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***About the cover***

Trevor Bagust (1944–2014)

Trevor Bagust was born in New Zealand in 1944. He received his veterinary training at the University of Queensland in Australia (BVSc in 1966, PhD in 1970). At the CSIRO Animal Health Laboratory in Melbourne, he was the leader of research programs dealing with avian leukosis and infectious laryngotracheitis (ILT), and he developed and managed flocks of SPF chickens needed for research. His research on ILT resulted in the development and commercialization of the A20 vaccine strain, which is still in use.

Trevor authored approximately 70 scientific peer-reviewed research papers and book chapters. He also directed projects which resulted in the establishment of SPF poultry production and boosted poultry disease research in China. In the latter part of his career, he joined the faculty at the University of Melbourne where he taught a postgraduate course in avian health and he developed a highly successful online course for that subject.

Trevor was an exceptionally enthusiastic person. This was evident in everything he dealt with, and he had qualities that resulted in leadership appointments at CSIRO (e.g., Officer in Charge, 1985, and acting Director of the CSIRO Division of Animal Health, 1987–89), election as the President of the World Veterinary Poultry Association in 2011, and admission as a foundation member of the WVPA Hall of Honor in 2013. His sudden untimely death in 2014 saddened his many friends and colleagues.