Awards

David Infanger has been awarded a Predoctoral Fellowship from the American Heart Association for his project entitled:

"Molecular Redox Mechanisms of Central Neuro-Cardiovascular Dysfunction in Heart Failure".

David is a graduate student in the laboratory of Dr. Robin Davisson in the Department of Biomedical Sciences.

Ashley Woods, Graduate Student in the Davisson Lab won second place in the Field of Pharmacology Poster Party held on June 20, 2008 for her poster:

"Phenotyping a mouse model of pre-eclampsia using sonography".

We just received notice that Dr. Bob Weiss is the recipient of the Pfizer Animal Health Award for Research Excellence. Bob will give a special seminar highlighting his research accomplishments on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 @ 5 pm in LH II.

Grants

Professors Robin Davisson and Kimberly O’Brien (Nutritional Sciences) have received funding from the Pilot Award Program to Encourage Multi-Department Research Activities from the College of Human Ecology for their project entitled

"Human and Murine Models to Assess the Impact of Maternal Iron Status on Pre-eclampsia".

Congratulations to Dr. David Lin who received an Alzheimer’s Association Grant. The grant is entitled

“A novel mouse model of neurodegeneration”.

Dr. Huai-hu Chuang received an American Heart Association Founder’s Affiliate Scientist Development Grant entitled:

“Mechanistic analysis of oxidative modulation of TRPV1”.

Quotables:

Science is simply common sense at its best that is, rigidly accurate in observation, and merciless to fallacy in logic.

Thomas Henry Huxley
English Biologist
(1825-95)
Publications


Mondal, S., Lucio, B., Buckles, E., \textit{Molecular characterization of a poxvirus isolated from American Flamingo (Phoeniconaias ruber ruber)}. Avian Diseases, \textit{in press}.


Events - future

Meisha Morelli, a grad student in Dr. Cohen's lab will be presenting her thesis defense seminar entitled:

\textbf{A live-imaging system and a role for Bloom's syndrome helicase in mammalian meiosis}

on July 31, 2008 at 10:00am
in Lecture Hall 3

Events - past

Elizabeth Buckles was the Cornell CVM representative to coordinate a national meeting of scientists aimed at determining the cause of White Nose Syndrome in bats. The meeting was hosted by the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine, Bat Conservation International, New York Dept of Environmental Conservation, Boston University, US Geological Survey, and FWS

A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR OUR DEDICATED SERVICE AWARD WINNERS!

Thanks for your continued efforts through the years!

\textbf{30 Years}
Sue Hawk

\textbf{20 Years}
Christine Coupe
Christopher Doane
Willie Elmore

\textbf{5 Years}
Heather Sickles
Fae Tompkins
The section of Anatomic Pathology will be admitting three new Anatomic Pathology Residents to the three year training program starting July 1st.

**Laura L. Coffee, DVM** - A recent graduate of the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Coffee holds a BS in Microbiology, an MPH with an emphasis in Epidemiology and a DVM with an emphasis in Public Health. She has experience working as an Epidemiologist with Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia and the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, HIV Surveillance and Epidemiology Unit in New York, New York. She has also worked as a Research Associate with the University of Georgia Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study in Athens Georgia analyzing disease surveillance data in shorebirds and West Nile Virus vector indices and dead bird surveillance. Laura has received a number of honors and awards and holds many professional affiliations.

**Anh N. Diep, DVM** - Dr. Diep received a BS, with a major in Biology and a minor in Chemistry, from the University of Houston—Honors College, and her DVM in May of 2007 from the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. Since that time she has been doing an internship with the Long Island Veterinary Specialists in small animal medicine and surgery. She has received externship and research experience through many different opportunities, has received a number of honors and awards, and holds professional affiliations with the American Veterinary, New York Veterinary, and Long Island Veterinary Medical Associations.

**Michelle Louise Lephard, PhD** - Dr. Lephard joins us from Australia where she earned her Doctor of Philosophy from the Faculty of Veterinary Science, University of Sydney. She received a Bachelor of Veterinary Science from the University of Sydney with many distinctions, and a Diploma of Laboratory Technology (Pathology Testing) and the Institute Medal for Outstanding Academic Achievement, with distinctions in all graded subjects, from the Canberra Institute of Technology. In 2006 she became a member of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists Pathobiology Chapter. She has gained experience as a small animal veterinarian at Dundas Veterinary Clinic in Sydney, Australia and as a veterinary pathologist for the Australian Phenomics Facility at the John Curtin School of Medical Research, Canberra, Australia, and later the University Veterinary Centre, Camden at the University of Sydney. She has won a many awards and holds a quite a few affiliations including a number in the area of Pathology.

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**Babies!**

Congratulations to Dr. Rick Rawson and family on the birth of his new grand-daughter...

**Samantha Madison**

6/21/08 at 11:30pm

7lbs. 1oz.

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Congratualtions to Dr. Jeanine Peters-Kennedy and family on the birth of her new little girl...

**Eliza Madigan**

7/1/08 at 9:49am

6lbs. 6oz.

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Congratulations to Dr. Amy Warren and family on the birth of her new little girl...

**Charlotte Lily**

7/1/08
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**Seminars**

**Tuesday, July 8, 2008, 10:00AM - 5:00PM**
Duffield Hall

**4th Annual Center for Vertebrate Genomics Symposium**

www.vertebrategenomics.cornell.edu/Symposium.html

**NOTE: CHANGE OF DAY/TIME**

**Monday, August 11, 2008, 12:00PM - 1:00PM**

Lecture Hall III, Veterinary Research Tower

**DR. IAN MILLS**
Associate Scientist
CRUK Uro-Oncology Research Group
Cambridge Cancer Research Institute
Cambridge, UK

"Transcriptional contributions to prostate cancer"

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**GRAPES**

- Have you been to a GRAPES event yet? Come and join the crowd! Have some munchies! and make some new friends! Keep an eye out for flyers for July 10th, and July 24th!

GRAPES has a new website!!!!
http://www.vet.cornell.edu/biosci/grapes

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**Undergrads Making Their Mark**

Stay tuned for more “Undergrads Making Their Mark” as we approach the new school year and, along with it, a new bevy of smiling faces hungry for knowledge!