



# NEWSLETTER

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### Important Dates

May 1 - July 1, 2007	Case Review Session Submission
May 1 - July 1, 2007	Clinical Chemistry Review Session Submission
June 1, 2007	Deadline for Scientific Abstract submission
Sept 25, 26, 27, 2007	ACVP Examination
November 10, 2007	Pre Conference Workshop for the Annual ASVCP/ACVP Meeting
November 10-14, 2007	Annual ASVCP/ACVP Meeting, Savannah, Georgia
November 11, 2007	ASVCP Annual Business Meeting, Savannah, Georgia

## **President's Message**

Dear ASVCP Colleagues,

It is not too early to start thinking about the ASVCP/ACVP meeting to be held in Savannah, Georgia at the Savannah International Trade and Convention Center and the Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort, November 10-14, 2007. This place is gorgeous and overlooks the Savannah River. It includes a golf course, swimming pool, workout gym and 3 and 5 mile running trails. Golf lessons are available and you can even get married there (but you will have to get your marriage lessons somewhere else).



**Courtesy of [www.starwoodhotels.com](http://www.starwoodhotels.com)**

Please check the ASVCP website for updates on the annual meeting and for links to submit your research abstracts or your case review materials online. The deadline for the abstracts is June 1, 2007 and for the case review session is July 1, 2007. Importantly, **Dr. Joanne Messick**, who is in charge of the case review session, has introduced a new “clinical chemistry review session” for which you can submit interesting and valuable clinical chemistry cases. Please remind your residents to participate in the ASVCP Young Investigator Award competition. Also, there is a new award competition available this year. The Society of Toxicologic Pathology is giving its second annual STP Student Speaker Award to encourage students to pursue careers in the field of Toxicologic Pathology. The award recipient will receive free registration plus \$1,000 to be used for lodging and travel to the 2008 STP Annual Meeting, which will take place June 22-26, 2008, at the Hyatt Regency Embarcadero, San Francisco. Please see the ACVP website ([www.ACVP.org](http://www.ACVP.org)). See information in this newsletter about the pre-meeting workshop.

On a very sad note, our society lost **Dr. Duane Lassen** to multiple myeloma in March. Duane was a pleasure to work and have fun with, and he will be terribly missed. His full obituary is in this issue.

Our society depends not only on annual dues from the members but also on contributions from both corporate and individual sponsors. These contributions help with the day-to-day operations of the society as well as allow us to provide services to our membership (such as our very high quality journal and annual meeting). The ongoing fund-raising effort "Share the Future" campaign to allow the ASVCP to fund proposed new initiatives such as travel grants for residents and students to attend the annual meeting, sponsorship of speakers for veterinary school pathology clubs and the SAVMA symposium, and competitive research grants for residents. Although still in its nascency, this fund has enabled the ASVCP to offer 5 travel awards to the 2007 meeting in Savannah.

Another way that you can contribute to the Society is by participation. This issue contains the slate of candidates for Officers and the Executive Board. When you receive your ballot, please remember to cast your vote. Also consider joining a committee. If there is anything I have learned this year, it is the value of the efforts put in by our excellent committee and their members. We have a number of very active committees and their reports are found in this newsletter. If you are interested in joining one of our committees, please contact the committee chair.

Please take a moment to read the valuable information about ASVCP in this newsletter (there may be clues to obtaining valuable prizes inside!).

Best regards,  
Christine Olver, ASVCP President

## **Second Call Nominations for the 2007 ASVCP Election**

The Nominations Committee is seeking nominations for three officers: First-Year Executive Board Member, President-elect and Treasurer. Nominees must be able to attend the ASVCP Executive Board meetings at the annual meeting and participate in telephone conferences and e-mail discussions.

The First Year Executive Board member participates in all decisions of the Executive Board, coordinates the annual Case Review Session, and serves as liaison to three standing committees. The term of service is two years, but traditionally the First Year Executive Board member continues on through to President-elect, President and Immediate Past-president. Thus, this is a 5 year commitment to the ASVCP. The President-elect serves on the Executive Board, coordinates the Scientific Session at the

annual meeting, acts as liaison to several standing committees, and becomes the President at the end of the President's term of office or if the President is unable to fulfill the duties of the office. The Treasurer serves on the Executive Board, is the custodian of all properties of the Society, signs legal documents, receives all fees, dues, and contributions as well as pays all debts of the Society. The Treasurer also works with the Management Company to monitor income and expenses, prepares financial reports, and oversees new member applications. The term of service is 4 years.

To make nominations please contact the chair of the Nominations Committee:

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## **Second Call Call for Nominations for the ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award**

The Awards Nominating Committee is requesting nominations for the Lifetime Achievement Award, to be presented at the annual ASVCP meeting in Savannah, GA, November 10-14, 2007. The ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes members of the ASVCP who have contributed to the advancement of the field of veterinary clinical pathology through their research and teaching, and through their work on behalf of the American Society for Clinical Pathology. Nominations should include at least 5 letters of support from ASVCP members and rationale why this particular member is worthy of this award.

To make a nomination, please contact the chair of the nominating committee. The deadline for receipt of nomination materials is July 1, 2007:

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## Second Call

### 2007 ASVCP/ACVP Meeting Abstracts Clinical Pathology Scientific Sessions

The Clinical Pathology Scientific Sessions were a resounding success in 2006—start planning now to submit your abstract for the 2007 meeting in lovely Savannah, Georgia.

The annual concurrent meeting of the ASVCP and the ACVP will be held November 10-14, 2007 in Savannah, Georgia. There will be a combined ASVCP/ACVP Clinical Pathology Scientific Session for everyone that has an interest in clinical pathology. This will be a great opportunity to present experimental or clinical research data to colleagues. Submissions from all aspects of the profession are encouraged, including academic, diagnostic, investigative, and toxicologic clinical pathology. The format will be similar to that of the 2006 annual meeting with both oral platform and poster presentations. The final decision regarding presentation format is at the discretion of the Program Committee. We encourage participation by a wide variety of individuals including faculty, senior scientists, diagnostic veterinary pathologists/clinical pathologists, and trainees. Presenters are required to attend the meeting.

Now is the time for you to start planning your presentations! **The deadline for abstract submission is June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007.** Online submission will be available through [www.asvcp.org](http://www.asvcp.org) later this spring. For questions or further information contact Holly Jordan at: [holly.l.jordan@gsk.com](mailto:holly.l.jordan@gsk.com) or (919) 483-4909.

#### **ASVCP Young Investigator Award**

The ASVCP will present a \$500 award to the resident or graduate student whose platform presentation is judged best among the competing presentations. Eligibility requirements include a degree in veterinary medicine and enrollment in a residency or graduate program in pathology/clinical pathology or a related discipline. The oral presentation must describe original work of the competitor involving clinical or experimental research that relates to clinical pathology. Presenters are required to attend the meeting. Award selection will be based on the scientific content, abstract composition, clarity of presentation and ability to answer questions. Each trainee may submit only one presentation in this competition.

#### **ACVP Young Investigator Award**

If you are a trainee and have a poster presentation, you can submit it for consideration in the ACVP Young Investigator Award. Any abstract submitted for the ACVP Young Investigator Award is ineligible for the ASVCP Young Investigator Award.

#### **STP Student Speaker Award**

Residents and graduate students planning on giving an oral presentation involving original work in clinical or experimental research that relates to toxicologic pathology are eligible and encouraged to apply for this award.

**SUBMITTING YOUR ABSTRACTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

Detailed instructions that explain how to submit an abstract and how to enroll in the ASVCP or ACVP Young Investigator Award competition and the STP Student Speaker Award are posted on the ASVCP website ([www.asvcp.org](http://www.asvcp.org)) or ACVP website ([www.acvp.org](http://www.acvp.org)). Holly Jordan will coordinate the combined ASVCP/ ACVP Clinical Pathology Scientific Session of this meeting. Please direct your inquiries for this session to [holly.l.jordan@gsk.com](mailto:holly.l.jordan@gsk.com) or call (919) 483-4909.

**THE ONLINE SUBMISSION FOR THE CASE REVIEW AND CLINICAL CHEMISTRY SUBMISSIONS HAS BEEN ACTIVATED AND IS AVAILABLE AT THE ASVCP WEBSITE.**

## **Second Call Annual ASVCP Case Review Session Submissions Slides and Cases**

Submissions are requested for the 2007 ASVCP Case Review Session. Materials that may be submitted include hematology, cytology or surgical pathology slides, electron photomicrographs and interesting clinical chemistry or hematology cases. This is a popular and interactive opportunity to share cases and experiences among attendees.

**Type of Material Requested**

Cases should be classic examples or unique or unusual representations of diseases, clinical cases, or research data with a clinical pathologic focus. Cases may represent any species. Stained, cover-slipped glass slides are preferred, but in certain cases, digital images will be considered. Surgical biopsies should be from lesions that would be examined cytologically and ideally the submission should include a cytologic preparation. Analytic problems that are associated with instrumentation, assay conditions, statistical analysis or specimen handling are also welcome; please consider the new ASVCP Clinical Chemistry Review Session for longer and/or more detailed presentations.

**Case Submission:****Materials Needed**

Eighty (80) glass slides are needed for each case. The submitter must check all glass slides to assure their quality. Please do not attach adhesive labels to the glass slides. If digital images are submitted, send only one image. For surgical biopsy cases, submit one glass slide and if the case is accepted, the submitter will supply 80 copies of the stained specimen. For clinical chemistry or hematology cases, laboratory data including reference intervals for your laboratory should be submitted.

**Electronic Submission and Printed Materials**

**Cases MUST be submitted using the online forms posted at the ASVCP website. (<http://www.asvcp.org>).** Two files will be submitted electronically:

- 1) The first file is the Case History to be distributed with data prior to the meeting and should include contributors, signalment, concise history and clinical findings. Please only include pertinent laboratory data and summarized this if possible. Reference intervals for the laboratory data must be provided. **The submitter is encouraged to also provide questions to be answered at the case review session.** It is hoped that these questions will inspire participants to review and investigate the data before the meeting.
- 2) The second file is the Case Summary, which has information to be distributed at the meeting and should include the information on the first file, plus diagnosis, discussion (including answers to the question that were provided) with images and references.

**Digital Images**

The submitter **MUST** also include 2-3 digital images as indicated on the Summary form. The images should be 1024 X 768 pixels in a JPEG format with compression set on high quality; images must clearly show cytologic features of the lesion. A figure legend should accompany the images. **Inclusion of digital images is required as part of the submission process.**

The goal of this session is to stimulate discussion. Presentation of common laboratory abnormalities that are not related to the case is unnecessary as is a lecture or literature review with each case.

**When and Where to Submit:**

The deadline for receipt of submission of ALL cases materials is **July 1, 2007**. Slides with a cover letter indicating CONTRIBUTOR NAME(S), INSTITUTION, SPECIMEN, and E-MAIL ADDRESS must be sent to the address given below and received by this date. Submitters will be notified of the results of the selection process by August 15, 2007. It is anticipated that approximately 20 cases will be selected for presentation, depending on the complexity of the cases. **Be sure to include your E-mail address with your submission.**

**Inquires and Case submission should be sent to:**

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## Second Call Submissions - 1<sup>st</sup> Annual ASVCP Clinical Chemistry Review Session

### Type of Materials Requested:

Submissions are requested for the inaugural ASVCP Clinical Chemistry Review Session. Materials that may be submitted should focus on the interpretation of chemistry data, including but not limited to the routine serum chemistry panel. Ancillary clinical pathology and other data as needed for the presentation of the case is appropriate. Cases may represent any species and an interactive presentation style is encouraged. The cases should be challenging and solvable based on information provided. Results of toxicology studies, cases involving the interpretation of quality control materials or validation studies as well as individual clinical case presentations will be considered for this session.

### Case Submission:

**Cases MUST be submitted using the online forms posted at the ASVCP website (<http://www.asvcp.org>).** Reference intervals for the laboratory data should be provided. Two files will be submitted. The first file is the Clinical Chemistry History to be distributed with data prior to the meeting and should include contributors, signalment, concise history and clinical findings. **The submitter is also encouraged to also provide questions to be answered at the case review session.** It is hoped that these questions will inspire participants to review and investigate the data before the meeting. The second file is the Clinical Chemistry Summary to be distributed at the meeting and should include the information on the first file, plus diagnosis, discussion (including answers to the questions that were provided) and references.

### When and Where to Submit:

The deadline for submission of cases is **July 1, 2007**. Submitters will be notified of the results of the selection process by August 15, 2007. It is anticipated that 2-4 cases will be selected for presentation, depending on the complexity of the cases. **Be sure to include your E-mail address with your submission.**

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## Second Call 2008 ACVIM Forum Speakers

The ASVCP arranges speakers for the ACVIM meeting each year. The speakers provide 8 hours of talks reflecting current knowledge and/or in-depth reviews of topics in veterinary clinical pathology. The 2008 ACVIM Forum will be held June 4 - 7, 2008 - San Antonio, TX. Please send suggestions for ASVCP speakers and topics for the 2008 ACVIM meeting to Melinda J. Wilkerson at [wilkerns@vet.k-state.edu](mailto:wilkerns@vet.k-state.edu).

## ASVCP Committee Updates

### Development Committee

Our committee had a conference call on February 21<sup>st</sup>. Our efforts since then have focused on **Share the Future**, our fund to support trainees and students. This will be a landmark year for Share the Future. We will be awarding our first **competitive travel grants** to support trainees who will be presenting at the Annual Meeting in Savannah. The deadline for receipt of travel grant applications is August 15<sup>th</sup> (notification of abstract acceptance will be in mid-July). Training coordinators, please remind your residents, graduate students, and veterinary students about this new opportunity!

We hope to start funding our other objectives in 2008, including awarding competitive research grants and sponsoring clinical pathology speakers at the SAVMA Symposium and veterinary school pathology club events. We can meet all of our Share the Future funding objectives with an annual budget of \$12,000 – we would exceed this goal if every ASVCP member contributed \$25. Many thanks to everyone who has given to Share the Future. The committee greatly appreciates your generosity. I hope you will continue your support of this effort annually.

Our organization's President, **Christine Oliver**, has made an extremely generous gift of \$500 to Share the Future this year to "prime the pump". Please keep in mind that donations to Share the Future are used exclusively to fund training and outreach – absolutely none will be used for administrative costs or as general funds – so your support will make a difference! As of this writing, **Schering Plough** is the only ASVCP corporate sponsor to make a contribution specifically to Share the Future. It is our hope that other companies will join with them to support this worthwhile effort.

We plan to have our next committee conference call in June. Major topics will include improved recognition of ASVCP individual and corporate donors, development of a simple but catchy brochure for Share the Future, planning for a corporate donor reception in Savannah, and cooperation with the Regulatory Affairs committee regarding possible fundraising opportunities for the 2008 Pre-Meeting Workshop (**Kelley Penraat** has graciously offered to be our committee's liaison).

As always, we welcome your ideas and suggestions (any interest in a fishing tournament fundraiser in Savannah?!) – please contact Mike Fry ([mfry@utk.edu](mailto:mfry@utk.edu)) if you're interested in becoming a member of our committee.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Fry, Committee Chair

### **Program Committee Update**

Currently the Program committee is finalizing speakers for this year's annual ASVCP meeting in Savannah, Georgia. The Pre-Meeting Workshop on clinical pathology of the laboratory rodent will feature both didactic presentations as well as the opportunity to explore challenging case-based exercises with a panel of experts (many of whom are members of our College!). Please be sure to register in a timely fashion to ensure your spot for what is sure to be a very popular workshop.

Our Educational Symposium will focus on the molecular diagnosis of infectious diseases. In addition to presentations by Drs. Ed Breitschwerdt and Mike Lappin on molecular diagnostics and infectious diseases of dogs and cats, we will also hear from one of the thought leaders in the field of human molecular diagnostic testing, Dr. David Persing. We are looking forward to presenting our attendees with highly relevant information concerning this rapidly growing topic. Additionally, topics covered during this year's Clinical Pathology Scientific sessions will highlight the clinical pathology aspects of the ongoing pet food additive-associated toxicosis as well as exploring the clinical pathologic and endocrinologic features of canine obesity. The Veterinary Laboratory Professionals have also assembled another impressive slate of presentations including instrumentation for serum biochemical analyses as well as laboratory diagnosis of calcium and magnesium disorders. Finally, I am happy to note that a new addition this year is a mystery clinical chemistry case session chaired by Dr. Joanne Messick. As always, I am greatly appreciative of the hard work of everyone on the committee. We truly strive to make this meeting a rewarding experience for the members of our society, and it would simply not be possible without the teamwork and individual efforts exhibited by the committee members. I would welcome any comments or suggestions ([bleroy@uga.edu](mailto:bleroy@uga.edu)) regarding any aspects of the ASVCP meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce LeRoy  
ASVCP Program Committee Chair

## Veterinary Clinical Pathology Journal Update

**New publishing options being considered!** As the journal grows, so do the workloads, costs, and expectations. To better meet these expanding needs, a working group consisting of Holly Jordan, Mike Fry, Mary Jo Burkhard, Karen Young, Susan Rees, and myself has been evaluating several new publishing options for the journal. Our goals are to: 1) improve revenue and visibility through marketing, advertising, licensing, and library penetration; 2) implement an online manuscript submission and reviewing system; 3) improve efficiency in management and production; and 4) digitize back issues. After extensive consideration of the proposals, a recommendation has been forwarded to the Executive Board. Once finalized, the decision will be announced to the membership. Many thanks to the working group for their outstanding efforts on behalf of the journal!

**Veterinary Clinical Pathology wants your best research!** *Veterinary Clinical Pathology* is dedicated to publishing high quality research that will continue to help position the journal as an international leader in laboratory and diagnostic medicine. You, more than anyone, can make this happen, by considering *Veterinary Clinical Pathology* as your first choice when publishing your best and most important research in clinical pathology. With your support, the journal will continue to grow and excel as a valuable and vital source of scientific and clinical knowledge for veterinarians and the biomedical community.

**Engage your creativity!** Consider an opportunity to contribute new ideas and perspectives to the journal. Write a review article (or suggest a topic and author), initiate discussion via a letter to the editor, write an editorial, review a relevant book, CD, or software program, or submit a unique image or historical note to *Laboratory Medicine – Yesterday • Today • Tomorrow*.

**Are you a peer reviewer for *Veterinary Clinical Pathology*?** We are looking for ways to better recognize active and excellent peer-reviewers. Currently, we send an e-mail thank-you and annually publish the names of reviewers in the December issue. Let us know your ideas and what would mean the most to you as a reviewer.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. Christopher, Editor-in-Chief  
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## Amendment to the Constitution and Bylaws Passed

Members were recently asked to vote on a change in the wording for life membership as a result of the change in the fiscal year to the current October 1-September 30<sup>th</sup> cycle. The proposed wording, "*Life members shall be exempt from payment of dues beginning the membership year after being granted life membership.*" was approved with a total of 86 ballots returned electronically. Our amended Constitution and Bylaws will be published in the 2007 Membership Directory, to be mailed to all members in June.

## Executive Board News

Greetings to all! Summer is here, and as you can see from this issue of our newsletter, things are moving along with the Society. We are seeking nominations for positions on the EB as well as for the Lifetime Achievement Award. Please submit nominations to Dr. Judy Radin. Submissions for case reviews and the new clinical chemistry session can be submitted online.

The EB continues to correspond frequently by e-mail, and we recently had another teleconference. The two main topics discussed were the Strategic Plan and the Journal. The EB is moving forward with details for carrying out the Strategic Plan, and we have a tentative schedule. We are also in the process of putting together a list of representatives to work with the EB on this project. As you can see from the Journal update on page 11 of the newsletter, new publishing options are being considered. You will be hearing more about these exciting changes in the next newsletter.

## In Memoriam

Ervin "Duane" Lassen of Fort Collins passed away Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at his home following his seven-year battle with multiple myeloma.

Duane was born Oct. 23, 1948 in Le Mars, Iowa, to Ervin and Sadie Lassen. He met his wife Kathy (of Boone, Iowa) at Iowa State University, and they were married June 5, 1971. Duane received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from ISU in 1972 and, after serving in the Peace Corps in Tonga, he returned to ISU, where he completed a residency in veterinary clinical pathology and obtained his Ph.D. He served on the faculty at Oregon State University for 14 years and had been on the faculty at Colorado State University since 1994, where he was a professor in the Department of Microbiology, Immunology and Pathology and served as section head of Clinical Pathology. Duane won the Carl J. Norden Distinguished Teaching Award three times at different universities.

Duane was an avid runner, weight lifter and scuba diver. He biked the Leadville 100 and was an avid sports fan. Beyond his hobbies and his career, Duane's great love was his family, and he will be missed as a son, husband, father, grandfather, brother, friend and teacher.

## Announcements

**ASVCP NATIONAL OFFICE:** Members can contact the ASVCP National Office at 2810 Crossroads Drive, Suite 3800, Madison, WI 53718; Phone 608-443-2479; Fax 608-443-2474 or 608-443-2478; E-mail: [info@asvcp.org](mailto:info@asvcp.org).

**Electronic Newsletters:** Paper copies of the newsletters are no longer mailed to all ASVCP members. Those members who have provided the Society with an e-mail address will receive an e-mail containing a link to the newsletter as soon as each issue is posted to the ASVCP website. The newsletters are posted in PDF format. If you have any problems accessing the newsletter electronically, please contact the ASVCP National Office ([info@asvcp.org](mailto:info@asvcp.org)) or Secretary Karen Russell ([krussell@cvm.tamu.edu](mailto:krussell@cvm.tamu.edu)). Those members without e-mail access will continue to receive paper copies of the newsletter.

**Change of Address:** Please send any changes in mailing address or electronic mail address to the ASVCP National Office at 2810 Crossroads Drive, Suite 3800, Madison, WI 53718; Email: [info@asvcp.org](mailto:info@asvcp.org); FAX 608-443-2474 or 608-443-2478.

**ASVCP Newsletter and/ or Website Submissions:** If you have any material of interest to post in the newsletter or on the ASVCP website ([www.asvcp.org](http://www.asvcp.org)), please contact the ASVCP Secretary, Karen Russell, at Department of Veterinary Pathobiology, Mail Stop 4467, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 7784304467; Email: [krussell@cvm.tamu.edu](mailto:krussell@cvm.tamu.edu), or contact the ASVCP National Office at 2810 Crossroads Drive, Suite 3800, Madison, WI 53718; Email: [info@asvcp.org](mailto:info@asvcp.org).

**ASVCP Membership Application:** Member application forms are available at the ASVCP website ([www.asvcp.org](http://www.asvcp.org)), by contacting ASVCP Secretary Karen Russell at [krussell@cvm.tamu.edu](mailto:krussell@cvm.tamu.edu), or by contacting the ASVCP National office at 2810 Crossroads Drive, Suite 3800, Madison, WI 53718; phone 608-443-2479; Email: [info@asvcp.org](mailto:info@asvcp.org).

**Proteomics Interest Group:** Several members of the ASVCP and the ESVCP are taking the first steps towards forming a proteomics interest group. We would like to investigate proteomics as a diagnostic and research tool in veterinary medicine, and to share ideas, technologies, resources and expertise. You can subscribe to the proteomics list serve by writing to John Hoffman at [jhofman@reesgroupinc.com](mailto:jhofman@reesgroupinc.com).

**2007 ASVCP Membership Directory to be mailed:** Hard copies of the 2007 Membership Directory will soon be mailed to all members. If you have not received your copy by July 1 (members outside North America can expect the longer times until receipt), please contact the National Office (see contact information above), or the Secretary ([krussell@cvm.tamu.edu](mailto:krussell@cvm.tamu.edu)).

## Upcoming Meetings

**American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine Forum:** The 2007 ACVIM Forum will be held June 6-9, 2007 in Seattle, WA. For more information, go to [www.ACVIM.org](http://www.ACVIM.org).

**Society of Toxicologic Pathology 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium:** June 10-14, 2007, Westin Rio Mar, Rio Grande Puerto Pico. Theme: Toxicologic Pathology and Novel Technologies. For complete meeting information, see [www.toxpath.org](http://www.toxpath.org).

**American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting:** October 18-24, 2007, Reno, NV. [www.aavld.org](http://www.aavld.org)

## Job Opportunities

### **VetExpress Laboratories, Inc., Burbank, California**

#### **Director and Veterinary Pathologist**

VetExpress Laboratories, Inc., a new commercial veterinary laboratory in Burbank, California, is seeking an entrepreneurial veterinary pathologist to join and guide our team of seasoned clinical laboratory professionals in the development of an exciting new business venture. This individual must be board-certified by the American College of Veterinary Pathology (ACVP) or eligible for board certification and would assume a leading role in the scientific development of this new business. Competitive salary, benefits and bonus eligibility are offered, along with a unique business opportunity to become a founding member of a dynamic and professional team.

The successful candidate will serve as Laboratory Director and have full and complete responsibility for anatomic pathology, while consulting with licensed laboratory professionals in the clinical aspects of the business.

VetExpress Laboratories is located in the heart of Southern California, just minutes from the Burbank (Bob Hope) Airport, in one of the most pet-populous areas of the world. From its logistically superior physical location near major freeway intersections connecting all areas of Southern California, the accessibility to the Burbank Airport has proven to open the market capabilities of this new laboratory to all of the Pacific Southwest.

Please contact:

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### **Kansas State University**

#### **Clinical Pathologist (term appointment)**

The Department of Diagnostic Medicine/Pathobiology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Kansas State University invites applications for an Assistant Professor of Veterinary Clinical Pathology position (term appointment) that is available starting August 1, 2007. Candidates are required to possess a DVM (or equivalent) and have two years of training in a clinical pathology residency. The primary responsibilities of the position include participation in teaching (veterinary students) and diagnostic service. Salary is negotiable depending on prior experience, training, and accomplishments. The successful candidate will be expected to participate in the clinical pathology residency program and prepare for the ACVP certification examination. Interested individuals should submit a letter stating career goals and current expertise, a curriculum vitae, and names and addresses of three references. Applications should be sent to Dr. S.L. Stockham, Chair of Search Committee, Department of Diagnostic

Medicine/Pathobiology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Manhattan, KS 66506; e-mail: [stockham@vet.k-state.edu](mailto:stockham@vet.k-state.edu), fax: 785-532-4039. The application screening process will begin on May 1, 2007. Kansas State University is an AA/EOE.

### **Kansas State University Clinical Pathologist (tenure track)**

The Department of Diagnostic Medicine/Pathobiology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Kansas State University invites applications for a tenure-track Associate/Assistant Professor of Veterinary Clinical Pathology position. Candidates are required to possess a DVM (or equivalent) and be a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists (or scheduled to sit for the certifying examination in 2007). A PhD degree or having an established scholarly record is preferred. The primary responsibilities (80%) of the position include participation in teaching (veterinary students and residents) and diagnostic service. Publishing discipline-based information and other scholarly activities are expected; these activities may relate to teaching, diagnostic duties, or collaborative or independent investigations. Teaching and diagnostic service assignments are negotiable depending on experience and qualifications; promotions and tenure decisions are based on performance in assigned duties. Candidates for an associate professor appointment should have appropriate experiences, a record of excellence in clinical pathology teaching and diagnostics, and a documented record of scholarship. Salary, rank, and tenure are negotiable depending on prior experience, training, and accomplishments. Interested individuals should submit a letter stating career goals and current expertise, a curriculum vitae, and names and addresses of three references. Applications should be sent to Dr. S. L. Stockham, Chair of Search Committee, Department of Diagnostic Medicine/Pathobiology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Manhattan, KS 66506; e-mail: [stockham@vet.k-state.edu](mailto:stockham@vet.k-state.edu), fax: 785-532-4039. The application screening process will begin on May 1, 2007 and the search will continue until the position is filled. Kansas State University is an AA/EOE.