Farewell to the Summer!

What is Pathology News?
A monthly newsletter devoted to improving communications between the Departments of Pathology at Queen’s, KGH and Hotel Dieu. This newsletter is completely submission driven. Feedback is more than welcome!

This months’ issue is relatively late... The Editor was off carousing.

Received in the Head’s Office
New application forms for the University Research Grant and Sabbatical Travel and Research Grant Programs are now available in the Head’s Office. Please destroy all old application forms that you have on hand.

Employment Wanted
Dr. Xiaoling Song, who is a research technician, is looking for a full time position in the Department. He has research experience focused on cellular immunology and cancer biology, but he would also like to work in any other fields.

Ms Ingrid Jansons will be completing her M.Sc. in Biology under the supervision of Dr. W.G. Bendena at Queen’s University in September 1995, and she is looking for employment until September of the following year. She has worked for a year as a research assistant with Dr. A.M. Kropinski in the Department of Microbiology.

Ms Nancy Carr, who is currently employed as a research technician in the Department of Physiology at Queen’s University, is looking for a full time research technician position. Her current position will be ending on July 31, 1995.

Curricula vitae for the above-named people are on file in Room 202, Richardson Labs for viewing.

Employment Offered
The Department of Pathology at the University of Massachusetts is recruiting new faculty with primary interests in Immunology. Interested scientists should send their curriculum vitae, bibliography, names of three individuals willing to serve as references, and a statement of research interest to: Dr. Bruce Woda, Department of Pathology, University of Massachusetts Medical Centre, 55 Lake Avenue North, Worcester, MA 01655-0122.

Appointments, Awards & Professional Activities
Service Milestones
Service milestones attained in the Department of Pathology during June, July and August of 1995 are as follows:

Dr. William E. N. Corbett - 30 years
Dr. Robert Kisilevsky - 25 Years
Lois Birtch - 25 years
Dr. Samuel Ludwin - 20 years
Dr. Albert Clark has been appointed as acting head of the Department of Biochemistry, replacing Dr. Geoffrey Flynn, during the latter’s sabbatical leave from July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996.

Dr. Ludwin, as Chair of the Promotion, Appointment, Reappointment, Tenure and Termination Committee, is pleased to announce the membership of the Committee for 1995/96. The members are as follows: Alan Giles, Bruce Elliott, Lois Shepherd, David Dexter, Peter Greer, David Kydd and Denise Campbell.

New Grant Applications Submitted
Good luck to Drs. Sherryl Taylor, T. G. Flynn, and S.C. Pang who have recently applied for a three-year grant from London Life to support their research project entitled “The pro-ANP gene in cases of salt-sensitive hypertension”.

Successful Grant Applications Congratulations to Dr. John Rossiter who has been recently awarded $25,000 from the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Society of Canada to support his research project entitled “Molecular Mechanisms of Motoneuronal Apoptosis” from July 1, 1995 to July 31, 1996.

Annual Department of Pathology Resident Party Steak Barbecue
Dr. Paul Manley is pleased to invite senior staff, residents and their significant others to attend a social evening on Thursday, September 7, 1995 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Queen’s University Club. R.S.V.P. to Marlene Sayers, Room 202, Richardson Labs, Telephone Q-4887 on or before August 23rd.

Boston ASCP/CAP, April 20-25
The American Society of Clinical Pathologists and the College of American Pathologists, invite you to participate in the Scientific Assembly at the 1996 Spring Meeting in Boston, Massachusetts, April 20-25, by submitting a scientific abstract for poster presentation or for presentation at the Pathology Resident Awards competition. The deadline for receipt of submissions is September 26, 1995.

Queen’s University Continuing Medical Education Calendar
Conference details can be retrieved from a Fax-back service at 1-800-354-6058, and request document #2100. With this reference you will be able to call up details of individual documents.

Sept 13: Ophthalmology, Harbour Restaurant
Sept 20: Perth Fall Conference, Patterson Restaurant
Sept 27: Cardiology, Harbour Restaurant
Oct 04: Brockville Fall Conference, Royal Brock Hotel

Calendar of Events
Department of Pathology Research Seminars: Tuesdays, 4:00 pm

For Your Info
Faculty Fax - Gopher Server
Faculty Fax is now available on the Gopher Server. To access, sign on to the Gopher server, select “Other Academic and Research Gopher Servers at Queen.” Then select “Faculty of Medicine”, Dean’s Office,” and then “News”. Current and back issues of Faculty Fax will be found in that folder. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Gail Knutson at Q-7575.

The Faculty Women’s Club of Queen’s University
If you are interested in becoming a member of The Faculty Women’s Club of Queen’s University, please write to Marjorie Cushing at 296 Avenue Road, Kingston, Ontario, K7M 1C9 by August 30. Those who hold, or whose husbands hold the position of Administrative Officers, Librarians, Teachers of the rank of Lecturer or Clinical Assistant or higher, Research Associates, Post Doctoral Fellows and Visiting Professors at the University are eligible to join.

Work-Study Student Program
Need a full-time Queen’s Student to assist you on a part-time basis for the fall/winter session? Then hire a work-study student! For a mere $2.00 per hour you can hire a student on this program. Contact the student awards office at 545-2216 or Career Planning and Placement at 545-2992 for information and an application.

Faculty Council
Bill Racz, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology, will be taking over from Wes Boston on September 1 as Secretary of the Faculty.
The BioScience Building Project
Blasting has begun!  The daily schedule is:
9am, 11am, 1pm, 3pm and 5pm
Prior to each blast the warning siren will sound 3 long. After the blast, the siren will sound 1 long to indicate all clear. If you are in a building with windows that open, ensure all are closed prior to each blast. The blasting should be complete by the middle of August.

Resident's Column
The Canadian Red Cross - Transfusion Medicine is offering Fellowship Awards. Deadline for applications is October 2, 1995. See Barb or Jean for information.

CAP Foundation Fellowship
Applications are now available. See Barb or Jean for the forms. Deadline is October 1, 1995.

Here is some background info on our new residents: (Name, University Graduated, Previous experience):

Dr. Konrad Chan: Glasgow University, Scotland; 6 mos Rotating Intern; Resident I Falkirk & Dist. Royal Infirm. General Pathology, 6 mos Rotating Intern July 1, 1995 - June 30, 1996 Heathfield Hospital, 5 mos Senior House Officer, Crosshouse Hospital, Ontario Pre-Internship Program, 1 yr Clinical Internship, Internal Medicine, Queen’s

Dr. Navdeep Gill: University of Alberta; 1 yr Rotating Intern Resident I University of Alberta General Pathology, 1 yr Clinical Internship July 1, 1995 - June 30, 1996 Internal Medicine, Queen’s

Dr. Michael Rutherford: Queen’s University; PhD Med/Molecular Genetics; Resident I, 1 yr Clinical Internship Anatomic Pathology, Internal Medicine, Queen’s, July 1, 1995 - June 30, 1996

Dr. John Vu: University of Ottawa; 1 yr Rotating Intern, Resident I Health Sciences Ctr General Pathology & St.

Boniface H., Manitoba July 1, 1995 - June 30, 1996 3 yrs Clinical Associate, Princess Margaret H., Toronto

Dr. Dorsa Zarrabian: University of Toronto; 2 yrs Faculty of Medicine, Resident I, University of Toronto General Pathology, 1 yr Clinical Internship July 1, 1995 - June 30, 1996 Internal Medicine, Queen’s

Graduate News
The following is some information on the courses the Department offers. Note that not all are offered every year.

Pathology 811: Clinical Cytogenetics. Half course. Contact Dr. A Duncan for more info.

Pathology 823: Cancer Biology (B. Elliott) Half course. offered in 96/97
Pathology 824: General Pathology for Non-Medical Students (R Kisilevsky) Fall Term half course Wednesdays 2:30-4:30 Richardson Amp. 95/96
Pathology 825: Human Genetics (L. Mulligan) 95/96
Pathology 826: The Molecular Basis of Disease, (R Kisilevsky) will NOT be offered this coming year. It will next be offered in the 1997 winter term (Jan-Apr) and alternating years thereafter..

Undergraduate News:

Pathology 410 General Pathology for Non-Medical Students (R Kisilevsky) Fall Term half course Wednesdays 2:30-4:30 Richardson Amp.
Pathology 420 Research Project in Pathology (D Lillicrap) Full Year

Our other undergrad course, Pathology 430, The Molecular Basis of Disease, (R Kisilevsky) will NOT be offered this coming year. It will next be offered in the 1997 winter term (Jan-Apr) and alternating years thereafter..

Buy, Sell & Trade


Grants and Deadlines
Changes - Medical Research Council of Canada
A revised edition of the MRC Grants and Awards Guide is to be released in August. A summary of the changes made (excluding editorial changes) is listed below:

1) The deadline for the second operating grant competition has been changed from March 15 to March 1.
2) The September deadline for Clinical Trials has been changed from September 1 to September 15, so the Clinical Trials deadlines now correspond to those for Operating Grants.
3) The deadline for Clinician-Scientist applications has been changed from November 1 to September 15.

The Educating Future Physicians for Ontario (EFPO) Fellowship Program
The application deadline is November 10, 1995. The awards will be made in late November and will be effective January 1996. If you are interested, please contact Dianne Delva, EFPO Site Coordinator, at The Family Medicine Centre, 220 Bagot Street, P.O. Bag 8888, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 5E9, Phone: 549-4480, Ext. 3942, FAX: 544-9899, E-mail: mdd2@post.queensu.ca.

Heart and Stroke Foundation
The Heart and Stroke Foundation is offering three fellowships. Applications must be submitted by November 15, 1995 for commencement July 1, 1996. Applications can be obtained from the Medical Research Office in Botterell Hall. They are as follows: The Scientific Fellowships in Prevention Research, The Stroke Investigator Award, and the Educational and Behavioral Research in Heart Disease and Stroke. The purpose of these
special Fellowships is to attract young investigators and to promote the development of research related to the prevention of heart disease and stroke in Ontario.

The University of British Columbia 1996 Izaak Walton Memorial Postdoctoral Fellowship Competition
Please note that applications are restricted to those who have obtained a doctorate within two academic years of the commencement of the Fellowship. The application deadline is November 30, 1995. For further information please contact the Faculty of Graduate Studies, The University of British Columbia, 180 - 637 Crescent Road, Vancouver, B.C., V6T 1Z2, Telephone (604) 822-2933, or FAX (604) 822-5802.

The Ontario Mental Health Foundation
New information, guidelines and application forms are available for funding opportunities from the Ontario Mental Health Foundation. Please call the Office of Research Services at 6081 to obtain full details. Funds are available under the following categories: Publications, Conferences and Other Public Events, Ontario Friends of Schizophrenics - Research Project Grants, Research Project Grants and Major Equipment Grants, and Fellowships and Studentships.

Canadian Universities Research Program - 1996 Funding Program
The Canadian Universities Research Program is inviting all qualified researchers to submit Letter(s) of Intent for consideration for funding. The deadline for receipt of submissions is September 30, 1995. For further information please contact the Faculty of Graduate Studies, The University of British Columbia, 180 - 637 Crescent Road, Vancouver, B.C., V6T 1Z2, Telephone (604) 822-2933, or FAX (604) 822-5802.

RCPSC Fellowship for Studies in Medical Education
The deadline for applications to the Royal College Fellowship for Studies in Medical Education is September 30, 1995. Please note that each application must be sponsored by the Faculty of Medicine.

The Steacie Prize in the Natural Sciences - National Research Council of Canada
The Steacie Prize is Canada’s most prestigious award for young scientists and engineers. It consists of a cash award of $8,000 given once a year to a person up to 40 years of age for outstanding scientific research. Nomination papers must be received at NRC by October 1, 1995. Applications must be received at the Office of Research Services by September 25, 1995.

RCPSC-MRC-Sandoz Clinical Research Fellowship
Two RCPSC-MRC-Sandoz Clinical Research Fellowships are available to young physicians who wish to acquire appropriate knowledge and skill in the research field including clinical investigation for further application in a clinical scientist career. Closing date is September 30, 1995 (postmarked).

Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
The Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation invites applications to its October 1995 grants and awards competition. Applications will be accepted at the Foundation’s office until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 1995.

Botterell Fund
This year’s competition deadline will be October 1, 1995. This fund supports research in the neurological sciences. Submit applications on Faculty of Medicine forms; original and 2 copies.

Garfield Kelly Cardiovascular Research and Development Fund
This fund supports basic or clinical studies in cardiovascular function in health or disease. Applications should be submitted on Faculty of Medicine forms - the original and 4 copies. Amounts requested should normally not exceed $5,000. Applications should be received by the Faculty Research office by October 1, 1995.

Violet E. Powell Fund
This fund supports research in encephalitis. Applications should be submitted on Faculty of Medicine forms - the original and 4 copies. They should be received by the Faculty Research office by October 1, 1995.

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Some thoughts on the literature: Are we losing credibility as we measure our logic constructs by reference to the literature? Is there but one truth? Current happenings would suggest we are and there is not. Can someone please tell me if the coffee is safe to consume (we do not refer to the brown sludge of dubious age and uncertain origin which is available as an odd form of ethically approved human experimentation at a variety of committee meetings)? Does it lead to heart attacks or not? Substitute alcohol in the equation. Is Chateau Neuf D’Armepeit 1995 good for you or a recipe for accelerated senescence and disease? Recent research and media publicity would have one flip-flopping from one stated authorized version to another like a crazed idiot convinced that he can operate a teeter-totter single-handedly.

A fresh article in the Archives of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine is written in horrifying detail the new truth... THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS ‘STRATEGIC’ PLANNING! The asterix is mine. Now what do we do? All those meetings,... the position papers... the impassioned speeches... the reams of papers... all to no avail. We surely could have spent the time better (at this point dear reader please insert your preferred time consuming activity... a future survey will ensure that time is spent doing what people like doing). A piece of trivia buried in that article denotes that there is no such thing as instant coffee!

Even the respected Lancet has added grist to the mill. The June 17th editorial announces a New Classification of Lymphomas. At last! I was tired of the old one! After all that was only the
Working Formulation...a term certainly suggesting transience! I am pleased to announce they have KIEL-hauled the old classification to at last replace it with the REAL classification. This suggests of course we have been faking it all along and have finally after intense bargaining somewhat like NAFTA, reluctantly laid our cards on the table. They suggest that REAL stands for a Revised European-American Lymphoma Classification...but I am not fooled one bit. Does that suggest geographic pathology or should we celebrate the eradication of the disease elsewhere? To be less discriminatory, I put forward a new all-embracing label. W.O.R.L.D., the Working Or Real Lymphomatous Disease classification.

It seems to me we do have a problem in credibility. How can we teach our students to be literature-critical when each viewpoint is incontrovertibly supported and further the figures prove it?

Caveat emptor!

In Other News:

Dr Wasan is away on sick leave. We wish her speedy recovery. Special thanks to Drs. Manley and Young, our colleagues who have helped cover the surgical service. Dr. Caroline Rowlands now is well settled in her office on Centenary 2. A Western flavour fills the air and some new ideas are already bubbling forth. Dr. David Hurlbut is attending a conference in Osh Kosh...no ByGosh, this is not a users conference for parents of larger families but reflects David’s enthusiasm as a pilot. The Airshow is a large one and a major date in the flyers calendar.

And now for some slightly belated cricket scores:

From the Sydney Association Grounds comes the final scores of the great match between England and Australia.

First Innings: Australia 586 all out, G. Giffen 161, S.E. Gregory 201.
Second Innings: Australia 166 all out.
First Innings: England 325 all out.
Second innings: England 437 all out, A. Ward 117.

England wins by 10 runs (dateline December 1894)

Rules are what we live by and with. Cricket is said not to be the easiest of games to understand and in which, thereby, to excel. As part of the departmental summer CME programme, selected, but vital rules will be reviewed.

Batt Foot or Hand over ye Crease
If in running a notch ye Wicket is struck down by a throw, before his foot hand or Batt is over ye popping Crease, or a stump hit by ye Ball though ye Bail was down, its Out. But if ye Bail is down before, he that catches ye Ball must strike a Stump out of the ground, Ball in hand, then its Out (Ye Laws of Ye Game of Cricket 1744).

That certainly covers that point, or is it slip?

Cases of the Week:
Plasmodium ovale
Mucinous cystadenocarcinoma of the pancreas
Clear cell sarcoma of tendon sheath
Gallstone ileus (autopsy)
Merkel cell carcinoma

The KGH Connection

Submitted by Shirley McDonald

No submission this month as Infection Control has moved from one cubbyhole on Douglas Two to another cubbyhole on Douglas Two. Sordid details to follow next month.

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

Mail News

Infection Control has joined us in the world of Electronic Mail. At the moment they can only send and receive local area network mail, but we are hoping to get them onto the Internet for E-mail as soon as possible. If you are using either the dos or windows version of Pegasus Mail, entries have already been put into the address books...simply type the name (shirley mcdonald, carol whyman, jane senn, melissa johnson) into the to: field and the real email address will be substituted.

Video Conferencing is a topic of which
you will hear more and more of in the near (1-2 year) future, and to start it off, a cartoon:

Internet cartoon

Video conferencing is the ability to send and receive video and audio images. It will be possible to even do this from your high-end personal computer sitting on your desk. Quality, cost and accessibility are some of the issues of the moment.

Mail statistics: The following are the number of pieces of E-mail 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

Instructional Material
A whole pile of informational flyers, advertising and technical specs from COMDEX ‘95 in Toronto last month is available from Kevin. Nice to browse through and see what is out there in the computing field.

As well is a monthly newsletter scription to “Networking World- The newspaper of user networking strategies”. Somewhat technical but it highlights the state of the industry.

Backups
Several people have a backup method in place but simply forget to use it. We are in the process of searching for a windows based “Cron” program which will automatically start your backup program, depending on what day it is.

Virus scanning
Our workstation virus scanning software has just been upgraded from FP-218a to FP-219. This is now on the Pathology File Server and is available for people to use. If you already have an automated workstation virus scanning script in place, the new version will be used without any intervention on your part.

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 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

Regular Campus Mail:
Kevin Kell, Rm. 201, Richardson Labs, Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario
K7L 3N6 Canada
FAX: 613- 545-2907

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 Tuesday September 5th, 1995.

Send items (in order of preference) by:
1) email,
2) floppy disk,