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Important Dates

June 9-12, 2010	2010 ACVIM Forum, Anaheim, CA
July 25-29, 2010	XIV th Biannual Congress of the International Society for Animal Clinical Pathology, Corvallis, OR
Sept 28,29,30, 2010	ACVP Board Examination, Ames, IO
Oct 30-Nov 3, 2010	Annual ASVCP/ACVP Meeting, Baltimore, MD
Nov 11-17, 2010	Annual AAVLD/USAHA Meeting, Minneapolis, MN

President's Message

Dear ASVCP Colleagues,

The ASVCP Executive Board and Committee members have been busy working on the Society's business and getting our pre-meeting workshop and program together for 2010. The highlights of some of our activities so far this year include:

1. Development of a new standing committee of the ASVCP – the International Activities Committee (IAC)

First, I'd like to recognize and thank all the members on our 9 standing committees including our newest addition, the IAC. These committees are the "life-blood" of our Society, and we greatly appreciate each and every member and all the work they do for us!

On the list below are names of the committees as well as the persons serving as their chair and EB liaison– if you'd like to participate on one of these committees, we welcome you to contact them.

- Share-the-Future (STF) - (no chair), EB liaison is Leslie Sharkey (shark009@umn.edu)
- Web Editorial Board (WEB) – Peter Fernandes, (Pete-fernandes@ldexx.com), EB liaison is Karen Russell (KRussell@cvm.tamu.edu)
- Education Committee (EC) – Casey LeBlanc (cleblanc@utk.edu), EB liaison is Marlyn Whitney (whitneym@missouri.edu)
- Outreach Committee (OR) – Cheryl Swenson (Swenson@cvm.msu.edu), EB liaison is Leslie Sharkey
- Program Committee (PC)– Janice Andrews (janlab@bellsouth.net), EB liaison is Leslie Sharkey
- Quality Assurance and Standards,(QAS) Committee - Kendall Harr (drharr@gmail.com), EB liaison is Marlyn Whitney
- Regulatory Affairs Committee (RAC), Anne Provencher-Bollinger (anne.provencher_bolliger@novartis.com), EB liaison is Marlyn Whitney
- Veterinary Laboratory Professionals (VLP) Committee, Richard DeFrancisco (rjd34@cornell.edu), EB liaison is Kirstin Barnhart (kfbarna@mdanderson.org)
- International Activities Committee (IAC) – Alexander Biondo (abiondo@illinois.edu), EB liaison is Joanne Messick (jmessic@purdue.edu)

The purpose of our new IAC is to ensure that the ASVCP continues and expands its global activities in the field of veterinary clinical pathology. This committee will work to ensure that the ASVCP effectively serves its international membership and the broader international veterinary clinical pathology community; establish collaborative relationships with international societies and organization; foster access to clinical pathology knowledge worldwide; investigate grant opportunities to support global endeavors; and develop programs that address issues of global concern. We thank Dr. Alexander Biondo for agreeing to serve

as its first chair and look forward to seeing the development of this committee and the legacy he leaves to it.

2. Establishment of a 5 year rotation for Committee responsibility for developing the Pre- Meeting workshop (WS). This rotation is flexible and will depend on the venue, interest in particular WS topics, and the possibility of overlapping or conflicting pre-meeting WS topics; thus, the rotation can be changed by the PC. The intention for formalizing this rotation is that Committees are charged with having topics and speakers lined up 2-years in advance of the year in which they are responsible for the WS. The rotation is as follows: 2010, EC; 2011, QAS; 2012, RAC; 2013, VLP; and 2014, IAC.

3. Provided a response letter to the Society of Toxicologic Pathology (STP, Dr. Peter Mann) and the International Federation of Societies of Toxicologic Pathology (IFSTP, Dr. Johannes Harleman and Wolfgang Kaufmann).

This response letter stated that the ASVCP was concerned about the exclusion of veterinary clinical pathologists from the recently proposed global recognition process (Toxicol Pathol 37:553-561, 2009). This concern was also expressed by more than 30 professionals within the STP's Clinical Pathology Interest Group.

4. Establishment of 2 Young Investigator Awards (YIA) for ASVCP.

A YIA will be given in each of these categories: 1) Basic science and 2) clinical projects - with a \$500 award for each category. Although students can choose the category in which they wish to compete, the final choice is at the discretion of the session chair and/or adjudication committee for this award.

5. Proposal to initiate an ASVCP Member-Access Case Bank on the ASVCP website was approved in principle and a pilot project has been initiated.

Dr. Leslie Sharkey will move forward with a pilot study of 25 to 50 chemistry cases. The preference that chemistry cases would be the most valued share resource was based on discussions in the 2009 Education Forum.

6. Shifting of responsibility for “updating relevant trainee/residency information” to The Rees Group, Inc. To make certain that all the information is accurate before posting to the website, representatives from the WEB and EC will still be asked to review this information.

7. Establish an ASVCP presence on Facebook. Dr. Shashi Ramaiah is moving forward with this project and will work with WEB and OR in getting this done.

8. Development of an Educational Outreach Program for Baltimore, MD.

The ASVCP will host a clinical pathology outreach for the local practitioners and specialists the day before the meeting in Baltimore. An ad hoc committee working on this OR event includes Dr. Kirstin Barnhart, Anne Barger, Craig Thompson, and Reema Patel.

This is going to be an exciting and productive year! We welcome comments and ideas from the members.

Best,
Joanne B. Messick
President

Call for Officer Nominations 2010 ASVCP Election

The Nominations Committee is seeking nominations for three officers: Secretary, First-Year Executive Board Member, and President-Elect. Nominees must be able to attend the ASVCP Executive Board meetings at the annual meeting for the next 5 years and participate in telephone conferences and e-mail discussions during each year. The nominees should be enthusiastic about contributing to Society growth and development.

The Secretary serves as the liaison for one standing committee, is responsible for the quarterly newsletter, and records the minutes for Executive Board teleconferences, the annual meeting of the Executive Board, and annual ASVCP Business Meeting. The term is 4 years, and the individual should be able to attend the annual meetings. 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.

Nominations will be accepted until May 30, 2010.

To make nominations please contact the chair of the Nominations Committee: Dr. Melinda Wilkerson at 785-532-4818 or by e-mail, wilkerns@vet.k-state.edu.

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 Baltimore, Maryland, October 30-November 3, 2010. The ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award program 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 a rationale for why this particular member is worthy of this award.

To make a nomination, please contact Melinda Wilkerson (please see above for contact information), the chair of the Awards Nominating Committee. The deadline for receipt of nomination materials is **July 1, 2010**.

First Call

2010 ASVCP/ACVP Meeting Abstracts Clinical Pathology Scientific Sessions

The Clinical Pathology Scientific Sessions were another resounding success in 2009 -- start planning now to submit your abstract for the 2010 meeting in Baltimore, MD.

The annual concurrent meeting of the ASVCP and the ACVP will be held October 30-November 3, 2010 in Baltimore, MD. There will be a combined ASVCP/ACVP Clinical Pathology Scientific Session for everyone who 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 2009 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, 2010.** Online submission will be available at www.asvcp.org. For questions or further information contact Kirstin Barnhart at kfbarna@mdanderson.org or call (512) 321-3991.

ASVCP Young Investigator Award

The ASVCP will present two \$500 awards to the resident or graduate student whose platform presentation is judged best among the competing presentations in the categories of basic science research and clinical research. 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.

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 will be available on the ASVCP website (www.asvcp.org). Kirstin Barnhart will coordinate the combined ASVCP/ ACVP Clinical Pathology Scientific Session of this meeting. Please direct your inquiries for this session to Kirstin Barnhart at kfbarna@mdanderson.org or call (512) 321-3991.

Second Call
Annual ASVCP Cytology and Hematology Case
Review Session Submissions
Submissions Due June 15, 2010

Submissions are requested for the 2010 ASVCP Cytology & Hematology Case Review Session. Materials that may be submitted include hematology, cytology or surgical pathology slides, electron photomicrographs and associated clinical chemistry or hematology data. This is a popular and interactive opportunity to share cases and experiences among attendees. Cases that are based solely or predominantly on clinical chemistry (no slides involved) are more appropriate for submission for the Clinical Chemistry Review Session (see call for cases for the Clinical Chemistry Review Session, below).

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

For cytology and blood smear submissions, eighty (80) stained and coverslipped glass slides should be submitted for each case. If more than 80 slides are available, the submitter is encouraged to submit extras, in case any slides are broken during shipment. 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 then be asked to supply 80 copies of the stained and coverslipped 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 summarize 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 questions that were provided) with images and references.

Digital Images

The submitter MUST also include 2-3 digital images as indicated on the Case 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.

Digital Slides

A limited number of electronic slides/cases (likely up to two) may be considered. Please contact Marlyn Whitney if you are interested in submitting in this format.

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

Submissions will open on or about April 15, 2010 (check the ASVCP website for availability of the electronic submission form). The DEADLINE for receipt of submission of ALL case materials is Tuesday, June 15, 2010. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SUBMISSION DATE IS EARLIER THAN USUAL THIS YEAR, DUE TO AN EARLIER THAN USUAL CONFERENCE DATE. 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 1, 2010. 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:

Dr. Marlyn Whitney

Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory

University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine

900 East Campus Drive

Columbia, MO 65211

573-884-7805

whitneym@missouri.edu

Second Call

4th Annual ASVCP Clinical Chemistry Review Session Submissions

Submissions Due June 15, 2010

Type of Materials Requested

Submissions are requested for the fourth ASVCP Clinical Chemistry Review Session. Submitted materials 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. The ASVCP Clinical Chemistry Review Session is held at a separate time from the ASVCP Cytology and Hematology Case Review Session that involves cytology and hematology slides or images (see above for the call for cases for that 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 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

Submissions will open on or about April 15, 2010 (check the ASVCP website for availability of the electronic submission form). The DEADLINE for receipt of submission of ALL case materials is Tuesday, June 15, 2010. The deadline for submission of cases is Tuesday, June 15, 2010. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SUBMISSION DATE IS EARLIER THAN USUAL THIS YEAR, DUE TO AN EARLIER CONFERENCE DATE. Submitters will be notified of the results of the selection process by August 1, 2010. 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.

Inquires and Case submission should be sent to:

Dr. Marlyn Whitney
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University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine
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573-884-7805
whitneym@missouri.edu

Second Call for Nominations ASVCP Education Award 2010

Participation by clinical pathologists and veterinary laboratory medical specialists in the education of veterinary students, residents, veterinary practitioners and technical staff is crucial for the vitality of the veterinary medical profession and our specialty college. Contributions to education vary greatly to include standard classroom and clinical teaching that primarily takes place in veterinary schools, continuing education of practitioners and technical staff, formal and informal mentoring of students by pathologists in the private sector, committee service to ASVCP and ACVP including board examination preparation, creation of teaching materials such as books and computer programs, and publishing articles relevant to any stage of veterinary medical education. Unfortunately, formal recognition of these contributions is given almost exclusively to pathologists working in academia.

In order to encourage and reward a wider range of ASVCP members contributing to the education of future veterinarians and pathologists, the ASVCP Education Committee and the Executive Board would like to invite our membership to submit nominations for the ASVCP Education Award.

Letters of nomination should describe the nominee's contributions to the education of veterinary medical students, clinical pathology residents, veterinarians, and laboratory professionals. In addition to a brief description (one page or less) of the nominee's accomplishments, the letters should include the contact information for the nominee and a list of 2-3 individuals that can provide additional letters of support.

Please send the letters of nomination to the Education Committee member, Leslie Sharkey; electronic documents are preferred (shark009@umn.edu). Hard copies of letters of nomination can also be sent to the Leslie at the address below. Please feel free to contact Leslie Sharkey by e-mail or phone (617-624-6171) if additional information is needed.

Veterinary Clinical Sciences Department
C339 VMC
1352 Boyd Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55108.

Letters of nomination will be accepted through May 1, 2010. Ten finalists chosen by the Education Committee will be contacted and asked to submit a short CV, personal statement and a list of references for letters of support. The nominee packets will be accepted through July 1, 2010 and the Education Committee Chair will announce the Awardee at the 2010 business meeting in Baltimore, MD. The award includes a plaque and a monetary award of \$1,000.00. Current members of the ASVCP Education Committee and Executive Board will be excluded from nomination for the duration of their service on these committees.

Call for 2011 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 2011 ACVIM Forum will be held June 15-18, 2011 in Denver, CO.

Please send suggestions for ASVCP speakers and topics for the upcoming ACVIM meeting by June 1, 2010 to Leslie Sharkey at Shark009@umn.edu. In addition to speakers and topics, we need input on the theme for the CP session. It could be 1 theme or 2 separate themes, one for the AM session and one for the PM session. It should be something that's of strong interest to the ACVIM "meeting-goers" and pull in a good crowd.

Thanks for your help and I'll be looking for your E-mails!
Leslie

ASVCP Committee Updates

Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Committee

The Veterinary Laboratory Professionals had the pleasure of hosting the ASVCP Pre-meeting Workshop held at Monterey Bay Aquarium, in Monterey California. The below picture is from the Ocean View Conference Room overlooking the Bay.



Eighty-five (85) members attended the workshop. The morning session included lectures by Jill Arnold (Hematology of Fish-WBC & RBC morphology), Dr. Jill Spangenberg (Interpretation of Clinical Pathology Data in Fish), Dr. E. Scott Weber (Diagnostic Approaches in Fish & Diagnostic Imaging with Case Examples, and Dr. Denise Imai (Fish Pathology & Necropsy Techniques). The afternoon session included hands-on opportunities, and was held in the Discovery Lab with 5 work stations:

Station 1: Dr. Spangenberg and Dr. Weber demonstrated fish anesthesia, phlebotomy, skin scrapes

Station 2: Dr. Imai demonstrated other procedures, euthanasia, and gross necropsy

Station 3: Erin Jenkins from the Baltimore Aquarium demonstrated blood preparation (smears, stains, discussing troubleshooting techniques)

Station 4: Christina Camillo also from the Baltimore Aquarium demonstrated WBC differentials using a microscope.

Station 5: Jill Arnold demonstrated hemacytometer cell counts using a microscope.

Ocean View Conference Room



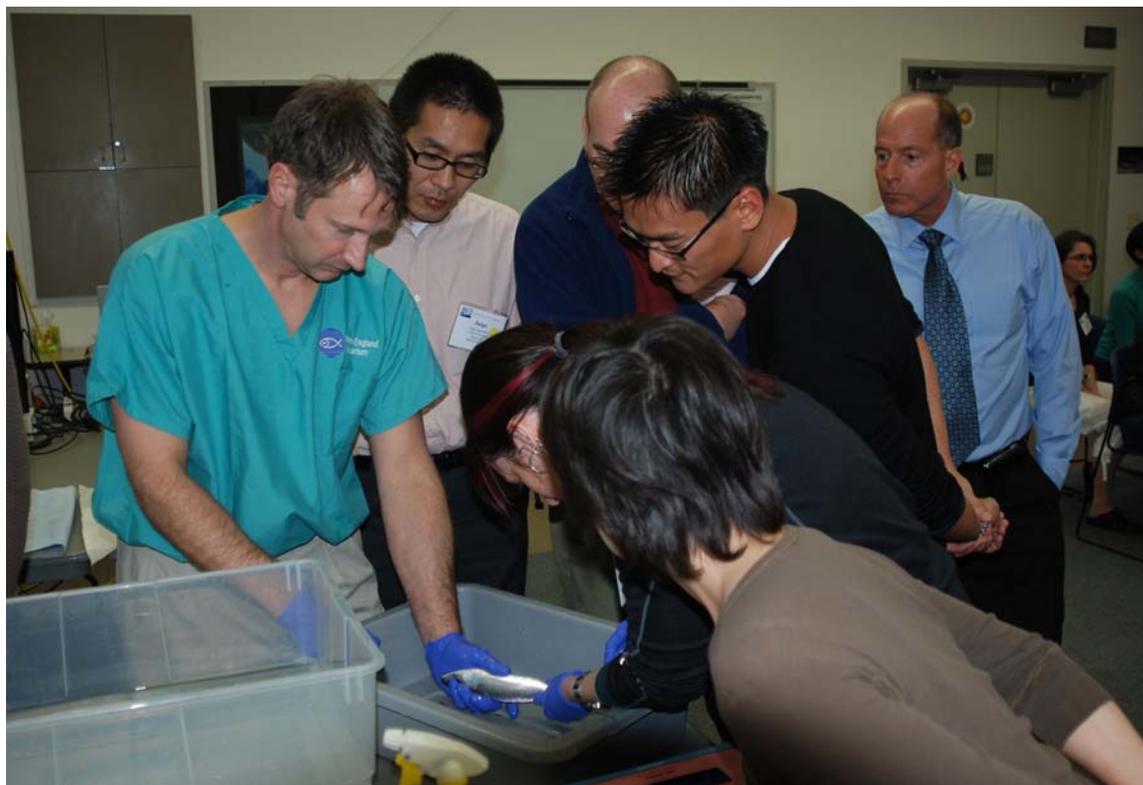
Discovery Lab



Station 1: Dr. Jill Spangenberg



Station 1: Dr. Weber



Station 2: Dr. Imai



Station 3: Erin Jenkins (right)



Station 4: Christina Camillo



Station 5: Jill Arnold



The Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Sessions were held Sunday December 6th, Monday December 7th and Tuesday December 8th. Our first presentation was Dr. Deanna Schaefer from Cornell University; Iron Metabolism and Laboratory Assessment of Iron Status, 86 members attended. Dr. Tim Tristan from Oso Creek Animal Hospital presented two sessions; Introduction to Hematology and Biochemistry of Amphibians (68 members attended) and Raptor Hematology and Biochemistries (123 members attended). Jill Arnold from the Aquarium in Baltimore presented Hematology of Fish – WBC and RBC Morphology, with 56 members attending. Using Molecular Diagnostics to Advance Marine Mammal Pathology and Medicine was presented by Dr. Karen Terio from the University of Illinois and 72 members attended. Dr. Mike Murray from the Monterey Bay Aquarium presented on the Diseases of Seahorses: Pathologists' Dream & Clinicians' Nightmare, with a record attendance of 225 members!!! The last two sessions were presented by Bob Silvers from the Six Sigma Academy & Company-Improving Business Performance via Lean Six Sigma Methods (32 members attended) and Dr. Harold Tvedten talked about the Comparison of the CellaVision for Canine Differential to the ADVIA 2120, Sysmex, and Manual Differential (31 members attended).

Displays at the Monterey Bay Aquarium



Executive Board News

Hello to all. The year has kicked in, Spring is starting (for some of us at least - I'm starting to see Blue Bonnets appear in some fields), and the EB has gotten off to a busy beginning as you can glean from Joanne's President's Message. There have been two teleconferences to date and another will occur in the next few weeks.

The EB is looking into establishing a case bank that would be available to members. Initially, the cases would focus on clinical chemistry with the idea of eventually expanding. Leslie Sharkey has volunteered to take on this project. The EB is also creating a Facebook page for the Society so that members have another way to network.

The committees have received their charges for the year. There are now ten standing ASVCP committees. With the need to have a global focus, Joanne made the recommendation to form an International Activities Committee, which was met with 100% approval from the EB. Committee work can be very rewarding and is a wonderful way to meet other members of ASVCP, see all what the Society has to offer, and contribute back to your organization to make it better. Committees are always looking for members so if you have an interest, please consider joining one of our committees. For more information about a certain committee, please feel free to contact any of the EB members or Committee Chairs.

As a reminder to members, our annual meeting is earlier this year and will be held in Baltimore, Maryland from October 30 to November 3, 2010. This means that deadlines for case and abstract submission will be earlier than usual. Start making plans now!

Lastly, congratulations to The Rees Group, Inc. They have purchased a building and will be moving shortly. While their address will change, other contact information remains the same. If you need to contact the ASVCP National Office, the new address is 2424 American Lane, Madison, WI 53704. The phone number and e-mail address remain the same (Phone: 608-443-2479; Fax: 608-443-2474 or 608-443-2478; E-mail: info@asvcp.org).

Announcements

Another Reminder: Next year's meeting is early, October 30-November 3, 2010, so all future deadlines will be moved up at least 30 days. Deadlines will be announced in each newsletter issue, through electronic mail, and on the ASVCP web site. Start making plans now for Baltimore, Maryland!

Institutional slide sets: Due to the high demand for slide sets, institutions that are interested in reserving a set for the upcoming year are asked to contact Marlyn Whitney, whitneym@missouri.edu. A notice to all members will also be sent out through the listserv.

Reviewers for Clinical and Chemistry Cases: If you are interested in being a reviewer for next year's hematology/cytology cases or chemistry cases, please contact Marlyn Whitney, whitneym@missouri.edu

General Information

ASVCP NATIONAL OFFICE: Members can contact the ASVCP National Office at 2424 American Lane, Madison, WI 53704; Phone: 608-443-2479; Fax: 608-443-2474 or 608-443-2478; E-mail: info@asvcp.org.

Electronic Newsletters: 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) or Secretary, Karen Russell, krussell@cvm.tamu.edu. Members who do not have an e-mail access will receive paper copies.

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; E-mail: info@asvcp.org, Fax: 608-443-2474 or 608-443-2478. You can also update your information on the website, under the Members Only Section.

ASVCP Newsletter and/or Website Submissions: If you have material of interest to post in the newsletter or on the ASVCP website (www.asvcp.org), please contact the ASVCP Secretary, Karen Russell, Dept. of Veterinary Pathobiology, Mail Stop 4467, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-4467; krussell@cvm.tamu.edu, or contact the ASVCP National Office at 2424 American Lane, Madison, WI 53704; E-mail: info@asvcp.org.

ASVCP Membership Application: Member application forms are available at the ASVCP website (www.asvcp.org) or by contacting the ASVCP National office at 2424 American Lane, Madison, WI 53704; Phone 608-443-2479; E-mail: info@asvcp.org.

Upcoming Meetings

January

North American Veterinary Conference, January 16-20, 2010, Orlando, Florida. For more information, go to <http://www.tnavc.org>.

March

Veterinary Cancer Society Conference, March 7-10, 2010 Las Vegas, Nevada. For information go to <http://www.vetcancersociety.org>

Society of Toxicology, 49th Annual Meeting and ToxExpo, March 7-11, 2010, Salt Lake City, Utah. For information, see <http://www.toxicology.org>.

June

ACVIM Forum, June 7-12, 2010, Anaheim, California. For more information, go to www.acvim.org.

Society of Toxicologic Pathologists, STP/IFSTP Joint Symposium, Chicago, Illinois. June 20-24, 2010. More information at <http://www.toxpath.org>.

July

The XIVth Congress of the International Society for Animal Clinical Pathology, July 25-29, 2010, Corvallis, Oregon, USA. For information, go to www.isacp.org.

American Association of Clinical Chemistry, Annual Meeting, July 25-29, 2010, Anaheim, California. For more information, go to <http://www.aacc.org>.

American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, ASCLS Annual Meeting, July 27-31, 2010 at Anaheim, California, For more information go to <http://www.ascls.org>.

147th AVMA Annual Convention, July 31-August 3, 2010, Atlanta, Georgia. For more information, go to www.avmaconvention.org.

September

The 20th Congress of the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine - Companion Animal, September 9-11, 2010, Toulouse, France. For more information, go to www.ecvimcongress.org.

October

American Society for Clinical Pathology, ASCP Annual Meeting, October 27-31, 2010, San Francisco, California. For more information, go to <http://www.ascp.org>.

ASVCP/ACVP Annual Meeting, October 30-November 3, 2010, Baltimore, Maryland

November

53rd Annual AAVLD/USAHA Meeting, November 11-17, 2010 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. For more information, go to www.aavld.org.

American Society of Cytopathology, ACS Annual Meeting, November 12-16, 2010 in Boston, Massachusetts. For information go to <http://www.cytopathology.org>.

Job Opportunities

Clinical Instructor in Veterinary Clinical Pathology

The Department of Veterinary Biosciences at The Ohio State University is seeking an instructor in clinical pathology. The position has a 70% service and teaching obligation which includes participation in the diagnostic pathology service for the Teaching Hospital, training of residents, and instruction of veterinary students. The remaining 30% is available for other scholarly activity and would be ideal for someone wishing to gain additional diagnostic pathology experience with a wide variety of animal species, prepare for ACVP board certification, or pursue advanced training in a specialty interest area or research. The appointment will be for a 1 year term renewable up to 3 years.

Clinical pathology instructors are provided excellent advanced training opportunities in clinical chemistry, cytology, hematology, immunology, surgical pathology, and molecular biology and are directly involved in the teaching and diagnostic services of the clinical pathology laboratories. This program provides support services for the large caseload from the Veterinary Teaching Hospital, regional practitioners, and university researchers. A DVM from an AVMA-accredited or equivalent institution and at least 2 years of clinical pathology residency training under a board certified veterinary clinical pathologist are required. Salary and generous benefits are competitive and negotiable consistent with the experience of the applicant. Interested individuals should submit a curriculum vita, statement of career goals, and three letters of reference to Dr. Judy Radin, Department of Veterinary Biosciences, Ohio State University, 1925 Coffey Road, Columbus, OH 43210-1092. The position is available immediately and will remain open until a suitable applicant is selected.

Come join a group of dedicated clinical pathology faculty and residents, and enjoy the opportunities of working in one of the largest medical complexes in the country. The Midwest is a great place to live. For more information, contact Dr. Radin at (614)292-4266, radin.1@osu.edu or visit the department website, www.vet.ohio-state.edu. The Ohio State University is an AA/EOE.