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AAAP Newsletter

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF AVIAN PATHOLOGISTS

promotes scientific knowledge to enhance the health, well-being, and productivity of poultry to provide safe and abundant food for the world.

2013 AAAP Meeting Held in Chicago, IL

This year's AAAP Annual Meeting was held in Chicago on July 20th through 23rd at the McCormick Place convention center. The 4 day event included a symposium on Saturday titled, "*Campylobacter* in Poultry, a Worldwide Approach to Diagnosis, and Control." It addressed up-to-date research on *Campylobacter*, current understanding of *Campylobacter* as it relates to animal health and food safety, and recent advances in diagnostics and control of *Campylobacter* in poultry. The Scientific Program began Sunday and concluded on Tuesday, July 23rd. It consisted of 130 oral presentations and 72 poster presentations. Featured events included a New Member Meet and Greet, a Wine and Cheese Social in the Poster Room, and the annual Awards Luncheon. This year's keynote speaker was Michael Donohue from Agri Stats, Inc. in Fort Wayne, IN. His address was titled, "Overview of the Current Economic Situation in the Poultry Industry." AAAP members also enjoyed the History Lecture given by Bruce Calnek, retired from Cornell University in Ithaca, NY. He began what will be a series of lectures called, "Pioneers of Avian Medicine." His particular lecture was titled, "The Life and Times of Dr. Stephen B. Hitchner."

AAAP encourages student involvement at its Annual Meeting and this year was no different. The Richard B. Rimler Memorial Paper Award was given to Ahmed A. Ali from the Ohio State University and he presented his paper titled, "Attachment of Avian and Mammalian Influenza Viruses to the Respiratory and Reproductive tracts of Layer Turkey Hens." Brian S. Ladman of the University of Delaware also received the Rimler Award and presented his paper titled, "Evaluating the Genetic Diversity of a Wild Bird Origin H5N1 Low Path Avian Influenza

Viral Genome After Adaptation to Different Poultry." Takumu Niino of North Carolina State University was one of two Reed Rumsey Award winners. His paper was titled, "Morphometric and Functional Analysis for Assessing Poult Intestinal Health." Elise A. Myers, from the University of Georgia was the other Reed Rumsey Award winner and she presented her paper titled, "Impact of In-Feed Chlortetracycline on Prevention of Infection and Horizontal Transmission of *Mycoplasma synoviae*." The 2013 A.S. Rosenwald Student Poster for Applied Research was titled "Effect of sample handling on the detection of *Mycoplasma gallisepticum* and *M. synoviae* by real-time PCR" and the recipient of the award was Ms. Michelle Farrar from the University of Georgia. The 2013 A.S. Rosenwald Student Poster for Basic Research was titled "Differentiation of recent *mycoplasma gallisepticum* isolates from MG vaccine using PCR-RFLP" and the recipient of the award was Ms. Natalie Armour from the University of Georgia.

AAAP Wishes all our members and their families and our friends a very **Happy Thanksgiving**. We are thankful for all that our members do through out the year to fulfill the mission to help provide safe and abundant food for the world.

Remember abstracts for the 2014 program are due December 2, 2013. Late abstracts will be accepted if there is room in the program.

www.aaap.info/2014-annual-meeting-denver

Letter from the President



Dear AAAP members:

It is a great privilege to serve as your President. Becoming President of an organization causes a person to reflect on the purpose of that organization and consider why they are a member. Our purpose is obvious in our efforts. Why I am a member may be obvious as well. Throughout my career, the AAAP has provided me with many

opportunities to brag about why I chose to be a poultry veterinarian. I was a large animal practitioner and small animal practitioner before returning to poultry medicine. The hard work of our membership to maintain poultry medicine on the leading edge of animal medicine drew me here.

The discovery of new information and application of that information by our membership maintains that edge. Through our organization that process is fostered and by our organization that information is widely disseminated.

When human medicine was just awakening to molecular science, our scientists were presenting papers at our annual meetings about "gels." While at the time it seemed difficult to understand, and some of us got tired of seeing pictures of grey, black, and white streaks, others understood their importance. They took that information back to their labs and started applying that knowledge to figure out how to better understand the pathogens we were fighting. Others in ancillary businesses and at diagnostic laboratories took that information and applied it to more quickly diagnose and thus prevent disease. Before this application, we could talk about certain serotypes of pathogens but now, we talk about specific identities (fingerprints and sequences). This knowledge helps us track a pathogen as it goes from farm to farm and flock to flock. Before, it would take many weeks to isolate a pathogen, to determine a serotype and then determine which vaccine to use. Now, we can have that information in less than a week. These are things that were only dreamed about 20 years ago. Now they are a reality.

It is not just the science that makes the AAAP; it is the transfer of that knowledge. We offer an outstanding annual scientific meeting where we are the largest group in attendance at the AVMA annual convention. We sponsor many regional meetings. Our publications are considered to be the gold standard and are used around the world. We publish the

Diseases of Poultry, the "bible" of poultry disease; *Avian Diseases*, a prestigious journal; the *Avian Disease Manual*, a publication used by students, production supervisors and clinicians; and *Isolation, Identification and Characterization of Avian Pathogens*, a recipe book for growing and identifying pathogens just to name a few. Some of our manuals are translated, with the permission of AAAP, into other languages for use in non-English speaking countries. In addition, we provide many subject specific photographic study sets. Do you know of another animal species organization that does this?

More importantly, AAAP is its members. The opportunity to meet and know the fine people that make this organization such a success has been a blessing. As a student, I read many research papers and text book chapters the authors of which were/are members of AAAP. At our meetings, I got to know the personal side of those authors. The admiration held as a student became greater when given the chance to know those individuals as warm and welcoming people around a cup of coffee in the poster room or at dinner after our meetings. The AAAP membership has always impressed me due to its diversity and the number of people with gray hair. Diversity provides strength. The diversity of our membership has changed little over the years and possibly increased. The number of gray-haired people has changed little as well although, more new faces are being seen every year. As a student, I wondered why the older people, some even after retiring, still attended our meetings. As my career has matured, it has become obvious that those people cherished their discipline and the relationships developed within our organization. It too is happening to me. As your President, I encourage us to celebrate the great achievements that we have made. If you are new to AAAP, we welcome you and encourage you to become involved. Join a committee. Walk up to an admired scientist during the poster session and start a conversation. You may soon find that you too are one of the gray-haired people attending our meetings.

May your year be filled with health, joy, and prosperity for you and those you love.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R. M. 'Mick' Fulton". The signature is stylized and cursive.

R. M. "Mick" Fulton
AAAP President



Letter from the Secretary-Treasurer

Chuck Hofacre

Secretary-Treasurer Report

The American Association of Avian Pathologists, Inc., a nonprofit 501(c) (6) corporation, continues to grow at a modest rate in our mission to promote scientific knowledge to enhance the health, well-being and productivity of poultry to provide a safe and abundant food for the world.

The AAAP's net assets increased by \$18,417 due to increased numbers of subscriptions to Avian Diseases, increased membership (26 new) and the hard work of Hector Cervantes in obtaining support for the annual meeting. The Avian Diseases Journal once again was our most profitable source of revenue with \$48,712 net revenue. This was despite the expense of an additional issue with the A. I. supplement. At the San Diego board meeting it was agreed to discontinue publishing the Avian Diseases Digest journal due to continued financial losses. Therefore, the last issue was published December, 2012 (net loss \$16,111 in FY2012 and \$5,745 in FY2013).

The AAAP cannot thank enough our members who volunteer their time and expertise to the many educational materials we produce and sell. We are a not for profit organization with education as one of our primary missions. This past fiscal year (March, 2013) we published the 7th Avian Disease Manual, thanks to Martinene Bouilenne's hard working authors and look forward to the new Isolation and Identification and 13th Diseases of Poultry in fiscal year 2014. Thank you in advance Andre Ziegler, et al. for Isolation and David Swayne, et al. for Diseases of Poultry.

In 2010 the Board of Directors invested \$150,000 from our Certificate of Deposit into a Charles Schwab account managed by Marin Financial Associates. Initially our timing of the market resulted in a loss to \$141,965 but by the close of fiscal year 2013 we now have a market value of \$158,201. The AAAP still has nearly \$450,000 in a money market and the Board of Directors at the annual meeting will be discussing what the best option will be for this money.

Our member numbers have risen this past year from 769 (FY2012) to 795 (FY2013). AAAP members ensuring their paid AVMA dues also improved our position in the AVMA House of Delegates to 411 voting members giving us 88%.

We are an organization of volunteers and it is great to see all of the members involved in not only AAAP itself but also representing AAAP in other organizations. I want to formally thank you from the Board of Directors for giving your time and effort for AAAP.

I especially want to thank Janece and Bob Bevans-Kerr for their efforts on behalf of AAAP.

Chuck Hofacre,
Secretary-Treasurer, AAAP

Downloadable Reports:

56th AAAP Annual Report (2013)

24th AAAP Foundation Annual Report (2013)

The AAAP Board of Directors has approved and recommends adoption of the [proposed AAAP bylaws changes](#) as outlined below. Bylaw Change to:

1. Correct the corporation status of AAAP from 501(c)3 (incorrect) to 501(c)6 (correct).
2. Change the position of Secretary-Treasurer to Executive Vice President.
3. Make the Executive Vice President's term of office 5 years with a renewable option.

On June 18, 2013 an email notice was sent to all members with the proposed AAAP Bylaw changes. These changes were discussed at the Annual AAAP Business Meeting on July 22, 2013. **It is important that all current members cast their ballot by December 13, 2013.** Two thirds of our membership are required to vote in order to pass a bylaws change. A complete copy of the bylaws with proposed changes were sent to you in email. **If you need another copy, it can be found here.**

Letter from the Editor of *Avian Diseases*

I am writing to let you know of some changes in *Avian Diseases* that were approved by the AAAP Board and that will become effective with the first volume of 2014.

--The mission statement of the journal will be changed to indicate that manuscripts to be considered for publication have to be relevant to poultry health. In other words, we will not consider manuscripts dealing with wild birds unless they have relevance to poultry health. In this manner, the mission of the journal will parallel that of the AAAP.

--We will strive to have a critical review in each issue of the journal. The AAAP Board has asked several of our committees to take on the responsibility of developing such reviews. The reviews will deal with contemporary topics relevant to poultry health. We trust that these reviews will be useful for our membership.

--There will be an exchange of Tables of Contents with *Avian Pathology* for the benefit of the readership of both journals.

--A new feature will be introduced beginning with the first issue of 2014. Letters to the editor related to the scientific content of the journal or any issue related to poultry health will be published in the journal. Rebuttals will also be published.

--The cover of the journal will have a new face effective with the first issue of 2014. The plan is to alternate between portraits of our distinguished colleagues and poultry art. Colleagues to be honored should have made significant contributions to poultry health, the journal, or the AAAP. Colleagues from any part of the world including those who are no longer with us will be considered. The AAAP History Committee will make the choice of those to be honored. The cover of the first issue of 2014 will have no less than a reprint of the Claude Monet painting titled, *The Turkeys*.

Your comments and thoughts related to the above items or any other items that will contribute to improvements of the journal will be sincerely appreciated.

I have been honored to be asked to serve as editor of *Avian Diseases* and I look forward to serving the AAAP membership in this capacity. It is a challenge and a learning experience that I thoroughly enjoy.

Finally, I have to acknowledge the wonderful support I received in editing *Avian Diseases*. Dr. Jagdev Sharma, our former editor, has been most helpful in providing me with a wealth of information on the journal and in responding to my many questions. Janece and Bob guided me through the details of editing the journal. I owe a great deal of thanks to Jagdev, Janece and Bob.

Mo Saif
Avian Diseases Editor

Look for New Features in *Avian Diseases* in 2014

The ability to read *Avian Diseases* articles on your mobile devices and an e-book version coming in 2014.

Nathaniel Tablante shares his Fellowship experience

I am happy to report that I am so far having a productive and enjoyable Fellowship experience in the Office of Congressman Sanford D. Bishop, Jr. (D-GA-2). He represents the 2nd district of Georgia which has a large poultry industry. Congressman Bishop is co-Chair of the Congressional Chicken Caucus and is very supportive of the poultry industry.

http://www.aaas.org/news/releases/2013/1009_policy-fellows

2013-2014 Future Leaders Class

The AVMA welcomed its third class of Future Leaders, who were named on July 21 at the AVMA Annual Convention held this year in Chicago, Illinois. Like previous years, the goal of the program is to develop leaders ready to help lead our profession into the future. The Future Leaders all graduated in 1998 or later and come from diverse backgrounds and professional practices.

AAAP was happy to nominate and see the following candidates who were selected for the program. Congratulations to Suzanne Young Dougherty and Eric Willingham.

You can find out more on the AVMA website:
<https://www.avma.org/Members/FutureLeaders/Pages/Welcome-Future-Leaders.aspx>

2013-2014

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Michael P. Martin 2016
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Emergency Issues**

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**AVMA Food Safety
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Suzanne Y. Dougherty 2015
Charles L. Hofacre 2016 (Alternate)

AVMA House of Delegates

Y. M. Saif 2014
Gregg J. Cutler 2014 (Alternate)

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Charles L. Hofacre 2014

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**Council for Agriculture Science and
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Robert D. Evans 2016

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James T. Barton 2016
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Awards

Kate Barger 2017

Poultry Scholarship

Frederic J. Hoerr

Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship

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Resolutions

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Michael P. Martin 2014

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Electronic Information

Timothy J. Johnson 2013

Enteric Diseases

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Epidemiology

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Food Safety

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Ian Rubinoff 2014

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Respiratory Diseases

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Research Priorities

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Tumor Virus

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Toxic, Infectious, Miscellaneous and Emerging Diseases

Hyatt Abbassi 2015

AAAP Interest Group Chairs Histopathology/Case Report Interest Group

H.L. Shivaprasad

2013-2014 AAAP

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Summary of AAAP Board of Director Decisions from 2013 Annual Meeting

AAAP BOD voted to donate \$240,000 to AAAP Foundation to make as many awards as possible self-sustaining.

AAAP BOD voted to create a fund management policy: When managing other organization's funds AAAP will charge a management fee of a minimum of 3% (one-time) of all deposited funds.

AAAP BOD voted to give Dr. Mo Saif an AAAP Life Membership.

AAAP BOD voted to appoint Dr. James Barton as AAAP's representative to serve on the PAACO BOD (broiler breeders)

AAAP BOD voted that AAAP will join the US Poultry & Egg Association as an allied member.

AAAP BOD voted to nominate Yuko Sato for USAHA student travel scholarship.

AAAP BOD voted to select Dr. Deidre Johnson to attend next year's AVMA leadership conference in Chicago January 9 - 12, 2014.

AAAP BOD elected Dr. Eric Gingerich as the AAAP representative to serve on the USAHA BOD.

AAAP BOD's approved the Avian Diseases Editorial Board changes (adding 8 new members and removing one) and the Avian Diseases Advisory Board changes (adding two new members to replace two members that rotated off) (Note the board will need to vote on an additional 2 members to the editorial board provided after the board meeting)

AAAP BOD voted to approve the international speakers expenditures for the 2014 symposium up to \$3,000.

AAAP BOD voted to sunset the AAAP Biologics Committee upon the committee recommendation.

AAAP BOD approved the AAAP Membership Committee's recommendation to reduce AAAP Student Membership fees from \$60 to \$20 annually.

The Student Poster Awards and the Case Report Award will be given at the beginning of the Wine and Cheese Social. (A sound system will be provided and spacing requirements reviewed)

Board approved to continue with Media training in 2014.

Board approved endorsing coalition letter in support of Farm Animal Agriculture Integrated Research Initiative (FAAIR)

Summary of AAAP Foundation Board of Director Decisions from 2013 Annual Meeting

AAAP Foundation will invest \$212,000 in 50/50 investment with Marin Investments.

AAAP Foundation will move \$28,000 from Schwartz Travel Fund to 80/20 investment fund with Marin Investments.

AAAP Foundation will move \$32,400 of the Foundation Poultry Scholarship cash fund to the 50/50 investment fund with Marin Financial.

AAAP Foundation will not reinvest interest and dividends from the 80/20 account but will allocated them to the Foundation general cash fund for awards payments.

Named Scholarship Endowment proposal was approved by the AAAP Foundation BOD. The minimum amount to start a named scholarship will be \$40,000.

Committee Reports

Animal Welfare Committee

Next meeting is Wednesday, January 29, 2014 from 7:00-9:00am. Location: Atlanta, GA – GWCC (room B201) Please RSVP here.

Biologics Committee

The Chair sent an e-mail message through AAAP management prior to the annual meeting suggesting that the Biologics Committee members consider advising the AAAP Board to "sunset" our committee. This proposal was discussed. The major input was that the face-to-face meeting for a group such as ours was outdated, especially with the continued consolidation of the biologics industry and that an advisory role to the Board could be fulfilled without an annual face-to-face meeting. A motion was made to propose the sunset status of the Biologics committee to the Board and was passed unanimously.

Drugs and Therapeutics Committee

Topics discussed at the Committee meeting:

Ideas and possibilities for collecting and publishing reputable poultry drug use.

Environmental Toxicology paper on arsenic in poultry meat - Do we need a position statement beyond that of NCC.

Ideas for staying more abreast of the pending VFD regulations.

"Risky Foods" article - discussion of FDA and NCC responses to fallacious reporting.

APUA, KEW, & PEW - positioning ourselves to deal more effectively with their ongoing assaults on judicious antimicrobial use.

Education Committee

Topics discussed at the Committee meeting:

Focus on the ongoing slides study sets:

Infectious Bursal Disease: Dr. Silke. Final by the end of 2013 (confirmed by e-mail and personal communication with Dr. Silke)

Proventriculitis: Dr. J. Guy. Expected completion: August 2013 (Confirmed by personal communication)

Breeder Management: Dr. Romero and Dr. Lozano. Expected completion by February 2014 (Confirmed by e-mail)

Parasitic Diseases: Dr. Senties. (Discussed during the meeting but not date specified)

Welfare: Dr. Wakenell (Discussed during the meeting but not date specified)

Inclusion Body Hepatitis: Dr. Villegas – Contacted via e-mail (not responded yet)

Proposed Slide Study Sets: (Authors to be confirmed)

Infection Bronchitis: Dr. Gelb, Dr. Jackwood, Dr. Peter Woolcock,

- Ducks Diseases Slide Study Set: Dr. Simone Stout, Dr. Peter Woolcock
- Reovirus Slide Study Set: Dr. Pedro Villegas
- Infectious Coryza: Dr. Edgardo Soriano, Dr. Gabriel Senties, Dr. Mark Bland

Electronic Information Committee

There was discussion as to whether this committee needs to continue as a committee or be an advisory group for Executive Director, Bob Bevans-Kerr.

Enteric Diseases Committee

Topics Discussed at the Committee meeting:

- Various digestive diseases continue to plague the poultry industry with no immediate solutions. This was shared by all commodity groups.
- The broiler companies that produce a small bird (4 pounds or so) indicated that RSS to be #1 problem eroding the profitability.
- We also agreed that RSS is a multifactorial disease and good diagnostic tools are lacking.
- Antibiotic replacements needs to be explored as well as “combination” solutions.
- There was an agreement that we need to better understand the needs of the industry as it relates

to gut diseases. It was agreed that a survey of each commodity sector (broilers, turkeys and layers) would be beneficial. This type of survey will include the diagnosticians at laboratories to capture the cases that they see.

- Mark Bleckley, Phibro – Lead the survey for Turkeys industry
- John Brown, Zoatis – Lead the survey of the egg industry
- David French, Sanderson Farms – Lead the survey for broilers.
- Each of the leads will come up with specific question to address the targeted industry
- Other diseases addressed by committee members included – Necrotic Enteritis, Coccidiosis, FDN and emerging variant Reo virus affect the tendon.

Epidemiology Committee

Excerpt from Epidemiology Committee minutes to meeting:

A proposal for the 2016 AAAP Symposium has been submitted to the AAAP Board by Nathaniel Tablante on behalf of the AAAP Diseases of Public Health Significance Committee, AAAP Epidemiology Committee, and AAAP Education Committees (sent June 7, 2013). Copies of the Draft program were distributed to members at this meeting for review and comments. Spontaneous questions were addressed as possible; the Draft is a working document and may not reflect the final program. Availability of speakers, topics of interest and needed emphasis may well change in the next thirty-six months. Some comments for consideration:

1. Half-day format limits ability to explore topics in depth - need full day.
2. Early start time and scheduled day deters some from attending Symposium.
3. Need attention-grabbing titles. Some talks are miss-titled or need re-phrasing.
4. Specific and instructive presentations – avoid general or overview approaches.
5. Add an Infectious Disease Specialist to the program.
6. Roundtable discussion on DVM and MD professional relationships and interactions.

Encouragement for submission of field cases from diagnostic labs and individuals was discussed. Projects similar to the posters displayed this year by Drs. Dufour-Zavala, Cline et al, and Shivaprasad et al were cited as appreciated contributions to the program. Louise Dufour-Zavala commented on the increase this year in the number of Case Reports scheduled in the Scientific Program.

Discussion on the design of topical information surveys. J.P. Vaillancourt explained use and availability of an on-line tool called Survey Monkey. Efforts to conduct short surveys are

minimal and cost is negligible if survey is designed adequately. Possible survey topics include:

1. Economic survey of poultry professionals (salaries, time to planned retirement, what I would do different, etc.). NOTE – Chair learned at Board Meeting that an AAAP survey on this subject is already planned for the first quarter of 2014 .
2. Disease incidence (diagnosis frequency over time, development of trends over a timeline). PDRC Workshop proceedings in 2002(?) was previously cited as a possible model. Dr. Zavala's poster (2013) on submissions to the Oakwood Lab over the past decade is an example.
3. "White Papers" – Coronavirus in Turkeys (NC and AR experiences), Reovirus in broilers (Georgia to Israel), Kinky-Back (Enterococcus), Arboviral Infections in Domestic Poultry (West Nile, WE/EE). Source?

Chairperson advised that the discussions above would be summarized in notes of this meeting and sent to committee members for further comment via e-mail exchanges. Meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM due to the late time of day and conflict with other AAAP events.

Food Safety Committee

Topics discussed at the Committee meeting:

- a. Discussed judicious use of Therapeutic Antimicrobials. Assigned subcommittee to work with a subcommittee of the Drug and Therapeutics Committee.

-Subcommittee includes: Marty Ewing, Michelle Kromm, Brian Wooming, Ching Ching Wu, and Suzanne Dougherty
- b. Discussed the recent reports on Roxarsone and Arsenical build-up.
- c. Discussed the 2013 AAAP *Campylobacter* symposium.
- d. NARMS on farm sampling.
- e. Discussed a presentation on "Typical broiler production practices". FSIS wanted a new presentation on "Typical laying production practices". Eric Gingerich responded and volunteered to present to FSIS.
- f. Briefly discussed MDR *Salmonella* Kentucky concerns because of issues in Asia and Africa.
- g. Mentioned that FSIS has concerns about toxoplasmosis in poultry. More concerned about backyard flocks but the potential to move into commercial flocks.
- h. Proposed James Barton as New Chairmen of Food Safety Committee

Histopathology/Case Report Interest Group

Summary of report to the AAAP Board of Directors:

Dr Shivaprasad reported for the Histopathology Interest Group. This is a good group with a lot of discussion. The board thanked Dr. Shivaprasad for organizing the group. They would like to explore having virtual meetings in the future. The AAAP office has collaborative meeting capabilities. GA group has weekly meetings could participate or the idea could be made broader.

Diseases of Public Health Significance Committee

Topics discussed during the DPHS Committee meeting:

- a. The committee reviewed the report from 2012 and voted to accept it as written without amendment.
- b. The proposal for a Combined Symposium in 2015 with the AAAP Epidemiology and Education was discussed. The committee members wished to have additional time to review the proposal i.e., consider minor changes to the speaker line up, but were in favor of the combined symposium as developed by the respective chairs and forwarded to the Board of Directors.
- c. Dr. Fidelis gave the committee an update regarding H7N9 and USDA's activities relative to disease response and prevention in the US. A One Health / Incident Command has been set up in Hyattsville with regular virtual meetings being held that include CDC, DHS, PRC-CDC, FAO, WHO. The President's office is receiving regular briefings relative to preparedness specifically, how the USDA will respond to the occurrence of LPAI H7N9 (regardless of origin) in the US. Previously the USAHA had requested that USDA maintain a bank of H5 and H7 vaccines. D. Swayne went to the OIE to review the success of vaccination programs worldwide. Findings suggested that these were of little value (report to be published by AAAP). Based on this, the USDA will cease to maintain a vaccine bank for poultry as part of the National Veterinary Stockpile. However, ample seed stock will be maintained so that production may be ramped up quickly when needed. The USDA is encouraging the US quail industry to participate in the NPIP program because of the threat they pose as a silent reservoir. USDA is also working on an indemnification guidance document to streamline response for the entire industry. In the event AI occurs in the US, the USDA is requesting that companies and states consult with their Office of Legislative and Public Affairs before issuing any statements to the media. The handling of the recent LPAI in Arkansas was discussed. One of the issues raised was the inconsistent message concerning PPE. The committee felt that a position statement on the use of appropriate PPE regardless of whether dealing with LPAI or HPAI should be developed i.e., PPE should be worn to minimize risk to workers and adaptation of AI viruses to human hosts.

- d. Additions / deletions to list of diseases of public health significance generated in 2012 were made. Carbapenem Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) was added, but to a single topic/class of multi-drug resistant bacteria which includes *Staphylococcus* spp., *Enterococcus* spp., *E. coli*, *Klebsiella*, *Acinetobacter*, *Salmonella*. The focus on CREs in the human health sector is increasing. Data analyzing the molecular characteristics of extended-spectrum cephalosporin resistant *E. coli* (Enterobacteriaceae type strain) in poultry is lacking for the US versus Europe and Asia. However, the public health sector is strongly arguing that commercial poultry is a primary source of CREs. It will be important for academe to generate data on this subject, as it appears to be emerging as another politically charged antimicrobial resistance issue. The DPHS committee sees its role in this debate as one addressing infection among individuals that work with poultry rather than food safety. The use of antimicrobials by individuals (as prescribed by their family physicians) and job related exposure to Enterobacteriaceae of poultry origin would be of particular interest.
 - e. The committee prepared a list of Diseases of Public Health Significance (exposure by routes other than consumption in food products) and initially ranked them on perceived risk by the general public and actual or likely risk based on scientific data or experience. The list was sent out electronically prior to the committee meeting and rankings were discussed. The purpose was to determine which diseases warranted both research and public education funding. Not all individuals used the form for ranking. However, the top 5 disease agents were: Avian Influenza, *Salmonella* spp., *Campylobacter jejuni*, *Listeria monocytogenes* (among pregnant women handling poultry), and the general category of Multi-Drug Resistant organisms (MRSA i.e., aureus, intermedius/pseudointermedius, lenti; Enterobacteriaceae CREs and other resistance patterns). The form (attached) will be redistributed to the committee for further comment and then to the general AAAP membership.
 - f. A white paper addressing the top 5 diseases of public health significance (as listed above) will be written. It will serve as concise review of the scientific literature as well as a vernacular commentary for use in press releases. The white paper will focus on risks posed to individuals working with poultry (commercial, backyard, hobbyists) as well safe handling of poultry by the general public.
 - g. The committee developed a list of agents / diseases about which there are misconceptions regarding poultry. It was felt that a FAQ sheet would be of value. Three initial topics include:
 - 1) Rabies virus
 - 2) Chicken Pox (varicella zoster virus - VZV)
- 3) Gastrointestinal parasites (nematodes, cestodes)
 - h. Vice Chair /Chair- David Suarez was nominated in 2012 (in absentia) primarily because of the importance of AI as a real / perceived risk. Pierson spoke with Suarez after the committee meeting to confirm his continued interest. Pierson volunteered to serve as Chair for an additional year with the approval of the AAAP Board of Directors and subsequent reappointment by the president.
 - i. Pierson is serving on National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) / National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) / Subcommittee on respiratory and zoonotic diseases of veterinary and animal care workers. The risks associated with zoonotic agents, inhaled allergens and carcinogens are being studied. The committee is currently working on a comprehensive metadata analysis to determine where scientific information is lacking. Pierson will provide a direct report of the NIOSH/NORA committee activities to the AAAP Board of Directors.

Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship Committee

Summary of the report to the Board of Directors:

Francene Van Sambeek reported for the Preceptorship Committee. 6 members were present at this year's meeting. Committee is functioning well and they recommend funding as many students as are able. There are usually about 6 or 7 applicants per year. Francene will be the new chair. Members of the Preceptorship Committee and Membership Committee will work to make the preceptorship site list current.

Membership Committee

2013/2014 Proposals and Updates:

1. Check to make sure that all of the people who have "liked" AAAP on Facebook are members of AAAP. If not, send them a message asking them to join.
 - a. Committee voted to send a facebook message to all people who have "liked" AAAP to encourage membership.
 - b. Follow up: Dan Wilson
2. We propose changing the fee charge to student members to pay 2 years, get the 3rd year free (even if the 3rd year they are a regular member). This should help students want to join AAAP earlier in their career.
 - a. The AAAP board voted to approve a fee reduction from \$60 to \$20 effective for 2014 dues.
 - b. AAAP will try to have a presence at the SAVMA symposium to recruit more students

- c. Create a student flyer and use the electronic version of the AAAP brochure
 - d. Put together a flash drive with poultry resources from the AAAP website that we can use as a tool for students or recruiting new members.
 - e. Follow up: Annika McKillop and Elizabeth Bielke
3. We propose contacting the AAAP liaison for the vet schools and ask them to try to recruit a student liaison for each school to give announcements, make sure they know about the Poultry Foundation Scholarships, etc. We need to discuss giving the student liaison free AAAP membership. There is also a request to put the student liaison contact list on the AAAP website (member view only).
 - a. Liaison list is updated and an email was sent out on 8/12/13 by Andrea Zedek providing a template for all of the liaisons to contact the avian medicine clubs and appoint a student AAAP liaison.
 - b. Follow up: Andrea Zedek, Travis Schaal, Susan Williams
 4. We would like to offer student AAAP members free business cards (50 cards). They would have the AAAP logo on them. These can be easily designed using computer programs and printed out at the AAAP office, and sent out with the "new member" welcome packet (see attached sample card).
 - a. It was agreed that we would create a word document business card template based on Travis Schaal's design that we would send to all student members. At this time, no money was allocated to print and send physical cards.
 - b. Follow up: Travis Schaal and Ian Rubinoff
 5. Try to ensure there is follow-up by committee chairs on committee interest forms (on AAAP membership renewal form).
 - a. All new members will be greeted with an email from the membership committee that provides the contact info for the chairs of the committees they are interested in joining.
 - b. Follow up: Ian Rubinoff
 6. Continue new member meet-and-greet at AAAP meeting, and new member welcome email from Membership Committee. Include Facebook link on welcome email.
 - a. The meet and greet appeared to be a big success and the game of poultry scrabble was well received.
7. Place an ad through the National Association of Federal Veterinarians (NAFV) to attract NAFV members to AAAP (<http://nafv.net/index.html>) (Especially FSIS members).
 - a. The ad ran in July 2013.
 - B. Allen Byrd researched the ability of USDA and FSIS employees' ability to serve as AAAP members, committee chairs, or board members. It was found that there is no issue for FSIS employees to be members but they cannot serve in leadership. USDA employees who are not involved in regulatory affairs may serve a leadership position.
 - c. Follow up: Patti Miller, Ian Rubinoff
 8. Membership committee would like to take over the contacting of lapsed members to find out why they are not renewing.
 - a. This item was discussed at the board meeting and this process will start with the regional directors contacting people they know on the list
 - b. Follow up: Deirdre Johnson
 9. Automatic membership renewal
 - a. This proposal was discussed at the board meeting. Bob Bevans-Kerr will follow up with the details and the cost of implementing this system.
 - b. The benefits would be that members would be less likely to lapse and the dues would come in at a predictable time instead of trickling in throughout the winter
 - c. The detriments would be that credit cards could expire, people could forget about the charge to their credit card, that the system would cost more money than it would bring in
 10. Timing of renewal
 - a. At this time, membership renewal occurs during the holiday season. It was mentioned at the board meeting that renewals should start earlier in the fall to avoid the busy time of holidays.
 11. Membership Committee would like Eskelund Preceptorship Committee to review giving preference for preceptorships to AAAP student members, or perhaps requiring award recipients to be members.
 - a. Action tabled, no further discussion
 12. We would also like to help the Eskelund Preceptorship committee update their Preceptorship list
 - a. Ian Rubinoff and Mark Bland attended the preceptorship meeting to discuss this issue

b. Ian Rubinoff, Francene Van Sambeek, and Bob Bevans-Kerr will form a joint committee task force to update the preceptorship list and improve the formatting.

c. Follow up: Ian Rubinoff and Mark Bland

13. We would like to develop educational materials for non-poultry federal employees (as well as others) to use detailing the different segments of the poultry industry and what they do (primary breeders, broiler, turkey, egg layers)—at the bottom we would like to have a list of “what do I get as a AAAP member” and a link to join AAAP. We would like to put this material on the AAAP website, as well as on Facebook.

a. We are collecting technical bulletins, extension resources, and other publically available information. We will try to determine if it is appropriate to link to this information on the AAAP website and how to handle articles that written by commercial companies.

b. Follow up: Mark Bland

14. Put the link to join AAAP on every page on the AAAP website.

a. Completed

15. Discuss inviting/sponsoring students to attend the AAAP meeting each year.

a. There are several travel awards that are currently given, school liaisons will spread this information to universities.

16. Allow members to buy an extra ticket to the awards luncheon for student members (perhaps new members as well) or donate money for this purpose. Any extra money in the fund would go to the Foundation scholarships.

a. Luncheon tickets for the AAAP banquet: Looking at adding 2 check boxes on the luncheon banquet ticket application for AAAP members. “A” box would be for a AAAP member to check if he or she would like to purchase an extra ticket so a AAAP student could attend. “B” box would be for a AAAP member to donate \$5, \$10, \$15, or \$20 towards the purchase of a ticket for a AAAP student to attend. All extra money would go to the AAAP Scholarship program or to the new AAAP Student travel fund (AVMA/AAAP meeting)

b. Follow up: Ian Rubinoff, Mark Bland, Susan Williams

17. Run AAAP booth at the IPE

a. Completed successfully, looking ahead to

2014

b. Follow up: Ian Rubinoff

Respiratory Diseases Committee.

Summary of Committee report to the Board of Directors:

Maricarmen Garcia reported to the board regarding the Respiratory Diseases Symposium Symposium to be held in Denver in 2014. The speakers are confirmed. US speakers will receive the AVMA speaker funds. L. Vervelde, a professor in the Netherlands, will be an international speaker.

Research Priorities Committee

Summary of Committee report to the Board of Directors:

Danny Magee, chair reported for the Research Priorities Committee. The committee chair for Research Priorities committee proposed not to tie with Vice-Chair of Program Advisory Committee. The committee was originally created by Charlie Beard. USDA, US Poultry and Egg used to set research priorities. No one understood the impact and interest in committee died. John Glisson when Program Advisory Committee Chair, organized the program to show the areas of most interest. He used that information to give to groups. Now we need to have a structure in place so keep it going. The committee has done a couple of surveys of the membership. It has also surveyed journals which make grants for ag research. The committee is concerned that the present list is not getting to the proper agencies. Program coordinators of USDA and FDA should get the list. We need to improve on getting the message out. There is also a need to make sure as a board that the chair is someone who will keep the ball moving forward.

Toxic, Infectious, Miscellaneous and Emerging Diseases Committee

Summary of Committee report to the Board of Directors:

Hyatt Abassi, chair reported for the TIME committee. 29 people attended the committee meeting. They had three invited speakers. After the presentations there was discussion and an update on issues. The chair has worked to update the list of core members. The committee requests that the TIME committee meeting not overlap in the schedule with the Respiratory Diseases Committee or the Avian Diseases journal committees in the future. Next year they will contact diagnostic labs to decide on the issues.

Tumor Virus Committee

Topics discussed at the Tumor Virus Committee meeting:

We have discussed the recent completion of the frequently asked questions on viral tumor diseases and vaccines and its subsequent translation into Spanish.

We also discussed about the reports of increased worldwide tumor incidence. The USA did not have any major reports of tumor incidence but there were increased numbers of reports of tumor incidence but there were increased numbers of reports of tumor incidence in Chinese and Central- and South American poultry that was attributed to Marek's disease virus. There were reports of discovery of a new avian leukosis virus, other than subgroup J from China.

The focus of the discussion was also on the upcoming (2015, Boston) AAAP half-day symposium "An update on MD vaccination and Immunosuppression". All the AAAP members unanimously agreed to the program. The program was developed and approved by the AAAP Tumor virus committee last year (2012).

Dr. Ian Rubinoff reported that he and Dr. John Dunn are working on project to update MDV, ALV, and REV information on Wikipedia and include references citing AAAP tumor disease manual as well as the relevant slide study sets. This is done with the purpose of increasing exposure to AAAP study materials.

Program Advisory Committee

Summary of Committee report to the Board of Directors:

John Smith, chair reported for the Program Advisory Committee. It has been a good program this year. It was a good symposium. They will make a decision as to whether or not to continue the Q and A after the meeting when they get results from the survey. There were transportation issues this year. There needs to be more attention to handicap needs. Discussion as to why AAAP doesn't print proceedings. The reason is you can't publish in a peer review journal if too much shows in the proceedings. This year the Rosenwald Student Poster Award was given at the Wine and Cheese Social at the last minute because of some unforeseen time issues. We might continue to give award at the social again, but will need to plan for a bigger room, a bar at both ends, and a microphone. It was suggested that we give the AVMA/bus folks advance notice when we will need a bus. Picking up name tags at AVMA was a bottle neck. The Keynote room was full. The AVMA badges contained lunch vouchers, but that was not clear and many people did not use them. The AVMA apps were clear.

Awards Committee Report

Summary of Committee report to the Board of Directors:

Calvin Keeler, chair reported for the Awards Committee. Dr. Keeler reviewed the status of the awards including the number of nominations for each award. This year there was no nomination for the Bayer Award. There are some suggestions for 2014. This year the Rosenwald Student Poster Award was not given at the Awards Luncheon, but at the Wine and Cheese Social because of some unforeseen logistic issues. It actually worked out quite well and the committee suggests doing it that way in the future as it gives the committee much more time to judge the posters. They also suggest giving the Best Field Case Report Award then as well. Kate Barger will be the new chair of the Awards Committee. Dr. Keeler will work with Kate regarding committee membership to recommend to the board.

2013 AAAP Award Winners



Special Service Award:
Dick Lessley Boyd



Life Member Award:
Yehia M. Saif



Lasher-Bottorff Award:
Frederic Hoerr



Phibro Animal Health
Excellence in Poultry Research:
David Suarez



P.P. Levine Award:
Darrell Kapczynski



Bruce W. Calnek Applied
Poultry Research Achievement:
Jagdev Sharma



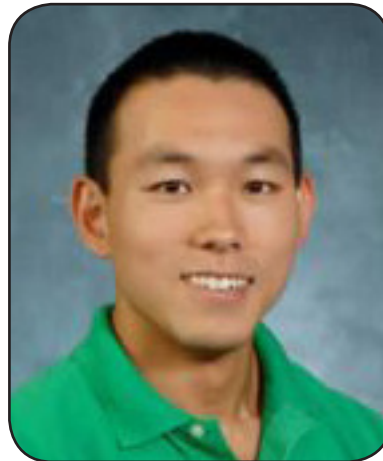
L. Dwight Schwartz
Travel Scholarship:
Nichelle Peck



Outstanding Field Case and/
or Diagnostic Report Award:
Alexandra Reilley



Richard B. Rimler Memorial Paper Scholarship:
Ahmed Ali & Brian Ladman



Reed Rumsey Student Award:
Elise Myers & Takumu Niino



A.S. Rosenwald Student Poster Award:
Natalie Armour and Michelle Farrar

AAAP Foundation

Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship Poultry Medicine Training Program

2013 Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship Scholarship Winners

Chelsea Anderson
Cornell University
Joshua Heise
University of Wisconsin
Judith Labounty
Oklahoma State University
Megan Lighty
Virginia Tech
Nichelle Peck
University of Prince Edward Island
Samantha Pohl
Texas A&M University

2014 Preceptorship Scholarships

The Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship Poultry Medicine Training Program was established in 1988 by Dr. Eskelund as evidence of his ardent support of the AAAP. The purpose of the preceptorships is to enable interested veterinary students to participate in poultry medicine training programs in order to expand their education, training, and veterinary skills through practical experience in their specialized field. The Foundation annually offers individual awards of up to \$1,300.00 to veterinary students to help them defray housing, living and travel expenses incurred while attending poultry medicine training programs under the auspices of their veterinary medical schools. Eligible students must be in the 3rd or 4th year of study at an AVMA accredited college of veterinary medicine located in the U.S.A., Canada, Mexico, or the Caribbean Islands. The AAAP has solicited the cooperation of its members in establishing a variety of training sites including universities, diagnostic laboratories, poultry production companies and poultry breeding companies.

Application Process

The application and faculty endorsement forms found on the AAAP web site must be completed by December 15, 2013 in order to be considered for the 2013/2014 academic year. Also the applicant's veterinary school transcripts and a letter indicating the applicant's current academic status must be mailed or faxed to the AAAP business office by the December 15 deadline. Applicants selected to receive this preceptorship will be notified by January 31, 2014. Applicants must then negotiate with the contact person from the provided list of preceptors to determine the exact training period. (The student may propose other preceptors known to them, but they must first be approved by the committee before final approval of the preceptorship.) AAAP must be notified by February 15, 2014 of when and where the applicant will do the preceptorship, providing the name of the contact person and the preceptor. Final approval for the preceptorship will be when all above items are completed.

AAAP Foundation

Poultry Scholarship

www.aaap.info/aaapreceptorship

AAAP Foundation Poultry Scholarship Criteria and Application

The American Association of Avian Pathologists Foundation Scholarship Program accepts scholarship applications from students who are pursuing a career in poultry health and well-being and/or food safety in North America. Eligible students should attend a veterinary college accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association, or an accredited undergraduate university or graduate school. Scholarships will not exceed \$1,000. but may be renewed by reapplying if funding is available and student demonstrates satisfactory performance. Applications are due November 1st each year.

2013 AAAP Foundation Poultry Scholarship Winners

Elizabeth Beilke
University of Nebraska
Jessica Walter
Virginia Tech
Megan Lighty
Virginia Tech
Laura Tensa
Oregon State University
Rachael Redman
Western University of Health Sciences
Nick Hasnawi
Mississippi State University
Lucas Nickel
University of Alberta

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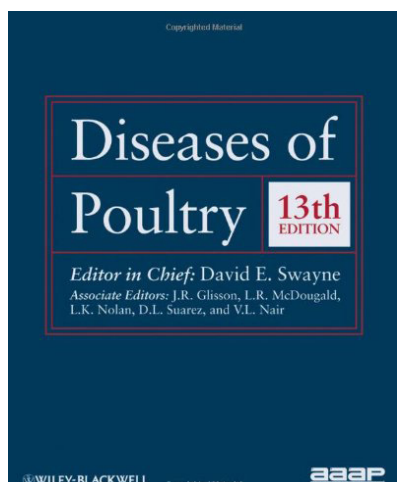
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\$200 for 5 years	\$1000
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AAAP New Publications

AAAP has issued some new publications that will be of interest to poultry health professionals around the world.



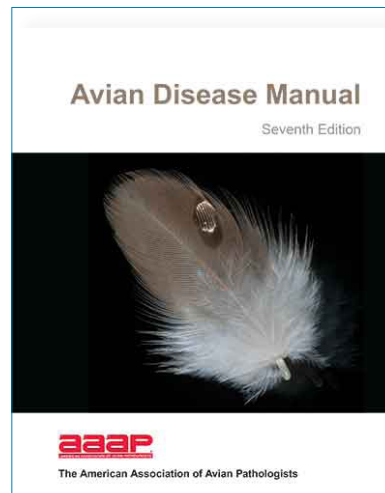
Available in print since September 2013, is the new ***Diseases of Poultry 13th Edition***-- the definitive reference book for all aspects of poultry health and diseases. It is also available as an e-book. AAAP publishes *Diseases of Poultry* in partnership with Wiley Blackwell Publications. This new edition has added newer diagnostic methods and a new chapter on the emerging importance of zoonotic infections for poultry pathogens. There are also many new high quality photographs in this 1400 page volume.

The book contains the most complete listing of common and uncommon diseases. It is organized by disease type and covers the history, etiology, pathobiology, diagnosis, intervention strategies and economic and public health significance of each. *Diseases of Poultry* is a must have for poultry veterinarians, veterinary diagnosticians, poultry scientists, students specializing in poultry health, and government officials who deal with poultry health in regulatory climate.

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The new ***Avian Disease Manual 7th Edition*** was released in March 2013. It is a bestselling publication of the AAAP. Its success is likely due to its ability to deliver at a reasonable cost, concise yet complete information on commonly encountered diseases affecting poultry. It has become an educational staple to North American veterinary and poultry science students, to those interested in avian diseases, and a most useful reference in developing countries.

The manual is divided in various chapters grouping diseases by agent (viral, bacterial, fungal, etc...). Within each chapter, diseases are listed alphabetically and the addition of an index further helps the reader to quickly locate the required information. The Appendix contains tables, each of which lists the most common diseases of a single body system. Various tables lets the reader quickly compare diseases at a glance. This edition contains two new tables: diseases of the ducks and diseases of the upland game birds, to cover a wider spectrum of avian species. A poultry drug use list is also provided as a general guide. Also new to this manual is a chapter "How do we investigate a sick flock?" The necropsy chapter includes the differential diagnosis procedure which goes on when a post-mortem examination is being performed. Last, the 7th edition includes more photos than previous editions and photos are included in the text and can be found after each disease section.

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Faculty Position-University of Georgia

Athens, GA

Responsibilities: The successful candidate will conduct research to bridge the gap between the environment, poultry husbandry and infectious diseases. Strong candidates will have knowledge of the poultry industry and production, as well as experience in infectious disease research. Applicants must have a PhD, one to two years post-doctoral experience and a strong record of research and teaching productivity. A DVM or an equivalent advanced degree is also desirable. This position will be expected to contribute to the teaching program in the undergraduate, graduate and professional curricula, and develop and maintain an independent, extramurally funded research program.

Posted: 11/14/2013

Tenure Track Faculty Position Avian Health & Disease

Guelph, Ontario, Canada

Responsibilities: The Department of Pathobiology, Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph, invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position at the Assistant or Associate Professor level in Avian Health & Disease. A degree in Veterinary Medicine and a PhD or an equivalent level doctoral research degree in a field relevant to Avian Health & Disease are required. The candidate must be proficient in and able to teach applied avian pathology at the graduate level. Eligibility or board certification in a related discipline is desirable.

Posted: 10/25/2013

Virology Postdoctoral Research

Athens, GA

Responsibilities: Conduct research on avian influenza viruses to understand the impact of virus genetics on virulence in poultry and co-analysis of phylogenetic and epidemiologic information to understand the movement of the virus between farms and regions. Applicants must have received a doctorate degree in an area related to infectious diseases within five years of desired starting date. The candidate will have: strong molecular biology skills, including PCR amplification, cloning, sequencing, site directed mutagenesis and bioinformatics, training and experience in epidemiology, experience in virology and influenza including virus culture and aseptic technique, BSL-3 laboratory experience, experience in phylogeography and molecular clock techniques.

Posted: 10/25/2013

Poultry training programs of the World Veterinary Education in Production Animal Health (WVEPAH)

WVEPAH is a new branch of the "European Association for Veterinary Specialization (EAVS)", a non for profit organization registered in Luxembourg since 1989. EAVS supports the concept of veterinary specialization by offering high quality continuing education in collaboration with the University of Luxembourg. WVEPAH offers an international platform for the training of poultry specialists for qualified graduates from veterinary schools. The aim is to acquire or improve knowledge and skills in specialized fields in Poultry: Chicken, Egg-layer, Turkey, or Waterfowl with the possibility of obtaining a formal University recognition, such as a Certificate or Master degree. WVEPAH programs offer comprehensive training modules consisting of residential short courses and distance learning with major emphasis on a case oriented and problem-solving approach. WVEPAH courses are taught by internationally recognized experts and include lectures, discussions, demonstrations, case presentations and laboratory work. Special emphasis is placed on how to investigate field problems, including data analysis and laboratory test interpretation as well as on OIE standards and regulations. The study programs are composed of 3 residential Courses of 10-day duration each, with 1-2 web based distance learning modules in between the courses. Training is offered in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas in English, French and Spanish. Information at info@wvepah.org and on the website www.wvepah.org

In particular, we are announcing the first training module dedicated to turkey medicine. It will be held in English in Montreal from the 28th of April to the 9th of May 2014

The Course Masters are: Dr. Steven Clark (USA), Dr. Helen Wojcinski (USA), and Dr. Eric Gonder (USA) assisted by Dr Jean-Pierre Vaillancourt (CANADA)

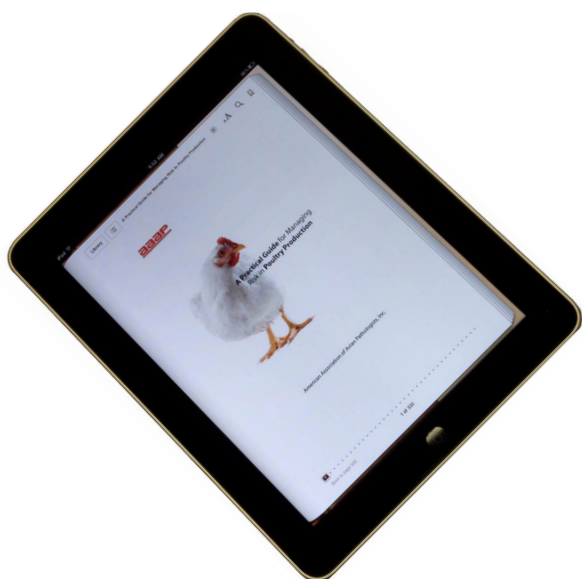
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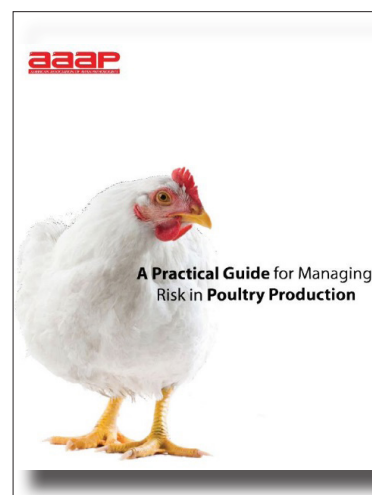
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Additional AAAP Publications



Many poultry health professionals are not familiar with the new biosecurity manual released by AAAP in 2011, ***A Practical Guide to Managing Risk in Poultry Production***. This manual is just what it says—practical. The Editor, Dr. Bob Owen has said he imagines it being in the truck of a poultry manager. This book is possibly best described by listing the chapter titles: Chapter 1: Biosecurity and Disease Control – The Problems Defined, Chapter 2: Designing an on Farm Biosecurity Program, Chapter 3: Risk Assessment and Communicating with Growers, Chapter 4: Risk Reduction When Building or Remodeling a Poultry Farm, Chapter 5: Practical Cleaning and Disinfection of a Poultry Facility, Chapter 6: Water Quality and Water Sanitation, Chapter 7: Poultry House Ventilation Guide, Chapter 8: Integrated Pest Management: Insects and Insecticides, Chapter 9 Integrated Pest Management: Rodents and Rodenticides, Chapter 10: Litter Management for the 21st Century, Chapter 11: Feed Sanitation and Biosecurity, Chapter 12: Taking Proper Samples and Submitting them to the Laboratory, Chapter 13: Special Considerations for Layers, Chapter 14: Special Considerations for Primary breeders, Chapter 15: Special Considerations for Turkeys, Chapter 16: Special Considerations for Waterfowl, Chapter 17: Special Considerations for Upland Game Birds, Chapter 18: Special Considerations for Backyard and Live Market

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Don't forget to nominate candidates for the following awards:
(Deadline is **February 1, 2014**)

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Special Service Award



Send nominations to:

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Dr. Stanley Vezey
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Dr. Benjamin Lucio-Martinez
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Dr. Roland Winterfield
2/9/2018-4/15/2013

Virtual Slides Sets available to AAAP

from Dr. Oscar J. Fletcher through the North Carolina University College of Veterinary Medicine
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The Avian Pathology Virtual Slides provides access to over 350 slides of normal and abnormal tissues. Slides are organized by body system and etiology.

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The AAAP Scientific Program will be from Sunday-Tuesday, July 27-29, 2014 concluding at 5PM.
Posters should be up by noon Saturday, July 26, 2014 and remain up through Tuesday at 5PM.

Abstracts will be accepted from September 3- December 2, 2013

2014 AAA Call for Papers submission form

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Thank you for being a member of AAAP! AAAP needs your support to continue its mission of promoting scientific knowledge for avian health and poultry food safety. Just as AAAP benefits from your expertise, time, talent, and yes, your membership dollars, we hope you are experiencing benefits as a AAAP member. AAAP is continually working to be of value to its members and the profession. Let me mention a few AAAP endeavors and some plans for the coming year:

Successful Scientific Program

Simply put, year after year, AAAP presents a great Scientific Program. This has everything to do with the hard work of volunteer members and the high quality of the oral and poster presentations. The program survey feedback from the Chicago meeting was very positive. We take the comments and suggestions for improvement very seriously and are working to make the program even better next year.

If you have not attended a AAAP Annual Meeting in while, make plans to attend the 2014 Denver meeting. In addition to the many learning opportunities, you'll have a good time enjoying the fellowship of your peers. Young people especially will find it a good opportunity to develop and strengthen contacts that can be helpful in career advancement.

Supporting other Educational Programs

AAAP's knowledge mission does not stop with the Annual Meeting. Another form of outreach comes through supporting other programs. Last year we contributed to the Ninth International Symposium on Marek's Disease and Avian Herpesviruses and the Eighth International Symposium on Avian Influenza by sponsoring and publishing proceedings from those symposiums in the Avian Diseases journal. AAAP also contributes financially to regional meetings including WPDC, SCAD, NECAD and NCADC.

Publishing Educational Materials

Last March, AAAP published a new 7th edition of the Avian Disease Manual, again thanks to the efforts of AAAP members who volunteered to edit, write and revise chapters of the manual. The Avian Diseases Manual has become a standard text for veterinary and poultry science students and is also widely used as a reference tool in developing countries. AAAP has over 50 publications available for purchase—again thanks to the efforts of volunteer members.

Providing Specialized Training for Members

Six AAAP members received media training prior to the Annual Meeting this year. Their response to the training was very positive and we plan to continue. AAAP is providing training so that we have members trained who can portray the profession in a favorable light to the media. If you are

interested in being part of this new program, please contact the AAAP office.

Premier Avian Diseases Journal

The Avian Diseases journal has been around as long as AAAP—57 years. In fact, it played a big part in the establishment of the association. In a sense the founders of the AAAP did not want their association to have a journal, they wanted their journal to have an association. This long history of excellence continues because of the hard work of the AD editor and the AD Editorial Board. Look for many new additions to the journal beginning next year, including a new cover design, a "Letter to the Editor" section, and critical reviews developed by AAAP committees. The ability to read AD articles on your mobile device and an e-book version of AD will also be added in 2014.

Salary Survey

AAAP and ACPV will jointly conduct a salary survey in 2014. The information gained from the survey will help AAAP members to make informed compensation decisions and requests based on the latest research. It will also allow members who hire employees knowledge needed to remain competitive in the marketplace.

Cost Benefits of AAAP Membership

It doesn't hurt to remind you of ways you can save with your AAAP membership:

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AAAP/AVMA Future Annual Convention dates and locations



Future Convention Sites

2015	July 11-14	Boston, MA
2016	August 5-8	San Antonio, TX
2017	July 7-11	Chicago, IL
2018	July 13-17	Denver, CO (with Poultry Science Association, PSA)

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