Foundation reaches out to Iraqi vets

Recently, during a visit to Baghdad, Foundation President Bruce Williams visited Camp Liberty where he met with a group of Iraqi pathologists for a day of lectures and cultural exchange. The meetings had been arranged by local Army vets, MAJ Deirdre Stoffregen and CPT Thamus "Tammy" Morgan, Foundation members and a pathologist and a lab animal practitioner, respectively.

It was not the first visit to Baghdad for Dr. Williams, who works at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Washington D.C. "We have a telemedicine system at the Combat Support Hospital in the IZ, so occasionally I need to come here for periodic maintenance," said Dr. Williams, "but this is the first time I have had the opportunity to meet with Iraqi vets."

A total of 8 Iraqi veterinarians from Baghdad University and the state pathology laboratory were on hand to meet Dr. Williams and listen to lectures on the pathology of small ruminants and diagnostic cytology. U.S. Army vets stationed around Baghdad and members of the U.S. Department of Agriculture were also in attendance. The lectures took place in the Post Chapel, on some rather antiquated equipment. "The projector had just about all the colors I would want for a pathology lecture, except red. But everyone was so excited about just being there, that I don’t think anyone noticed" recalled Dr. Williams. There was a total of 5 hours of lecture with an hour lunch in the local dining facility, where the group discussed the current state of pathology in Iraq and the possibility for collaboration and future symposia. The group also enthusiastically received pathology textbooks from MAJ Stoffregen, who coordinated shipments of used books from the AFIP.

"We got in a lot of lectures, but I had brought even more material with me," recounted Dr. Williams. "We got a late start due to the logistics of travel in Baghdad, especially for the Iraqi participants. As Baghdad roads are not safe, they took a significant risk coming for the day,
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*McGavin and Zachary: Pathologic Basis of Veterinary Disease, 4th Ed

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7-11 July 2008
Sirata Beach Resort,
St. Pete’s Beach, FL
Course Director: Dr. Bruce Williams
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The 35th Annual Gross Course Completed in Bethesda

The 35th Gross Morbid Anatomy of Diseases of Animals Course was held March 24-28 at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda Maryland. This five day meeting provided attendees with the opportunity to view more than a thousand gross pathology images in a multitude of animal species and discuss important animal diseases with world renowned experts in veterinary pathology.

Participants in the course viewed extensive collections of necropsy images. These images were the backbone of discussion on determination of morphologic diagnosis, causes of disease, and application of comparative pathology. The lectures included discussions on the diseases of cattle (Dr. Paul Stromberg); horses (Dr. Margaret Miller); laboratory animals (Dr. Michael Eckhaus); wildlife (Dr. Leslie Woods); swine (Dr. Michael Yaeger); primates (Dr. Srinivas Rao); dogs and cats (Dr. Bruce Williams); poultry (Dr. Daniel Shaw); aquatic animals (Dr. Judy St. Leger); and gross pathology descriptive techniques (Dr. Dana Scott).

The course concluded with a mock gross pathology examination on Friday and a discussion of possible approaches for responding to questions generated by gross pathology. After five long days of lecture the audience was still much energized and the discussion was extremely lively! Dr. Judy St. Leger was recognized by the group as the year’s outstanding presenter, and will receive the Samuel W. Thompson Lectureship Award for her efforts at this years’ ACVP meeting in San Antonio.

The Gross Morbid Anatomy of Diseases Course is a wonderful way to network with residents; see new or different presentations of gross images; and spend a finite amount of time focused on core knowledge for the practicing veterinary pathologist. This course, together with the AFIP’s Descriptive Pathology Course, helps build a solid foundation of study to prepare for a successful career in veterinary pathology.

We hope to see you at the 36th Course next year!

COL Dana Scott, Course Director
The AFIP’s renowned Descriptive Veterinary Pathology Course, (co-sponsored by the Davis Foundation) now in its 15th year, held its 7th European edition at University College in Dublin, Ireland.

It was the first edition of this course in Europe for the last five years – and the faculty was rewarded with a large, enthusiastic crowd of 70, starting anew with the same number as had attended the 2003 meeting in Edinburgh. Attendees from Scandinavia, England, Italy, Germany, Scotland, India, and a large contingent of Irish pathologists from both academia and the Irish Department of Agriculture kept pace through five days of intensive lecture and examinations with the courses well-travelled faculty – Drs. Paul Stromberg (OSU), Don Meuten (NCSU), Horst Posthaus (Univ. of Bern), Dana Scott (WRAIR), and the AFIP’s own Jo Lynne Raymond and Bruce Williams.

The course almost got off on the wrong foot, as Paul Stromberg, presenter of the first six hours on gross-microscopic pathology correlations, was delayed by snow in Columbus, Ohio, and arrived at the venue literally minutes before the kickoff. Everyone agreed that Paul did a yeoman’s job of lecture having sat up all night on an airplane. Lectures on microscopic description, as well as histologic-cytologic correlations, ultrastructural interpretation, and various topics in clinical pathology were covered. Dr. Posthaus presented an excellent review of the comprehensive section of the ECVP examination for the participants, as well as providing practice examples for the participants.

“This is a grueling course, both for the participants and the faculty”, says Dr. Paul Stromberg, a 10-year course veteran. “However, it is a unique opportunity to teach techniques that are usually not a part of the curriculum of most schools.” In previous years, the course visited veterinary schools in Liverpool, Nantes, Edinburgh, Bern, and London. With 15 additional Washington courses under its belt (including a banner 105 participants schedule to take the 2008 edition), this faculty works like a well-oiled machine. “We have a great time every time we get together for a course, and it rubs off on the students,” states Dr. Williams. “As a result, the course is extremely informal, and it really opens up communication, more than any other course that I am associated with.” For more images from the course, turn to page 13.

The AFIP’s Descriptive Course is held each year in Washington DC during the first week of June, as well as annually in Europe (with the site of the 2009 meeting yet to be announced.
Third Annual IAAAM/C.L. Davis Workshop on the Diseases of Marine Species

39th Annual IAAAM Conference
Rome, Italy
May 10, 2008

For the third year, Dr. Judy St. Leger of Sea World will host a full-day seminar combining didactic lectures, case presentations, and audience interaction to cover what’s new and exciting in pathology of sea creatures. This year’s keynote speaker, Dr. Linda Lowenstine of UC Davis will lecture on “Pathology in Marine Mammal Health and Diseases Investigations.” A tuition of only $75 includes eight hours of continuing education, refreshments, syllabus and a DVD of the case slides for review.

For more info, visit:
http://www.cladavis.org/courses/upcoming.html
or contact Dr. St. Leger at judy.si.leger@seaworld.com
Topics In Laboratory Animal Medicine

Date May 15-18, 2008
Location: NCSU College of Vet Med South Theatre, Raleigh, NC
Program Director: David M. Kurtz, Experimental Pathology Laboratories, Inc. (919) 541-5155 dkurtz@epl-inc.com

This symposium will present relevant topics in Laboratory Animal Medicine with an emphasis on the ACLAM primary species and recent literature. The NIEHS slide collection on biology and diseases of lab animal species, as well as the Foundation’s collection of video lectures will able available for individual study.

Mice -•- Equipment -•- Ferrets
Literature Review -•- Fish
Biosafety and Biocontainment
NHP Secondary Species
Swine -•- Dogs
Mock ACLAM Exam

Tuition:
Members: $275 Nonmembers: $350

For more info, visit:
http://www.cldavis.org/courses/upcoming.html
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15-17 Sep ‘08

OPHTHALMIC PATHOLOGY
ACUTE AND CHRONIC INFLAMMATION – LARGE ANIMAL GI PATHOLOGY

For more info, visit: http://www.cldavis.courses/upcoming.html
or contact Course Director, Elizabeth McInnes, at mcinnese@ukorg.huntingdon.com
Bovine Pathology for the Practitioner

DATE: 18-19 July 2008
LOCATION: Facultad de Ciencias Veterinarias, Universidad Nacional del Nordeste, Corrientes

This Seminar is sponsored by the Argentine Division of the Charles Louis Davis DVM Foundation for Advancement of Veterinary Pathology.

DESCRIPTION: This day-long symposium will provide the bovine practitioner with real-world, practical knowledge concerning the diagnosis of pathologic conditions in cow and calf diseases. The experience will be invaluable for those practitioners occasionally facing the prospect of making provisional diagnosis following field necropsies. The seminar will concentrate on gross necropsy findings, establishment of an appropriate differential diagnosis for common conditions, and occasionally, some microscopic findings integral to diagnosis.

Dr. Ted Clark of the Diagnostic Laboratory of the Calgary CARE Center, a board-certified veterinary pathologist with 32 years of experience. Dr. Clark will lecture on **Common Pathology and Conditions of Feedlot Cattle**

Dr. Milton McAllister, a board-certified veterinary pathologist at the University Of Illinois College Of Veterinary Medicine. will follow with a talk on **Calfhood Diseases**, with a special focus on important protozoal diseases.

The symposium will conclude with a group discussion of challenging case scenarios to reinforce the important diagnostic principles of the day. Participants will receive not only a complete syllabus for the seminar, but also a copy of Cornell University Professor of Pathology John M. King’s "**The Necropsy Book**", now in its fourth edition, replete with tips on conducting necropsies in ruminants and other domestic species.

**TUITION:** 100 Argentine pesos includes syllabus, break refreshments, and a copy of the Necropsy Book

For more information on this course, contact Course Director Dr. Eduardo Gimeno at eogimeno@fcv.unlp.edu or visit: [http://www.cldavis.org/courses/upcoming.html#76](http://www.cldavis.org/courses/upcoming.html#76)
The Department of Microbiology, Immunology & Pathology, CSU, is pleased to host the 2008 Primate Pathology Workshop, to be held Saturday 13th – Sunday 14th September, at the CSU main campus, Fort Collins, CO.

Program.
Saturday 13th September: introduction to and overviews of major infectious disease studies and programs at MIP/CSU (incl. FIV, prion diseases, tuberculosis, highly pathogenic avian influenza and other “select agents”).
Sunday 14th September: non-human primate pathology case presentations.

As in the past, any interested is invited to present material from any interesting non-human primate case(s). Presentations are oral accompanied by visual aids. Presentations are anticipated to be 12-15 minutes long, depending on the final number of registered presentations. Submission deadline for cases is 1st July, 2008. Registration deadline for non-presenting participants is 1st August, 2008.

The registration fee is US$50.00, which should be send as a check issued to Colorado State University (with a memo indicating PPW2008).

The Primate Pathology Workshop 2008 Registration Form (please print out entire page and send to address below.

Name: ____________________________ ____________________________
Institution: ______________________________________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________________________________
Phone: ________ E-mail: __________________________________________

Slides: For each case, please submit (i) 60 slides with cover-slipped H&E sections, (ii) a page detailing signalment and a short, pertinent history, and (iii) a separate page with description of the lesion(s), diagnosis, discussion, and references (if applicable).

Send the registration/submission form, registration-fee, slides, and case information to:

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Cytology for the Anatomic Pathologist and “High-Speed” Practitioner

DATE: 14-15 May 2008
LOCATION: University of Sao Paolo, Sao Paolo, Brazil

PROGRAM DIRECTOR:
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Dr. Donald Meuten, DVM and Dr. Mary Anna Thrall, DVM bring their heralded two-day cytolgy workshop to as a pre-conference workshop to ONCOVET V. This short course and wet lab is designed for the pathologist or skilled clinical practitioner that wants to acquire or expand their skills in diagnostic cytolgy. The lectures in this symposium and workshop include the general approach to evaluating cytolgic preparations, recognition of various preparation artifacts, and the interpretation of a wide array of specimens including inflammatory and infectious lesions, neoplasms, and bone marrow, as well as tips on crafting an appropriate written description for a cytolgic specimen. A portion of the program will consist of projection of actual cytolgic slides with real-time interpretation and a group discussion led by the faculty. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own interesting cases for review and group discussion. Drs. Meuten and Thrall have presented this symposium at a number of venues both for clinicians and pathologists alike, to rave reviews.

A sampling of reviews from their cytolgy workshop at the 2006 ACVP meeting in Tucson:

- "This was the best symposium I have ever attended! Kudos to the planners and the speakers"
- "Both presenters gave excellent presentations—easy to follow and full of practical tips."
- "A great presentation given with the insight that only true professionals can impart. A pleasure to attend"
- "Great presentations: didactic, entertaining, practical and useful"
- "A great double act!...LOVED the point-counterpoint repartee between Don and Mary Anna. Made talk much more fun and interesting."

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For more info and registration, visit: http://www.obrovet.org.br
8th Annual C.L. Davis Diagnostic Pathology Symposium 
Gastrointestinal Pathology 

**Faculty:**
- Matti Kiupel
- Fabio del Piero
- Glen Songer
- Roger Maes

**Topics:**
- Diagnosis and Pathogenesis of Enteric Bacterial Diseases
- Gastrointestinal Pathology of Horses, Cattle, Swine, Dogs, and Cats
- Diagnosis of Viral Enteric Disease

Given in association with the 51st Annual Meeting of the AAVLD
October 24, 2008 - Greensboro, NC

Tuition: $125 includes CD of presentations, breaks, and 8 hours of RACE-accredited CE.

For more information, visit [http://www.cldavis.org/upcoming_meetings.html](http://www.cldavis.org/upcoming_meetings.html)
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significant risk coming for the day, which is very humbling for me. It really brings home the point of how valued the Foundation is around the world."

As anyone who has been watching the international news knows, Baghdad (and the International Zone, where he worked) has been the focus of artillery and rocket attacks for the last several weeks, including the time that Dr. Williams was there. "Baghdad is always an interesting experience for me. This particular trip was different in that the hospital I was at was actually a target - over a four day period, we got hit by mortars three times. But the hospital is a reinforced building, and the unit I was with - the 86th CSH – is made up of the most professional soldiers that I have ever worked with. They did their jobs without even giving the danger a second thought. When you are with people as dedicated and professional as that, the possibility of any problems seems extremely remote." Like the rest of the members of the hospital, Dr. Williams bunked inside hospital at night for protection from rocket attacks.

Dr. Williams hopes to return next year, if the situation allows. "The Foundation has always had members in Iraq, and we have not forgotten them. Several veterinary schools, including the University of Baghdad continue to receive Foundation educational materials. Their enthusiasm for continuing education of any type has touched me deeply. We will definitely be going back.”

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Memories of Dublin

Top row, left: What better way to spend a rainy cold night in Dublin? Middle: A large and enthusiastic crowd at UCD. Right: Joe Kennedy makes fast work of a calf necropsy. Second row, left: The statute of Molly McGuire, one of the most famous sites in Dublin. Middle: What is the going rate for a Paul Stromberg autograph on the open market?! Right: A touching memorial to the women and children of the Magdalene Laundries graces a bench on St. Stephen’s Green. Third row, left: Drs. Raymond and Scott share a light moment with our host extraordinaire, Dr. Sean Callanan (thanks for everything, Sean!) Middle: How can you visit Dublin and not the world-famous Guinness Brewery!!! Bottom row, left: Paul can’t be tired, he hasn’t done anything yet!! Middle: A handful of the estimated half a million revelers taking in the parade on St. Patrick’s Day in Dublin.