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With the onset of another academic year the Department is seeing many changes, and some new faces. Drs. Dilys Rapson and Sally Ford are sharing the full-time position left vacant by Dr. W. Corbett's retirement. Dr. Ford has resigned her position in the AIDS Clinic and now holds a full-time position within the Department. Her office is located in Richardson Labs Room 201. Dr. Rapson is maintaining her part-time position in Oncology while she fulfills her responsibilities to

Pathology on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. Dr. Rapson's office is located on the recently renovated Douglas 2.

Also new to the Department commencing October 14th will be Dr. Karen Harrison. Dr. Harrison, a cytogeneticist from Toronto, is replacing Dr. Alessandra Duncan. Dr. Harrison's office will be located in Doran 2 but will be moving to Douglas 4 when the renovations are complete.

Farewell to Albert Lee

It is with sadness and personal regret that we bid farewell to

Albert. To those of us from the Dieu in both administration, the laboratory and the wards and clinics, we will miss the knowledge, enthusiasm, practicality and his respect for others. His skill in working with all, union or non-union. nurse, physician or administrator is well known. As part of the Laboratory Team, he led us through the final stages of laboratory renovation. His role in computerizing the Anatomic Pathology report was a major advance and the envy of many. Shepherding the laboratories towards one site was complex, challenging and frustrating. Always with humour, composure and concern, Albert was positive in solving issues and always moving forward and keeping laboratory activities close to the leading edge. So, Albert, we thank you for all you have done for the Kingston Hospital Laboratories and wish you and your family the very best in your new position as Laboratory Manager for Smiths Falls/Perth. Our loss, their gain. - Dr. D.



Service Milestones

Dexter.

30 years - Lou Franchi20 years - Louise Dwyer15 years - Kerry Benford,

Sally Ford, Hermina Lawlor 10 years - Clive Morgan, Marion Rubens 5 years - Albert Lee

Congratulations

We are pleased to announce that Harriet Feilotter, the Mulligan Lab's favourite post doc, has, in collaboration with Scott Davey (Cancer Research Labs) given birth to a bouncing baby experiment. Catherine Hanna Kirkness Davey (3800g or 8 lb 6 oz) was born August 27, 1997. Congratulations to the new and expanded family. Submitted by Lois Mulligan

From the Kingston Whig Standard, September 10, 1997: **MCCUBBIN-KRISTJANSSON** - Vera would like to thank Dr. John Matthews, Dr. Zoutman, Dr. Petsikas and their associates for their excellent diagnostic and treatment services during my recent stay at KGH. My thanks also go to all the nurses and the nurses aides on Kidd VI for their excellent care. This clipping was forwarded to Dr. S. Wasan from Dr. D. Zoutman with the following note: "Mrs. McCubbin, who had an open lung biopsy, expressed her thanks for the laboratory staff who processed the lung sample over the weekend. She was treated and responded nicely. I thought you would like to know." - D. Zoutman

Enrolment at Queen's has increased this fall, registrar Joanne Bechthold told Senators. According to preliminary figures compiled by the Registrar's Office as of Sept. 24, Queen's total enrolment currently stands at 16,428, with both fulland part-time undergraduate enrolment showing increases over last year.

Upcoming Events

Richardson Get-Together

The next monthly get-together will be held on Tuesday, October 14th in the Lounge on Richardson 3. Birthdays for the month are be: Dr. Sam Ludwin, Barb Saunders, and Marg McIlroy.

Positions Available

The Department of Pathology at McMaster University has three (3) positions available.

1. Pathobiology and Gene Therapy of Arthritic Diseases. Applications are invited for this full-time tenure track faculty position. The successful candidate is required to have a background in the area of the pathobiology of arthritic

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diseases. Preference will be given to individuals with experience of gene therapy/gene transfer technology and an indepth understanding of cytokine biology. Existing, ongoing independent research support is expected. Salary and academic rank are commensurate with experience.

2. Pathobiology and Gene **Therapy of Airways Inflammation.** Applications are invited for this full-time tenure track faculty position. The successful candidate is required to have a background in the area of the pathobiology of airways inflammation. Preference will be given to individuals with experience of gene therapy/gene transfer technology and an indepth understanding of cytokine biology. Existing, ongoing independent research support is expected. Salary and academic rank are commensurate with experience.

3. Assistant Professor -Pathobiology of Pulmonary

Diseases. Applications are invited for this full-time junior tenure track position. The successful candidate is required to have a background in the area of the pathobiology of pulmonary diseases. Preference will be given to individuals with experience in gene therapy/gene transfer technology and an indepth understanding of cytokine biology. In addition, preference will be given to individuals with evidence of independent research support and/or salary award. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Applicants for any of the above 3 positions should send their C.V. and the names of three references by December 1, 1997 to: Dr. Jack Gauldie, Chairman, Department of Pathology, Room 2N16, McMaster University, 1200 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario. L8N 3Z5. For a copy of the advertisement see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

Research Events

Department of Pathology Research Seminars: Tuesdays, 4:00 pm Richardson Amphitheatre, Richardson Labs

Date Speaker October 14 Dr. Alex MacKenzie October 21 Carla Cuthbert October 28 Dr. M. Adams November 4 To be announced November 11 Yotis Senis November 18 Dr. R. Kisilevsky

Head of Biochemistry

Congratulations to Dr. Albert Clark who has been appointed as Craine Professor and Head, Department of Biochemistry for a five-year term beginning July 1, 1997. Dr. Clark has a crossappointment within the Department of Pathology.

Academic Leave

Applications for **all** members of faculty (clinical and bargaining unit members) are due in the Dean's Office by **Wednesday**, **October 15, 1997.** For a copy of the application form please see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

Resident Stuff

4th Annual RSA Prentice Award for Best Presentations by a Pathology Resident - Dr. Michael Rutherford

RSA Prentice Award for Excellence in Teaching - Dr. David Hurlbut

Research Stuff

Nothing this month



Path824 enrollment: 4 Path825 enrollment: 5

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Path823: not offered this year Path826: not offered this year

An Orientation Session and group photograph took place on September 23rd for incoming and continuing graduate students in the Department. This academic year we welcome new graduate students Chris Davidson (Dr. Kisilevsky's Lab), Greg Lo (Dr. Deeley's Lab), Greg Lo (Dr. Deeley's Lab), Ben Matthews (Dr. LeBrun's Lab), and Bob St. Onge and Kevin Weigl (Dr. Davey's Lab).

On September 30th, the Department hosted a Graduate Studies and Pathology 420 Information Session for 3rd and 4th Year Health Sciences Students. The numbers (approximately 80) attending exceeded our greatest expectations! Students were welcomed by Pathology Graduate Students and Faculty and sampled an appetizing selection of fruit, cheese and crackers. A brief tour of the Richardson Labs and the Cancer Research Labs in Botterell Hall followed.

A welcoming dinner was held on October 7th for all graduate students and their supervisors at the University Club.

The Pathology Research Seminar Series commenced on October 7th with a seminar given by Dr. Gerry Marks of the Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology. At least three speakers from outside Queen's will be giving seminars during this term.

The Ontario Graduate Scholarship Applications are available at the Graduate School. The **deadline for applications** to reach Barb Saunders, Room 201, Richardson Labs **is October 31st**. Students: Please read the instructions carefully before completing and submitting your file.

Undergraduate News

Path410 enrollment: 38 Path420 enrollment: 10 Path430: not offered this year

Grants & Deadlines

The Community of Science maintains a web site (linked from the Queen's Pathology Home Page) that contains a searchable database of grants from hundreds and hundreds of sources, including MRC, NSERC, NCIC, etc. Http://cos.dbg.org/ is the URL. In addition you can register yourself with your research parameters and they will email you notification of any new grants that fit your profile. This is available to PhDs, MDs, graduate students and even undergraduate students. I'll (Kevin) be making a presentation at one of the upcoming Tuesday afternoon research seminars.

Further Information On Canada Foundation for Innovation and Ontario Challenge Fund

Vice Dean Dr. T.G. Flynn will shortly be distributing additional information on the above two programs. Should anyone, or group, be interested in applying for funds through these programs a draft proposal (3-5 pages) is to be submitted to Vice Dean Flynn in November 1997. The Dean's office will vet the proposals received, choose those which they believe are strongest, and then work with the individuals concerned, and a coordinator in the Deveoplment Office, to prepare a letter of intent to be submitted to the Program Offices in Toronto or Ottawa as the case may be in February 1998. The CFI will not receive applications for personnel, the OCF will. In each case the criteria for assessment. in order of importance, will be Excellence (i.e. the quality of the proposal and the track record of the applicants),

Networking (it will be very important to show programs with inter-departmental, interuniversity connections, and links with industry), **Matching funds** (either cash or in-kind contributions from sources other than the above mentioned programs).

The purpose of these programs is to build or renovate infrastructure and to replace aging equipment. Keep this in mind when preparing the proposals.

Submitted by R. Kisilevsky

Advisory Research Committee/Principal's Development Fund

The next deadline for applications to the Postdoctoral Fellows Competition is **February 15, 1998**. Application forms are available from the Office of Research Services, ext. 6081.

1998 Biomedical Grants, The Kidney Foundation of Canada

Each year the Kidney Foundation of Canada awards funds to Biomedical Professionals. The applications and guidelines for the 1998 competition for Biomedical Operating Grants, Biomedical Fellowships and Biomedical Scholarships are now at the Office of Research Services. Deadline for applications is **October 15, 1997** (for the fellowship/scholarship programs this is a revised date from November 1, 1997). Please contact Laurie Vaughan-Evans at Queens 6081.

Canadian Hemophilia Society Research grants and studentship applications are now available. Research grants information is available from Laurie Vaughan-Evans in the Office of Research Services. Information regarding the Studentship Program is available from the School of Graduate Studies. Applications must be submitted through the department and should reach the Office of Research Services seven (7) working days before the deadline. All applications must be accompanied by a completed Research Data Summary and Signature sheet. An extra copy of the application should be provided for the ORS files. Deadline for applications is November 15, 1997.

MRC Doctoral Research Award Program

The MRC Doctoral Research Award Program has replaced the MRC Studentship Voucher Program as of the March 1997 operating grants competition. This change does not affect students with current MRC studentships or vouchers previously awarded to investigators and not yet taken up. The deadline for applications is **October 15**, **1997.** For more information about these changes or for guidelines and application forms, please visit the MRC website at http://wwwmrc.hwc.ca

Tourette Syndrome Association

Seeking grant applications from PhD and MD researchers in the following categories: proposals in basic neuroscience specifically relevant to Tourette Syndrome: clinical studies related to the etiology, pathophysiology and treatment of Tourette Syndrome and one or two year training post doctoral fellowships. Deadlines: letter of intent -**October 17. 1997**: final proposal - December 19, 1997. Applications must be submitted through the department and should reach the Office of Research Services seven (7) working days before the deadline. All applications must be accompanied by a completed Research Data Summary and Signature sheet. An extra copy of the application should be provided for ORS files. For further information please contact Laurie Vaughan-Evans, ORS, 6081.

Visiting Fellowships

The Visiting Fellowship in Canadian Government Laboratories program is administered by NSERC on behalf of the Canadian government departments and

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agencies. Applications may be submitted three times per year on **March 15, July 15 and November 16**. Guidebooks or application forms can be obtained from Bonnie Stewart at 6081, Office of Research Services.

NCIC Research Grants Applications

The forms and accompanying documentation for the October 15th competition are now available on the NCIC website at: http://research.cancer.ca. Forms for both the NCIC and the Canadian Breast Cancer Research Initiative are available in Microscoft Word (Windows and Macintosh), Wordperfect (Windows only) as a PDF file.

NSERC Research Scholarships

There have been no major changes to the NSERC Postgraduate Scholarship A and Postgraduate Scholarship B scholarships competition for 1998-99. Deadline for applications is **November 3**, **1997**. For a copy of the guidelines for these applications see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada

Applications have been received for all research opportunities offered by the CCFC. For a copy of an application see Barb in Dr. Manley's office.

Queen's National Scholars

The deadline for receipt of applications for the QNS program to the Principal's Office has been extended from January 5 to January 12, 1998.

KGH News

<u>THE KGH</u> CONNECTION

Teleconferences/Education for September: None

! Hospital Renovations

• Continuing construction on Victory 3 to house the Department of Surgery offices from Douglas 3

! Miscellaneous

 Noon hour fitness daily in the Burr Wing gym, 1200 - 1250 hours, Monday-Friday Sept 1-30: \$20.00 Oct 1-Dec 23: \$40.00 Call K-4389 or come to a class to register.

What's Happening in the Labs?

There were two major moves in September - Pathology moved to Douglas 2, and Microbiology moved to Douglas 3. Everyone appears to be adjusting well, despite the expected glitches associated with any move. As an experienced "mover" - 7 times in 9 years - I have to commend everyone involved for the good humour I witnessed while touring each area a few days later, as well as the extraordinary teamwork shown by all to bring it all together and "make it so".

When all is finally done, my suggestion is for an Open House to let all of us have a chance to visit the new facilities. Any takers?

Submitted by Shirley McDonald, Infection Control

Email from Europe:

------ Forwarded Message Follows Subject: Re: Combined Biochem and Haematology

>>We are currently undergoing a laboratory re-organisation in order to combine the departments of Clinical Biochemistry and Haematology into a single lab.

>>This has turned our thoughts towards what our new combined lab should be called.

The Walking (hiking) Group in our Institute of Pathology realised that they had members from: Chemistry Haematology Immunology Microbiology and Pathology so they called themselves the CHIMPS.

ibrary News

Library Flatbed Scanner#1 is and has been up and running fairly continuously for some time. The Zip Drive that used to be in that workstation will be shortly installed into workstation #5. Flatbed Scanner#2 has had some windows95 drivers

installed. This now allows for seamless importation of Images into wordperfect and the general scanning of images. Because the optical character recognition program is a

windows 3.1 version, we can't do seamless text scanning into wordperfect. To get text into wordperfect documents, you must: 1) Run the OCR

program by itself
2) Scan the document and
3) Save the file.
4) Run wordperfect and open/import the file you just saved.



by Kevin Kell

A short plea to everyone who submits phone numbers for publication. We are a department that deals on both sides of the Queen's/KGH fence on a daily basis. When you list a 4 digit telephone extention PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE indicate if it is Queens or KGH .

E-Mail flow in and out of the Department for September was

5,720 items. September last year showed a total of 3,480 items.

Email on QUCDN ends October 31st.



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If you have an active email account on the Queen's mainframe (VM or quedn.queensu.ca), it will be turned off on Friday October 31st, as the machine is being taken out of service. You can get a no-charge replacement account on post.queensu.ca Do it soon!

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 *Tuesday November 4th, 1997* Send items (in order of preference) by: 1) email, 2) floppy disk, 3) paper mail, or 4) 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 pathology\drive2:general\path news (more commonly mapped as drive g).

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 Regular Campus Mail:

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