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Faculty & Staff News

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Dr. Kim Agnello was appointed assistant professor of orthopedic surgery at Ryan Veterinary Hospital effective October 1, 2009.

Dr. David Artis, assistant professor in the Department of Pathobiology received the Pfizer Award for Research Excellence which was presented at the Penn Vet Faculty Research Symposium held in June 2009.

Dr. Tracy L. Bale was promoted to associate professor of neuroscience in the Department of Animal Biology.

Jamie DeFazio, CVT at New Bolton Center, received the 2009 PVMA award for Veterinary Technician of the Year for her devoted efforts to advance the vital role of veterinary technology in equine medicine.

Dr. JanLee Jensen, new member of University Laboratory Animal Resources, passed the specialty boards for the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine.

Dr. Erika Krick was appointed as associate professor of physiology – clinician educator in the Department of Clinical Studies – Philadelphia effective July 1, 2009. Dr. Krick currently is the primary investigator on a collaborative Phase I study with the Ludwig Institute at Johns Hopkins University and is completing a Training Program at Penn’s Center for Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics.

Dr. James O. Marx has been appointed assistant professor – clinician educator of laboratory animal medicine in the Department of Pathobiology. He also passed his specialty boards for the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine.

Dr. Nicola Mason, assistant professor of medicine and pathobiology and Dr. Raquel Walton, assistant professor of pathobiology have received a $100,000 award from the Veterinary Center for Infectious Disease for investigation of the infectious etiology of canine lymphoma. Dr. Mason has also been accepted as a member of the Abramson Cancer Center of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Michael May, assistant professor of pharmacology in the Department of Animal Biology, and Dr. Nicola Mason have started a phase one clinical trial to treat canine relapsed lymphoma in conjunction with the Veterinary Clinical Investigation Center.

Donna Oakley, director of Penn Vet’s Animal Blood Bank, recently worked with two Berks County, PA community organizations to host the first owner-canine blood drive for the greater Philadelphia area. The canine blood will be distributed to veterinary centers in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

Dr. Shelly Rankin was promoted to associate professor of microbiology within the Department of Pathobiology.

Dr. Harry Rozmiarek, professor emeritus, was given the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association (PVMA) Lifetime Achievement Award for a career of selfless dedication to veterinary medicine, the health and welfare of animals, and the betterment of the profession.

Dr. Jeremy P. Wang was promoted to associate professor of developmental biology in the Department of Animal Biology.