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"∃Have You Ever Seen the Snow, "??

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Contact, Fall 1995 (Published by the Communications Division of NSERC) Updated Guidelines for Recycling and Waste Disposal at Queen's Harassment/ Discrimination Complaint Policy and Procedures

New Signage Policy (Rules and regulations for posting and distributing posters and printed matter)



Appointments, Awards & Professional Activities

Dr. David F. Dexter has been reappointed as Deputy Chief of the Department of Pathology, Hotel Dieu Hospital, for the term July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1997.

Successful Grant Applications -Congratulations!

Dr. Sherryl Taylor recently received \$4,900 from the Garfield Kelly Fund to support her research project entitled "Genetic

Determinants of Salt-Sensitive Hypertension".

Dr. Taylor has just been notified that Dr. Xagang Xie, who is currently completing a postdoctoral fellowship with Guy Rouleau in Montreal, will be joining us in the Spring of 1996 as he has just received one of three Ministry of Health Fellowships for Canadian College of Medical Genetics training in Molecular Genetics.

Dr. David LeBrun recently received \$3,000 from the Principal's Development Fund to support his research project entitled "An Experimental Assay for E2a-Pbx1-mediated Neoplastic Transformation".

Queen's Department of Continuing Medical

Education (submitted by Dr. Dick Zoutman) Queen's Department of Continuing Medical Education (CME) arranges for Queen's Faculty to participate in CME events in various communities in our region. The clinicians in that area decide upon a topic they are interested in and that has relevance to their practices. At their invitation on October 18th I went to Brockville's St. Vincent de Paul Hospital to give a presentation on Tuberculosis. Approximately 25 physicians attended and the presentation very quickly became highly" interactive" (sans computers) with the group of us discussing challenging cases and comparing current TB treatment and diagnosis with they way it was done in the past. Very interesting historical perspectives were offered by several very distinguished and senior physicians in Brockville who recalled doing their own smears and cultures on the ward in Kingston, the North and in Uganda.

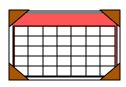
Can you imagine doing that now?! Talk about point of care testing!

I was reminded that thoracoplasties and therapeutic pneumothoraces were the

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treatment of choice not so long ago. With the increasing problems of multiply resistant TB thwarting our potent herbs and potions we may have to resort to therapeutic modalities of the recent past. I hope that the participants enjoyed and profited from the round, I know that I certainly did.

I would encourage all in the Department to participate in these CME events. They are an excellent opportunity for us to increase our visibility with clinicians and to strengthen our links with the community we serve.



Calendar of Events

Department of Pathology Research Seminars: Tuesdays, 4:00 pm Richardson Amphitheatre, Richardson Labs Topics are TBA. 07 November, 1995 John Ancsin 14 November, 1995 John Samis

21 November, 1995 Ian Dubé 28 November, 1995 Jennifer McVeigh, Jolen

05 December, 1995 Denise Campbell 12 December, 1995 To Be Announced MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR

For Your Info

Dr. Charles R.R. Hayter, Chairman, Admissions Committee Undergraduate Education, is searching for interested individuals to participate in the annual admissions process in the Faculty of Medicine in the Spring of 1996. If you would like to take part in this most important event, please contact him at 545-2542.

Waste Watchers Guide 1995-96

Queen's is committed to achieving a 50% diversion of its landfill waste by the year 2000. A 30% diversion target has been set for 1995-96. The key to reaching this goal is participation in the 3R's (reduce, reuse, recycle) programs described in this guide (available from the Head's office).

The wonderful folks in Richardson 201 and 202 held a spontaneous Halloween feeding frenzy on Tuesday the 31st. Several prominent personages were in costume (photos in the December issue). And in general a good time was held by all that could squeeze in. Home baked goods were delicious but the nacho flavoured popcorn was positively grotesque.

The organizing committee has stepped down and we are all hoping for another to spontaneously "come to life" for a Christmas frenzy.

The Executive Committee of the Canadian Liver Foundation Research Awards Program 1996 is planning to review current and future funding levels before committing any further funds. This review is intended to stabilize growth and ensure a more predictable and steady source of funding over the long term. As a result, the CLF's 1996 the **Estely**ch awards competition will be suspended until at least January 1996.

You know when you've been on the computer too long:

When you get in the elevator and double-click the button for the floor you want.

When not only do you check your email more often than your paper mail, but you remember your {network address} faster than your postal one.



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General News

A belated "Welcome Back" to **Alan Giles**. Dr. Giles has returned to the Department after a one year sabbatical in the laboratory of Dr. Gerard Marguerie, Département de Biologies Moléculaire et Structurale, Centre d'Etudes Nucléaires de Grenoble, France.

Blood Recall for Hepatitis B Surface Antigen Retesting

The Blood Bank staff at Kingston General Hospital should be congratulated for their rapid response to a request by the Ottawa Red Centre Red Cross for a recall of all units of blood collected from September 12 to the 21, 1995. For those of you who may have missed the press coverage, the Ottawa Centre Red Cross could not guarantee that 48 out of approximately 1800 units of blood collected during this time period had been tested and found negative for Hepatitis B surface antigen. As well as returning the units of blood and blood components that were still in house, the Blood Bank was asked to track down recipients of blood or blood products that had been collected within this time period. Recommendations were made by the Ottawa Centre Red Cross regarding the use of Hepatitis B immunoglobulin to recipients of these implicated units. The Blood Bank, as usual, did an excellent job in responding to these requests as well as coping with the acute shortage of blood and blood products that was the result of this recall. The Red Cross has now retested all the implicated units and have reassured us that all blood recalled and transfused had been retested for Hepatitis B surface antigen and found to be negative.

Submitted by: Lois Shepherd, M.D. Director, Blood Bank

The Summer Work Experience Program (SWEP) is Back!

SWEP is an innovative program that allows any Queen's organization to apply to hire an undergraduate student for the

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summer. This is a win-win situation employers get to choose from a qualified pool of applicants, and students gain valuable work-related experience. If you are interested in participating in this program, you must submit a Job Proposal Application by **January 11, 1996**. For more information, please contact Helen Coo, SWEP Coordinator, Career Planning and Placement, Tel: 545-6000, ext. 7324, Fax: 545-2535.

Please note that applications must be reviewed by Dr. Manley prior to being submitted.

Resident's Column

Submitted by: Lois Shepherd, M.D. Director, Residency Program At the recent Royal College/CAP meeting in Montreal in September, **Dr. Sanjay Lambore** presented a poster with **Dr. David Hurlbut** on an unusual presentation of amyloidosis, which generated much discussion and lots of positive comments.

Drs. Lambore and **Arquint** have been busy over the past several months writing enumerable qualifying exams for the U.S. As well **Dr. Lambore** has successfully written part one of the LMCC exams and will be doing part two at the end of October. We wish him well.

Dr. Monique Arquint is spending a 5 week elective doing surgical pathology in North Bay. This should provide a wonderful exposure to the practice of pathology in a large and busy community hospital centre.

Our PGY2 residents have survived the summer and are by now familiar faces to us all. The Fall schedule of resident teaching rounds and seminars has begun. Residents should be reminded of our proposed Resident's Research Day in the Spring of 1996. More information on that will be forthcoming.

Graduate News

A welcoming reception/dinner was held

for Department of Pathology graduate students and their supervisors at the University Club on Tuesday, October 3, 1995. Our student numbers have increased once again. We now have 30 graduate students registered in the Department. New students for 1995/96 are **Kent Arrell** (Dr. David LeBrun), **Megan Begbie** (Dr. David LeBrun), **Megan Begbie** (Dr. David Lillicrap), **Lee Fraser** (Dr. Lois Mulligan), **Mian Gao** (Dr. Roger Deeley), **Dennis Kim** (Dr. Peter Greer), **Jonathan Pollett** (Dr. Chris Mueller), **Scott Wright** (Dr. Deeley/Dr. Susan Cole).

Information regarding awards and fellowships for graduate students is continually posted (and updated) on the Graduate Studies Bulletin Board on the 3rd floor of Richardson Labs near the Departmental Library.

Of note: Graduate Dean's Travel Grant for Doctoral Field Research Department Deadline: 11 December 1995; Ontario-Quebec Exchange Fellowship Program 1996/7 Closing date: 31 January 1996; J.H. Stewart Reid Memorial Fellowship 1996/7 Closing date: 30 April 1996

For students without an email account, check your Queen's registration package for instructions on how to acquire one. If you can't find it, drop by a computing advising site for the booklet "The Guide to Qlink" 3rd edition for the procedure to follow (or stop by Kevin's Desk in Richardson 201 for a short summary copy).

Library News: Check out the two workstations (2&3) that are now equipped with WWW browsers and Telnet clients to allow you to login to your QLINK or VM account and check your mail.

Undergraduate News:

The Path 410/824 Midterm Exam was written on Wednesday October 25th. The combined class average was 71% The Final Exam Schedule is out and our Path 410/824 final will be held on Monday December 11th, 2:00pm in the Bartlett Gym.

Grants & Deadlines

Diabetes Research Grants

The Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International announces the availability of grants in diabetes research for the funding year September 1, 1996 to August 31, 1997. Applications may be obtained from: Grant Administrator, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International, 120 Wall Street, New York, New York, 10005, USA, Telephone: (212) 785-9500, Fax: (212) 785-9595. The deadline date for application is **March 1, 1996**, and one copy of the first two pages of the application <u>must</u> be received not later than **February 15, 1996**.

Bickell Foundation Fall Competition

The next deadline for the Bickell Foundation is December 1, 1995. Applications must reach the Dean's Office by 4:00 p.m. on **Friday**, **November 17, 1995**. Priority will be given to newly appointed academic staff. Applications are available in the Medical Research Office, Room 237, Botterell Hall (454-6000, ext. 4062).

Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science Charpak/Vered Visiting Fellowship

This Fellowship will provide a supplement (\$20,000-\$25,000) to a researcher's NSERC Research Grant to engage in collaborative work at the Weizmann Institute for a period of six to twelve months or to provide support to host, at a Canadian university, a visiting fellow from the Weizmann Institute. The deadline for the next competition is **November 30, 1995**, and applications must be received in the Office of Research Services five working days prior to the agency deadline. For further information, please contact the Office of Research Services at 7316.

Program of Ontario-Quebec Projects of Exchange at the University Level 1996-97

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The Program provides travel grants in support of joint research projects and academic exchanges between Ontario and Quebec universities. Guidelines and application forms for the 1996 competition are available in the Office of Research Services at Queen's University. Please call Carol Clouston at 7316 if you would like to obtain an application. The agency deadline for receipt of proposals is January 16, 1996.



Focus on Research

No submission this month.

Please feel free to do a writeup on your own lab and it's recent activities !

The Dieu News

Submitted by David Dexter

No submission this month.

The KGH



Connection Submitted by Shirley McDonald

! Teleconferences/Education for November: Thurs., Nov. 2, 1430 hrs: "Molecular Diagnostics" Mon., Nov. 6, 1205 hrs: "Principles of Risk Management for Healthcare" Wed., Nov. 8, 1415 hrs: "Selection and Validation of Equipment" Thurs., Nov. 9, 1430 hrs: "Molecular Diagnostics II" Mon., Nov 13, 0900 hrs: "Heart Saver" (CPR) Wed., Nov. 15, 1200 hrs: "The Many Types of Headaches" [K6C, videoconference] Thurs., Nov.16, 1300 hrs: "Transthoracic Fine Needle Aspiration" Tues., Nov. 21, 0900 hrs: "First Aid" Wed., Nov. 22, 1415 hrs: "Reference Ranges: an approach in a regional lab" Thurs., Nov. 30, 1300 hrs: "Upper GI & pancreatobiliary endoscopy"

ALL TELECONFERENCES/ VIDEOCONFERENCES HELD IN TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT, EMPIRE 1

! Hospital Renovations

Construction is currently taking place on the exterior of the Nickel wing, for those of you who face the east -(something to do with "pointing" of the stone...). Lots more noise to listen to -BUT Stuart Street is done!

! Miscellaneous

Infection Control had a very successful Open House as part of Infection Control Week in October, with almost 100 people dropping by to visit and partake of refreshments. Congratulations to Lolita Quintana (Microbiology), Marg McIlroy (Administration) and Anna Dyke (Cytology) who won doorprizes.

THANKS TO ALL FOR SUPPORTING **INFECTION CONTROL!**

Because of the success of the United Way 50/50 draws, they will be continuing.

Watch for ticket sales in the cafeteria and Cashier.

What's Happening in the Labs?

No report this month.

Email addresses in Infection Control have changed. In the past users had accounts by their first names. This has now been changed to their last names. The Pegasus Mail for Windows System Address books on Pathology have been updated to reflect this.

Buy, Sell, Trade & Wanted

Wanted: A TV Antenna (without tower) Contact Barb at Q-4884.

For Sale: Home made wine rack (1st attempt!). Designed to hold approx 27 -30 1.5 L bottles. Approx 2 m wide by 1/2 m high. Made of Pine. Replaced with a newer design that only holds 750 mL bottles. Looks like this: XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX \$20 or best offer. Contact Kevin at Q-4889

InterNet Tidbit-of-the Month

The Department of Pathology has it's very own World Wide Web home page, published by the Queen's Faculty of Medicine.

Aim your web browser at: http://meds.queensu.ca/ and follow the hypertext to Pathology!

The general contents of the page have been looked at and approved by an internal Department committee.

If you see any glaring errors, please do not hesitate to contact Kevin to have them fixed. The general intent of the page is to advertise the Department in general and to update the page on an irregular, longterm interval.





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Computer Support

Contact for Problem/questions related to: KGH Floors Pathology Novell Network - Kevin Kell Q-4889 Hardware/Software - KGH K-1396 Connection to Queen's services - Kevin Kell Q-4889 Lab Information System - KGH K-1396 Software Licences - Department Manager



Queen's Offices Pathology Novell Network - Kevin Kell Q-4889 MVS, PCICS, Internet Services, Computing Services questions - Kevin Kell Q-4889 Computer Hardware - Ed Tyerman Q-4901 Software - Kevin Kell Q-4889 Software Licences - Dave Piper, Kevin Kell *Note: Kevin prefers email* (*kell@cliff.path.queensu.ca*)

At 11:18 on April 25th in the year 2003, Every computer in the Department of Pathology was working just fine.

Mail News

Mail statistics: The following are the number of pieces of Email arriving and departing our mail server for the last few months: 1995 March: 1462 1995 April: 1238 1995 May: 2440 1995 June: 1913 1995 July: 1466 2238 1995 August: 1995 September: 2509 1995 October: 3022



The general format for E-mail addresses on the cliff.path.queensu.ca mail server is:

lastname@cliff.path.queensu.ca Infection Control now has access to internet E-mail. Contact them directly for their internet E-mail addresses.

Instructional Material

LISTING OF SATELLITE BROADCAST VIDEOS Contact Susan Low at 4047 or e-mail *LOWS@qucdn.queensu.ca* to make arrangements to borrow a video.

February 24/94 Classroom Design with Technology in Mind (IAT) March 14/94 Macintosh on PowerPC Introduction (Apple) March 15/94 Creativity in the Digital Domain (Sunergy) October 27/94 Instructional Technology Review & Update (IAT) October 28/94 Networked Information & the Scholar (IAT) December 2/94 Technology Across the Campus: Creating a Student Centered Environment (IAT) January 24/95 Roadmap to the Information Highway (Sunergy) February 23/95 Hi-Touch Technology: (IAT) Authenticity in the Learning Environment March 9/95 Multimedia in the Classroom: Models that Work (Apple presentation at Queen's)

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Queen's computing services is running the following educational courses over the next few weeks. If you are interested in any, get a registration form from me (Kevin), fill it in and return to Queen's. You will require your Queen's staff card to register. KGH and other employees are no longer eligible to register for these courses.

Oct 02 Monday 9:30-12:00 Using the Internet on a Mac

Nov 07 Tuesday 9:30-12:00 Intro to web publishing in Windows Nov 08 Wednesday 2:00-4:00 Wordperfect Presentation for Windows Nov 21 Tuesday 9:30-12:00 Intro to Word Perfect 6 for Windows pt 1 Nov 28 Tuesday 9:30-12:00 Intro to Word Perfect 6 for Windows pt 2

1996

(S)=Seminar (W)=Workshop Jan 11 Thursday 7:00-9:00pm Introduction to QLINK for internet access (S) Jan 18 Thursday 7:00-9:00pm Connecting to Queen's by Modem (S) Jan 23 Tuesday 9:30-12:00 noon Using the Internet on a Windows PC(W) Jan 24 Wednesday 9:30-12:00 noon Using the Internet on a Macintosh(W) Jan 25 Thursday 9::30-12:00 noon Introduction to Web Publishing on a Windows PC(W)

Jan 30 Tuesday 9:30-12:00 noon Introduction to Web Publishing on a Macintosh

Jan 31 Wednesday 9:30-11:00 Introduction to Microcomputers: Hardware pt 1 (W)

Feb 1 Thursday 9:00-12:00 noon Wordperfect 6 for Windows - advanced features Feb 7 Wednesday 9:30-11:00 Introduction to Microcomputers:

Introduction to Microcomputers: Hardware pt 2 (W)

(more to follow in next months issue)

Windows

Recently, we have just completed upgrading the software package on the majority of machines in the Department. If you have Windows on your machine with either a Queen's or KGH licence you should also have:

Trumpet Winsock v2.1f (registered to Queen's University) to allow & manage internet access

WinQVT (registered to the Department) to allow you to Telnet to the Bracken Library OVID service (if you are authorized to do so)

WinQVT (registered to the Department) to allow you to Telnet to the LIS service (if you are authorized to do so)

QWS3270 to allow you to Telnet to the Queen's Mainframe VM (if you have an account there)

QWS3270 to allow you to Telnet to the Queen's Library Index

Netscape v1.2N Web Explorer (free for educational use) to allow you to Browse the World Wide Web

This combination of software has shown itself to be much more stable than any other we have tried in the past but we still have some pieces of hardware that do not get along with it and you may see the occasional Windows crash.

For KGH users expecting the PCS software, there is a short introductory course in Windows. Contact your managers for more details.

For Queens' Users, try to register for one of the Computing Services seminars/ workshops listed previously.

All graphics seen in this newsletter are in word perfect 6.1 .wpg format and are available from the Department Novell network. Back Issues of this newsletter are also available from Kevin Kell.

Pathology News Submissions

SUBMISSION DATE: Pathology News will be mailed to all faculty, housestaff, graduate students, and anyone who requests it on the Thursday following the first Monday of the month. The next deadline date for submission will be *Monday December 4th*, 1995.

Send items (in order of preference) by:

email,
floppy disk,
paper mail, or
FAX.

If the submission is lengthy and if publications number more than 1 or 2, please send on disk (which will be returned promptly) in virtually any format or put on the Pathology network, location *F:\general\pathnews*.

Please type or print your submission and have it in a form ready to cut and paste into the newsletter.

Don't forget to indicate who submitted the information.

RETURN TO: Email: kell@cliff.path.queensu.ca

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