

2008 AAVP Meeting Overview & Agenda

Message from the Program Chair

53rd Annual AAVP Meeting – Get Ready for N'awlins! Preparations for the 53rd annual AAVP meeting to be held July 19-22, 2008 at the Loews Hotel in New Orleans are well underway. Abstracts are due May 2, 2008 (see web site for details). **Please note: This year, final acceptance of abstract is contingent on confirmation of receipt of registration fee.**

The 2008 program continues with many of the previous approaches that we believe enhances an already fun, effective veterinary parasitology meeting. Immediately following the President's address Saturday afternoon, the plenary session will open with "Parasites and The Road Less Traveled", a session focusing on the sylvatic/urban/agricultural interface and some parasites that cross between them. On Sunday morning, presentations by the AAVP-Intervet and AAVP-CAPC award winners will open the student paper session. All veterinary parasitology students are encouraged to present their research in what many consider to be one of the most important sessions of the meeting. President-Elect Susan Little is organizing a special session on prevalence of parasites in companion animals derived from large-scale datasets and Elanco (Eli Lilly) will be sponsoring a special session on Sunday afternoon. President David Lindsay has planned an excellent AAVP President's Symposium on Tuesday morning entitled "Parasitological Myth Busters: Fact and Fiction". Throughout the meeting will be opportunities for you to learn about **results of research** from a variety of veterinary parasitology laboratories. We will also continue the popular session dedicated to **interesting cases**. And of course, there are the **outstanding social events** each evening!

Whether you come for the research presentations, the cool cases, the social events, or all of the above - we look forward to seeing you in New Orleans! **LAISSEZ LES BON TEMPS ROULEZ!**

Lora Ballweber, Program Chair

Preliminary Schedule of Events

Saturday, 7/19

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM: AAVP Executive Board/Committee Chairs Meeting
12:00 PM – 6:00 PM: On-site Registration
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM: Welcome and Opening Session
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions
7:00 PM– 9:00 PM: Bayer Welcoming Reception

Sunday, 7/20

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM: On-site Registration
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM: AAVP Graduate Student/Post-Doc Luncheon/Mixer
1:30 PM – 3:45 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM: Elanco (Eli Lilly) Special Session
7:00 – 9:00 PM: Elanco (Eli Lilly) Social Event

Monday, 7/21

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM: On-site Registration

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions

3:30 PM – 5:30 PM: AAVP Business Meeting/Presidential Address/Awards

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM: Meril Social Event

Tuesday, 7/22

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM: AAVP President's Symposium

The Program and Abstracts booklet and name badges will be available at the on-site registration table beginning at Noon on Saturday, 7/19. Proceedings books will not be mailed prior to the meeting even if you pre-register. Those AAVP members who do not attend the meeting will have their copy of the Proceedings book on CD mailed to them after the meeting. The program chair will notify (via email) the designated author of each abstract to confirm when your abstract (day/time) is to be presented. Also, check the AAVP website for updates on the Program and meeting schedule.