Dr. Deborah Silverstein was promoted to assistant professor of critical care, Department of Clinical Studies, effective July 1, 2005.

Dr. Andrew Wood, emeritus professor of radiology, has recently been awarded the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Science by the University of Melbourne in Australia. The degree was awarded following examination of a thesis containing substantial published contributions to veterinary science. Dr. Wood also recently presented a seminar on results of current work on an NIH grant to the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Helsinki, Finland.

On April 8, Dr. Jeanne Budgin, house officer, Department of Dermatology, received an American College of Veterinary Dermatology Residents Research Award: an Honorable Mention in Basic Science for her presentation, "Biological effects of bexarotene in cutaneous T-cell lymphoma," at the North American Veterinary Dermatology Forum

in Sarasota, Fla. The article, which appeared in the March 2005 issue of Archives of Dermatology, was coauthored by Dr. Budgin, S. K. Richardson, S. B. Newton, M. Wysocka,

M. H. Zaki, B. Benoit, and A. H. Rook.

Bruce Freedman, V'87, assistant professor of pathobiology, received a five-year RO1 grant from the NIH for studies entitled "Novel mechanisms of calcium signaling in B lymphocytes."

Gustavo Aguirre, V'68, delivered the Litwack Lecture ("Making the blind see and the lame walk with gene therapy") and the Phi Zeta Day Lecture ("From DNA to darkness") at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine, March 18. He also spoke on "Genetic and environmental modifiers of inherited retinal degeneration" at the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center, April 14.

Hannah Galantino-Homer, V'93, postdoctoral fellow, presented a poster, "Beta-cyclodextrin plus cholesterol protects porcine sperm from the effects of cold shock," for which she received a Trainee Merit Award, at the 30th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Andrology in April in Seattle.

Dr. Ina Dobrinsky, Marion Dilley and David George Jones Professor in Animal Reproduction, gave an invited presentation ("Germ cell transplantation-where will this technology go?") at the 30th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Andrology on April 5 in Seattle.

Dr. Bernd Driessen, associate professor of anesthesia, service chief of large animal anesthesia, gave the following presentations: "Intravenous lidocaine infusion in balanced anesthesia for abdominal surgery" at the XVI International Meeting on Equine Medicine in conjunction with the EQUITANA Equine Sports Fair, Essen, Germany, March 4-6; and "Intravenous lidocaine infusion in horses undergoing abdominal surgery," an invited talk at the University of Mississippi, College of Veterinary Medicine, April 13.

At the 79th Clinical and Scientific Congress of the International Anesthesia Research Society, in Honolulu, March 11-15, the presentation "Pharmacokinetics of hemoglobin-based oxygen carrier hemoglobin glutamer-200 bovine in the horse" was given by: Lawrence R. Soma, V'57, professor of anesthesia and clinical pharmacology; Dr. Fuju Guan, post-doctorate; Dr. Cornelius **Uboh**, adjunct assistant professor of pharmacy

and pharmacology; Mr. Peter Moate, research coordinator; Dr. Ray Boston, professor of applied biomathematics; M. Agr; and Dr. Driessen.

Dr. Victoria Johnson, lecturer in radiology, and Dr. Jennifer Kinns, radiology resident, attended the bi-annual meeting of the British Division of the European Association of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging on April 6 in Birmingham, U.K., where Dr. Kinns presented "The use of computed tomography in spinal trauma." Drs. Johnson and Kinns also attended the annual congress of the British Small Animal Veterinary Association, April 7-10 in Birmingham, where Dr. Johnson presented "MRI of the cisterna chili-a preliminary report."

Dr. Adrian Morrison, professor emeritus of behavioral neuroscience, participated in a focus group on March 18-19 in Madrid for the Science and Society Programme of the European Molecular Biology Organization, "The importance of the use of animals in scientific research."

Dr. Cynthia Otto, associate professor of critical care, lectured at the Penn Annual Conference in Philadelphia in March; at the VECCS Spring Break Meeting in Aruba, April 6-10; at the Detector Dog Conference in Auburn, Wash. on April 30; and at the National Disaster Medicine

Meeting in Orlando, Fla. on May 2. Dr. Otto also received a grant from the AKC Canine Health Foundation for a study, "Extended medical surveillance of dogs deployed to the World Trade Center and the Pentagon." Dr. Otto will serve as principal investigator. The grant runs from 01/05-12/07.

The following faculty members will receive Distinguished Alumni Awards from The Ohio State University at this year's graduation: Dr. Virginia Reef, chief, Section of Sports Medicine and Imaging, and professor of veterinary medicine; Dr. Darryl Biery, emeritus professor of radiology; and Dr. Dean Richardson, professor of surgery.

Dr. Alexander Reiter, assistant professor of dentistry, gave lectures on advanced periodontal surgery, tooth resorption in cats, stomatitis and other inflammatory oral diseases in cats, and an update on diagnosis and treatment of feline oral diseases in December 2004 at the Faculdade de

Medicina Veterinária e Zootecnia, Universidade de São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Dr. Reiter also presented "Feline head trauma-Management without the headaches" at the Penn Annual Conference in

Philadelphia in March.

Meg Sleeper, V'93, will give a presentation on "Further characterization of chloride channel myotonia congenita and juvenile dilated cardiomyopathy in dogs" in Nantes, France in May. The paper was coauthored by Mark Haskins, V'69, professor of pathology and medical genetics; Ms. Patty O'Donnell, animal research specialist; Ms. Karyn Cullen, animal research specialist; Dr. Anne Traas, resident in medical genetics; Dr. Paula Henthorn, associate professor of medical genetics; Dr. Charles Vite, assistant professor of neurology; J. Milszewski; D. Aleman; P. Werner; and Dr. Sleeper.

**Dr. Philipp Mayhew**, lecturer in the Section of Small Animal Surgery, Department of Clinical Studies-Philadelphia, was selected to receive the American Association of Veterinary Clinicians Residency Award.

Dr. James Serpell, Marie A. Moore Professor of Animal Welfare, has been awarded a grant of \$170,000 over two years by a consortium of guide/assistance dog schools (Canine Companions for Independence, Guide Dogs for the Blind, Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Leader Dogs for the Blind, and The Seeing Eye) to develop a series of standardized measures of assistance dog behavior and temperament.

**Rosettes & Ribbons** some recent accomplishments of note at the School