



## Dr. Liu's Research Funded by NIAID

Congratulations to **Lin Liu, PhD**, on receiving \$402,325 in funding from the National Institutes of Health's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. The funding spans two years from 2016 to 2018.

Liu's lab will be investigating how miR-193b inhibits influenza virus replication. This will provide a rationale for the development of microRNAs as therapeutic drugs for treating influenza virus infection.

Dr. Liu is a Regents Professor in the Department of Physiological Sciences and the director of the Oklahoma Center for Respiratory and Infectious Diseases.

## Pancierera Nominated for Award - Voting Open

**Dr. Roger Panciera** ('53), Emeritus Professor, has been nominated for the Cattle Production Veterinarian Hall of Fame. Co-sponsored by the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, the American Association of Bovine Practitioners, *Bovine Veterinarian*, Merck Animal Health and Osborn Barr, the award recognizes one beef veterinarian and one dairy veterinarian who have made lasting contributions to the profession.

Only AVC and AABP members may vote between April 1 and August 6, 2016. Members may vote online or during the organization's spring and summer conferences. Dr. Panciera has been nominated in the beef category. You can read his bio and vote at <http://www.avc-beef.org/>.

## Second Equine Clinical Trial: Patients Needed

## Veterinary Biomedical Sciences PhD Defense Seminar

**Sunil More, BVSc, MVSc**, will present "Identification of host factors for developing antiviral strategies against influenza virus" today, April 4, at 1 p.m. in Room 259 McElroy Hall. More is a PhD candidate and graduate research associate in the Department of Physiological Sciences mentored by Dr. Lin Liu.

## Student Activities

**AAEP** will meet today, April 4. **Dr. Charlotte Kin** ('03) with **Exclusively Equine** will talk about equine rescue/neglect medicine. Following the meeting will be nutrition quiz # 4.

**SCAVMA** will host the Flab-U-Less Moo Cup April 4 - 8. This is a fitness challenge between the first and second year classes.

**ZEW** will meet on Tuesday, April 5, at 12 p.m. **Jill Murray** will talk about nutrition. The meeting is sponsored by **Lafeber**.

**VBMA** will meet on Wednesday, April 6, at 12 p.m. **Dr. Bartels** with **VIN** will talk about financial planning. Bring your loan information to make a customized loan spreadsheet. This presentation will count for BCP category 4 credit.

**SCAVMA** will meet on Thursday, April 7. **Dr. Tricia Bailey**, resident at **Oak Ridge Equine Hospital**, will talk about chiropractic medicine.

**AAEP** will host **Dr. Sammy Pittman** ('03) on Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9, for a podiatry lecture and lab.

**SCAVMA** will host an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9, at 1 p.m. The class with the most attendees wins a free breakfast.

## Phi Zeta Day

**Phi Zeta Research Day** will be held on Thursday, April 7. DVM, graduate and PhD students will compete in one of three categories--basic research,



applied research and clinical cases. Please take time as your schedule permits to listen to these researchers present their work. A Phi Zeta banquet will be held that evening where awards will be presented to the top participants.

## Making a Difference

Class of 2014 alumna **Dr. Audra Blasi** currently serves as an Air Force Public Health Officer stationed in San Antonio, Texas. See what she is doing and how she is [Making a Difference](#).

Researchers at the Veterinary Medical Hospital are recruiting horses diagnosed with navicular syndrome to further evaluate the efficacy of tiludronate as a regional limb perfusion. For more information visit [Tiludronate for Navicular](#).



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