President’s Message
A Message from the President of ACLAM

Fellow Diplomates:

The College continues to make progress in the missions that I have outlined in previous Newsletters. This has involved a continued effort on the part of Diplomates throughout the College who have given unselfishly of their time to advance the activities of the College. There is a tremendous amount of talent and enthusiasm in the College which has been reflected in the various ACLAM committees. It will not be long before our President-Elect, Jim Swearengen, will need to make appointments to these committees to replace members that are rotating off. He has asked me to convey to the Diplomates his interest in hearing from each of you as to your interests and willingness to serve on College committees of your choice. I have attached a list of committees and committee members to this message to assist you in considering the opportunities that are available. Please convey to Jim your interest as soon as possible.

We continue to make progress in the long process of standardizing and validating our exam content and improving the legal defensibility of our exam. As part of that process, we are reviewing through survey of the entire College, the knowledge and tasks that define us as laboratory animal veterinarians. The Role Delineation Document survey was extended to permit more participation and will remain open through September. I urge you to participate in the survey if you have not already done so. The RDD is our guiding document for our training program curriculum, and serves as a “blueprint” for our certifying examination.

The changes in our examination which were initiated with the 2006 examination have resulted in standardization of the exam in content, difficulty and alignment with the RDD. We continue to explore factors that would enhance the pass rate. Following this year’s examination, we added 19 new Diplomates to the College. In the same time period, 18 Diplomates have requested retirement status and one Diplomate has died. This has resulted in no net gain in the number of active Diplomates in the College. This year we had approximately 80 candidates sit for the examination, but had only a 24 percent pass rate on the written portion of the examination and a 54 percent pass rate on the practical examination. These results are similar to the pass rates on the 2006 examination, and are also similar to pass rates experienced periodically during the past 20 years. For example, in 1977 and 1979 the overall pass rate was 21%. As late as 1992, the pass rate for the written has been as low as 38% and the practical as low as 50%. Clearly, we had hoped that a larger percent of the candidates would have passed the examination with the standardization
processes, but our activities have been focused on standardizing and validating the exam to eliminate swings in difficulty from year to year. This has been achieved. The lower than desired pass rate this year has led to considerable discussion regarding the examination and additional actions by the College that could assist in increasing the numbers of candidates who achieve certification. Among the many items to discuss and decide is what the acceptable passing range should be. There are many variables that could impact the passing rate including the changes in the examination process, the examination content, candidate preparation, Diplomate review, as well as a number of other factors. The COC has undertaken the challenge of collecting and analyzing data associated with the past two years in which the examination was administered and comparing this data to previous years in which the examination was held. This analysis will be completed by the time of the National AALAS Meeting in October. Since this issue should be of substantial interest to all Diplomates of the College, the BOD has arranged a separate “Town Meeting” that will be held from 1 to 3 PM on Sunday, October 14, in order to review the findings of the COC and discuss issues and concerns involving the examination as well as the certification process. (A separate business meeting is scheduled in which other College business will be discussed.) For those Diplomates who cannot attend this “town meeting”, a summary of the information assembled by the COC and the results of the discussion will be provided following the AALAS meeting. Many Diplomates may have questions regarding this issue, and the BOD encourages them to submit those questions to Mel Balk prior to the AALAS meeting so that we can cover as many of these questions as possible in an initial presentation before opening up the floor for discussion. It is important to understand that this is an opportunity for all to participate in the certification process and will allow an open forum for discussion by all those in attendance. Background material will be presented by the COC to help those who have not been directly involved in the examination process and other aspects of certification to gain a clear understanding of the issues at hand. It is important that the College move forward based on an analysis of the data available if the College is to continue to improve the certification process.

We have initiated the process of a second application submission/review deadline and have received applications for review by the Credentials Committee in August. This early review of applications will allow candidates the opportunity to revise their application and reapply to sit for the examination by making the necessary changes and resubmitting by the December deadline if there are deficiencies that can be corrected by that time.

Through the efforts of Terri Clark, Lesley Colby and others, meetings of training program directors have been initiated. A brief meeting occurred at the 2007 Forum and another meeting will be held on Sunday at the 2007 National AALAS Meeting following our town meeting. These meetings are designed to exchange ideas and training approaches as well as to discuss issues of mutual concern. With 40 training programs currently recognized by ACLAM, meetings such as these will help to improve candidate preparation for those seeking certification through the training program route. In a slightly different vein, the BOD has begun to work with the LABSG (Laboratory Animal Boards Study Group) to reach out to all candidates preparing for certification. The resources developed by this group of dedicated individuals are useful learning tools not only for those preparing for the certification, but also to others interested in the field as well as
Diplomates interested in updating and challenging their knowledge in a variety of technical areas.

In an effort to increase the coordination and emphasis on the training and recruitment activities of ACLAM, the Board has approved the formation of a Careers and Training Oversight Committee that will be charged with the oversight and coordination of efforts in these areas. This committee will define and prioritize activities, explore and recommend mechanisms for developing funding both internally and externally to support these activities, and coordinate the overall efforts of ACLAM in these areas. Additional details regarding this committee and the directions that it will take will be presented to the membership at the ACLAM business meeting at the 2007 National AALAS Meeting as well as in the Newsletter.

The third of ACLAM’s mission’s continues to progress through its membership in IACLAM. As you will recall, the International Association of Colleges of Laboratory Animal Medicine is composed of ACLAM, ECLAM, JCLAM and KCLAM representing the US, Europe, Japan and Korea. Similar organizations that are forming in Mexico and/or South America may become eligible for membership in IACLAM in the future. It is through this body that ACLAM has gained representation on the international scene through the World Veterinary Association, the OIE and other international bodies that directly impact laboratory animal medicine and science on a global basis. IACLAM has been recognized by the World Veterinary Association for its expertise in matters associated with laboratory animal medicine and is participating in that body’s international meeting. Members of IACLAM have also been invited to participate as regional specialists in an OIE working group that will explore laboratory animal welfare standards on a global basis. It is the OIE’s intention to develop guidance in this area which will be applicable to all participating countries. The OIE publishes standards for animal health in its Terrestrial Animal Health Code which is regularly updated. This publication serves as the basis for international standards for health and diagnostic measures. It is likely that similar standards will be propagated for laboratory animal welfare in the future. The College also currently holds representation with the International Air Transport Association and participates through individual members in the Air Transport Association and other groups interested in animal transportation on a national and international basis.

As the College moves forward, IACLAM and in particular ACLAM will need to better understand the demographics of the College with respect to the expertise of its Diplomates as well as the segments of the field of laboratory animal medicine that they are employed in and their educational background. This will be important if the College is to take a leadership role both nationally and internationally in developing standards for animal care and use and/or the basis for interpretation of scientific data used to support those standards. In order to obtain that information, you will soon be invited to respond to a 20 question (multiple choice/fill in the blank) questionnaire that is designed to provide the necessary information to the College in order for it to characterize itself in terms of expertise in specific areas. No specific diplomate identifying information will be shared outside of the College, but it will be used within the College by the BOD to invite your advice and participation in these global activities in the future. Members will be given multiple opportunities to provide this information that is critical to the success of the College in its establishment as a global resource of expertise in laboratory animal medicine and science.

Elections are upon us and by the end of September we should have elected a new
Vice President and two new Board members. Plans are underway for the 2008 Forum which will be held in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina April 14 through April 17. Pierre Conti has agreed to chair the Forum for Life and Andrew Wilkinson will be chairing the Forum Committee. Additional information will be forthcoming at the business meeting held at the National AALAS Meeting.

Finally, I want to express my appreciation to all the committees and individuals who have undertaken this year the many difficult tasks needed to make ACLAM successful and to fulfill our organizational goals. As President I have come to appreciate the commitment and sacrifices that everyone has made over the past year. With increasing work pressures and multiple commitments, ACLAM is truly fortunate that its Diplomates have placed very high priority on ACLAM activities. We are all committed to seeing the organization succeed and to increase the number of Diplomates available to undertake the difficult tasks presented to biomedical research. As ACLAM expands its activities and responsibilities both within the College and externally, I am confident that our membership will continue to volunteer to shoulder these responsibilities and to do it enthusiastically.

Best regards,

Bill White
President, American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine

Letters to the Editor

AVMA Council on Communications At Large Position

Dear fellow ACLAM Diplomates:

I am pleased to report that I have been elected as a member of the AVMA Council on Communications due to your support. There are 7 AVMA councils. They are: Judicial, Education, Research, Biological and Therapeutic Agents, Public Health and Regulatory Veterinary Medicine, Veterinary Service, and Communications. It was an interesting process. First, I needed to be nominated by either a state veterinary medical association or a constituent organization recognized by the AVMA. Laboratory animal veterinarians are represented by the American Society of Laboratory Animal Practitioners (ASLAP). ASLAP is a constituent organization recognized by the AVMA and I thank Peggy Danneman and ASLAP for their nomination. The next step was the campaign process.

In order to launch an effective campaign, one must contact all of the delegates either via phone, e-mail and/or letter. This of course takes time and money and effective management. Darlene Brown, ASLAP coordinator, was instrumental in putting together the initial application to AVMA. She assembled the brochures and mailed them to each and every delegate. This was particularly difficult due to the various time constraints that we needed to meet each deadline. Dr. Susan Stein Cook and Dr. Muriel Slattum, the ASLAP delegates to the AVMA, provided the names and addresses of the delegates and advice. They were extremely knowledgeable about the process itself. AVMA members are elected to a position on a council by the AVMA House of Delegates (HOD). This process requires the candidates to get the backing of organizations within the HOD. Another individual that was helpful was Dr. Taylor Bennett who was advisory to the campaign and an avid supporter. Other supporters were Dr. Larry Kornegay, AVMA District VIII director, his wife Dr. Chris Kornegay, Texas VMA delegate, and Dr. Chip Price, Louisiana VMA delegate. The day prior to the vote, I and all of the council candidates gave a 2-minute speech in front of the HOD. Financial support was provided by ACLAM. Dr. Marge Landi wrote a grant to provide financial support to ACLAM diplomates who wish to
become active in the AVMA. ACLAM funding provided for mailing the brochures, the application, creating the many copies needed and other expenses.

I wish to thank all of the named individuals, the ACLAM BOD and all of the others that have participated in this campaign. It’s quite a daunting affair and yet it has only just begun. The commitment is a full 6 years and involves at least 2 meetings/year at the AVMA headquarters. I wish to thank everyone for their support and I hope to encourage others to become involved in the AVMA process.

Suzanne Craig, DVM, DACLAM
AVMA Council on Communications
Associate Professor
MD Anderson Cancer Center

ACLAM Announcements
New Diplomates 2007

The Board of Directors voted 19 new Diplomates into the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine on July 15, 2007 after successfully completing the certification examination. The new Diplomates are: **Drs: Kenneth Allen**, Milwaukee, WI, **Sarah Allison**, Urbana, IL, **David Chu**, Sunnyvale, CA, **Kenneth Despain**, Laurel, MD, **Robin Kastenmayer**, Germantown, MD, **Greg Lawson**, Woodland Hills, CA, **Kirk Maurer**, Randolph, MA, **Alyssa McIntyre**, Andover, NJ, **Katherine Naff**, Houston, TX, **Harshan Pisharath**, Owings Mills, MD, **Richard Rockar**, Richboro, PA, **Robert Rose**, North Richland Hills, TX, **Larry Shelton**, Silver Spring, MD, **Paul Sikoski**, Winston-Salem, NC, **Janet Simpson**, Columbia, MO, **Jeremy Smedley**, Rockville, MD, **Danielle Springer**, Washington, DC, **Julie Stephens-DeValle**, Evans, GA and **Jeffrey Wimsatt**, Barboursville, VA. Congratulations and welcome to ACLAM!

Candidates Wanted: AALAS Officers & District Trustees

The American Association for Laboratory Animal Science is seeking candidates for Vice-President Elect, District Trustees and Alternate District Trustees. If you or someone you know wants a role in the leadership of a National Organization, please contact Bob Bentzinger, Nominations Chair at (908) 996-6410 or email bbentzinger@ssponline.com. You may also contact Ann Turner at (901) 754-8620 in the National AALAS office or visit www.aalas.org for more information.

ACLAM Awards Solicitation

The ACLAM Awards Committee is soliciting nominations for the following four awards: **Nathan R. Brewer Career Achievement Award in Laboratory Animal Medicine**, **Comparative Medicine Scientist Award**, **Mentor Award**, and **Honorary Diplomate**. The nomination criteria can be found on the ACLAM website. Please submit your nominations electronically to MBalk@wyeth.com for distribution to the Awards Committee. Complete nomination packets must be submitted prior to January 15, 2008. Awardees will receive the recognition at the 2008 ACLAM Forum. Additional information may be sought from the current chairman of the Awards Committee: swindlem@musc.edu.
**Nathan R. Brewer Career Achievement Award in Laboratory Animal Medicine**

**Existing or Proposed:** Existing

**Eligibility**
ACLAM Diplomates only

**Achievement**
Rare and exceptional contributions to the field of laboratory/comparative medicine, which have accrued over the bulk of the professional career of a Diplomate. Contributions of a scale that would be obvious to the casual ACLAM observer. Contributions are widely recognized and accepted within ACLAM.

**Frequency/Number**
No fixed schedule. Based strictly on merit-based nominations, but expected to be once every one to three years.

**Career Stage**
Post-retirement, or post retirement age.

**Group or Individual:** Individual

**Nomination Criteria and Process**
1) Meets eligibility, achievement and career stage descriptions
2) Letter of nomination with at least five non-diplomate letters seconding the nomination

**Selecting Entity/Process**
Unanimous vote of a convened meeting of the BOD, after recommendation from the Awards Committee.

**Presentation Venue and Award**
Presented during ACLAM Forum at Awards Banquet

**Communication**
AVMA, Comparative Medicine and other Journals as appropriate. Press release for awardee’s local press, alumni institutions, employer.

**ACLAM Mentor Award**

**Existing or Proposed:** Existing

**Eligibility**
Senior level Diplomate of ACLAM

**Achievement**
This award would recognize individuals who have contributed substantially to the membership of ACLAM in terms of mentoring postdoctoral fellows, graduate students or junior level ACLAM Diplomates. Mentoring could be in areas of research, board certification, technical training, or administrative duties. Examples include:
1. Having been a director of a training program whose trainees have gone on to become leaders in our field
2. Recognition as a leader in the field through other awards such as the Griffin Award, Charles River Prize, AVMA/ASLAP Research Award, and other AALAS and AVMA awards
3. Having held leadership positions in ACLAM, ASLAP, AALAS, and AVMA
4. Provided training programs or workshops at major meetings or institutions which have been instrumental in the training of laboratory animal veterinarians
5. Publication of books, manuscripts or training manuals which have been instrumental in the development of laboratory animal veterinarians

**Frequency/Number**
This award could be given annually to 1-3 eligible individuals. It is not necessarily an annual award.

**Career Stage:** Late to Retirement

**Group or Individual:** Individual

**Nomination Criteria and Progress**
1) Meets eligibility, career stage and achievement criteria
2) Letter of nomination with at least five letters seconding the nomination, all from Diplomates

**Selecting Entity/Process**
Unanimous vote of a convened meeting of the BOD, after recommendations of the Awards Committee.

**Presentation Venue and Award**
Plaque presented at ACLAM Forum Awards Banquet

**Communication**
Scientific society of awardees’ choice, Comparative Medicine and other Journals as appropriate. Press release for awardee’s local press, alumni institutions, employer.

**ACLAM Comparative Medicine Scientist Award**

**Existing or Proposed:** Existing

**Eligibility**
Full-time, doctoral level scientist, Diplomate or non-Diplomate, a significant portion of whose work is directly relevant to animal-based comparative medicine

**Achievement**
This would be ACLAM’s highest award for scientific achievement for outstanding contributions (research publications, reviews, book chapters, lectures) in comparative medicine. Contribution should be body of work over a period of time (5-20 years) and have had a significant impact on the field of animal-based biomedical research. The award should be recognized and accepted by Diplomates and non-diplomates working in the awardees’ field.

**Frequency/Number**
No fixed schedule. Based strictly on merit-based nominations, but expected to be once every one to three years.

**Career Stage:** Mid to late

**Group or Individual:** Individual

**Nomination Criteria and Process**
1) Meets eligibility, achievement and career stage descriptions
2) Letter of nomination from a Diplomate with at least five non-diplomate letters seconding the nomination

**Selecting Entity/Process**
Majority vote of a convened meeting of the BOD, after recommendations of the Awards Committee.

**Presentation Venue and Award**
Plaque presented during ACLAM Forum at Awards Dinner

**Communication**
Scientific society of awardees’ choice, Comparative Medicine and other Journals as appropriate. Press release for awardee’s local press, alumni institutions, employer.
ELIGIBILITY
Honorary membership may be bestowed on individuals, not necessarily veterinarians, who have made outstanding contributions to the specialty of laboratory animal medicine.

ACHIEVEMENT
The primary criteria of selection should be based on specific acts or achievements, which have made a significant contribution to the field of laboratory animal medicine. Those awarded this honor can be expected to continue such contributions and further enhance the prestige of the College.

FREQUENCY/NUMBER
Honorary membership should be bestowed when the accomplishments of an individual so merit; it is not an annual award.

CAREER STAGE
Election of an individual should not be based on specific academic degree status, age, race, ethnic background, nationality, sex, or other similar factors.

GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL
Individual

NOMINATION CRITERIA AND PROCESS
Nominations may be made at any time by a Diplomate in good standing. Nominations will be forwarded to the President (who will forward to the Awards Committee) and contain the following: A letter clearly stating the specific acts or achievements of the individual being nominated and how such have made a significant contribution to the field of laboratory animal medicine; letters from five in good standing to second the nomination, again referring to specific acts or achievements; CV of the individual being nominated. Examples of criteria are listed below:

--ADMINISTRATION OF INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
To include Training; Occupational Health and Safety; Regulatory Medicine; IACUC or Veterinary Responsibilities; Public Outreach, Education, and Advocacy.

--ANIMAL ENVIRONMENT, HOUSING, AND MANAGEMENT
To include Behavioral Management and Research; Animal Resource and Personnel management.

--VETERINARY MEDICAL CARE
To include Preventive Medicine; Diagnostics; Clinical care; Alleviation of Pain and Distress; Anesthesia and Analgesia.

--FACILITIES DESIGN/ENGINEERING OF ANIMAL FACILITIES
To include unique improvements in the design and function of animal facilities.

--EXPERIMENTAL MEDICAL SCIENCES/COMPARATIVE MEDICAL SCIENCES/SCIENCE
To include Animal Model Development in Scientific Areas; Pathology; Animal Alternatives.

SELECTING ENTITY/PROCESS
The President upon receiving the completed nomination will forward the packet to the Awards Committee for review and recommendation. A unanimous vote of the BOD is necessary for election to honorary membership.

PRESENTATION VENUE AND AWARD
Presented during the ACLAM Forum at the Awards Dinner.

COMMUNICATION
Scientific society of awardee’s choice, Comparative Medicine and other journals as appropriate. Press release for awardee’s institution, local press alumni institutions/employer.
Newsletter Policy

The Newsletter is published 4X per year:
• March: Pre Forum
• June: Pre AVMA
• Sep: Pre AALAS
• Dec: Post AALAS and Pre Pre Forum

The readers of the ACLAM Newsletter are veterinarians board certified in laboratory animal medicine. If the ad for a veterinary position requiring board certification in this specialty, the Newsletter is an appropriate place to advertise. Ad content should be submitted within the body of a plain text email or as a MS Word attachment and formatted into the following sections:
• Job Title (short position title)
• Applications (how applicants are to apply)
• Position (100-150 word description of the position)
• Requirements (qualifications, etc.)
• Employer Information (additional information about the employer (EEO etc.))

Please also include a contact name and address for billing purposes. You will be billed after the publication date of the Newsletter. The deadline for submission is two weeks prior to the publication date. The ad will be posted on the ACLAM website for approximately 90 days within a few days of submission.

The Position segment of each ad will appear in the ACLAM Newsletter referring the reader to the ACLAM website for the full text of the ad.

The cost to place an ad in the NL and post it on the ACLAM Website for 3 months will be $500 for For profit Companies and $250 for not-for profits such as Universities and the Government.

Position announcements will remain on the web for 3 months. If an organization wishes to extend the posting for an additional 3 months, it will be charged a second fee.

The rate for ACLAM mailing labels is:
$1,000 for profits (a cost of $1.60 per targeted name)
$500 for Not for Profits (the same as ASLAP’s new rate), a cost of $0.80 per targeted name.

ACLMers on the Rise
AAVMC Elects Officers and Directors
Dr. James Fox Named President-elect

July 27, 2007
The Association of American Veterinary Colleges (AAVMC) elected officers and directors at their summer meeting, held in conjunction with the annual convention of the American Veterinary Medical Association in Washington, DC. Dr. James Fox, Director of the Division of Comparative Medicine and
Professor in the Division of Biological Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was named president-elect. Dr. Fox is a diplomate and a past president of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine, and past chairman of the NIH/NCRR Comparative Medicine Study Section. Dr. Fox was recently elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences, and is a member of ILAR Council of the National Academy of Sciences. He is also an Adjunct Professor at the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University and the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

Educational Opportunities

Laboratory Animal Medicine Postdoctoral Fellowship
Department of Molecular and Comparative Pathobiology
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

The Johns Hopkins Department of Molecular and Comparative Pathobiology is accepting applications for our four-year postdoctoral program in laboratory animal medicine for a veterinarian who wishes to pursue a career as a laboratory animal medicine veterinarian in a research setting. Our program, which is recognized by ACLAM, provides training in laboratory animal medicine in preparation for certification by the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM) and outstanding research training in a positive, mentored environment. Trainees also have the option to pursue a PhD through concurrent enrollment in a graduate program.

Residency in Laboratory Animal Medicine
Department of Molecular and Comparative Pathobiology
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

The Johns Hopkins Department of Molecular and Comparative Pathobiology is accepting applications for our three-year residency program in Laboratory Animal Medicine. The program is recognized by ACLAM and provides outstanding clinical training in laboratory animal medicine as well as scholarly activities to fulfill the requirements for certification by the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM).

Emphasis of the program is on acquiring competence in clinical care, pathology, and diagnostic procedures in laboratory animals through rotations in surgical support and post-operative care, old and new world primate medicine and breeding colony management, and rodent program management. Trainees have the opportunity to undertake mentored research projects with faculty members in Molecular and Comparative Pathology or in other departments of the university. Faculty in Molecular and Comparative Pathobiology conduct research in retrovirology, neuropathology, vascular biology, infectious disease, carcinogenesis, and rodent phenotyping.

Training in Comparative Medicine
University of Rochester Residency, Rochester, NY

The University of Rochester has three openings for a 2 plus-year residency
training program in comparative medicine. Residents may extend the program beyond two years to pursue an MPH or PhD degree. One position begins before January, 2008. Two positions start between July and December, 2008. The program is designed to prepare the qualified applicant for board certification by the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM). The resident experiences supervised clinical and surgical rotations at the AAALAC accredited University of Rochester Animal Resource housing 40,000 animals including mice, rats, rabbits, non-human primates, ferrets, birds and frogs. Additional rotations occur at the AZA-accredited Seneca Park Zoo exhibiting 250 animals including callitrichids, orangutans, elephants, reptiles, amphibians and marine mammals.

Open Positions

Veterinary Clinician

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
NIH, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
Bethesda, MD

The Office of Science and Technology, Laboratory Animal Care and Use Section, NIAMS, NIH, DHHS is seeking an independent and interactive individual for a Staff Scientist who will serve as a Veterinary Clinician for the Intramural Research Program (IRP). The individual will be responsible for providing clinical care in an AAALAC Internationally accredited animal care and use program for support of a growing lab animal research program in the Institute which supports biomedical research on the genetics, etiology, pathogenesis and treatment of a variety of rheumatic, autoimmune, inflammatory, joint, skin and muscle diseases. The regulatory responsibilities of this position require the applicant to hold a veterinary degree (D.V.M., V.M.D., or equivalent degree) with certification or eligibility for board certification in laboratory animal medicine and/or veterinary pathology.

Campus Attending Veterinarian, Vacancy Listing: 7232

University of California, Davis, Davis, CA

The University of California, Davis (UCD) invites applications for the position of Campus Attending Veterinarian. This is a full-time position housed in the office of the Vice Chancellor for Administration. The Campus Attending Veterinarian manages an animal research and teaching program that complies with all federal, state, and local regulations and policies, and is responsible for oversight of the clinical providers of veterinary care at UCD. Specific responsibilities include developing policies and programs to ensure the provision of adequate veterinary care to UCD animals; serving as a member of the campus Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and other relevant committees such as the Biosafety Committee and the Emergency Management Committee; maintaining the campus' AAALAC accreditation; advising campus administration about issues pertaining to animal care and use; providing training in animal care and use to campus personnel and assisting researchers with the development of animal models and research protocols; and, where appropriate, serving as the campus spokesperson on animal care and use issues.
**Director, Laboratory Animal Science**  
*RTI International, Research Triangle Park, NC*

The incumbent will be responsible for providing oversight of clinical care to all research animals, facility operations and management, extensive consulting and liaison with research scientists, serving as a functional resource to IACUC, management of appointed discretionary items in functional budget. They will monitor vendors to assure the adequacy of the health of all animals received within the facilities of the department. This position is expected to collaborate with researchers as needed to provide professional and scientific consultation for selection and development of unique animal models systems for research, testing and production operations in animal facilities under responsibility. They will be expected to incorporate the 3 R’s (Replacement, Refinement and Reduction) in their daily decision-making, conduct of research oriented activities and guidance to research staff. Through their leadership they will encourage innovation, set expectations and hold people accountable for their actions. They will effectively communicate both successes and failures and promote change, where necessary, to more effectively drive for results.

**Clinical Veterinarian**  
*University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI*

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Research Animal Resources Center (RARC) invites applicants for the position of Clinical Veterinarian. This is a full-time, non-tenure track position reporting to the Chief Campus Veterinarian. Responsibilities include providing clinical oversights and veterinary care to research animal species; serving on an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee; assisting faculty and investigative staff with development of animal models and protocol forms; assisting in training programs for investigators, research staff, and animal care staff; assisting units in maintaining and/or achieving AAALAC accreditation; providing surgical, post-operative care, and technical guidance to researchers and animal care units. Primary duties are clinical service to the Medical School, Graduate School (including the Regional Primate Center), the UW School of Veterinary Medicine, Letters & Science and College of Agriculture and Life Sciences as needed.

**Research Veterinary Manager**  
*GlaxoSmithKline, Philadelphia, PA*

The Comparative Biology & Medicine Section (CBM) within the global Department of Laboratory Animal Sciences at GSK is seeking a highly motivated Research Veterinarian to join a team of veterinarians, veterinary technicians and scientists in the Philadelphia area. The CBM group contains veterinarians with specialized training and experience in surgery, biomedical imaging, pathology, transgenic sciences, laboratory animal medicine, and toxicology including ACLAM, ACVP, and ABT diplomates. The Research Veterinarian will provide a program of veterinary and preventative healthcare integrated with specialized veterinary input for animal model development and refinement to support drug discovery and development for a wide range of therapeutic target areas including cardiovascular, urogenital, respiratory, inflammation, and oncology.
Veterinary Clinical Pathologist  
Southern Research Institute, Birmingham, AL

Southern Research has an immediate opportunity for a Veterinary Clinical Pathologist to provide clinical pathology support and appropriate interpretive reports for a wide variety of laboratory animals used on toxicology studies and infectious disease protocols. This position will work in partnership with Study Directors; Primary Investigators and Technical Managers to design, conduct, report and interpret drug safety studies on candidate drug substances. Such activities encompass responsibility for procedural laboratory oversight, assay validation and quality control, clinical pathology data interpretation, report preparation and assessing relevance to human safety; Design and guide novel approaches to understanding mechanisms of toxicity and developing new biomarkers; Participate in project-related assignments and serve as the representative of Department of Laboratory Animal Resources on organization-wide initiatives, which involve drug discovery and infectious disease.

Associate Director, Alamogordo Primate Facility  
Charles River Laboratories, Holloman AFB, NM

Charles River Laboratories is seeking to hire a Laboratory Animal Veterinarian as the Associate Director of the Alamogordo Primate Facility. The APF is a state-of-the-art, AAALAC accredited facility located on the Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico. The successful candidate will join a team of 3 primate veterinarians and 21 veterinary technicians to provide outstanding healthcare for a large population of chimpanzees.

Primary duties will include the diagnosis of disease, treatment of injuries, and occasional surgeries and necropsies on animals that have been previously exposed to infectious diseases. The Assistant Director will also be responsible for the oversight of the animal care program, IACUC activities, compliance with regulatory laws and policies, and the veterinary residency training program.

Clinical Veterinarian, Division of Animal Care  
Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN

The Vanderbilt University Medical Center Division of Animal Care (DAC) is currently seeking a motivated individual for the position of Clinical Laboratory Animal Veterinarian. Responsibilities will include: Provision of medical and surgical care to a large and diverse population of animal species (the majority of which are rodents); Participation in protocol review to maintain conformance to accepted veterinary practices and regulations; Provision of formal and informal training for animal care and research staff utilizing appropriate care and use of research animals; Colony health monitoring; Insuring compliance with all state and federal rules, regulations and guidelines; and Participation in the design and implementation of Standard Operating Procedures for the animal care program.
**Director, Laboratory Animal Science Center**  
*Boston University, Boston MA*

The Laboratory Animal Science Center (LASC) and the Laboratory Animal Care Facility (LACF) are the departments providing veterinary care and housing for all animals used in research and teaching at Boston University’s Medical and Charles River Campuses respectively, as well as Boston Medical Center. The LASC and LACF provide veterinary medical care and husbandry services, assure compliance with laws and regulations concerning the use of animals in research, and give veterinary medical advice to researchers. The Director oversees the entire LASC program. On a daily basis the Director supervises skilled veterinarians, Animal Health Technicians, and husbandry staff. The LASC Director acts as the attending veterinarian for both LASC and LACF programs and supports these activities by developing and implementing effective clinical veterinary care programs. The Director also acts as the Director of Animal Care for the BSL-3 and BSL-4 facilities.

**Senior Veterinarian**  
*Novartis Pharmaceuticals, Inc, East Hanover, NJ*

The US pharmaceuticals affiliate of Swiss drug giant Novartis seeks a Senior Veterinarian. This individual will provide clinical, surgical and other veterinary services as required for all species of research animals used at Novartis. Consult as needed with investigators, staff and others on animal health, information, queries, problems and models. Assist in maintaining compliance with all existing regulations, requirements and standards; including, but not limited to: Departmental SOP’s, Federal (USDA, FDA-GLP), State, Local and AAALACi.

**Director, University Laboratory Animal Resources**  
*The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH*

The Ohio State University seeks an experienced laboratory animal Veterinarian to serve as Director of the University Laboratory Animal Resources (ULAR) and Attending Veterinarian.

This position has fiscal, personnel and facilities management responsibilities for all laboratory animal research and facilities and regulatory responsibility for agricultural animals used in biomedical research and housed outside ULAR facilities. The OSU centralized biomedical animal care program and facilities received initial AAALAC accreditation in 1993, with the most recent re-accreditation in 2007.

Application is due by September 2, 2007 by visiting the University’s career web site at www.jobsatosu.com and searching by requisition #329162. Interested candidates should review the entire posting at ACLAM’s website.

To build a diverse workforce Ohio State encourages applications from individuals with disabilities, minorities, veterans and women. EEO/AA employer.
Senior Research Veterinarian  
*Wyeth, Pearl River, NY*

Outstanding global brands, exciting new products, a rich research pipeline, and the best talent in the world - that’s Wyeth. We currently seek an experienced Laboratory Animal Veterinarian in Pearl River, NY. Selected candidate will be responsible for providing medical care for a variety a laboratory animal species and to help our research scientists discover and develop medicines that will change patients’ lives. They will manage and coordinate the veterinary care aspect of the Animal Care and Use Program, supervise veterinary technologists, and consult with and support investigators in their in vivo endeavors.

Clinical Veterinarian  
*Tulane National Primate Research Center, Covington, LA*

The Tulane National Primate Research Center (TNPRC) has experienced extensive growth to its veterinary resources and research programs and is seeking applications for the position of clinical veterinarian within the Division of Veterinary Medicine to help meet the needs of this expansion. The TNPRC is an AAALAC International accredited facility housing approximately 5,000 nonhuman primates (NHP) of 9 different species. TNPRC’s research program is focused on infectious disease research with a concentration on the study of AIDS.

Responsibilities of the newly created position include general medical and surgical care of breeding colony and research animals, provision of research support, and training of investigators, laboratory animal medicine residents, veterinary students and technicians. The successful candidate will be provided opportunities to participate in the conduct of independent or collaborative clinical research directed toward nonhuman primate medicine and surgery.

Attending Veterinarian and Director, Animal Resources Center  
*University of Texas Southwestern, Dallas, TX*

The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas is seeking an Attending Veterinarian and Director, Animal Resources Center (ARC). The incumbent will supervise three veterinarians and an administrative staff, oversee animal care at the University’s animal housing facilities, and serve on the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee.

The ARC supports a wide variety of biomedical research and training programs at the University and its affiliated hospitals. With over 100 full time animal care staff and an annual budget of approximately 9M, the ARC is one of the largest service units on the campus. The animal care and use program at UT Southwestern Medical Center is registered with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and accredited fully by AAALAC.
Clinical Veterinarian, Division of Laboratory Animal Resources  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

The University of Pittsburgh Division of Laboratory Animal Resources (DLAR) is seeking a full time clinical laboratory animal veterinarian to fill a position as our program expands. Our division oversees a large, diverse AAALAC accredited biomedical research program, currently ranked seventh nationally in NIH funding. Included in the multiple facilities are an active transgenic rodent center, rodent behavioral testing cores, multiple nonhuman primate colonies, and world-renowned transplantation, resuscitation, AIDS, neuroscience and cancer research programs. A new four-floor biomedical research animal facility recently opened in July 2006 and our regional biohazard infectious disease programs and facilities are expanding. In addition, new facilities with NHP capacities are opening in the fall of 2007 and 2008 to expand our program support to our Children’s and Women’s Reproductive research programs. The DLAR staff in FY 2008 is comprised of approximately 132 individuals, including 7 veterinarians and 19 veterinary technicians.

Senior Laboratory Veterinarian  
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Florida State University seeks a senior full-time laboratory animal veterinarian to direct the Program of Laboratory Animal Resources and serve as campus attending veterinarian. Under the auspices of the Vice President for Research, the Director will have oversight responsibility for all animals at both on- and off-campus sites and manage an animal research and teaching program that complies with all federal, state, and local regulations and policies. Specific responsibilities include developing policies and programs to ensure the provision of adequate veterinary care to FSU animals; serving as a member of the campus Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and other relevant committees such as the Biomedical Advisory Committee and the Emergency Management Committee; maintaining the campus’ AAALAC accreditation; advising campus administration about issues pertaining to animal care and use; providing training in animal care and use to campus personnel and assisting researchers with the development of animal models and research protocols; and, where appropriate, serving as the campus spokesperson on animal care and use issues.

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Gulf Coast Consortium Postdoctoral Training Program in Laboratory Animal Medicine
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center (UTMDACC)
Baylor College of Medicine (BCM)
University of Texas Health Science Center-Houston (UTHSC-H)
Charles River, BRF

The Gulf Coast Consortium Postdoctoral Training Program is seeking candidates for postdoctoral training in laboratory animal medicine. The clinical experience and didactic training in laboratory animal medicine, laboratory animal pathology and research prepare candidates for the ACLAM board examination and careers in comparative medicine. This is a unique broad-based ACLAM recognized program that offers an experience within an academic as well as a corporate environment. Additionally there is an opportunity to work with a wide range of species varying from rodents, rabbits, and sheep, to nonhuman primates. There will be exposure to old world as well as new world nhps. The AAALAC accredited facilities are located in Houston, Texas. There are over 23 veterinarians on staff, seven of whom have ACLAM board certification and three have ACVP board certification.

Animal Program Director
Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
National Institutes of Health (NIH)
National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), Bethesda, MD

The incumbent will serve as Animal Program Director with responsibility for animal husbandry, veterinary care, transgenic breeding colony support, research technical support, assistance in the writing of Animal Study Protocols, education and assistance regarding interpretations of animal use regulations, and health and safety policies. As such, the incumbent is responsible for coordinating and supervising all animal care, use, and veterinary services provided in support of NIDA's research mission. Of paramount importance in the conduct of animal research with animal safety and care in mind; thus, the Animal Program Director has responsibility for directing all functions and activities needed to maintain certification by the Association for the Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International (AAALAC International). The incumbent also serves on the NIH Animal Research Advisory Committee (ARAC) and the NIDA Animal Care and Use Committee (ACUC).

International Project Leader-New Product Development
Novartis, Greensboro, NC

Leadership of international development projects and the corresponding International Project Teams (IPTs) to ensure efficient development of new
products with optimum profiles in an aggressive time to market within agreed budget and timelines. Project Leadership and management of International Development Projects. Lead multidisciplinary IPTs, strive for unanimous support of decisions in the IPTs, coach IPT members for optimal project progress. Define and control achievement of critical project milestones. Ensure critical issues are correctly and timely resolved. Develop, update and implement project specific risk portfolios and risk management strategy in order to avoid or minimize impact. Represent IPTs at PMC meetings. Provide support to category to evaluate new candidate product projects offered through R&D and BD&L. Act as IPT delegate or sub-team member if required.

**Director of Animal Care, Faculty of Health Sciences**  
**Queen’s University, Kingston, ON**

This 3-year term appointment is a challenging role for a professional whose knowledge of the biology, husbandry and health of laboratory animal species is combined with sensitivity to animal-care issues. As Director of Animal Care, you will report to the Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences, through the Associate Dean (Research). An excellent communicator, able to liaise with animal-care staff, investigators, research trainees and research/educational support staff, you will provide clinical veterinary services for the care and treatment of animals involved in research and educational programs in the Faculties of Health Sciences, and Arts and Science. As well, you will oversee the operation of animal facilities in the Faculty of Health Sciences, and assist researchers in preparing protocols. In conjunction with the University Veterinarian, you will also provide education and training in the humane use of laboratory animals, as well as implement University policies and maintain national standards regarding the ethical use of animals in research and education.

**Director of Laboratory Animal Resources/Attending Veterinarian**  
**Wright State University, Dayton, OH**

Wright State University seeks and experienced laboratory animal Veterinarian for the position of Director of Laboratory Animal Resources/Attending Veterinarian. Laboratory Animal Resources (LAR) is an AAALAC accredited multi-species centralized animal core research facility supporting the research and educational mission of Wright State University. The Director supervises a highly qualified workforce of professional, technical, and administrative personnel and has overall responsibility for the unit’s operational budget. LAR is administratively located in the Boonshoft School of Medicine and the Director reports to the Associate Dean for Research Affairs and has the primary responsibility for the management, operation, and development of the core facility.

**Director, Office of Laboratory Animal Resources**  
**Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV**

West Virginia University (WVU) is seeking a veterinarian certified as a Diplomate by ACLAM for the position of Director, Office of Laboratory Animal Resources. The Director, as the Attending Veterinarian, will have clinical and managerial
responsibilities for the animal facilities that house a wide-range of research animal species at both the Health Science Center and Arts and Sciences campuses, including a barrier rodent facility. The Director is expected to provide medical and surgical care for the animals housed in these facilities and to advise on colony management and animal health. The position will also require running quality assurance, sentinel, and diagnostic pathology programs. In addition, the Director will participate in planning and implementing the ongoing expansion of animal holding space on the Health Sciences Center campus.

**Director, Lab Animal Resources Center and Attending Veterinarian**  
**Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR**

Oregon State University’s Laboratory Animal Resources Center (LARC) is recruiting for a Director and Attending Veterinarian. This is a full-time, 12-month, fixed-term appointment with renewal at the discretion of the Vice President for Research. The incumbent provides professional leadership and consultation on humane care and use of vertebrate animals used in teaching, research, and testing at the university. As the AV the incumbent provides clinical and diagnostic support for traditional laboratory animals. The University AV is ultimately responsible for the institution’s animal care program and serves on the IACUC to ensure compliance with animal welfare regulations. The AV reviews all animal care and use protocols and assists investigators in determining the most appropriate techniques and treatments to ensure animal welfare. The AV serves as a member of the Institutional Bio-safety Committee (IBC). The AV is expected to be accessible 24hrs/7 days per week/365 days per year.

**Director of Veterinary Medicine**  
**AstraZeneca, Wilmington DE**

This position will oversee research support activities and animal care for CNS Discovery and Safety Assessment. Specific responsibilities include provision of veterinary care for research colony, animal care and use consultation and training, surgical and experimental support and model development for discovery research programs.

Requirements:

- DVM from an AVMA accredited institution and state licensure to practice veterinary medicine
- 5 years of management experience in laboratory animal research programs or in the pharmaceutical industry
- ACLAM board eligibility/certification in laboratory animal medicine is highly desirable
- Strong knowledge of USDA, FDA, OSHA and AAALAC International regulations and knowledge of the international regulatory environment
- Broad knowledge of the use of multiple species in discovery research and safety assessment programs

To apply, please visit [http://www.astrazenecacareers.com/content/careers/careerOpportunites.asp?source=2060869&job_id=1781408&sd=ACLAMn](http://www.astrazenecacareers.com/content/careers/careerOpportunites.asp?source=2060869&job_id=1781408&sd=ACLAMn)
CLEMENT C. DARROW II Clement C Darrow, II, DVM, MPH, Dip ACLAM, 71, born January 26, 1936, St. Joseph, Mo., died Sat. March 3, 2007 in Vero Beach, Fl. He is survived by his daughter Shelli Skeels and her husband Mark, two sons, Clement III and wife Carolyn, and Eric and wife Pam; one grandson Steven and four granddaughters; Jackie, Sydney, Olivia, Faith from his former marriage and by Virginia Colette (Companion) of Vero Beach, Florida and her daughters, Ellen Camin, Ruth Watson and husband Jeff; Janet Little and husband Dwight and Jennifer Bullock; three grandsons, Christopher, Jeffrey, Lawton and three granddaughters; Kathy, Emily and Anders and one great granddaughter, Nikkita. He is also survived by two brothers, Patrick and David. He was proceeded in death by his parents, Clement, Sr, and Gladys Darrow. During his life he served nearly 50 years as a veterinarian. He received his DVM from Kansas State University in 1959 and his Masters in Public Health from Tulane University, New Orleans, La. in 1967. He was an active member of AVMA and AALAS. As a veterinarian, he practiced both in private practice and with the USDA in Missouri from 1959 - 1965. After receiving his Masters Degree he pursued lab animal medicine with Litton Bionetics in Maryland and acquired Diplomate status in the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine. He established a primate breeding facility in Yamessee, S.C. for Litton Bionetics. From here he went to New York with Lederle Corporation. He finally settled in Vero Beach, Florida in 1983 and started a mixed animal practice in Fellsmere. Research beckoned him back and he went to work for Laser Phototonics developing laser surgical techniques. During his years in Vero Beach, he was a member of the Treasure Coast Veterinary Medical Association and a past-President. In his “retirement” years he did relief and per diem work at various veterinary hospitals in the Vero Beach vicinity. A private family service will be held on Wed. March 7, 2007 in Vero Beach. If so desired, donations may be made in his name to the AVMA Foundation or the American Heart Association.

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President Bill White called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

**Secretary-Treasurer’s Report:** Chuck Raflo reported that the Board of Directors approved the Minutes of the May 6, 2007 Forum Board of Directors’ meeting with one very minor correction. It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the May 6, 2007 General Business Meeting Minutes.

The financial review of the ACLAM investments revealed that ACLAM’s investments are improving as the market improves. ACLAM investments, as of the close of business on July 13, 2007 were worth $872,564.86 while the Foundation is worth $414,300.70. The operating budget was discussed. Some activities with the College are over budget and an explanation was given for each of these occurrences.

**Executive Director’s Report:** Mel Balk reported that ACLAM has 817 total members, 667 active, 135 retired and 15 honorary members. Seventeen Diplomates have requested retired status in 2007. Some young Diplomates have requested to be placed on the retired list because of life changes and they do not expect to practice laboratory animal medicine any longer. It was decided if they choose to unretire, they must pay all back dues at the normal rate and have their certification current. Twenty four people are still delinquent in paying 2007 dues and letters will be sent. Financial information has been sent to the CPA firm to complete the Form 990 Non-profit for 2006. A document management process has been developed by Mel Balk and Steve Fisk. Recertification documents (172) were sent to the Committee for point calculation. The Parasites text has been published. Plaques and $1,000.00 checks were sent to the editors of the Rat, Mouse and Parasites texts in recognition of their hard work. The 2007 Forum was a success. The 2008 Forum will be held in Myrtle Beach, SC. The 2009 Forum will return to Tucson, AZ in May 2009.

**Board of Directors’ Actions and Committee Reports:**
- The Mentor Award criteria and procedures were finalized.
- 2009 Forum to be held in Tucson, AZ at the Lowes Ventana Canyon Resort.
- Mel Balk has been invited to represent ACLAM in December in Mexico to the Mexican College of Laboratory Animal Medicine which is in its formative stages.
- The Executive Director’s contract has been renewed starting in 2009.
- Lynn Anderson was re-appointed to represent ACLAM at the ABVS.
- Steve Leary will be sending out a short ACLAM demographics survey. This is needed because ACLAM’s growing international relationships (IACLAM and the World Veterinary Organization) require experts to be named for various topics and the information collected in the survey will aid in the selection of the proper personnel.
- The Career and Training Oversight Committee was formed as ad hoc. Its mission is to coordinate all recruiting, training and educational activities. It will probably have as members the chairs of the associated committees and other key individuals. It will seek ways to fund educational activities besides collecting funds from Diplomates.
- A more formal relationship has been developed with the Laboratory Animal Boards Study Group (LABSG). The degree of the interaction has yet to be determined.
- The exam resulted in 19 new Diplomates for the College. About 24% of the candidates passed the written exam while approximately 50% passed the practical portion. The exam was designed to be equated with previous exams.
A number of questions from the 2006 exam were repeated in the 2007 exam in exactly the same position as used previously. The 2007 exam had excellent correlation with the 2006 examination. The practical was not projected but was printed in color in the test booklet. The Board will be asking the COC to evaluate the certification process to determine why such a small percentage of candidates are passing the exam. We need to determine whether or not the training programs are training to the RDD.

- IACLAM gives ACLAM and the other Colleges of laboratory animal medicine (Europe, Japan and Korea) a place at the world table for worldwide veterinary activities and regulations.

- Steve Leary and others reviewed the new regulations for shipping laboratory animals by air transport that were developed for and adopted by IATA. ACLAM will endorse these standards.

Old Business: None.

New Business:
- NIEHS held a one day town hall meeting on alternatives. Animal rights groups were well represented but not much representation from researchers. A general statement was put out and Pharma was to comment on it later. It was supposed to be a five year plan but was really a laundry list of things to do. The initial review is to be done by September with the final report to be completed by December, 2007.

- Susanne Craig was elected to the AVMA Council on Communication with campaign financial aid from ACLAM. She was elected on the first try which is very unusual.

- Funds have been secured to finance a revision of the Guide.

- Susan (Stein) Cook received the AVMA Charles River Award.

President White adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles P. Raflo, D.V.M., M.S.
Secretary-Treasurer
Flynn’s Parasites of Laboratory Animals
Second Edition, David G. Baker, Editor

Under the auspices of ACLAM the second edition of Flynn’s Parasites of Laboratory Animals has come out from Blackwell Publishing. The first edition, Parasites of Laboratory Animals by Robert J. Flynn published in 1973 has been considered to the definitive resource on laboratory animal parasitology. The new edition has reorganized and expanded on the content of the original. The initial chapters cover diagnostic techniques and the basic biology of the various classes of parasites. Remaining chapters are organized by animal vertebrate host species rendering the text more clinically useful. Within each chapter parasites are presented phylogenetically. As in the original edition, clear tables summarize and compare the epidemiology of parasite groups. Included as an appendix, is a formulary of therapeutic drugs, providing doses by species and listed parasitic agent, and supported by comprehensive references. Throughout, the text is augmented by clear photographs, photomicrographs and line drawings.

Flynn’s Parasites of Laboratory Animals was capably edited by David G. Baker, DVM, MS, PhD, DACLAM. In addition, contributors include ACLAM Diplomates James G. Fox, DVM, MS, F. Claire Hankenson, DVM, MS, John E. Harkness, DVM, MS, MEd, Mary Patterson, MS, DVM, Gerald van Hoosier, Jr., DVM and James. D. Wilkderson, JD, DVM. Regarded as the most comprehensive and authoritative work available on the topic, this book is an essential reference for veterinary parasitologists, clinicians, students and laboratory animal scientists.