

Report of the Committee on Salmonellosis
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The following is a brief outline of committee activities this past year.

- I. A Salmonella Symposium for the Annual Meeting was developed by Dr. R.F. Gentry and Dr. G.H. Snoeyenbos. It has been designed to deal with practical solutions for all major areas of the Salmonella cycle as regards poultry and poultry products.
- II. Definition of a major poultry research deficiency as described in the following general statement:

The support given to research on avian Salmonellosis at the production level nationally is extremely deficient. Very little research in this area is in progress at present. There is an urgent need to call the seriousness of this problem to the attention of the proper agencies so additional support for Salmonella research in production flocks will be given at both the state and federal levels. If the research goals listed below are to be accomplished, this support must become a reality.

- A. Economical reduction of feed contamination.
 - B. Negative progeny from infected breeders without elimination of breeder flocks.
 - C. Decontamination procedures for poultry premises and improvements in buildings and equipment to prevent recontamination.
 - D. Practical methods to monitor flocks.
 - E. Rodent eradication.
- III. Work continued towards the goal of a practical, computerized, national data retrieval and reporting system for veterinary laboratory diagnosed outbreaks of Salmonellosis in poultry and livestock. Financial support from AAAP and AAVLD may be necessary.
 - IV. A new subcommittee headed by Dr. M.C. Kumar and Dr. J.R. McDowell has begun to explore opportunities and rationale for national Salmonella reduction.
 - V. The AAAP Salmonella Committee is represented on the recently created U.S. Advisory Committee on Salmonellosis.

Respectfully submitted,

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