

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF AVIAN PATHOLOGISTS

Report of Leucosis Committee, Aug. 15, 1961.

The leucosis committee of AAAP was charged with the duty of surveying research on Avian Leucosis and suggest areas where AAAP might most profitably expand its efforts to hasten the advent of Leucosis control.

During the past year the Poultry Research and Marketing Advisory Committee published a report favoring increased support for Leucosis research. The leucosis committee fully endorses this report and requests adoption of the following resolutions:

Whereas, the United States Department of Agriculture has had available for sixteen consecutive years the counsel of the distinguished Poultry Research and Marketing Advisory Committee, and

Whereas, this Committee reviews the research in progress and evaluates the current needs of the poultry industry, renders annual reports, and makes specific recommendations on the basis of priority for the advancement of this industry through further research.

Therefore, be it resolved that the American Association of Avian Pathologists requests the Federal Department of Agriculture to be responsive to the Committee's requests for additional funds to make possible a more comprehensive research program of the avian leucosis complex, (the most destructive disease condition known among both young and adult chickens) and

Be it resolved further that the Secretary of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Administrator of the Agricultural Research Service of this Department be forwarded a copy of each of these resolutions, to indicate to them this Association's endorsement of the recommendations of the Poultry Research and Marketing Advisory Committee.

A survey of research workers involved with Avian Leucosis has been started in an attempt to determine the type and extent of work now being undertaken. Many people working on Leucosis have not yet been contacted and additional time will be required to complete this survey. Any members of AAAP that are actively engaged in research on Leucosis should contact a member of this committee and submit a written outline indicating the type and extent of their research.

In order to more fully organize this committee, it is requested that all persons actively involved in Leucosis research or vitally interested in this subject, attend a special meeting of the Leucosis committee to be held at 1:00 PM, August 23 in the East Room, 5th Floor, Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel. At this time the future of the Leucosis committee will be discussed and plans for the coming year will be prepared.

It is recommended that the Leucosis committee continue during the coming year with as many of the present members as are willing to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

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