalen Agnew (University of California – Davis, R. BonDurant and L. Munson); Martin Nielson (Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Denmark, S.N. Olsen and J. Monrad); Sheila Mitchell (Virginia Tech University, D. Lindsay); Aaron Lucas (Virginia Tech University, A.M. Zajac); and Hany Elsheikha (Michigan State University, L.S. Mansfield).

AAVP-Internet Graduate Student Award: This year the AAVP-Intervet Graduate Student award was presented to Alexa C. Rosypal from Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA. Dr. Rosypal gave the opening presentation of the student papers session.

Dr. Joseph B. Prullage (left), Intervet, Inc. presenting the 2005 AAVP/Intervet Outstanding Graduate Student Award to Dr. Alexa C. Rosypal (right), Virginia Tech.

Bayer Best Student Paper Award Recipients: Congratulations to Dalen Agnew, University of California – Davis, for his first place presentation: "The significance of reproductive lesions and serologic response associated with experimental infection of virgin heifers with non-*Tritrichomonas foetus* trichomonads". Aaron Lucas from the University of Virginia received 2nd place for his presentation entitled: "*Eimeria* species in grazing beef heifers in Virginia". Both award winners were presented with honoraria and plaques during the awards ceremony and their travel and meeting expenses covered by AAVP.

Dr. Dalen Agnew (left), University of California – Davis, 1st place winner of the Best Student Presentation sponsored by Bayer Animal Health; Dr. Sara E. Marley (center), Merial LTD, Chair of the AAVP Awards Committee; and Dr. Alexa C. Rosypal (right), Virginia Tech, winner of the AAVP/Intervet Outstanding Graduate Student Award sponsored by Intervet, Inc.

Future Parasitology meetings

Future meetings of the AAVP

2006 HONOLULU, HAWAII 15-19 JULY
2007 WASHINGTON, D.C., 14-18 JULY
2008 NEW ORLEANS, LA, 19-22 JULY
2009 SEATTLE, WA, 11-14 JULY
2010 ATLANTA, GA, 31 JULY – 3 AUG
2011 ST. LOUIS, MO, 16-10 JULY

Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases (CRWAD) 2005

The annual meeting of CRWAD will be held at the Sheraton Westport Hotel & Lakeside Chalet, St. Louis, MO on December 4th-6th, 2005.
http://www.cvmbs.colostate.edu/microbiology/crwad/

American Society of Tropical Medicine & Hygeine (ASTMH) 2005

The 54th annual meeting of ASTMH will be held at the Hilton Washington Hotel & Towers, Washington, DC on December 11th-15th, 2005. http://www.astmh.org

Livestock Insect Workers Conference (LIWC) 2006-2008

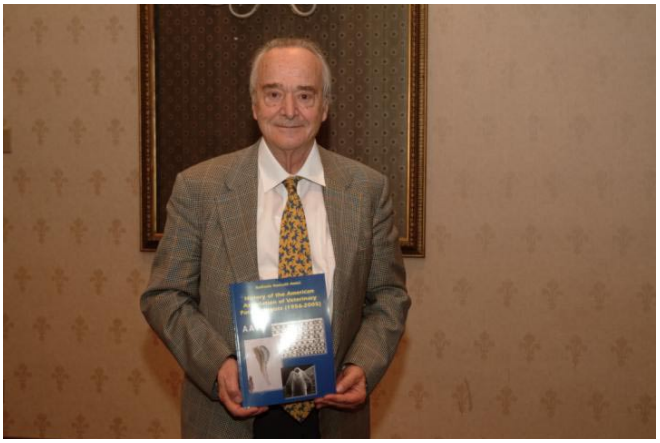
The 50th annual meeting of the Livestock Insect Workers Conference will be held in Amarillo, TX, June 25th-28th, 2006. A website providing details about the meeting will be available in January 2006. The 2007 meeting of LIWC will be held jointly with the International Symposium of Ectoparasites of Pets (ISEP) in Lexington, KY. The 2008 meeting of LIWC will be in Kansas City.

11th International Congress of Parasitology (ICOPA XI) 2006

The 11th International Congress of Parasitology is planned for August 6th-11th, 2006 at the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre in Glasgow, Scotland.
http://www.icopa-xi.org/

History of the AAVP

After many years of intense research and travel, Dr. Raffaele Roncalli, AAVP Historian, completed the textbook, "A History of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (1956-2005)'. The textbook was sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health. This textbook recognized and celebrated the many contributions of the association and it's members to enhance the field of veterinary medicine through the understanding of parasitic diseases of animals and the development of practical and economical solutions to preserve the health and wellness of animals.



Dr. Raffaele A. Roncalli with a copy of his book on the History of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (1956-2005).

Announcements

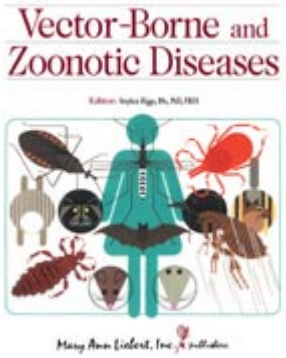
Web-Based Electronic Manuscript Submission and Peer Review Available for Vector-Borne and Zoonotic Diseases

Vector-Borne and Zoonotic Diseases is proud to announce the launch of its web-based manuscript submission and peer-review system called Manuscript Central.

We invite all authors to submit online any new manuscripts that are to be considered for publication. Please use the following URL: http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/vbz

As of October 17, 2005, only manuscripts submitted via the online system will be accepted for submission. REVISIONS to manuscripts submitted prior to October 17, 2005 must be sent in via e-mail to Dr. Stephen Higgs at VBZD.higgs@utmb.edu

All new manuscripts must be submitted online.



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Graduate Training in Veterinary Parasitology at Oklahoma State University

The Oklahoma State University Center for Veterinary Health Sciences (CVHS) invites applications from individuals interested in pursuing MS and PhD degrees focused in Veterinary Parasitology. Applicants should have earned a BS in biology, microbiology,

entomology, or a related field; veterinarians and individuals with research experience in infectious diseases are particularly encouraged to apply. Starting dates are flexible, and research and teaching assistantships are available on a competitive basis.

The OSU Center for Veterinary Health Sciences has a proven history of commitment to veterinary parasitology. Internationally recognized research programs in infectious and tick-borne diseases and tick vaccine development provide a wide variety of opportunities for a challenging and exciting graduate training program. Biomedical research is a major focus of the CVHS, and training programs are enhanced by collaborations with the new Oklahoma Technology and Research Park in Stillwater. Students enrolled in the program will have the opportunity to acquire experience in a variety of areas, including field research, molecular parasitology, and classical parasitology, while pursuing research projects that impact national and international animal and human health.

Oklahoma State University is a land-grant institution founded in 1890. Stillwater is located in north-central Oklahoma, approximately 80 miles from Tulsa and Oklahoma City, with 40,000 residents, a low cost of living, and outstanding public schools. Stillwater was recently named one of the best small towns in America and has a wide variety of activities available including camping, hiking, golf, tennis, theatre, a vibrant creative arts community, parks, lakes, boating and fishing, rodeos, and the excitement of Big XII sporting events.

For additional information on specific graduate training opportunities in parasitology available at the Oklahoma State University Center for Veterinary Health Sciences, contact Dr. Susan Little, Professor and Endowed Chair, Veterinary Parasitology, susan.little@okstate.edu. For information on the graduate program, visit the web site at http://www.cvm.okstate.edu/graduate/, or contact Dr. Jerry Malayer, Associate Dean of Research, Center for Veterinary Health Sciences, jerry.malayer@okstate.edu.

The AAVP Newsletter and our young members!

The AAVP newsletter committee would like to include a section focusing on our young / student members. This will hopefully provide an extra incentive for them to join our society and it will advertise the talent we have among our members. Three times a year, with every newsletter, we will be highlighting those individuals near or at the completion of their MSc or PhD. Each time we will publish a brief narrative resume, a summary of their research findings and their plans for the future. A personal advertising campaign like this would of course not be complete without a picture. So send in that passport photo or a picture while on the job so that everybody recognizes you at the next meeting or when you go for that job interview.
In short, we encourage everybody within the AAVP to promote his / her student by sending us:
- a short, three paragraph, narrative resume including the topic of the graduate research and plans for a career in parasitology.
- a picture.
Let's make this work!!!

Respectfully Submitted, Patrick F. Meeus-

2006 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL AAVP

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New Membership application

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF VETERINARY PARASITOLOGISTS - FOUNDED 1956
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Objectives: "The objectives of the organization shall be to provide for the association of persons interested in the advancement of veterinary parasitology, and for the presentation and discussion of items of common interest, and to further scientific progress by education and research in veterinary parasitology. This association is organized exclusively for scientific and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution, the Association shall not carry out any other activities not permitted to be carried out by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code."

Membership: "Section 1: Members shall consist of those individuals qualified by background, education and interest in veterinary parasitology. Section 2: New members, except honorary and emeritus, shall be admitted by the Secretary-Treasurer with approval of the Executive Committee, after filing application for membership to the association. Section 3: Honorary membership shall be awarded by the Association to persons who are not members of the Association in recognition of outstanding and sustained achievements in veterinary parasitology. Candidates for honorary membership shall be recommended to the awards committee by any member. Nomination for honorary membership shall be made by the Awards Committee to the membership and election shall be majority vote at the annual meeting. Honorary members shall not be eligible to vote and shall not be assessed dues. No more than two (2) honorary members shall be elected in any one year period. Section 4: Upon retirement a member may become an emeritus member on approval of the Executive Committee of a written request to the Secretary-Treasurer for such status. Emeritus members shall retain voting rights but shall not be assessed dues. Section 5: Forfeiture of membership will occur where dues are not paid for at least two consecutive years. A member who has forfeited membership by nonpayment of dues must reapply for membership. Section 6: Expulsion of a member may occur if a motion for expulsion is presented by the Executive Committee at the annual meeting and passed by four-fifths (4/5) of the members present and voting. The member is to be informed in writing of such a motion at least two months in advance of the annual meeting at which the motion is to be presented. Section 7: The Executive Committee may annually invite any firm, association, corporation, institution or subdivision thereof, to become a corporate associate member, for financial support of the Association."

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