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Abstract Submission for the 2021 AAAP Annual Meeting is Open

Abstract submission is now open for the 2021 AAAP Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held in Minneapolis, MN on July 30-August 3, 2021. **Abstracts are due by December 1, 2020.**

Thank you for submitting your abstract in advance of the deadline. Notification of abstract acceptance will be sent out by the end of December 2020. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact Nathan Bevens-Kerr at aaap@aaap.info or 904-425-5735.

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Letter from the AAAP President, Dr. David D. Frame



The superb 2020 annual meeting is now behind us. We give a heartfelt thanks to Ivan Alvarado, Natalie Armour, and Darrell Kapzynski of the Program Advisory Committee and all others who played a role in putting together such a high-quality program. This was an especially challenging task as the 2020 program evolved into virtual presentations and discussion sessions. We congratulate all of our award recipients for their well-deserved recognition.

As most of you know, after rigorous and thoughtful discussions it was concluded that the AAAP move to an independent meeting in 2023. Details about the place and date will be presented next summer. We emphasize that this is not a separation from the AVMA. Full AAAP

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we maintain a strong presence in the House of Delegates and as an established partner in the scientific program with our Small Flock segment along with the Animal Welfare Committee's AVMA involvement.

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Letter from the AAAP Executive Vice-President, Dr. Suzanne Y. Dougherty

Dear AAAP Members,

Fall weather has arrived and we are less than two months away from saying goodbye to 2020. I know many of us have experienced a difficult year due to COVID-19 and all the surrounding consequences. We have all been affected by this virus and I wish our country and all of you a better 2021.

The good news is AAAP had another very successful year! The AAAP Annual Meeting had a very different feel in 2020 since we were unable to meet in person. Thankfully, we have an amazing business office and team along with the AAAP Program Committee that pulled the meeting from in person to virtual in less than two months! Since we have never hosted a virtual meeting before this was quite an accomplishment! We had record-breaking attendance with 699 people registered. We had \$76,240 in revenue from registration. This is normally monies we do not receive since it goes to AVMA.

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Survey Seeks Answers on Poultry Health Career Choices

AAAP is seeking your help in completing a survey to enhance the recruitment and retention of poultry health professionals. This survey, which should take between 5-10 minutes to complete, seeks to determine the factors that influence the decisions that impact how one becomes a poultry health professional. The information gathered from this anonymous survey will be used to further enhance the recruitment of young students into a career in

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Linda Flores of the College of Veterinary Medicine, Western University of Health Sciences will be leading this study, in collaboration with Dr. Jenee Odani, University of Hawaii; Dr. Mark Bland, Cutler Associate International; and Dr. Teresa Morishita, Western University of Health Sciences.

We hope that you will complete this anonymous survey and value the need to encourage individuals to become interested in poultry health. Thank you for your time and consideration.

The deadline for completion of the survey will be November 30, 2020.

[Take The Survey](#)



Congratulations to 2020 AAAP Virtual Annual Meeting Award Winners

A.S. Rosenwald Student Poster Award

Victor Palomino-Tapia of Calgary, AB, Canada, received the A.S. Rosenwald Student Poster Award in the category of applied research. Dr. Palomino-Tapia received his veterinary degree in 2007 from the National University of San Marcos in Peru. He is a postdoctoral student at the University of Calgary. His poster was titled, *Next Generation Sequencing of Chicken Astrovirus Isolated from Outbreaks of White Chicken Syndrome in Western Canada*. Mohammadreza Ehsan of Athens, Georgia, received the A.S. Rosenwald Student Poster Award in the category of basic research. Dr. Ehsan received his veterinary degree in 2013 from the Islamic Azad University Garmsar Branch in Iran. He got his first PhD in Bordetellosis in 2017 from the University of Tehran and is currently working on his second PhD in Avian Mycoplasma at the University of Georgia. His poster was titled, *Whole Genome Analysis of Mycoplasma Gallisepticum Isolates from the United States*.

Reed Rumsey Student Award

Drs. Ana da Silva of Davis, California, and Amir Ghorbani of Wooster, Ohio, received the Reed Rumsey Student Award for clinical and basic research in avian medicine. Dr. Ana da Silva, who was awarded in the clinical research category, received her veterinary degree in 2010 from the Federal University of Parana, Brazil. Her poster was titled, *Molecular Characterization of Newcastle Disease Viruses Isolated from Chickens in Tanzania*. Dr. Amir Ghorbani, who was awarded in the basic research category, received his veterinary degree in 2012 from the Islamic Azad University, Karaj Branch in Iran. He is a postdoctoral student at The Ohio State University. His presentation was titled, *Development of Next-generation Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccines with Elite Interferon-inducing Capabilities*.

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Diagnostic Report Award. Dr. Lössle is a clinical assistant professor at Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine & Indiana Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory. His presentation was titled, *An Interesting Case of Pasteurella multocida "Like" Clinical Signs with a Slew of Organisms*.

P.P. Levine Award

Dr. John R. Dunn of Athens, Georgia, received the P.P. Levine Award, presented to the senior author of the best paper published in the journal Avian Diseases. The paper was titled, *Evaluation of Protective Efficacy when Combining Turkey Herpesvirus-Vector Vaccines*. Dr. Dunn, along with his co-authors Kiril M. Dimitrov, Patti J. Miller, Maricarmen Garcia, Kelly Turner-Alston, Amy Brown and Angela Hartman investigated interference with protection against infectious bursal disease, Newcastle disease, infectious laryngotracheitis and avian influenza when more than one vectored vaccine using the same vector (turkey herpesvirus-HVT) were administered simultaneously.

Lasher-Bottorff Award

Dr. Eric Gingerich of Zionsville, Indiana, received the Lasher-Bottorff Award, given in recognition of an avian diagnostician or technical service veterinarian who has made important contributions to the poultry health program in North America over the past 10 years. Dr. Gingerich received his veterinary degree from Purdue University in 1977 and has dedicated his career to improve the health of egg layers in the USA. Dr. Gingerich is a technical poultry specialist for Diamond V.

Phibro Animal Health Excellence in Poultry Research

Dr. Mark Jackwood of Watkinsville, Georgia, received the Phibro Animal Health Excellence in Poultry Research Award for sustained excellence in poultry disease and health for 20 years or more. Dr. Jackwood earned his doctorate in 1985 from The Ohio State University. Dr. Jackwood is universally recognized as the world's leading expert on Infectious Bronchitis and has made significant contributions in other areas such as, Bordetella avium rhinotracheitis of turkeys, mycoplasmosis, infectious laryngotracheitis, Newcastle disease, Pasteurella multocida and infectious bursal disease. He is the Chair of the Department of Population Health at the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Georgia.

AAAP Life Member Award

Dr. John Glisson of Watkinsville, Georgia, received the AAAP Life Member Award in recognition for his outstanding record of service to the poultry industry. Dr. Glisson earned his veterinary degree in 1980 and his doctorate in 1985 from The University of Georgia. He has been recognized throughout his career with many awards including the AAAP's Reed Rumsey Award (1983), Charles Dobbins Award for Excellence in Service (1999), the Inventor's Award by The University of Georgia (1999) and was inducted into the AAAP Hall of Honor in 2017. Dr. Glisson retired from US Poultry and Egg Association where he served as Vice President of Research.

AAAP Special Service Award and Excellence in Mentorship Award

Dr. Mark Bland of Napa, California, received both the AAAP Special Service Award and Excellence in Mentorship Award. Dr. Bland earned his veterinary degree from Oregon State University in 1987. Dr. Bland been a loyal member and active supporter of the AAAP & has served on the Board of Directors and as President in 2013-2014. He was recognized for his dedication to the poultry industry & mentorship of students through the AAAP's Preceptorship Program where he has provided preceptor opportunities for more than 110 students, most of which have started their own careers in poultry medicine inspired by the preceptor opportunity that Dr. Bland provided. Dr. Bland is a poultry veterinarian consultant for Cutler Associates International.

Hall of Honor Inductees

Drs. Lisa Nolan, Patricia Dunn, and Patricia Wakenell were inducted into the AAAP Hall of Honor. The Hall of Honor recognizes a member of the AAAP who has 15 or more years of membership of the AAAP and has made significant contributions to the advancement of poultry health the AAAP. **Dr. Lisa Nolan** of Watkinsville, Georgia, earned her veterinary

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of Veterinary Medicine. **Dr. Patricia Dunn** of Fort Mifflin, Pennsylvania, earned her veterinary degree in 1989 from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Dr. Dunn is an avian diagnostic pathologist and field investigator at the Pennsylvania State University, Department of Veterinary Science, Animal Diagnostic Lab. **Dr. Patricia Wakenell** of West Lafayette, Indiana, earned her veterinary degree in 1977 and her doctorate in 1985 from Michigan State University. Dr. Wakenell is professor emerita of poultry medicine at Purdue University where she worked as Head of Avian Diagnostics at the Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory from 2008-2019.

‘Avian Diseases’ Gets Platform Upgrade

The American Association of Avian Pathologists is excited to announce that Avian Diseases has moved to a new web platform called Meridian, hosted by Silverchair.

The new platform offers the following:

- Mobile responsive web design
- Optional split-screen reading experience
- Suggested articles based on browser history
- Saved searches, alerts and notifications

AAAP members will continue to access Avian Diseases through the organization’s website, aaap.info. Navigate to the “Journals” tab and select “Avian Diseases 2010-Current” from the drop down menu to be routed to the Meridian site. (You must be logged into aaap.info in order to access the journal content on Meridian.)

Published quarterly by AAAP, Avian Diseases is an international journal dedicated to publishing original basic or clinical research of the highest quality from various disciplines including microbiology, immunology, pathology and epidemiology. Papers on avian diseases relevant to etiology, pathogenesis, diagnosis, treatment, and control are accepted. Manuscripts dealing with avian species other than poultry will be considered only if the subject is relevant to poultry health.

For questions about this change or for assistance accessing Avian Diseases, please email aaap@aaap.info.

AAAP Announces Updated Slide Study Sets, Plus Free Downloadable Chapter

The American Association of Avian Pathologists is pleased to announce the release of two updated Slide Study Sets. The updated Slide Study Sets – covering Marek’s Disease and Infectious Coryza – are [now available for purchase through the AAAP Bookstore](#) for \$20 each.

The 97-page set on Marek’s Disease, authored by Isabel M. Gimeno of North Carolina State University’s College of Veterinary Medicine, is the first update to AAAP’s offerings on the topic since 2005. The set includes 38 slides of charts and images, plus a full introduction that includes a description of each image. Gimeno says the “aim of this study set is to assist students and clinical veterinarians in better understanding the pathology and pathogenesis of the different syndromes induced by MDV in the chicken. To accomplish this purpose, this slide set provides a collection of images covering all pathological manifestations induced by MDV.”

The set on Infectious Coryza spans 74 pages and is the first update to AAAP’s Slide Study

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Southeast Poultry Research Laboratory, Agricultural Research Service, and H.L. Shivaprasad (California Animal Health & Food Safety Laboratory System, University of California – Davis, Tulare Branch). The set includes 64 slides with charts and images.

These Slide Study Sets are produced and distributed by the American Association of Avian Pathologist (AAAP). Reproduction is prohibited without permission. Images may be used for educational purposes as long as credit is given to AAAP. Slide Sets are produced and updated through the leadership of the AAAP Education Committee and the generous contributions of the slide study set authors.

'Peculiarities of Avian Physiology' Now Free for AAAP members

AAAP is also pleased to announce the availability of a [new downloadable chapter](#) from the Manual of Poultry Diseases that covers the Peculiarities of Avian Physiology. The content is available free to AAAP members and is presented in multiple languages. AAAP wishes to thank Dr. Brugère-Picoux for this content and acknowledge its author, Dr. H. Brugère, editors Drs. Jeanne Brugère-Picoux, Jean-Pierre Vaillancourt, HL Shivaprasad, Daniel Venne and Moncef Bouzouaia, and publisher AFAS (Association Française pour l'avancement des sciences).

Interview with First Recipients of AAAP Excellence in Mentorship Award

The AAAP Development Committee is pleased to announce a new initiative to fully fund the AAAP Excellence in Mentorship Award. The AAAP Excellence in Mentorship Award was initiated in 2019 and is given to a member of the AAAP who has demonstrated a passion for mentoring students and/or fellow colleagues. We invite all AAAP members to make a donation to the AAAP Excellence in Mentorship Award in honor of, or in memory of your mentor(s)! Simply go to www.aaap.info/foundation and donate to the Excellence in Mentorship Award. Then, specify the name of the mentor(s) your donation is made in honor (or in memory) of. This is a great way to honor and thank your mentors! In addition, all donations are tax deductible and will count towards your cumulative donations for inclusion in the AAAP Guilds.

We recently interviewed **Dr. Patricia Wakenell** and **Dr. Mark Bland**, the first two recipients of the AAAP Excellence in Mentorship Award, to ask them about mentorship.

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Welcoming AAAP's Diversity & Inclusion Committee

The Diversity and Inclusion Committee was formed this summer out of the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force to address these important topics within AAAP. Leading the AAAP's Diversity and Inclusion Committee are:

- Chair: Valerie Marcano
- Chair-Elect: Ellen Lapuck
- Secretary: Christina Leyson

The mission of the AAAP's Diversity and Inclusion Committee is to promote and encourage a climate supportive of all AAAP members regardless of age, gender, race, sexual orientation, religion, socioeconomic or educational backgrounds in order that all members

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The Diversity and Inclusion Committee is open to all AAAP members. Reach out our committee's chair, chair elect and/or secretary if you are interested in joining and look out for upcoming events.

Biographies Needed!

AAAP members at the age of retirement or beyond are urged to submit their biography to the AAAP archives. Biographies are also posted on the website for easy access.

Check out <https://www.aaap.info/biographies> for helpful suggestions on how to get started, and to view the 44 biographies in our collection. This site has been recently revised and contains much new information.

All of the biographies in the collection contain interesting stories that contribute to the collective history of our profession. Biographies can also be cited. See the website for the appropriate format.

Please contact the History Committee (Dick Witter, subcommittee chair) for help, or to offer names of persons who should be documented.

AAAP Foundation News

Letter from the AAAP Foundation President, Dr. Eric Gingerich



It is with great pleasure to begin serving as the president of the AAAP Foundation following in the steps of past president Fred Hoerr. As I stated in the AAAP business meeting this summer, I feel like the inexperienced Klinger in the show M.A.S.H. when he had to take the place of Radar. Fred has done a phenomenal job the 10 years he has guided and advanced the status of the Foundation. I look forward to the opportunity to move the Foundation forward as well with the help of the AAAP leadership, the AAAP business office, the Foundation Development committee chaired by Andrea Zedek, and my vice president Sara Steinlage.

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New Named Poultry Scholarship to Honor Fred Hoerr!



A new, fully funded Poultry Scholarship, the Frederic J. Hoerr Poultry Scholarship, was announced at the annual AAAP business meeting to the surprise of now past president AAAP Foundation president Fred Hoerr. This is a very well-deserved honor for the many years of service as president of AAAP Foundation president.

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Those who donate to the Foundation can choose to honor someone with their donation. This can be someone living or deceased. Those honored with donations include: Dr. Helen Wojcinski, Dr. Mark Dekich, Dr. Ben Pomeroy, Dr. Kurt Dobson, Dr. Sara Steinlage, Dr. Arnold S. "Rosy" Rosenwald, Dr. Bruce Calnek, Dr. Karen Grogan and Dr. David Shapiro.

ACPV News

Letter from the ACPV President, Dr. Rocio Crespo



I hope this message finds you all well. This has been a challenging year so far for us all. Fortunately, the support from one another has made a significant positive impact on the ability to be more resilient in the face of incredible uncertainty and change. The ACPV Board of Governors has been working hard to provide support for members and to keep this organization going. I am thankful for the creative solutions we are coming up to continue to provide continuing education opportunities and increase connection between members.

As the pandemic continues, we all have questions of what 2021 is going to look like. First, the 2021 ACPV Workshop, which in the past has been offered in conjunction with the Western Poultry Disease Conference, will be a virtual event. This year, the presentations will not be only in English, but translations in Spanish and Portuguese will be available for both recorded presentations and the live Q&A!

Changes Approved for ACPV Exam Application

The ACPV Board of Governors have approved some significant changes to the exam application and credentials review process beginning in 2021. These changes are detailed in documents posted on the ACPV website Exam Application/Policy page.

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR APPLICANTS

Beginning in 2021, the application will be broken into two parts. (This concerns only first-time applicants applying to sit for the exam in 2022.) Application Part 1 is due April 1, 2021. It consists of naming three sponsors who are current ACPV members in good standing. Application Part 2 is due October 1, 2021.

Other notable changes:

- ACPV sponsors instead of ACPV nominators.
- Increase in exam fees.
- Diplomas sent directly from issuing institution.
- Use of document certification companies in certain circumstances.

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR CURRENT ACPV DIPLOMATES

Previously, three ACPV diplomates in good standing were needed to nominate an exam applicant as a potential member in the College. Now, three ACPV Diplomates are needed to sponsor the applicant. The sponsor's endorsement of an applicant certifies that the applicant has had training adequate to permit sitting for the exam. A sponsor's endorsement does not guarantee success for the applicant but guarantees that the applicant has fulfilled minimum requirements and has been thoroughly prepared. One sponsor is designated as a primary sponsor who must be intimately involved with the training, work, or professional experiences of the applicant. The other two sponsors are secondary sponsors and must know in some detail what is being done for and by the applicant. Sponsors are required to submit a sponsorship form which details the knowledge and experience of the applicant. The sponsorship form is part of the Application Part 2. Applicants are required to submit their sponsor's name and contact information in April (more than one year prior to the exam) so there is ample time to work with their sponsors to shore up any deficits in their preparation for the exam.

Check the ACPV website for more detailed information beginning November 15, 2020.

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2021 ACPV Exam Update

The ACPV exam will be held in person in 2021. The exam will NOT be held just prior to the AAAP/AVMA meeting in Minneapolis. Plans are being made to conduct the exam in several

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more details will be posted on the AAAP Exam Application/Entry page soon.

In Other News ...

Diversity, equity, inclusion efforts approved by AVMA's Board, House

The AVMA Board of Directors at its July 29 virtual meeting committed to retaining an outside diversity, equity, and inclusion consultant to help identify areas of greatest need, set priorities, and use resources most effectively. The Board of Directors also approved in concept the establishment of a profession- and industrywide commission to examine DEI issues affecting veterinary medicine.

Two days later, the AVMA House of Delegates approved a recommendation to the Board in support of the Board's commitments to make veterinary medicine more diverse, equitable, and inclusive. The move, during the regular annual session of the HOD held virtually July 30-31, caps off months of increasing interest and discussion in the veterinary profession on how to address systemic racism in light of the killings of George Floyd and other Black individuals earlier this year and the resulting protests and movement for social justice.

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AWN Offers Opportunities for Professional Development

With 2020 being a difficult year for all to navigate, the AAAP Women's Network (AWN) has continued to offer opportunities for members to grow professionally, connect with colleagues virtually, and share a space to discuss a range of topics.

As more women enter the AAAP, the AWN was created to provide a venue for members to learn from the past, embrace the present, and pursue leadership opportunities. The AWN acknowledges the need for a support network that proactively inspires members. By gauging valuable areas for growth, with a focus on cultivating professional and personal lives, and soliciting members' feedback on areas of interest, the AWN strives to meet the needs of its' members in many ways. A major milestone for this new group was reached this year with full funding of the AAAP Women's Network-Boehringer Ingelheim Scholarship. In addition, monthly financial wellness webinars were presented with panelists consisting of male and female AAAP members with a keystone event at the AAAP with a financial advisor, Dr. Darby Affeldt, speaking on financial planning and goals. A wide range of topics were covered, including: salary negotiation, caregiving for children and parents, student debt and retirement. Having familiar faces and names from within the AAAP community helps keep members interested and helps facilitate open discussion.

The AWN has chosen professional development as our focus for 2020-2021. The feedback we have received from members of AWN indicates that increasing proficiency in "soft skills" for the workplace would be valuable. Topics such as working in intergenerational workplaces, managing failure and navigating conflict will be discussed throughout the year.

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Western Poultry Diseases Conference Call for Titles 2021

It's time to start thinking about the 70th WPDC! The 2021 WPDC will be held online on March 15-17th. Since COVID-19 has been dominating the poultry headlines, the theme of the 70th WPDC will be "how current events will shape the future of the poultry industry." We will hear from industry leaders, and gain insight into how the poultry industry has been impacted by COVID-19.

Emphasis for selecting abstracts will be placed on clinical poultry medicine, avian infectious disease research and diagnostics. For this meeting we are requesting titles and a 150-word summary. Oral and poster presentations will be selected from the submission pool and all selected presentations will be included in the 70th annual WPDC Proceedings. The WPDC committee would like to invite all interested presenters including poultry clinicians, diagnosticians, graduate students, poultry residents and veterinary students to submit summaries that may be applicable for this meeting. Additionally, detailed instructions for the complete paper submission will be provided to those whose titles are accepted.

The deadline for submissions has been extended to Nov. 25, 2020!

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