Graduate Students Excel at Annual Meeting of Pathologists

The Department was well represented at the Annual Meeting of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists and American Society for Veterinary Clinical Pathology in Savannah, Georgia November 10-14th. The faculty, staff, and students helped organize the meeting and numerous students were recipients of awards. Dr. Matthew Buccellatto was awarded the Harold W. Casey Scholarship Award that annually recognizes an outstanding individual training in pathology and striving to achieve ACVP certification. Drs. Mary Carsillo and Stacey Fossey were recipients of travel awards to help defray costs associated with attending the meeting. Young Investigator Awards were given to Dr. Tzu-Yin Lin (Toxicologic Pathology), Dr. Gillian Beamer (Experimental Pathology) and Dr. Stacey Fossey (Experimental Pathology). These awards are given at the ACVP Annual Meeting to young investigators, primarily veterinarians in pathology training programs, with the highest quality abstracts and poster presentations on experimental or naturally occurring disease. Dr. Tzu-Yin Lin also was awarded an American Society of Clinical Pathology Young Investigator Award for her oral presentation. Dr. Stacey Fossey became a three time awardee when she received a Christopher T. Starost Memorial Oncology Scholarship for her outstanding written and verbal skills demonstrated during her poster presentation. Finally, Dr. Christopher Premanandan was recognized with a CL Davis Foundation Award, which recognizes outstanding efforts by veterinary pathology residents or graduate student who exhibits advanced scholarship, diagnostic skills or other forms of academic excellence in veterinary pathology or veterinary clinical pathology. Numerous other faculty members served as committee, session, or program chairs for the meeting or served during the meeting in leadership positions. Collectively, the contributions of the participants illustrated why our Department is considered one of the best in the nation in the disciplines of veterinary pathology and veterinary clinical pathology. Congratulations to all involved!
Events and Programs

Save the Date!  **Department Holiday Party** – **Friday, December 14**th from 2 - 5 pm at the Buckeye Hall of Fame Café. Remember to turn in sign up sheets to Elaine Bletz, 101 Goss Lab. **Reminder:** Offices are closed for the Holiday December 24 and 25.

**Wellness Tip: Get Ahead for the Holidays!** When it comes to buying gifts, don’t go it alone. Team up with a family member and brainstorm together. You’ll be more likely to give a well thought out gift and avoid last minute shopping. Stock the freezer with easy-to-make meals. Send Christmas postcards early. Create your own centerpiece. Fill a simple glass jar or bowl with multiples of the same fruit, nut or ornament.

**Outreach Grants Available:** Each Winter Quarter nearly $400,000 in grants is made available to faculty and staff to support their outreach and engagement work. Apply at [http://outreachgrants.osu.edu/](http://outreachgrants.osu.edu/) starting December 1.

**Selected Recent Grants/Publications/Presentations/Awards/Appointments**

- **Dr. Kathy Boris-Lawrie** was a speaker and session chair at the 8th Annual Symposium on Antiviral Drug Resistance: HIV-1 Targets and Mechanisms in Richmond, VA November, 2007. **Surender Kumar** will receive the Young Investigator Award at the Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI) in Boston, MA. The conference will be held February 3-6, 2008.

- **Jesse Kwiek**, PI, **Mary Jo Burkhard**, Co-PI. 12/1/07-11/30/09. Pilot Research Grant, Public Health Preparedness for Infectious Diseases (PHPID). “Do placental viral sequestration and changes in toll-like receptor expression promote HIV-1 mother-to-child transmission in Malawi?”

- Howard KE, **Burkhard MJ**. Mucosal challenge with cell-associated or cell-free FIV induces rapid and distinctly different patterns of phenotypic change in the mucosal and systemic immune systems. *Immunology*, 122:571-83, 2007.


**Staff Profile: Lisa Wilkosz**

Meet Ms. Lisa Wilkosz our Department Fiscal Officer. Her job duties include reconciling all OSU accounts, supervising procard usage and overlooking all billings for services provided by VBS Department laboratories. Lisa has worked at OSU for 29 years and has been in VBS for 22 years. She’s an OSU alumnus and is currently attending Columbus State Community College to study for her real estate appraisal license. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her two children and her two cats. Thanks for all your contributions to the Department, Lisa!

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