

American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians

Journal of Veterinary Diagnostic Investigation

Instructions to Authors

Editorial policy

The *Journal of Veterinary Diagnostic Investigation* (*J Vet Diagn Invest*), an international journal published quarterly in English, is devoted to all aspects of veterinary diagnostic medicine. The major disciplines are molecular biology, immunology, microbiology, clinical pathology, parasitology, anatomical pathology, toxicology, computer science, and public health as applied to veterinary diagnostic medicine.

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Manuscripts. Manuscripts must be letter quality, submitted in triplicate, typewritten, and double-spaced (including references) on one side of 8.5- × 11-inch (215 × 280 mm) white paper with 1-inch (25 mm) margins on all sides (number each page at top center). Three formats (original [full] articles, brief communications, and review articles) will be considered.

Title page. The first page should include the full title of the paper, the authors' full names, the name and location of the institution, a short running title (original [full] articles only), and a name and address to whom galley proofs are to be sent.

Abstract. Each full article must include an abstract that is concise, factual, and without reference to the text. Abbreviations and reference citations should not be used. Brief communications do not contain abstracts.

Formats. Manuscripts for original (full) articles should consist of an Introduction (untitled), Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion, Acknowledgements, Sources and Manufacturers, and References. Manufacturer's name, address, and source of materials should be designated by superscript lowercase letters in alphabetic sequence. Generic names of drugs shall be used in the text. Trade names for commercial test kits, equipment, chemicals, etc., are not to be included in the text but should be listed with the appropriate citation in the Sources and Manufacturers section. Use subheadings in Materials and Methods and Results sections as required for clarity. Brief communications should be limited to four printed pages including illustrations, tables, and references (generally 12–15 should be sufficient) and should be written in narrative form without headings, except for References. Case reports may be written as full articles or as brief communications, with references. Review articles generally will be by invitation and should cover subjects of current and broad interest.

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1. Bowen RA: 1987, Serologic responses of calves to sequential infections with epizootic hemorrhagic disease virus. *Am J Vet Res* 48:1449-1452.
2. Gustafson DP: 1986, Pseudorabies. *In: Diseases of swine*, ed. Dunn HW, 5th ed., pp. 274-289. Iowa State University Press, Ames, IA.
3. Werdin RE, Baker JC: 1985, Diagnostic features of bovine respiratory syncytial virus-associated pneumonia of dairy calves. *Proc Annu Meet Am Assoc Vet Lab Diagn* 28:1-14.

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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Two pathology assistant professorships. The Oregon State University College of Veterinary Medicine is seeking applications for an Assistant Professor of Veterinary **Clinical Pathology** and an Assistant Professor of Veterinary **Anatomic Pathology**. The candidate filling each position will be responsible for sharing diagnostic service activities in pathology in the College's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, teaching in the professional curriculum, and developing research programs compatible with the goals of the College. The clinical pathologist's duties will include cytology, hematology, and clinical chemistry interpretation, and the anatomic pathologist's duties will include biopsy and necropsy diagnostics. Salary for each will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. Each requires a D.V.M. or comparable degree, a Ph.D. in pathology or a related discipline, and board certification or eligibility in the relevant discipline by the A.C.V.P. Applicants should submit letter of application, current curriculum vitae, and names, addresses and phone numbers of at least three references to: Dr. Stanley Snyder, Director; Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory; College of Veterinary Medicine; Oregon State University; 134B Magruder Hall; Corvallis, OR 97331-4801. Review of applications will begin April 1, 1998; applications will be accepted until position is filled. Call (541) 737-3261 for more information. OSU is an AA/EO employer and has a policy of being responsive to dual career needs.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Three Veterinary Diagnostic Pathologists. The Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, College of Veterinary Medicine, invites applications for three Veterinary Diagnostic Pathologist positions. A Doctor of Veterinary Medicine or equivalent degree and a Ph.D. degree are required. Board certification by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists is preferred. Candidates should have experience in diagnostic pathology with an emphasis in dairy or swine or companion animal pathology with an emphasis in surgical pathology and cytology. Candidates should have demonstrated a commitment to high quality diagnostic and public service. The primary duties and responsibilities of these positions are to conduct investigations of ruminant and swine diagnostic cases or to interpret surgical pathology and cytology specimens. Participation in the professional and graduate teaching programs and continuing education programs of the College of Veterinary Medicine is required. Involvement in mission-oriented research is encouraged. Academic rank will be at Assistant or Associate Professor. Positions may be tenure track or non tenure track academic faculty positions. Salary, rank, and tenure status will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Applicants should arrange to have three letters of reference, a letter of application and curriculum vitae sent to Dr. Harold Kurtz, Chairperson, Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Minnesota, 1333 Gortner Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108. Phone number (612) 625-8787. Fax number (612) 624-8707. Appointments will be made effective March 15, 1998 or later. Applications will be accepted continuously until the positions are filled or through May 1, 1998, whichever comes first.

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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Director, Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and Collegiate Diagnostic Services

The College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Minnesota invites applications for the position of Director, Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and Collegiate Diagnostic Services. A doctorate in veterinary medicine or equivalent degree and a Masters or PhD and/or Board certification in a specialty relevant to diagnostic medicine is required. Candidates should have demonstrated experience in a diagnostic laboratory setting and a sound understanding of the workings of a regional veterinary diagnostic laboratory. Candidates must have established a strong commitment to client service and demonstrated successful administrative and leadership skills. Personal attributes must include administrative skills, vision for the future of diagnostic medicine, strong interpersonal communication skills and a commitment to introduction of new technologies in diagnostic service setting. The Director reports to the Dean and is responsible for the leadership, management and administration of the Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic laboratory and other collegiate diagnostic services. The Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory is the official laboratory of the Minnesota Board of Animal Health. The appointment is full-time and carries a primary commitment to administration and the incumbent is expected to contribute to service activities. Academic rank and tenure status will depend on qualifications and experience consistent with collegiate and University policy. Salary is negotiable. Starting date would be on July 1, 1998.

Applicants should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of 3 references to: Dr. Victor Perman, Chairperson; College of Veterinary Medicine; University of Minnesota; 404 Veterinary Teaching Hospitals; 1365 Gortner Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108; phone number 612-624-2745. Applications should be received by January 31, 1998 and will continue until the position is filled.

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Any laboratory worker engaged in the field of disease diagnosis in animals or in allied fields involving teaching, research, or commercial or regulatory functions is eligible for membership and is invited to join.

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