

VETERINARY PATHOBIOLOGY

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The Department of Veterinary Pathobiology delivers state-of-the-art research, instruction, and diagnostic service for the disciplines of bacteriology, immunology, parasitology, pathology, virology, epidemiology and public health. The Pathology Department is the proud home of the National Center for Veterinary Parasitology, and the academic home of the University's Director of Animal Resource Unit and University Attending Veterinarian, and faculty associated with the Oklahoma Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory. Departmental faculty participate in research sponsored by the NIH, USDA and other government-sponsored research units as well as private industry focused on infectious diseases important in animals and people. The department is actively engaged in training the next generation of veterinarians, veterinary specialists, and scientists, publishing basic and applied scientific works and presenting findings at scientific and educational platforms throughout the world.

Residency Programs

Residency Coordinators: Dr. Valerie McElliott, Anatomic Pathology, and Dr. James H. Meinkoth, Clinical Pathology

Residency programs in anatomic and clinical veterinary pathology are offered. Candidates must have a DVM degree or equivalent. The anatomic and clinical pathology residency programs are three years with options to enter the PhD program. The programs are designed for those interested in diagnostic veterinary pathology and board certification by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. Residency training occurs through the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital and through the Oklahoma Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory. The program involves extensive diagnostic casework primarily of domestic animals and includes weekly case conferences and seminars. In addition, abundant archived materials are available for the specialty board preparation.

Application Procedure

Usually one new residency training position is available each year in anatomic pathology and one new residency position every 1-2 years in clinical pathology. Open positions are listed at the ACVP website (<https://www.acvp.org/>) and in the "Educational Opportunities" section of the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Faculty

Regents Professors and Endowed Chairs: *Anthony W. Confer, DVM, PhD, DACVP (emeritus) and Walter R. Sitlington Endowed Chair; Clinton J. Jones, PhD, Regents Professor and Sitlington Endowed Chair; *Susan Little, DVM, PhD, DAVPC-Parasitology, Regents Professor and Krull/Ewing Endowed Chair

Professors: *James H. Meinkoth, DVM, PhD, DACVP; Mason Reichard, PhD; *Jerry Ritchey, DVM, PhD, DACVP; *Timothy Snider, DVM, PhD, DACVP

Clinical Professor: *Theresa Rizzi, DVM, DACVP

Associate Professors: Tom Oomens, PhD; *Akhilesh Ramachandran, BVSc&AH, PhD, DACV; *Jared Taylor, DVM, MPH, PhD, DACVIM, DACVPM

Clinical Associate Professor: *Asheley Wathen, DVM, MPH, DACLAM

Assistant Professors: *Fernando Vicoso Bauermann, DVM, PhD; *Valerie McElliott, DVM, PhD, DACVP; *Craig Miller, DVM, PhD, DACVP; *Sunil More BVSc & AH, MVSc, PhD; *Jennifer Rudd, DVM, PhD, DACVM; *Ruth C. Scimeca BVSc, MS, PhD, DAVPC-Parasitology; *Giselle Cino, DVM, PhD, DACVP; Mayara Maggioli, DVM, PhD

Clinical Assistant Professor: *Susan E. Fielder, DVM, MS, DACVP; *Brianna Taylor, DVM, MS, DACVP

Associate Research Professor: Edmour Blouin, PhD (emeritus)

Assistant Research Professor: Kelly Harrison, PhD; Jeff Ostler, PhD

Lecturer: Katheryn Duncan, DVM, PhD

Residents: Dah Jiun Fu, DVM; Alys Harshbarger, DVM; Alexa Hunter, DVM; Scott Mitchell, DVM; Stacy Woods, DVM

Graduate Teaching Associates: Patil Basavaraju, BVSc; Sachithra Gunasekara, BS; Megan Lineberry, BS; Jeeviya Murugesan, BVSc; Vanessa Santos, BS; Miruthula Selvan, BVSc; Erin Stayton, DVM; Pabasara Weeraratne, MS; Nishani Wijesekera, BVSc

Graduate Research Associates: Pramila Lamichhane, MS; Mego Terhuja, BVSc, MVSc; Brittanee Peake, BS

***Board Certification in Specialty Area**