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## NEWSLETTER Summer 2008

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### News from the President

#### **Newly elected ACVM Officers**

I want to enthusiastically welcome Dr. M. M. Chengappa as the President elect and Drs. Carlton Gyles, Rebecca Wilkes, and Kyoung-Jin Yoon as newly elected ACVM Board members. Their terms will begin at the conclusion of the ACVM Board meeting during the AVMA meeting. I also want to thank those individuals who were willing to have their names submitted for nomination to serve the ACVM.

#### **New Honorary Diplomat**

Congratulations to Dr. X. J. Meng on his election as an Honorary Diplomat in the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists. This honor is reserved for those microbiologists who have "achieved unquestioned eminence in Veterinary Microbiology" with a limit of one new Honorary Diplomat per year. Dr. Meng has made many distinguished contributions to veterinary microbiology. We are honored to count him among our most valued colleagues.

#### **ACVM Board of Governors meeting at the AVMA meeting**

The ACVM Board of Governors meeting is scheduled for 9 am to noon on Monday July 21 in

New Orleans at the Marriot Convention Center Hotel. All ACVM diplomates are invited and encouraged to attend. We will send out an agenda and meeting location as the time gets closer.

#### **Subspecialty of Parasitology within the ACVM**

Dr. Susan Little of Oklahoma State University contacted me a few weeks ago about the possibility of forming a subspecialty of parasitology within ACVM. She is the President of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (AAVP). They would rather join our College than form what would be a very small College on their own. I indicated that it would likely need a totally separate examination route and advised her to seek initial input from AVMA. The AVMA liaison to the American Board of Veterinary Specialties (ABVS) indicated that other board certifying organizations have separate examination routes for various subspecialties. The Board of Governors had an initial discussion by email and all who responded agreed that they were interested in learning more about this possibility. Dr. Little then asked the AAVP executive Board if they were supportive of going forward with this proposal. Her response is below along with a synopsis of the next steps. I have invited Dr. Little and a couple of her colleagues from the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists to make a presentation to the ACVM Board of Governors at 10:30 am on July 21. We will then make a decision if we want to proceed with this plan.

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Jim,

I have heard back from the AAVP executive board and they are supportive about going forward with this process. The general consensus is that we should explore board certification of veterinary parasitology, and that partnering with ACVM to create a specialty in veterinary parasitology is the best approach and could benefit all involved. Can you please request that the ACVM consider this proposal?

Specifically, we (members of the AAVP executive board) are proposing that ACVM consider working with a veterinary parasitology organizing committee to petition the ABVS CDNS (Committee on Development of New Specialties) to approve veterinary parasitology as a new specialty under ACVM with a unique examination route as described in the ABVS Policies and Procedures Manual, specifically the section at

[http://www.avma.org/education/abvs/abvs\\_policies\\_III.asp](http://www.avma.org/education/abvs/abvs_policies_III.asp)

If the ACVM board agrees to go forward, and no roadblocks are identified when the concept is proposed to the general AAVP membership, the next steps would be to form the organizing committee that would work with Dr. Hayhow to develop an initial plan and submit a letter of intent to ABVS. Several AAVP members are boarded in parasitology in Europe, and a few are also diplomates of ACVM, which I hope will also help facilitate the process.

Thanks again for your advice and support

Susan

I encourage all ACVM diplomates to express your opinions on this proposal to me or any of the members of the Board of Governors.

I hope to see many of you at the ACVM Board meeting in New Orleans.

## News

### 2008 Board Meeting in New Orleans, LA

All ACVM Diplomates are invited to attend the ACVM Board of Governors' meeting to be held in conjunction with the AVMA annual meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana. The ACVM Board of Governors meeting is scheduled for 9 AM until noon on Monday July 21, 2008, at the Marriot Convention Center Hotel. All ACVM diplomates are invited and encouraged to attend. At the meeting the Board will vote for a new ACVM Vice President. Dr. James R Fahey has been proposed as the new ACVM Vice President. Additional nominations can be made from the floor during the meeting. The agenda and exact location of the meeting will be placed on the ACVM web site as soon as it is confirmed and available.

## Elections

In the last newsletter you were provided information on candidates for the ACVM Board of Governors'. The membership has elected M. M. Chengappa as our new ACVM President. He will replace James Roth at the conclusion of the Board meeting at AVMA in July. The membership has elected Carlton Gyles, Rebecca P. Wilkes and Kyoung-Jin Yoon to fill the three (3) positions available on the board. They will replace Mary C. DeBey, Melissa C. Libal and Andrew J. Phipps at the conclusion of the Board meeting at AVMA in July. Welcome aboard to each of you. The four Board members rotating off have done a tremendous service to ACVM as we have grown the last few years. Thank you for your efforts and support! In addition, the membership approved Dr. X.J. Meng as the ACVM Honorary Diplomate for 2008. Finally, Dr. Carlton L. Gyles was approved as the ACVM Distinguished Veterinary Microbiologist for 2008. He will be recognized at the ACVM banquet in December and the CRWAD meeting in Chicago, Illinois on December 7-9, 2008.

## ACVM Biosecurity Task Force

The **mission** of the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists (ACVM) Biosecurity Task Force is to assist local, state, and federal officials in prevention of, response to, and recovery from infectious

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diseases, which threaten food security or public health. The accidental or intentional introduction of these diseases has the potential to devastate food security and/or public health in the U.S. The ACVM Biosecurity Task Force is a group of ACVM Diplomates and Honorary Diplomates who:

- Are experts in microbiology and infectious diseases;
- Have received training in the Incident Command System; and
- Have educational resources related to bioterrorism, agroterrorism, zoonotic diseases, and foreign animal diseases.

The Task Force members are volunteers who will strive to be available when contacted by local, state, or federal officials to lend their expertise to assist in preventing, responding to, or recovering from an infectious disease emergency.

ACVM Biosecurity Task Force members could share their expertise in the following ways:

- Present awareness education seminars for health professionals or the public on bioterrorism, agroterrorism, zoonotic diseases, or exotic animal diseases.
- Advise on infectious agent detection and control prior to, during, and after a public health or animal health emergency.
- Consult with and advise emergency response safety officers before and during an infectious disease emergency.
- Assist in responding to media inquires and in education of the public regarding an infectious disease event.

Officials in the USDA, the CDC and the DHS will be told about the ACVM Biosecurity Task Force and the willingness of its members to assist with prevention of, preparation for, response to and recovery from infectious disease emergencies. State Veterinarians, Public Health officials, and Homeland Security officials will also be notified of the existence of the ACVM Biosecurity Task Force.

The Center for Food Security and Public Health (CFSPH) at Iowa State University will provide task force members with resource materials through the CFSPH website (<http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/>) which include:

- Power point presentations and fact sheets on all

bioterrorism agents and high consequence livestock pathogens.

- Handouts for use with various audiences
- Public speaking handbook

All ACVM Diplomates and Honorary Diplomates are eligible to serve on the ACVM Biosecurity Task Force. To become a Task Force member, ACVM Diplomates must:

- Complete level 100 and 200 training in the Incident Command System through a self-study course on CD-ROM prepared by the USDA.
- Be willing to have their name and contact information on a publicly available database, and strive to be available when contacted by local, state, or federal officials to lend their expertise to assist in preventing, responding to, or recovering from an infectious disease emergency.
- Become familiar with the training materials available for their use.

ACVM Diplomates who are willing to become ACVM Biosecurity Task Force members should contact James Roth, President, ACVM Board of Governors. A CD with the USDA level 100 and 200 Incident Command System training will be mailed to you. After completion of the training, mail or fax a copy of the certificates you will receive to Dr. Roth. You should sign the certificate, but it does not need to be signed by a supervisor. Your entry from the ACVM Membership Directory will be added to the list of members of the ACVM Biosecurity Task Force. You can check your information in the membership directory on the ACVM website: <http://www.acvm/us>.

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### **New Directions**

Currently the Board of Governors is considering changes that will affect continuing education and the professional recognition of ACVM. If any diplomates have any suggestions or comments please contact one of the ACVM Board of Governors members or one of the ACVM officers.

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### **ACVM on the Internet**

Please note the new ACVM website address is [www.acvm.us/](http://www.acvm.us/). The site contains meeting minutes, the history, goals, directory, Constitution, By-laws, instructions for potential candidates and an application form. All members should review the updated website. Any suggestions for changes are welcome.

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### **2008 CRWAD Meeting in Chicago, Illinois**

Please plan on attending the ACVM Annual and Board of Governors' Meeting, which is scheduled for Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at the Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. It will be held at 9:00 AM. The agenda and location of the meeting will be placed on the ACVM web site as soon as it is confirmed and available. Remember to support the ACVM symposium, which will be held on the afternoon of Sunday December 7, 2008. The ACVM banquet will be Monday December 8, 2008 at a location to be determined. Additional information concerning the banquet will be provided in the future. We hope to see you there!

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### **Dues Status**

Dues are \$80 per year. They are due by July each year. Due to the transition to a new Secretary-Treasurer we are currently reviewing the dues status of all ACVM members. If you have not paid your dues for 2008 or for any past year(s) please submit payment to my attention as soon as possible.

Please make remittances payable to ACVM by check drawn on a US bank or by international money order and mail directly to me. *Emeritus or honorary diplomates do not need to pay dues* (donations are always welcome). Emeritus diplomates can vote, but not honorary diplomates. Please note that dues are \$80 per year.

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### **Send Suggestions To Improve ACVM**

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### **CRWAD Symposium**

On Sunday December 7, 2008 from 1:30 to 5:00 PM the joint AAVI/ACVM Symposium will be presented. Further details will be provided as the agenda is finalized. Please plan to attend.

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### **Dues Owed for 2008**

Ali, Akbar  
Allen, Gary K.  
Angulo, Arthur B.  
Archambault, Marie  
Besser, Thomas E.  
Bowersock, Terry L.  
Brodie, Scott J.  
Brown, David W.  
Bulgin, Marie S.  
Carlson, Jack H.  
Castro, Anthony E.  
Cho, Yung  
Collins, Michael T.  
Cooper, George L.  
Corapi, Wayne V.  
Daignault, Danielle  
Dee, Scott A.  
Dickerson, Harry W.  
D'Offay, Jean M.  
Eleraky, Nasser  
Ellis, John A.  
Ellsworth, Steven R.  
Eriks, Inge S.  
Fenwick, Brad W.  
Fisch, Harvey  
Garmendia, Antonio E.  
Givens, Maurice Daniel  
Griffith, Ronald W.  
Grooms, Daniel L.  
Guy, James S.  
Hennessy, Kristina J.  
Hodgson, Jennifer  
Hong, Chou C.  
Isaacson, Jeffrey A.  
Issel, Charles J.  
Jones, Robert L.  
Kapil, Sanjay  
Kleiboeker, Steven B.  
Kowalski, Joseph J.  
Labrecque, Olivia  
Lalonde, Guy  
Lester, Thomas L.  
Lewis Jr., George E.  
Libal, Melissa C.  
Loan, Raymond W.  
Lynch, John A.  
McVey, David Scott  
Messier, Serge  
Morton, Rebecca J.  
Naqi, Syed A.  
Narayanan, Sanjeev K.

Newbound, Garret C.  
Nusbaum, Kenneth E.  
Odemuyiwa, Solomon O.  
Panigrahy, Brundaban  
Pастey, Manoj Kumar  
Pearson, Leonard D.  
Plavsic, Z. Mark  
Potgieter, Leon N.D.  
Pugh Jr., George W.  
Rajeev, Sreekumari  
Reddy, Chilekampalli A.  
Reddy, P. Gopal  
Reggiardo, Carlos  
Rice, Robert M.  
Ross, Richard F.  
Saliki, Jeremiah T.  
Scanlan, Charles M.  
Schlater, Linda Kelley  
Simmons, Donald G.  
Simpson, Russell B.  
Sriranganathan, Nammalwar  
Srivastava, Kunwar K.  
Stephenson, Edward H.  
Stevens, Mark G.  
Subbiah, Elankumaran  
Swinford (White), Amy K.  
Tewari, Deepanker  
Thompson, James P.  
Toth, Thomas E.  
Tresnan, Dina Barbis  
Tudoriu, Constantin D.  
Uhlich, Gaylen A.  
Velayudhan, Binu T.  
Villegas-Narvaez, Pedro  
Walker, Richard L.  
Wilcox, Graham E.  
Wilkes, Rebecca Penrose  
Williams, Robert Dee  
Wooley, Richard E.  
Zhang, Yan J.

### **Dues Owed for 2007**

Ali, Akbar  
Allen, Gary K.  
Angulo, Arthur B.  
Archambault, Marie  
Brodie, Scott J.  
Bulgin, Marie S.  
Carlson, Jack H.  
Cho, Yung  
Corapi, Wayne V.  
Daignault, Danielle

Dee, Scott A.  
Dickerson, Harry W.  
D'Offay, Jean M.  
Eleraky, Nasser  
Ellis, John A.  
Ellsworth, Steven R.  
Eriks, Inge S.  
Fisch, Harvey  
Garmendia, Antonio E.  
Givens, Maurice Daniel  
Grooms, Daniel L.  
Guy, James S.  
Hennessy, Kristina J.  
Hong, Chou C.  
Isaacson, Jeffrey A.  
Issel, Charles J.  
Kleiboeker, Steven B.  
Kowalski, Joseph J.  
Lalonde, Guy  
Lester, Thomas L.  
Lewis Jr., George E.  
Libal, Melissa C.  
Loan, Raymond W.  
Morton, Rebecca J.  
Naqi, Syed A.  
Narayanan, Sanjeev K.  
Newbound, Garret C.  
Nusbaum, Kenneth E.  
Odemuyiwa, Solomon O.  
Panigrahy, Brundaban  
Pearson, Leonard D.  
Potgieter, Leon N.D.  
Pugh Jr., George W.  
Reddy, Chilekampalli A.  
Reggiardo, Carlos  
Rice, Robert M.  
Ross, Richard F.  
Saliki, Jeremiah T.  
Scanlan, Charles M.  
Simpson, Russell B.  
Stephenson, Edward H.  
Stevens, Mark G.  
Tewari, Deepanker  
Toth, Thomas E.  
Tresnan, Dina Barbis  
Tudoriu, Constantin D.  
Velayudhan, Binu T.  
Wilkes, Rebecca Penrose  
Williams, Robert Dee  
Wooley, Richard E.  
Yason, Carmencita V.  
Zhang, Yan J.

**Dues Owed for 2006**

Ali, Akbar  
 Angulo, Arthur B.  
 Brodie, Scott J.  
 Carlson, Jack H.  
 Cho, Yung  
 Corapi, Wayne V.  
 Dee, Scott A.  
 D'Offay, Jean M.  
 Eleraky, Nasser  
 Ellis, John A.  
 Eriks, Inge S.  
 Fisch, Harvey  
 Garmendia, Antonio E.  
 Grooms, Daniel L.  
 Hong, Chou C.  
 Isaacson, Jeffrey A.  
 Issel, Charles J.  
 Kowalski, Joseph J.  
 Lalonde, Guy  
 Lester, Thomas L.  
 Lewis Jr., George E.  
 Loan, Raymond W.  
 Morton, Rebecca J.  
 Naqi, Syed A.  
 Narayanan, Sanjeev K.  
 Newbound, Garret C.  
 Nusbaum, Kenneth E.  
 Pearson, Leonard D.  
 Pugh Jr., George W.  
 Reddy, Chilekampalli A.  
 Stephenson, Edward H.  
 Stevens, Mark G.  
 Toth, Thomas E.  
 Tresnan, Dina Barbis  
 Tudoriu, Constantin D.  
 Williams, Robert Dee  
 Wooley, Richard E.

**Dues Owed for 2005**

Ali, Akbar  
 Angulo, Arthur B.  
 Brodie, Scott J.  
 Carlson, Jack H.  
 Cho, Yung  
 Corapi, Wayne V.  
 Dee, Scott A.  
 D'Offay, Jean M.  
 Eleraky, Nasser  
 Eriks, Inge S.  
 Fisch, Harvey

Garmendia, Antonio E.  
 Hong, Chou C.  
 Issel, Charles J.  
 Kowalski, Joseph J.  
 Lalonde, Guy  
 Lester, Thomas L.  
 Loan, Raymond W.  
 Naqi, Syed A.  
 Nusbaum, Kenneth E.  
 Stevens, Mark G.  
 Tudoriu, Constantin D.  
 Williams, Robert Dee  
 Wooley, Richard E.

**Dues Owed for 2004**

Ali, Akbar  
 Angulo, Arthur B.  
 Carlson, Jack H.  
 Cho, Yung  
 Corapi, Wayne V.  
 D'Offay, Jean M.  
 Eleraky, Nasser  
 Eriks, Inge S.  
 Fisch, Harvey  
 Garmendia, Antonio E.  
 Issel, Charles J.  
 Kowalski, Joseph J.  
 Lalonde, Guy  
 Lester, Thomas L.  
 Loan, Raymond W.  
 Naqi, Syed A.  
 Tudoriu, Constantin D.  
 Williams, Robert Dee  
 Wooley, Richard E.

**Dues Owed for 2003**

Ali, Akbar  
 Angulo, Arthur B.  
 Carlson, Jack H.  
 Eleraky, Nasser  
 Eriks, Inge S.  
 Fisch, Harvey  
 Frank, Glynn H.  
 Garmendia, Antonio E.  
 Issel, Charles J.  
 Kowalski, Joseph J.  
 Lester, Thomas L.  
 Williams, Robert Dee

**Dues Owed for 2002**

Ali, Akbar  
 Carlson, Jack H.  
 Eleraky, Nasser  
 Eriks, Inge S.  
 Issel, Charles J.  
 Kowalski, Joseph J.  
 Lester, Thomas L.  
 Williams, Robert Dee

**Dues Not Paid**

Kowalski, Joseph J.  
 Last paid 6/94

Issel, Charles  
 Last paid 6/97

Carlson, Jack H.  
 Last paid 6/98

Lester, Thomas L.  
 Last paid 6/98

**Paid In Advanced for 2009**

Brock, Kenny V.  
 Chengappa, M. M.  
 Kariyawasam, Subhashinie  
 Kennedy, Melissa A.  
 Kibenge, Frederick S. B.  
 Kiel, Johnathan L.  
 Olsen, Steven C.  
 Reynolds, Donald L.  
 Rosenbusch, Ricardo F.  
 Roth, James A.  
 Samal, Siba K.  
 Van Campen, Hana