Multispecies Farms

Dr. Meredyth Jones offers several considerations for folks who want to have multiple species on their farms. Read about the top five dangers and more in Old McDonald Had a Farm.

Dr. Miller's Lab Documents New Species

Congratulations to Dr. Erin Stayton, former pathology resident, Dr. Craig Miller and colleagues on documenting the emergence of a new Babesia species here in Oklahoma! Babesia is a parasite that infects red blood cells and is transmitted by ticks.

Erin Stayton, Megan Lineberry, Jennifer Thomas, Tina Bass, Kelly Allen, Ramaswamy Chandrashekar, Gene Yost, Mason Reichard and Craig Miller. Emergence of Babesia conradae infection in coyote-hunting Greyhounds in Oklahoma, USA. Parasites & Vectors. 14, Article number: 402 (2021). Read the full publication at Documenting a New Species.

Abstract Submissions for INTERACT Symposium Due

OSU faculty and students are invited to submit abstracts for consideration to be presented during INTERACT’s inaugural research symposium on Oct. 12 at the McKnight Center.

Submission deadline for oral and poster abstracts is tomorrow, Aug. 31, 2021.

Abstracts should not exceed a 250 word count collectively. Registration is free. Submit your abstract now INTERACT Research Symposium Abstract.

House Officer Seminar

Laura May, DVM, will present "Solving Milk Quality Challenges On-Farm" on Thursday, Sept. 2, at 8 a.m. in Room 002C at the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital. Dr. May is a food animal medicine and surgery resident mentored by Dr. John Gilliam.

The recorded lecture will be available on Moodle in the course VBSC 6710.

Getting to Know You
Jonjo Reece, DVM, is a clinical assistant professor in small animal internal medicine in the Veterinary Clinical Sciences Department. Originally from the island of Barbados, Reece completed his bachelor's degree and DVM ('13) at the University of the West Indies. After teaching several years, he completed a rotating internship at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan followed by a small animal internal medicine residency at Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University. His current areas of interest include hepatology, endocrinology and infectious diseases.

In his spare time, Jonjo enjoys cooking, playing volleyball and tennis and walking his cat, Arturo. In his glory days, he represented his country in volleyball at both the junior and senior national level.

Favorite Quote: "Small progress is still progress." - Morgan Harper Nichols

Xufang Deng, Ph.D., MS, is an assistant professor in the Department of Physiological Sciences. Originally from a small village in the southwestern part of China, he spent the last 10 years living in Chicago, Illinois. Deng earned his Ph.D. in Veterinary Virology at the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences in Beijing, China, and a MS degree in Bioinformatics from Loyola University Chicago. His research interests mainly focuses on understanding how coronaviruses infect hosts and cause diseases, specifically investigating what and how viral and host components dictate coronaviral infections and pathogenesis in different organs.

In his spare time, Xufang enjoys playing with his children, reading, music, soccer and road trips. In fact, he had an over 4,400 mile road trip here.

Favorite Quote: "Impossible only means that you haven't found the solution yet."