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GRANTS

Michael Atchison, PhD, received a five-year, \$864,640 T32 grant from NIH/NIAID for VMD-PhD training in infectious disease-related research.

Dorothy Brown, DVM, MSCE, received a two-year, \$214,934 grant from Integrated Chinese Medicine Holdings for randomized controlled trials of the effects of I'm-Yunity vs. standard of care chemotherapy in dogs with Splenic Hemangiosarcoma.

Christine Cain, DVM, received a one-year, \$7,420 grant from ACVD to track antimicrobial resistance and genotypic relatedness in *Staphylococcus schleiferi* isolates: a comparison of geographic regions and temporal periods.

Margret Casal, DVM, MS, PhD, received a one-year, \$12,960 grant from AKC-CHF to study lethal Acrodermatitis in the Bull Terrier.

Amy Durham, MS, VMD, received a one-year, \$50,000 grant from Mari Lowe Comparative Oncology Center to evaluate the role of an Epstein-Barr-like virus in feline lymphoma.

Hannah Galantino-Homer, VMD, PhD, received a six-month, \$20,579 grant from Animal Health Diagnostic Commission, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to study COMP as a laminitis and sole ulceration serum biomarker in horses and dairy cows.

Christopher Hunter, PhD, received a five-year, \$1,080,800 T32 grant from NIH/NIAID to study modern approaches in parasitology.

Dr. Hunter also received a two-year, \$275,000 grant from NIH R21 to study host-parasite interactions during toxoplasmosis.

Daniel Morris, DVM, MPH, received a one-and-a-half-year, \$32,344 grant from Zoetis/Pfizer Animal Health to study epidemiologic evaluation of *Pseudomonas otitis* in dogs.

Cynthia Otto, DVM, PhD, received a one-year, \$19,500 grant from Monell Chemical Senses Center to study a novel approach to ovarian cancer screening using an interdisciplinary investigator of its volatile signature.

Thomas Parsons, VMD, PhD, received a six-month, \$15,000 grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to study improved diagnostic testing for group-housed sows.

Dieter Schifferli, DVM, PhD, received a three-year, \$350,000 grant from USDA to study allelic variation of Salmonella colonization factors.

Anne Staudenmaier, V'15, was awarded Morris Student Scholar funding for her summer research project titled "Immune response in the common raccoon to canine distemper and feline panleukopenia vaccines."

Maryam Yousefi received a three-year, \$129,000 grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute International Student Fellowship.

FACULTY/STAFF NEWS

The Boucher Teaching Award was presented to **Michelle Abraham, DVM**.

Lillian Aronson, VMD, was promoted to Professor of Surgery.

Tracy Bale, PhD, was promoted to Professor of Neuroscience.

Kari Beer, DVM, received the Intern's Mentor Award.

Kendra Bence, PhD, was promoted to Associate Professor of Neuroscience.

Dorothy Brown, DVM, MSCE, was invited to speak about targeted neurotoxin studies in companion dogs at the World Pharmaceutical Congress – Targeting Pain with Novel Therapeutics.

A paper by **James Buchanan, DVM, M Med Sci**, on the history of veterinary cardiology was published in the *Journal of Veterinary Cardiology* 15:65-85, 2013.

Robert Caesar, Penn Vet's head anatomy technician, participated in the Philadelphia Science Festival's Urban Farming Discovery Day, accompanied by his rooster and chickens. He answered questions about how to raise chickens at home and on a small farm.

On House Officer Research Day, the non-resident award was presented to **Kiley Daube, DVM**, for "Association between lymph node cytology and remission in dogs completing chemotherapy for lymphoma."

Elizabeth Davidson, DVM, was named a Diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation.