



FOUNDATION: Annual Report

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The ACLAM Foundation Committee is pleased to make this report. Please encourage our colleagues to join you as donors to the Foundation.

A. Grants Management

A1. Results

Our Scientific Director summarized the first decade of ACLAM supported research grants. The Foundation has invested slightly over \$1 million in 57 research studies. Investigative teams from 33 institutions have received awards. Of the 57 projects, thirty-eight (38) grants were awarded to institutions with ACLAM training programs and most of the projects had an ACLAM boarded veterinarian working on the team or serving as the PI.

Many of the projects are still active or in process of publication but the following results are complete. ACLAM grantees have 38 poster presentations, 23 oral presentations, and 39 publications in peer reviewed journals. Several more publications are in press or being prepared for submission, so these numbers are steadily increasing. In addition, five (5) NIH funded grants that have been awarded to grantees using the ACLAM Foundation studies as the preliminary data for their NIH funding.

The Foundation Committee members credit both our donors and grantees for their generosity and research expertise. ACLAM members and the ACLAM BOD have provided personal and organization money to make this success possible.

A2. Grant Making in 2006

Twelve (12) proposals were received in response to the Special RFP for rodent housing density (to be funded by a gift from GlaxoSmithKline). Following review, the award was made to:

Joy Mench, PhD, University of California, Davis \$34,313
“Effects of cage size and enrichment on three strains of laboratory mice”.

The goal is to provide data that can be used for successfully defining cage density and the effects of enrichment on mouse well being.

In the 2006 grant cycle, 52 investigators submitted research letters of intent that were accepted for review. Eighteen (18) PI's submitted full research proposals for review. ACLAM awarded five (5) grants:



1. With assistance from AALAS and AAALAC International,
Mark B Kristal, State University of New York at Buffalo \$22,340
“Developing a metric for comparing analgesic efficacy in algisiometric testing with postsurgical pain relief”
The goal of the study is to assess the minimum amount of buprenorphine necessary to normalize acute postsurgical pain.
2. With assistance of GlaxoSmithKline,
James D. Macy, Yale University \$25,000
“Strategies for MPV screening”
The goals are to develop a large-scale PCR-based strategy for detection of MPV in mouse colonies and to define potential fomites in cages.
3. The 2006 Henry & Lois Foster Grant,
Susan R. Compton, Yale University \$24,998
“Murine norovirus pathogenesis and transmissibility”
The goals are to examine the pathogenesis of and transmission of norovirus in immunocompetent and immunodeficient mice.
4. Peter C. Smith, Yale University \$25,000
“Mouse Parvovirus: Effects of immune status and pregnancy on duration and potential reactivation of viral shedding.”
The goals of the study are to compare the duration of MPV infection in immunocompetent and immunodeficient mice and to examine the effect of pregnancy on the duration and transmission of MPV.
5. ER Griffin Research Foundation Award,
Fiona Clair Hankenson, University of Pennsylvania \$24,069
“Survey of vaccination programs and tuberculosis screening for personnel in laboratory animal research facilities”
The project will measure objective differences in process and outcomes of hazard identification and risk assessments used in laboratory animal workplace environments for naturally occurring zoonotic and experimentally infectious agents.

A3. Grant Making 1997-2006 – Total of the 57 awards - \$1,037,000.

As stated above, this is the 10th year ACLAM has made research awards – averaging almost 6 grants per year with an average of over \$100,000 per year.

B. Fund Raising

B1. 2006 Alumni competition results through September

- #1 Avg. \$/Donor (All Gifts with Pledges) – Auburn (2nd place – Ontario)
- #1 Avg. \$/Donor (All Gifts) – Georgia (2nd – Auburn)
- #1 President’s Circle Members – Ohio State & Pennsylvania (tie at 11)
- #1 High % Donors/Graduates – Oregon State



[Note: While not on top by average, graduates of The Ohio State have donated a breathtaking \$68,000 (\$110,000 with pledges).

B2. Fund Raising Results in 2006

	Year to Date	Pledges
Endowment	14,100	31,300
Restricted	19,000	17,000
Unrestricted	73,400	213,600
Totals	106,500	261,900

These numbers are similar to last year. Once again, the Foundation Committee members want to acknowledge the ongoing ACLAM allocation for Foundation operating expenses.

This year, the President's Circle for Sustained Giving reached 101 members (so many joined at the Forum that we ran out of gold ACLAM pins).

Conclusion:

The ACLAM Foundation continues to award important research grants and advanced a culture of philanthropy within the College. Our Committee members welcome your thoughts and opinions on any part of this report.