



Net Vet Weekly - January 11, 2021

COVID-19 News

The Veterinary Medical Hospital welcomes your referrals and emergency cases. Social distancing and proper PPE remain in place.

For a list of all CE courses available, the cost, and where to register visit [Online Professional Development](#).

All COVID-19 related information can be viewed in detail on the College of Veterinary Medicine website including updated hospital protocols at [COVID-19 Updates](#).

Scours Management

Now is the time to think about scours management.

Dr. Rosslyn Biggs and others offer helpful tips in [Scours Management Begins Now](#).

Adapting During a Pandemic

We have all had to make adjustments during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are proud of how the veterinary college has responded.

Foaling Services

The CVM Ranch is available to assist horse owners with all their foaling needs. To help ensure a healthy foal and mama, our experienced team provides round-the-clock care for pregnant mares through closed circuit TV and on-site personnel up to and through delivery. Postpartum care and breeding management are also available. Contact the CVM Ranch at cvhs-ranch@okstate.edu or 405-649-2504 for details.

Getting to Know You



Giovanna Piccotti is a research coordinator in **Dr. Ashish Ranjan's** laboratory in the Department of Physiological Sciences. Originally from New York, NY, she earned her BS degree in Biology with a minor in Chemistry from the State University of New York at Albany.

Two faculty members, **Drs. Katrina Meinkoth** and **Stefano Di Concetto**, were recently featured in a *STATE* magazine piece.

Watch how they adapted in [Transforming Teaching During a Pandemic](#).

In the Community

Before the holidays, **Dr. Carlos Risco**, dean of the CVM, and Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture **Blayne Arthur** took Ag to the classroom.

Dr. Risco read *The Christmas Barn* in Spanish to grade school students in Oklahoma. Listen in at [Dr. Risco in the Community](#).

Foot and Mouth Disease

Although the U.S. has not had Foot and Mouth disease since 1929, the risk remains high due to its presence in other countries.

Dr. Rosslyn Biggs offers useful information in [Foreign Animal Diseases of Concern](#).

Vet Med Faces of Research: Dr. Veronique Lacombe

In this month's Vet Med Faces of Research series, **Dr. Veronique Lacombe** talks about how she came to love veterinary medicine growing up in France. She also shares her love of research and the work she is doing in her Comparative Metabolism Research Laboratory.

Her current research interests include the effects of plant compounds on cancer cells, both directly and in combined treatment modalities. While at the NY Department of Health, Wadsworth Center, Giovanna's research involved biostatistical analysis of foraminiferan mtDNA for use as a comparator for cox genes within the SAR-super group. She also worked at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. in Quality Control to qualify, maintain and retire reference standards for all drugs before transitioning into Quality Assurance where she gained compliance experience serving as an administrator, reviewing and approving quality system changes.

While Giovanna studied art in Sardinia, Italy, at the age of 13, her current hobbies include traveling with her husband and children, rock climbing and making recipes from Jennifer Garner's Pretend Cooking Show.

Favorite Quote: "No one can grow if he does not accept his smallness." - Pope Francis

House Officer Seminar

Donald Holter, DVM, will present "Exploring the Gold Standard for Surgical Treatment for Canine Dysplasia - Total Hip Replacement" on Thursday, Jan. 14, at 8 a.m. in Room 002C at the Veterinary Medical Hospital. Dr. Holter is a small animal surgery resident mentored by **Dr. Danielle Dugat**. The recorded lecture will be available on Moodle in the course VBSC 6710.

Rancher's Lunchtime Series

Read the full story and watch a short video at [Vet Med Faces of Research: Dr. Veronique Lacombe](#).

Detecting Equine Lameness

Detecting equine lameness can be tricky. **Dr. Mike Schoonover** discusses this common ailment and different technologies available to help pinpoint the cause of equine lameness.

Read the full story at [Taking the Guess Work Out of Equine Lameness Detection](#).

Join the Rancher's Thursday Lunchtime Series on Thursday, Jan. 14, 2021, at 12:30 p.m. **Dr. Jordan Thomas** with the University of Missouri will present "The Latest in Synchronization and Artificial Insemination Tools/Systems."

Register to receive the Zoom link at [Rancher's Lunchtime Series](#).

Editor's Note

The next issue of *Net Vet Weekly* will be published on Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021.



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