



# AAAP NEWSLETTER



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*We look forward to seeing you at the XIII Congress of the World Veterinary Poultry Association to be held in conjunction with the AVMA/AAAP meeting in Denver in July. This will be a very special event that you will not want to miss!*

2003 Membership renewal is due February 1, 2003

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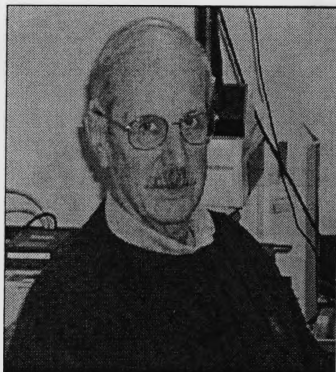
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# A SAD NOTE

**Dr. Bernard Lasalle**

Passed away January 15, 2001



## **George N. Rowland, professor emeritus, is dead at 64**

*Athens, Georgia* — Dr. George N. (Buck) Rowland III, avian medicine professor emeritus, passed away on September 6, only a year after his retirement from the UGA College of Veterinary Medicine.

An expert in bone pathology, Dr. Rowland was on the College faculty for 25 years, working primarily in the Poultry Diagnostic and Research Center with a joint appointment in the Pathology Department.

"Some of Dr. Rowland's greatest contributions were his mentorship of graduate students and his willingness to collaborate with researchers throughout the College, the University, the country, and the world," said Dean Keith W. Prasse.

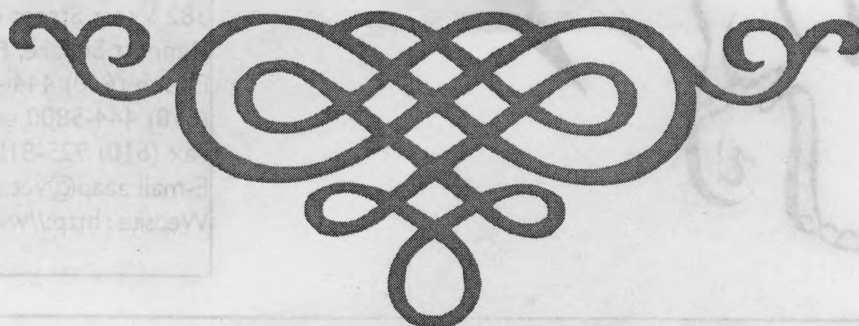
Dr. Rowland taught both DVM students and graduate students working toward a Master of Avian Medicine degree.

"He was very active in diagnostic histopathology," said Dr. Stanley Kleven, professor and head, Department of Avian Medicine. "Dr. Rowland also took the leadership in our ratite research center, dealing with diseases of ostriches and emus.

"He was one of the true experts on bone pathology. People consulted him when they had diagnostic problems or needed help with their research," Dr. Kleven added.

Dr. Rowland received his BA from Miami University and his DVM, MS, and PhD degrees from Ohio State University..

He is survived by his wife, Ruth E. Rowland, two daughters, and three grandsons.





**Molecular Biology Made Easy** - ACPV sponsored workshop to be held Saturday, March 8, 2003 at the Capitol Plaza Holiday Inn in Sacramento, CA. This workshop will be held prior to the WPDC and will present information and discussion on the principles of molecular biology, commonly used molecular techniques, and how to use them for disease diagnosis and prevention.

For further information, please contact the workshop coordinator Dr. H.L. Shivaprasad by email: hlshivaprasad@ucdavis.edu or phone: 559-498-7740.

**52nd Western Poultry Disease Conference** - To be held March 9-11, 2003 at the Capitol Plaza Holiday Inn in Sacramento, CA. This venue features excellent hotel accommodations and convention facilities. It is within a 3 minute walk from the historic town of Old Sacramento. Please visit <http://conferences.ucdavis.edu/wpdc> for further information. (Please note: do not add www to the address)

**XVII Latin American Poultry Congress** - To be held October 7-10, 2003 in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. The Organizing Committee is making the present call for the presentation of technical papers, both research and applications, in areas of interest to the poultry field. Research papers will be accepted for presentation in two ways:

In a "poster" system, within an area especially designated for the exposition. Oral, during the scientific program. The Scientific Committee will determine which way will be used, taking into account the

relationship of the papers with the subjects presented in the conference rooms. The papers accepted for either of the two manners of presentation mentioned above will appear in the Congress Notes and will have the right to participate in the selection and awards to the best paper in the corresponding area. The paper(s) should be presented for the consideration of the Organizing Committee, in Spanish before April 10, 2003. For more information, XVIII CONGRESO LATINOAMERICANO DE AVICULTURA - Bolivia, 2003, Av. Ovidio Barberí. Calle Antonio Barba # 120. Santa Cruz - Bolivia South America. Ref.: Trabajos de Investigación. Tel. (591 3) 3334807. E-mail:

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[www.xviii-alaboliva.org](http://www.xviii-alaboliva.org).



## Parasites and Diseases of Wild Birds in Florida

Donald J. Forrester and Marilyn G. Spalding

Foreword by Tom H. Logan, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

"An outstanding resource for anyone interested in the biology of birds in Florida and nearby states . . . a truly exceptional work that will be used for decades."--William R. Davidson and M. Page Luttrell, Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study, University of Georgia

This distinctive reference is the first to present all available information on the various parasites, diseases, and other factors that cause sickness and death in Florida's wild birds, with an emphasis on distribution, prevalence, and significance.

Organized by the host species of bird rather than by disease agent, each chapter is preceded by an introduction discussing the population and survival status of the bird or bird group. Appropriate reviews and bibliographies are noted along with references to hematology, serum chemistry, nutrition, and physiological topics. Each introduction is followed by sections on the various morbidity and mortality factors, disease agents, and conditions: starvation, human-related trauma, predation, electrocution, brood parasitism, inclement weather, chemical contaminants, neoplasia, anomalies, biotoxins, viruses, bacteria, fungi, protozoans, helminths, and arthropods. The distribution, prevalence, and intensity of each disease are given, followed by the significance of the disease to bird populations as well as to public health.

In addition to providing a database of information needed for the management and conservation of Florida's unique avian community, this book will be an exceptional resource for wildlife biologists and ecologists, veterinary practitioners, animal health researchers, state and federal public health officials, and naturalists who by vocation or avocation are interested in wild birds. December. 1024 pp. 7 X 10, 256 figures, 494 tables, 59 drawings, bibliographies, index. Cloth \$125.00

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## AVAILABLE POSITIONS

### AVAILABLE POSITION AT USDA-ARS ADOL Postdoctoral Research Associate

The USDA, Agricultural Research Service, Avian Disease and Oncology Laboratory, in East Lansing, Michigan, is seeking a POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, (Microbiologist). Recent Ph.D. in microbiology or a directly related field is required. Position is funded for two years, with possibility of extension. Salary is commensurate with experience (\$45,285 - \$70,555 per annum), plus benefits. There are some citizenship restrictions. The incumbent will help in the development of attenuated viruses for use as avian vaccines and be responsible for conducting scientific investigations to identify and characterize genes of Marek's disease virus (MDV). The successful candidate must have a broad knowledge of virology, biochemistry, and molecular biology. Refer to [www.ars.usda.gov](http://www.ars.usda.gov) for the full text announcement (RA-03-015H) and for complete application instructions. Send application materials and references to Dr. Robert Silva, USDA/ARS/MWA/ADOL, 3606 E. Mount Hope Rd., East Lansing, Michigan, 48823 or e-mail ([silvar@msu.edu](mailto:silvar@msu.edu)). USDA/ARS is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

### AVAILABLE POSITION AT USDA-ARS ADOL Microbiologist

The USDA-Agricultural Research Service, Avian Disease and Oncology Laboratory in East Lansing, Michigan, is seeking a Microbiologist/Molecular biologist/Cell Biologist to conduct research aimed at a better understanding and control of Marek's disease, an economically important herpesvirus-induced lymphoproliferative disease of chickens. The incumbent works as a member of a team and as an independent investigator in studies focused on molecular mechanism involved in immunopathogenesis of Marek's disease including characterization of various Marek's disease viral genes and their role in induction of disease. Specific objectives may include: a) studying mechanisms involved in evolution of Marek's disease virus towards greater virulence; b) evaluation of factors that influence the induction and maintenance of protective immune responses; c) characterization of recombinant Marek's disease viruses carrying deletions or inserted foreign DNA to elucidate gene function or develop new vaccines; and d) participate in development of improved methods for tumor diagnosis. The research is expected to provide information essential to the control of Marek's disease.

Applicants must have a degree in microbiology, biology, chemistry or medical science in addition to a Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral degree in a field of molecular biology, cell biology or microbiology OR 1 year of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade level in the Federal Service that is directly related to the work of this position. Applicants must be U.S. citizen. Salary for GS-12 ranges from \$54,275 to \$70,555; GS-13 salary ranges from \$64,542 to \$83,902; GS-14 salary ranges from \$76,271 to \$99,150 depending on experience. For full text vacancy announcement which includes detailed application information, call 301-504-1482 or access website [www.ars.usda.gov](http://www.ars.usda.gov), refer to ARS-X3W-3089. Applications must be postmarked by January 20, 2003. For specific questions about the position call Dr. Aly Fadly at 517-337-6828. USDA/ARS is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

## AVAILABLE POSITION AT USDA-ARS ADOL

### Veterinary Medical Officer

The USDA-Agricultural Research Service, Avian Disease and Oncology Laboratory in East Lansing, Michigan, is seeking a Veterinary Medical Officer to conduct research aimed at a better understanding and control of Marek's disease, an economically important herpesvirus-induced lymphoproliferative disease of chickens. The incumbent works as a member of a team and as an independent investigator in studies focused on the immunopathogenesis, diagnosis and control of Marek's disease. Specific objectives of the research include: monitoring disease incidence in commercial flocks; development of improved methods for tumor diagnosis; evaluation of factors that influence the induction and maintenance of protective immune responses; biological characterization of recombinant Marek's disease viruses carrying deletions or inserted foreign DNA; and development of improved biological assays for vaccine efficacy, pathotype evaluation and other animal bioassays. The research is expected to provide information essential to the control of Marek's disease.

Applicants must have a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.) or equivalent degree at a school approved or accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association, a State department of education, or a State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. **In addition**, applicants must have 1 year of specialized experience as indicated in the vacancy announcement; applicants at the GS-12 can also qualify with either a Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral degree in a field of veterinary or related science. Applicants must be U.S. citizen. Salary for GS-12 ranges from \$54,275 to \$70,555; GS-13 salary ranges from \$64,542 to \$83,902; GS-14 salary ranges from \$76,271 to \$99,150 depending on experience. Call 301-504-1482 to request a copy of ARS-X2W-2311 or access website [www.ars.usda.gov](http://www.ars.usda.gov); call 301-504-1556 for information on application procedures. For specific questions about the position call Dr. Aly Fadly at 517-337-6828. USDA/ARS is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

### Poultry Health Management Residency Master of Specialized Veterinary Medicine

The NC State University College of Veterinary Medicine (NCSU CVM), Department of Farm Animal Health and Resource Management offers a unique opportunity for post-veterinary professional development: a combined Residency in Poultry Health Management and Master of Specialized Veterinary Medicine. Successful completion of this 24-month program will result in 1) certification of Residency completion, 2) a non-thesis Master's degree, and 3) enhanced eligibility for certification by the American College of Poultry Veterinarians.

This program offers course work and hands-on training in the identification and control of factors impacting poultry health and production. Our Teaching Animal Unit provides on-site production experience: the first-year Resident has primary management responsibility for commercial-style turkey and broiler flocks. The second-year Resident assists with the production flocks and has increased opportunities for a variety of field experiences selected to enhance the individual's professional goals. In addition, Residents will participate in 1) field investigations and research related to poultry health management and disease prevention, 2) application and interpretation of laboratory diagnostic technology (serology, microbiology, molecular biology, pathology) and epidemiology, 3) teaching activities of the Poultry Health Management faculty, and 4) use of computers for word processing, presentations, data management, and statistical analyses.

The Poultry Health Management program makes use of resources at the College of Veterinary Medicine, NC State Poultry Science Department and Cooperative Extension Service, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratories, and integrated poultry production companies.

Applicants must submit to the **Director of Student Services, College of Veterinary Medicine, NC State University, 4700 Hillsborough St., Raleigh, NC 27606** 1) NCSU graduate school application, 2) NCSU-CVM internship/residency application, 3) letter of intent, 4) transcripts of university and veterinary college performance, 5) curriculum vitae or resume, and 6) three letters of recommendation by 1 February 2003 to be eligible for the Poultry Health Management program beginning 1 July 2003. For further information contact the Director of Student Services by phone (919.513.6203) or FAX (919.513.6452). The NCSU graduate school application form is available at: <http://www2.acs.ncsu.edu/grad/admissn/app/gradadm.htm> and the NCSU-CVM residency application form is available at: [http://www.cvm.ncsu.edu/student-services/intern\\_resid/Non-Match\\_App.pdf](http://www.cvm.ncsu.edu/student-services/intern_resid/Non-Match_App.pdf). For more information, visit our Student Services Office and Poultry Health Management web pages at <http://www.cvm.ncsu.edu/student-services/grad/mspvm.html> and <http://www.cvm.ncsu.edu/fahrm/phm/>.

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