Note from the Chair
Pathobiology ‘Early Career Faculty’ (Drs. Wood, Wootton, Jardine, Lillie, Plattner, Bridle, Nemeth) and their families, gathered on the banks of the Grand River to welcome Dr. Leo Susta to the department and to interact with Dr. Stefan Keller; anatomic pathology candidate. The weather was wonderful for late September and tubing was had by many.

I attended the OVC welcoming ceremony on Saturday as a mentor and was reminded of the excitement that new DVM students (and their families) have for their future. It was a bit infectious...

Cheers
John S. Lumsden

Congratulations

Pathobiology is excited to welcome Dr. Leonardo Susta as a new member of faculty. Leo is an Assistant Professor of Avian Health & Disease and began his appointment on Oct. 1. Leo has a DVM degree from Perugia Italy, has completed a combined residency/PhD program at the University of Georgia, is an ACVP diplomate and most recently was a post-doctoral fellow at the Southeast Poultry Research Laboratory. He brings a wide variety of skills to us.

Say hello! His extension 54323, Office 4800.

Congrats to the following student and faculty on receiving OVC Fellowships and Scholarships: Iman Mehdizadeh-Gohari, PhD (Co-Advisors Drs. Boerlin & Prescott).

PhD student Katie Clow, advisor Claire Jardine, has received a Blake Graham Fellowship. A DVM 2011 graduate, Clow is investigating wildlife ecology and factors affecting the distribution of lyme disease in Ontario. The late Dr. Blake Graham established the fellowships in 2007 to support DVM graduates pursuing MSc and PhD studies in the realm of public health and emerging infectious diseases of importance to animals and people.

Global News Article Sep 30, 2014
“Ticks acquire the bacteria from feeding on white-footed mice and other small mammals,” said Dr. Katie Clow, veterinarian and Ph.D candidate at the University of Guelph. Clow is helping drag for ticks with staff from KFL&A Health Region. “There is a really big balance that we have to strike between educating people and not creating fear,” she said. Clow said if a tick has been stuck to a person’s body for less than 24 hours they are not at risk of contracting Lyme disease, which is identified by a distinctive circular rash. “When that bullseye rash appears that can still be treated we can make that infection go away. It takes longer and has to be treated with antibiotics, 2 – 3 weeks, but it can still go away,” she added.

Members of OVC ’70 have raised nearly $200,000 as a class project in memory of Dr. Robert Brandt, their class president who died in 2008. The OVC 1970 Bob Brandt Fund will support student learning in the fourth year ecosystem health elective. Many infectious diseases that pose a threat to human health worldwide originate in animal populations. When solving complex health issues, it is essential to consider all the connections between animals, people and the environment that they share, said Dr. Claire Jardine, the OVC course co-ordinator. “This course emphasizes practical, real-world problem solving,” said Jardine, an associate professor in the Department of Pathobiology. “The students examine animal-based problems of disease in the context of their impacts on human health and the health of the larger ecosystem.” Read the full story at http://bulletin.ovc.uoguelph.ca/post/91757242425/a-world-class-helping-to-solve-world-problems

United Way
Guelph Wellington Dufferin

OVC Events

Wed. Oct. 15, Social Art, 7:00 pm, Boston Pizza, $40, Painting the wagon wheel will be the focus of fun, no skill necessary, see Elizabeth for details.

Pledge forms received in Revenue Control University Centre, Level 3 by 3 p.m. Wednesdays will be entered in that Friday’s draw and all subsequent draws, including a grand-prize draw Fri. Dec. 5th. Please give these to Elizabeth for submission.

The grand prizes are a $500 RRSP from TD Canada Trust, a one-year parking pass from U of G Parking Services, free tuition for a U of G continuing education course, and one day’s use of a modern meeting space at Staples on Stone Road.

For more details go to www.uoguelph.ca/unitedway/
Pathobiology Seminar Series
Fridays @ 11:00 am, Room 1810

Oct. 3, Dr. L. Robbin Lindsay, Field Studies, Zoonotic Diseases and Special Pathogens National Microbiology Laboratory, Public Health Agency of Canada; "Ticks and tick-borne diseases in Canada".

Oct. 10, Dr. Zvonimir Poljak, Professor, Population Medicine; "Control of viral diseases in the age of increasing interconnectness".

Oct. 17, Dr. Ted Leighton, Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative; "Chloroplasts, Mitochondria and the Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative: an anecdotal history of practical mutualism".

Oct. 24, Dr. David Heinrichs, University of Western Ontario; "MRSA/bacterial virulence".

Oct. 31, Dr. Brad Thompson, Oncolytic Biotech; "Oncolytic Biotech Inc."

OVC Events
Sat. Oct. 18, Convocation, OVC Graduate Students, War Memorial Hall, 11:30 am. Please arrive ½ hour early for gowning.

Wed Oct 28, The 2014 Canada Gairdner, Prof. Titia de Lange, Laboratory for Cell Biology and Genetics, Rockefeller University, New York, NY; "How Shelterin Solves the Telomere End-protection Problem." Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, visit http://www.gairdner.org/content/university-guelph-0. 12:30pm, PAHL Rm 1800.

HEALTH & SAFETY CORNER

IN CASE of EMERGENCY and U of G INJURY REPORTING

INJURY: Attempt the injury victim and arrange for immediate first aid and/ or call emergency medical aid at ext 2000 or 519-840-5000 or 911

Is this a critical injury? Injury of a serious nature that:
• Places life in jeopardy, or
• Produces unconsciousness, or
• Results in substantial loss of blood, or
• Fractured leg or arm, or
• Amputation of leg, arm hand or foot, or
• Burn to more than 10% of body, or
• Loss of sight in an eye.

Ensure minimal to NO DISRUPTION of the accident scene

NO

Supervisor must notify Occupational Health and Wellness (OHW) and Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) within 24 hrs by completing the Incident Report Form and faxing to 519-780-1796.

YES

Immediate report all critical injuries to any person to all below:
• Supervisor, Lead Hand or Alternate (senior co-worker) of the area;
• Director at Regional Campuses;
• EHS (519) 824-4120 extension 53282

After hours EHS personnel can be reached through the Campus Police: (519) 824-4120 ext. 2000 or (519) 840-5000

EHS staff will call the Ministry of Labour, and the appropriate Bargaining Unit and the Worker Health and Safety Representative

College Idol
Friday October 31
Peter Clark Hall, noon, $13 ea or $11 ea table of 8
Tickets: tonip@uoguelph.ca
Costume prizes/$2 to vote
Proceeds to the United Way

Animal Health Lab
Halloween Pizza Lunch
Friday October 31, noon
AHL Boardroom Rm 2824 & Lounge Rm 2823
watch for details

U of G Events
Fri. Oct. 17, Travel & Business Expense Reimbursement Course, For more info on how to register and the course content please refer to the HR Learning & Development web site: https://www.uoguelph.ca/learningmatters/eventreg/civicrm/eventinfo?reset=1&id=678, 10-12 p.m. in the Library Computer Lab Room 034.

Tues. Oct. 14, Study Break Day, the fall academic schedule will include an additional study day, there will be no classes for undergrad or graduate students.

Molecular and Cellular Biology Distinguished Speaker Series, Location RICH 2529 starting at 12 pm.

Wed. Oct 8, Dr. Sherif Abou Elena, Canada Research Chair in RNA Biology and Cancer Genomics, Professor, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, Université de Sherbrooke, "The building blocks of custom made ribosomes".

Wed. Oct 22, Dr. Lori Burrows, Professor, Biochemistry and Biomedical Sciences, McMaster University.

Wed. Nov. 12, OMAFRA 5th Annual Animal Health Forum, Agriculture’s Efforts to Combat Antimicrobial Resistance with Keynote speaker Dr. Jason Tetro 'The Germ Guy', Delta Guelph Hotel and Conference Centre, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Email ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca or call 1-877-424-1300 [TTY 1-855-696-2811] to register.

WELCOME to NEW Students
Nahla El-Shkawy
– MSc, Brandon Plattner
Ketki Rana
– MBS, Brandon Lillie
Jessica Walsh
– MBW, Patricia Turner

Library Learning Commons, Writing Services, Writing Tune-Up, full workshops include:
• Brainfood now offers fundamental sessions, as well as advanced sessions, to accommodate graduate student needs at the various stages;
• Writing Tune-up provides grammar, style, paraphrasing instruction for all writers;
• Dissertation Boot Camp targets the needs of ABD PhD candidates, as well as MA thesis track students, who have started the writing stage;
• Free 50-minute writing appointments throughout the semester with professional consultants are effective for helping graduate students clarify their ideas and structure their documents before sending drafts to their professors and supervisors, contact Jodie Salter, Writing Services, ext. 53373.
Register at www.uoguelph.ca/eventlink/library for any of these workshops.

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4. Follow the link to confirm your user id and password;
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