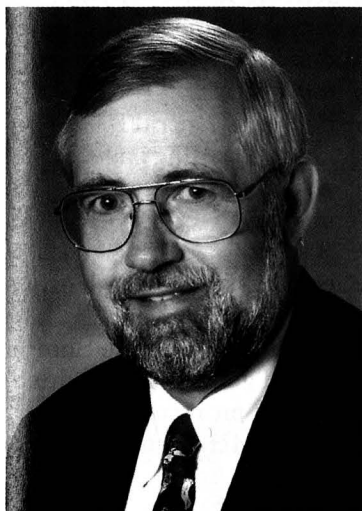


AABP Officers

President



Dr. Rich Meiring, Marysville, Ohio, was raised on a general livestock farm in Fort Recovery, Ohio. He received a BS in Agriculture in 1969 and his DVM degree in 1972 from The Ohio State University.

Following a year in mixed practice in Virginia, Dr. Meiring returned to Fort Recovery and became co-owner of a multi-person mixed animal practice. While practicing in Fort Recovery, Dr. Meiring's main interests involved providing production medicine services to dairy clients in Ohio and Indiana. In 1998, Dr. Meiring joined the Department of Veterinary Preventive Medicine at The Ohio State University as a production medicine clinician.

An AABP member since 1975, Dr. Meiring has been a member of the Animal Welfare Committee, the Public Relations Committee, the Program Committee, and Director of District 4. He served as a member of AVMA's Council on Veterinary Service and the Animal Agriculture Liaison Committee, and was the AVMA liaison to the National Mastitis Council. He is also an active member of NMC and the Ohio VMA. In 1996 Dr. Meiring was awarded the Distinguished Alumnus Award by the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine, and the Distinguished Service Award from the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Meiring and his wife, Barb, have three children, Jason, Allison and Laura. Avid supporters of Ohio State athletics, Rich and Barb enjoy golf, music, reading and family time. They also are involved in many community organizations and events.

President's message:

I am pleased to report that AABP continues to fulfill its mission to enhance the professional lives of its members through relevant continuing education that will improve the well-being of cattle and the economic success of their owners, increase awareness and promote leadership for issues critical to cattle industries, and improve opportunities for careers in bovine medicine. The organization is blessed with inspired leadership and a dedicated staff. Our financial position is strong and allows us to support projects important to AABP members.

AABP is moving on a broad front to address current and future challenges and to take advantage of opportunities presented by the beef and dairy industries. Efforts to improve member benefits, recruit and retain new bovine veterinarians and to expand continuing education offerings have been undertaken. Issues involving food safety and animal welfare have become hot buttons to groups both within and outside the food supply sector. AABP is positioning itself to become a reliable resource to policy makers as these issues surface.

Your board of directors and committees have had a busy year. The board approved funding for the Food Supply Veterinary Medicine Coalition/Bayer study and for AABP Education Grants. The board also approved participation in the Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization (PAACO). Our committees have

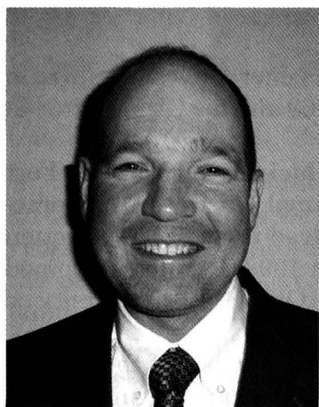
tackled issues such as BSE, food safety, BVD, lameness and animal welfare issues. We plan on being proactive, not reactive, on issues that involve bovine practice.

AABP members must continue to be credible sources of scientific-based knowledge and advocates of animal welfare. As an organization, our members need to position themselves to be resource people ... people who are thought of as the first-line resource. This will include strengthening coalitions and involvement with other professional and industry groups. AABP will continue to provide its members with educational opportunities and services that will allow them to fulfill these goals.

I urge all of you to keep current on issues involving auditing, animal identification, carcass disposal and food safety. There are many opportunities for AABP members to be involved in these issues from the farm level to inside the beltway. These are issues that will influence the way we practice in the future.

Finally, we mourn the passing of our Executive Vice-President, Dr. James Jarrett. Before he became the Executive Vice-President of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners, Dr. Jarrett's distinguished professional career included private practice, consulting practice and regulatory medicine. He is also well known as a lecturer and author. Dr. Jarrett's name has been synonymous with excellence of bovine practice both nationally and internationally. We will miss him.

AABP Vice-President



Dr. Charles Hatcher, College Grove, Tennessee graduated from University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine in 1984. After practicing in Russellville, KY for 10 years, he returned home to the family farm in 1993 and established a mixed animal practice, which he continues to own and operate today. His areas of expertise include dairy and beef production medicine, reproduction and nutrition. The practice provides consultation to dairy and beef farms in Tennessee and south-central Kentucky.

In addition to private practice, Dr. Hatcher is employed on a part-time basis by the State of Tennessee as a Staff Veterinarian for the Department of Agriculture. He is the Designated Johnes Disease Coordinator for the State of Tennessee.

Dr. Hatcher served two terms as Director of District 3 of the AABP from 1998-2004. He received the Distinguished Alumni Private Practice Award from the University of Tennessee in February, 2005.

Dr. Hatcher resides on an active dairy, beef and sheep farm with his wife Sharon and son Charles, who is a senior in high school. His daughter Jennifer will be the first, second generation graduate from the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine in May 2005. Jennifer plans on returning to her father's practice and pursuing a career as a bovine practitioner. The whole family is active in 4H, church and the community.

New Directors



Dr. Art Donovan is the new Director for District 3. He is a 1979 graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph. Following a year in mixed, predominantly dairy practice in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, he did a residency in ambulatory food animal medicine at the University of Florida. He was subsequently employed as a faculty member in the Food Animal Reproduction and Medicine Service at the University of Florida, where he has remained to this day. His professional interests include dairy replacement rearing, production medicine and clinical epidemiology.

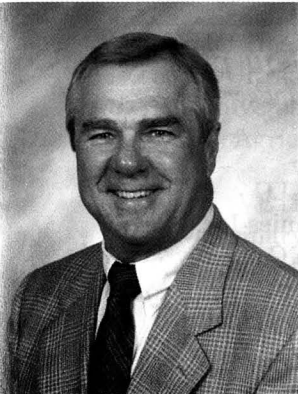
Dr. Donovan is a member of the AVMA, American Dairy Science Association, National Mastitis Council and Professional Dairy Heifer Growers Association. He has been a member of the AABP since 1979, and has served on the Computer Committee in the pre-pentium days, and was General Sessions coordinator for the 1991 Annual Conference. He also serves on the State of Florida Johnes Advisory Committee.

Dr. Donovan and his wife, Patti Gordon, are active in their home and community life. They have six children from 6 to 17 years of age who are all involved in multiple sports. Dr. Donovan has been a coach for numerous children's sports teams and currently is director of the local girls fastpitch softball association. When not watching or coaching children's athletics, the Donovan's enjoy family gatherings and traveling.



Dr. Bill Seglar is the newly elected Director for District 6. He serves as veterinarian for Nutritional Sciences for Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., a DuPont subsidiary. He is responsible for providing nutritional and veterinary support for all Pioneer product lines which is based around 1) customer interactions, 2) providing the field with technical information, 3) working with various business support groups within Pioneer, and 4) working with veterinary and nutritional influencers.

Bill joined Pioneer in 1994 as a technical services veterinarian for the Microbial Genetics Division. Prior to joining Pioneer, he spent 17 years working in a mixed-animal practice in Winona, Minnesota, where he specialized in dairy cattle medicine and nutrition. Bill received his bachelor's degree in Agricultural Education in 1973 and his degree in Veterinary Medicine from Iowa State University in 1977. He is a member of the American Dairy Science Association, American Society of Animal Science, American Veterinary Medical Association, Academy of Veterinary Consultants and National Cattlemen's Beef Association.



Dr. John Schnackel was elected to represent members in District 9. He was raised on a livestock farm near Atlantic, Iowa. He received his DVM degree from Iowa State University in 1974. From 1975 until 1981, he owned a predominately cow-calf practice in Greenfield, Iowa. Between 1981 and 1983, Dr. Schnackel was a clinical research manager for Schering Animal Health. Dr. Schnackel currently holds the position of Senior Veterinary Consultant for Fort Dodge Animal Health, where he has been employed since 1983. In 1993, he and his wife Lyla moved to Fort Collins, Colorado after living 10 years in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Dr. Schnackel has collaborated with researchers at the University of Wyoming, Colorado State University and South Dakota State University in BVDV challenge studies. Results of these trials have been published in *The Bovine Practitioner*, *JAVMA* and *Veterinary Therapeutics*. He has made presentations to numerous producer and veterinary groups, as well as at the 2002 AABP Annual Convention, 2004 BVDV in the Americas

Symposium, and the 2004 World Buiatrics Congress. Besides AABP, he is a member of AAEP, AVMA, Colorado VMA, Iowa VMA and the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, where he serves on their Scholarship/Externship Committee.

He is a member of the Faith Evangelical Free Church, and in September 2004 completed an 18-day mission trip with fellow church members to the Czech Republic to assist Christian missionaries in remodeling a church and office building.

FUTURE MEETINGS

American Association of Bovine Practitioners

2005	Salt Lake City, Utah	September 24-26
2006	Saint Paul, Minnesota	September 21-23
2007	Vancouver, British Columbia	September 20-22

World Association for Buiatrics

2006	Nice, France	October 15-19
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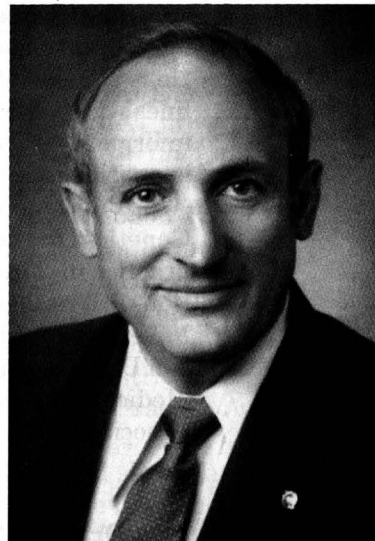
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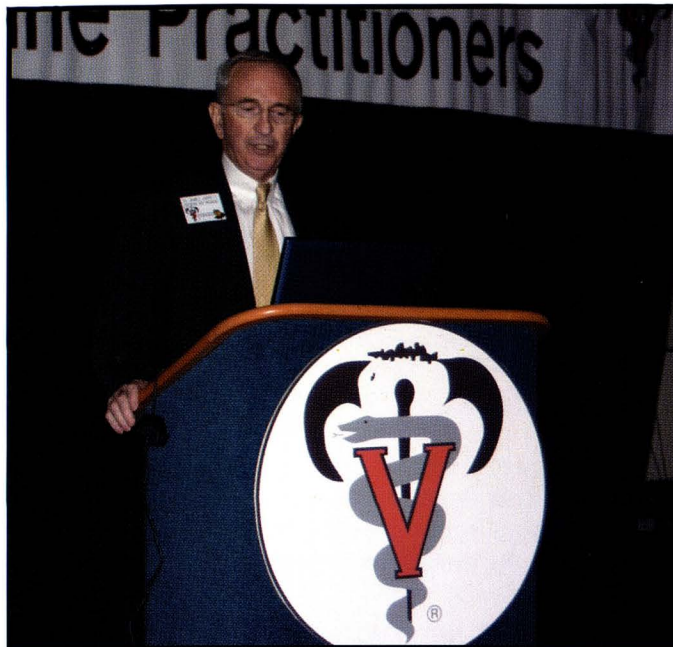
Winners of the 2004 AABP Bovine Giveaway

The following veterinarians had their business cards drawn from a milk jug at the listed exhibitors' booth. They won \$100.00 each.

Winners	Booth	Winners	Booth
Dr. Jose A. Molina 2938 380th St. Sioux Center, IA 51250	DVM Resources	Dr. Diane E. Balich 14227 Sugar Hill Cutoff Lincoln, AR 72744	Agri-Pro Enterprises
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Executive Vice-President's Report

James A. Jarrett, DVM
Executive Vice-President, AABP



Dr. Jim Jarrett, reflecting on his 11 years as Executive Vice-President of AABP.

It is with a heavy heart that I present to you my final report as your Executive Vice-President. Health concerns of both my wife and myself have led me to retire from the position on or about January 1, 2005. Please know that I will be available after that for any assistance I might be to you or the AABP.

Finances

The AABP continues to be financially strong. At a time when many volunteer organizations are struggling, we continue to support and expand many services to our members, especially in the area of student support.

Commercial support continues to be strong and grow. This is an area of some concern for me. I would caution that we not get in a position of too much dependence on this non-dues income.

Membership

Membership continues to hold at near the 6000 level. Of concern is the fact that we have not had appreciable growth in the last two to three years. I believe there are still many veterinarians who could benefit from being members of the AABP. I would challenge the membership committee to continue to find new ways to promote the organization.

General Office Activity

Lauren continues to do an excellent job of executing her responsibilities as Administrative Assistant. Her job is one of many different and varied activities and she is handling them very well. We continue to be fortunate with quality of individuals we have had in this position. Sandra and Mary continue to make vital contributions to the day-to-day operation of the AABP office.

Registration activities for the Ft. Worth meeting have gone well. The entire staff was more "caught up" than I can remember in recent years. This as the conference continues to grow in volume and complexity. As an example, we had a record number of Seminars and Clinical Forums this year, along with a complex group of General Sessions.

Accountant, Bank, and Attorney

It is the responsibility of the Executive Vice-President to nominate the official accountant, bank and attorney for the organization. For these positions I nominate the following:

- Accountant: firm of Reed, Martin & Slickman, Rome, GA

- Bank: Rome, GA branch of Sun Trust Bank
- Attorney: Mr. Joe Seiglar, Rome, GA

Liaisons and Meetings

A large part of my liaison activity the past year has been with AVMA activities. I attended the Veterinary Leadership Conference in January.

I continue to serve on the AVMA GHLIT. I plan to continue that after retirement.

Honor Roll Nominees

The following have requested Honor Roll status. All of these individuals qualify and I recommend they be approved:

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| Dr. Bruce Wren | Dr. John Anderson |
| Dr. Garth Murray | Dr. Robert Giacomazzi |
| Dr. Erwin Pearson | Dr. E. Wayne Miller |
| Dr. Robert Lindstrom | |

Election of New Board Members

Elections were held for members of the Board of Directors in the following districts:

- District 3: Dr. Art Donovan elected to serve a three-year term
- District 6: Dr. Bill Seglar elected to serve a three-year term

- District 9: Dr. John Schnackel elected to serve a three-year term
- District 12: Dr. Reny Lothrop, re-elected to serve a second term.

Dr. Charlie Hatcher was elected Vice-President.

All newly elected/appointed persons (e.g. Directors, Officers, Committee Chairs and members, etc.) take office at the close of the annual meeting.

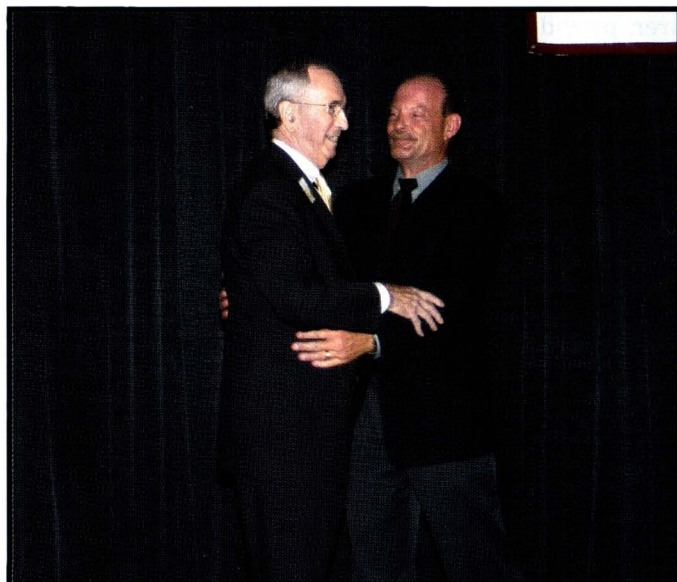
Summary

The past 12 years have been some of the most rewarding and exciting of my professional career. It is with deep regret that I now tender my resignation. I want to thank you for allowing me to make organized veterinary medicine my vocation for these years after having it as an avocation for many years before.

The AABP is a strong, vibrant volunteer organization and I feel sure you will continue to make it so.

Please know that I will be ready to serve you or the organization in any way I can after retirement.

Respectfully submitted,
 James A. Jarrett, DVM
 Executive Vice-President, AABP
 September 16, 2004



Dr. Rod Sydenham, right, with Dr. Jarrett during the "thank you" ceremony.

Minutes

American Association of Bovine Practitioners

Business Lunch
25 September 2004
Fort Worth Convention Center
Fort Worth, Texas

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Spire at 12:30 p.m., who welcomed those in attendance.

Dr. Spire began by presenting the minutes of the Columbus Business Meeting for approval. On motion and second, the 2003 Business Meeting minutes were approved.

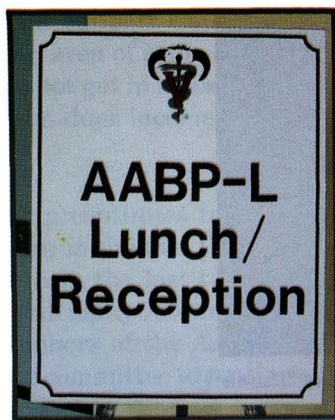
AABP's officers were introduced: Patty Scharko, Past-President; Rich Meiring, President-Elect; and John Ferry, Vice-President. Dr. Spire then introduced the AVMA officers in attendance, along with each District Director and those in attendance by district.

AVMA President Bonnie Beaver recognized Darrel Johnson, AABP's outgoing delegate to the AVMA and James Jarrett, outgoing AABP Executive Vice-President, for their service. Dr. Jarrett was given a plaque recognizing his service to the profession. Dr. Beaver affirmed AVMA's commitment to food animal veterinary medicine and encouraged AABP members to make a commitment to mentor veterinary students and new graduates.

John Waddell, president of the AASV, described AASV's efforts—PAACO, antibiotic resistance discussions—to advance mutual goals.

Joan Collell gave a welcome from ANEMBE and expressed appreciation for Dr. Jarrett's work.

Mark Wustenberg, treasurer, provided the membership with an update on AABP's financial status. Dr. Wustenberg reported that AABP had strong systems of financial accountability in place and described its financial position: equity \$890,000, budget \$1.1 million, interest earned on reserve \$90,000.



John Ferry, Vice-President and chair of the 2005 Program Committee, invited everyone to attend the 38th Annual Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah.

James Jarrett, Executive Vice-President, reported that membership had decreased very slightly from 2003 to 5,931. During June elections, Art Donovan was elected District III Director, Bill Seglar was elected District VI Director, John Schnackel was elected District IX Director and Reny Lothrop was re-elected District XII Director.

Denny Hausmann of Alpharma Animal Health introduced Rich Meiring to present the AABP Alpharma Award of Excellence. Dr. Meiring introduced and presented the award to Dr. Bruce Hull.

Joe Dedrickson of Merial introduced Steve Wikse to present the Merial Award for Excellence in Preventive Beef Medicine. Dr. Wikse introduced and presented the award to Dr. Tom Hairgrove.

Dr. Dedrickson also introduced Jim Furman to present the Merial Award for Excellence in Preventive Dairy Medicine. Dr. Furman introduced and presented the award to Dr. Les "Butch" DeGross.

Vic Cortese of Pfizer Animal Health introduced Dianne Hellwig to present the Pfizer-AABP Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Hellwig presented the award to Dr. Patty Scharko.



Dr. Mark Spire, AABP President, calls the 2004 AABP Business Meeting to order.

Dr. David Ellefson of Fort Dodge Animal Health introduced Nigel Cook to present the Fort Dodge Animal Health Bovine Practitioner of the Year. Dr. Cook introduced and presented the award to Dr. David Rhoda.

Dr. Harold Amstutz and Dr. Kent Ames presented the Amstutz-Williams Award to Dr. John Noordsy in absentia.

Student Case Presentation winners were announced by Dianne Hellwig, Case Presentation Chair. First place winner was Joy Leshner of Ohio State University, second place Andrea Starkey of Purdue and the third place winner was Israel Isenberg of Cornell University.

The winners of the graduate student research awards were announced by Dan Grooms, Research Summaries Chair: Kris Fairbanks, who presented a research

summary titled "Prevention of bovine viral diarrhea virus persistent infection after a heterologous Type 1 or Type 2 challenge in animals vaccinated with a combination modified live virus vaccine containing bivalent BVDV" and Kathy Zurbigg, whose poster was titled "The use of animal-based parameters to evaluate tie stall design and stockmanship on dairy farms in Ontario".

Dr. Heather Besoff White was honored as Best Dressed Bovine Practitioner.

The meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lauren Blank
Administrative Assistant, AABP



Dr. Bonnie Beaver, AVMA President, addresses the AABP membership.



Dr. John Waddell, AASV President, addresses the AABP membership.





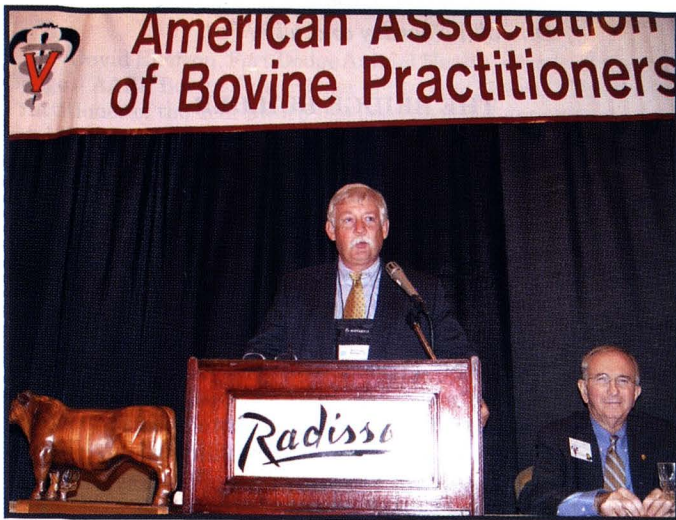
Dr. Jim Jarrett, third from left, receives an award recognizing his many years of service to veterinary medicine from Dr. Bonnie Beaver, AVMA President. Also pictured are President-Elect Rich Meiring (left) and AABP President Mark Spire (right).



Dr. Heather Bessoff White, Best Dressed Practitioner.



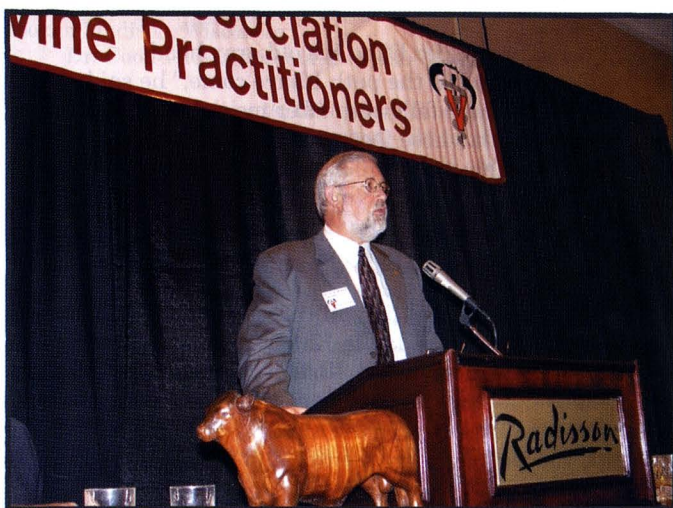
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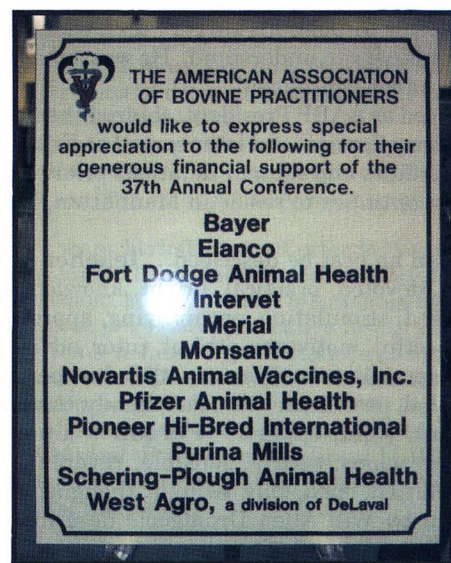
Dr. Mark Spire gives his farewell remarks.



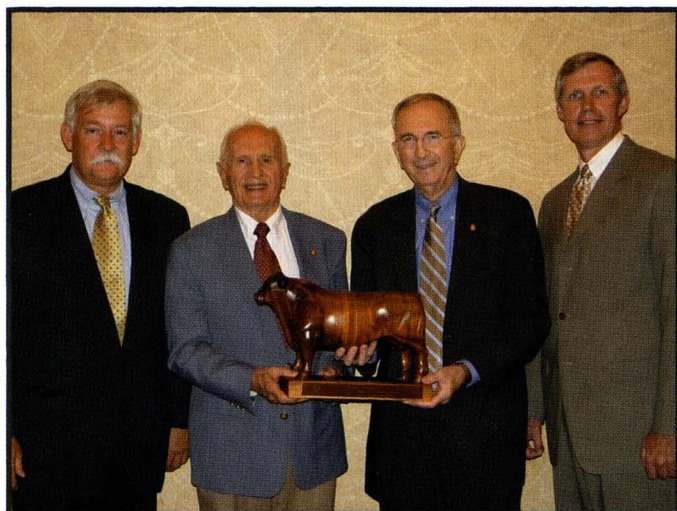
Dr. Rich Meiring, right, presents Dr. Spire with the President's Award as he leaves office.



Dr. Rich Meiring, incoming AABP President, outlines his goals for the coming year.



Amstutz-Williams Award



Receiving the Amstutz-Williams award for Dr. John Noordsy are (l-r) Dr. Mark Spire, Dr. Harold Amstutz, Dr. Jim Jarrett and Dr. Kent Ames.



Dr. John Noordsy and wife, Pat.

THE BRIDGE BUILDER

AN OLD MAN, going on a lone highway,
 Came at the evening, cold and gray,
 To a chasm, vast and deep and wide,
 Through which was flowing a sullen tide.
 The old man crossed in the twilight dim-
 That sullen stream had no fears for him;
 But he turned, when he reached the other side,
 And built a bridge to span the tide.

“Old man,” said a fellow pilgrim near,
 You are wasting strength in building here.
 Your journey will end with the ending day;
 You never again must pass this way.
 You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide,
 Why build you the bridge at the eventide?”

The builder lifted his old gray head.
 “Good friend, in the path I have come,” he said,
 “There followeth after me today
 A youth whose feet must pass this way.
 This chasm that has been naught to me
 To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.
 He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
 Good friend, I am building the bridge for *him*.”

Thank you for building all those bridges. Bridges that veterinarians use every day in Kansas, across this continent and utterly around the world. Bridges that give us guidance and bridges that enriched our lives. I am so glad to be here today to congratulate you on the Amstutz-Williams Award and to thank you for being my mentor and friend. You are most deserving, Dr. John Noordsy!”

The Amstutz-Williams Award was established by the AABP in 1986 to recognize Dr. Harold Amstutz and the late Dr. Eric Williams for long service to the organization. It is the highest honor that can be bestowed by the AABP, and is only presented when a highly qualified individual is nominated and selected for outstanding service to the veterinary profession. To date only nine people have received the award.

Dr. Kent Ames introduced the 2004 award winner. Following are his remarks.

“The winner of the 2004 Amstutz-Williams Award has exemplified the spirit of the AABP throughout his life. A 1946 graduate of Kansas State University, he practiced in South Dakota for several years before returning to his alma mater as a Food Animal Clinician and Surgeon. As one veterinarian, who recommended him for this award said, ... ‘he taught all of us how to do surgery.’ Indeed he did, through his eloquent lectures or through his surgery text, which made difficult procedures easy to understand. He was a master teacher and mentor, a true gentlemen!

He served as AABP President, chaired the AVMA Council on Veterinary Service, and later served at K-State as Dean of Academic Affairs and Alumni Relations prior to retirement in 1990. He continues to reside in Manhattan, Kansas with his wife Pat.

How can he best be described.... **Teacher** – dedicated, professional, devoted, practical, bright, knowledgeable, prepared, inspired, stimulating, encouraging, approachable, response, respectful, motivator, ethical, tutor, advisor, mentor; **Surgeon** – specialist, confident, qualified, experienced, systematic, skilled, proficient, calm, fast, handy, composed, organized, logical, solid, expert; **Person** – kind, generous, welcoming, gracious, secure, sensible, reverent, admiring, values, committed, open, jolly, twinkle, thoughtful, friend.

A poem by Will Allen Dromgoole describes the 2004 Amstutz-Williams Award winner very well:

2004 Bovine Practitioner of the Year



Dr. David Rhoda, left, receives the Ft. Dodge – 2004 Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award from Dr. Dave Ellefson, Fort Dodge Animal Health.

David Ellefson, Fort Dodge Animal Health, described the Fort Dodge – AABP Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award. “The Bovine Practitioner of the Year award has been awarded annually since its establishment in 1978. The award consists of a diamond ring and commemorative plaque. The award winner exhibits those qualities that exemplify the AABP and its members. Candidates are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Must be bovine practitioners in active practice.
- The quality of veterinary service provided as judged by his or her peers.
- Participation in organized veterinary medicine, such as AABP, as well as activity on veterinary boards such as licensing, specialty, etc.
- Contribution to the knowledge of the profession through case reports, scientific reports and continuing education.
- Achievements and activities which have an impact on the cattle industry and bovine practice.

On behalf of Fort Dodge Animal Health, I would like to express our appreciation for allowing us to participate in recognizing one of our outstanding members.

To present the winner of the 2004 Fort Dodge Animal Health Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award, please welcome Dr. Nigel Cook of Madison, Wisconsin.”

Dr. Cook’s description of this year’s award recipient was as follows:

“Like past recipients, this year’s Bovine Practitioner of the Year is truly deserving of this award. He received his veterinary degree from the University of Illinois in 1966 and served in the US Army until 1969. Since 1969 he has been an active member of a progressive six-person veterinary practice in Evansville, Wisconsin. He works exclusively with dairy cattle and after 34 years of practice he remains enthusiastic about the provision of complete animal health, production medicine and consulting services for his dairy clients. He has been a leader in developing nutrition, disease management, milk quality, records analysis and reproductive management programs. He is always looking for ways to bring value to his clients and has worked extensively with industry resources to implement progressive management programs. He utilizes all available resources and often collaborates with university programs to enhance the profitability of his clients. His clients are fortunate to have access to many Excel programs that he has developed to allow record analysis, customization of treatment protocols and to monitor drug usage.

His impact goes far beyond his practice area. He has been exceptionally active in the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association and has held a number of leadership positions. He was a member of the WVMA executive board from 1999-2002, and served as executive board vice-president in 2002.

He was very active as The WVMA Public Education and Marketing Committee chairperson. During his tenure he developed a number of initiatives including the “Cows need doctors too” video. This video introduces elementary age students to the role of the veterinarian on dairy farms. This professionally produced video has enhanced the image of both dairy veterinarians and the dairy industry. He believes strongly in promoting the future of dairy veterinarians and developed and helped present a program (in 4 locations) called “Stepping into the future” – to stimulate discussion amongst dairy practitioners about the trends and tools needed in the future. He served as chairman for the AMDUCA task force in 1997-1998. This task force created a widely distributed manual detailing the information needed for a practitioner to be AMDUCA compliant.

He remains active in development of tools for dairy practitioners and is currently serving as chairman of the WVMA Best Management Practices task force. This task force is developing tools for veterinary supervision of drug procurement and usage on dairies for which they hold a valid VCPR.

He is active in the agricultural community and serves as an advisor to the University of Wisconsin-Madison Dairy Science Department, and has been an active advisor for several agribusiness entities.

In recent years, his influence has extended beyond Wisconsin through his column “Cowside Practice” in *Hoard’s Dairyman*. Through this medium, he has been able to encourage numerous dairy producers to adopt progressive preventive health care programs. He has also given a number of presentations at national forums such as the AABP Annual Conference, the NY State Veterinary Medical Association Annual Conference and the NMC annual meeting.

The WVMA has awarded him with both the Meritorious Service Award (1996) and the Presidential Award in 1998 (the 4th recipient). He defines excellence in dairy veterinary practice and is truly deserving of this award.

It is my pleasure to introduce to you the 2004 AABP-Fort Dodge Bovine Practitioner of the Year, Dr. David Rhoda.”

Alpharma–AABP Award of Excellence



Dr. Bruce Hull, center, receives the AABP Alpharma Award of Excellence from Dr. Rich Meiring, left, and Dr. Denny Hausmann, Alpharma Animal Health.

This award, established in 1989, consists of a ring and a plaque. Candidates for the award must be nominated from teaching, research, industry or government areas. The nominees' professional activities must have had a consistent and direct influence on daily activities of veterinarians in bovine practice. Eligibility also includes a degree in Veterinary Medicine and AABP membership. The 2004 winner was announced by Dr. Rich Meiring.

“Our award winner had, and continues to have, a great influence on bovine veterinarians and the livestock industry. A graduate of Cornell University in 1961, his academic career began in 1968 and continued until his retirement in late 2003. During this time, he was responsible for teaching over 3,500 veterinary students about bovine medicine and surgery. His students learned not only veterinary medicine; they also learned about the importance of food animals to society. Even students with no interest in food animal practice gained understanding of the importance of cattle and the cattle industry.

As I talk with former students, they all speak fondly of our honoree's ability to make them understand concepts and achieve results. The teaching awards that he received during his career reflect on his ability to motivate young veterinarians. Residents who studied under him are some of the most prominent veterinarians throughout the U.S. and Europe. His ability as a teacher is beyond question. He has also been a featured presenter at veterinary conferences throughout North and South America, Europe, Australia and South Africa.

His abilities as a clinician and surgeon are unmatched. He is regarded as one of the finest bovine surgeons in the U.S. One of the things that most impressed me was his ability to recognize the economic realities of his profession and teach these realities to the students.

He has been author or co-author of numerous scientific articles, an editor of veterinary journals and books, and a contributor to many journals and lay publications. Although his role was not that of a primary researcher, he was an important collaborator with many colleagues.

His contributions to our profession also include his service to The Ohio State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, the American College of Veterinary Surgeons, Omega Tau Sigma professional fraternity, the OSU Food Animal Club and 4-H. He has been an advisor to administrators, a colleague to fellow faculty and an important mentor to students. I believe his willingness to mentor future veterinarians has left an indelible impression on our profession.

In summary, the 2004 AABP-Alpharma Award of Excellence winner has made lifelong contributions to our profession. He is a respected clinician and surgeon, an excellent teacher, a researcher, an active supporter of organized veterinary medicine, and most importantly, a role model and mentor to all bovine veterinarians who know him. Please help me congratulate Dr. Bruce Hull.”

Pfizer Animal Health – AABP Distinguished Service Award – Merit Award Series



Dr. Patty Scharko, center, receives the Pfizer Animal Health-AABP Distinguished Service Award from Dr. Dianne Hellwig, left, and Dr. Vic Cortese, Pfizer Animal Health.

Dr. Vic Cortese, Pfizer Animal Health, described the award:

“The award was established in 1989. It consists of a commemorative plaque and a certificate of appreciation. It also includes a \$1,000 donation to either the school of the recipient’s choice or the Amstutz Scholarship Fund. Candidates for the award are those individuals who, through long and continued service, have promoted the goals of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP), and whose accomplishments have served as a model for service to bovine agriculture through organized veterinary medicine.

Selection criteria include the following:

- A career of self-effacing commitment to excellence in bovine medicine as evidenced by conscientious involvement in the affairs of the AABP;
- Demonstrated leadership in keeping organized veterinary medicine abreast of the times;
- Peer recognition as an effective spokesman for the bovine practitioner.

Dr. Dianne Hellwig will introduce the 2004 award winner.”

“We thank Pfizer Animal Health for continued sponsorship of the AABP-Pfizer Distinguished Service Award.

Our 2004 recipient truly meets the qualifications of this award: long and continued service promoting AABP goals, serving as a bovine practitioner role model, self-effacing commitment, demonstrated leadership in continuing education and peer recognition as a spokesperson for the organization.

Our honoree was raised in South Carolina, received the DVM degree from the University of Georgia, completed

an internship at the Ambulatory Clinic at Tufts University, did a Residency in Production Medicine at North Carolina State University, received a Masters in Public health in Epidemiology from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and taught Ambulatory Clinics at the Atlantic Veterinary College, Prince Edward island, before becoming Extension Ruminant Veterinarian involving both dairy and beef cattle at the University of Kentucky.

The American College of Veterinary Preventive Medicine recently granted Diplomate status to verify this person’s expertise in their specialty.

In addition to a great passion for veterinary medicine and family, our honoree has a passion for the Christian Veterinary Mission, which Dr. Kit Flowers describes as follows: a tremendous blessing for CVM, serving a mission in Mongolia and always bringing great joy and enthusiasm as well as critical thinking and strategic leadership. A passion to live faith through our profession is a great model for us all.

The recipient has served the AABP in many capacities: Information Management Committee for six years, Computer Practice Tips and Computer Technology Sessions for three years, General Sessions Chairperson for the 1995 and 1999 Annual Conferences, and List Manager for AABP-L for three years.

She has provided us with outstanding service as AABP District 12 Director, Vice-President, President-Elect, President, and current Past-President.

Please join me in congratulating the recipient of the 2004 Pfizer Animal Health–AABP Distinguished Service Award, Dr. Patricia Scharko.”

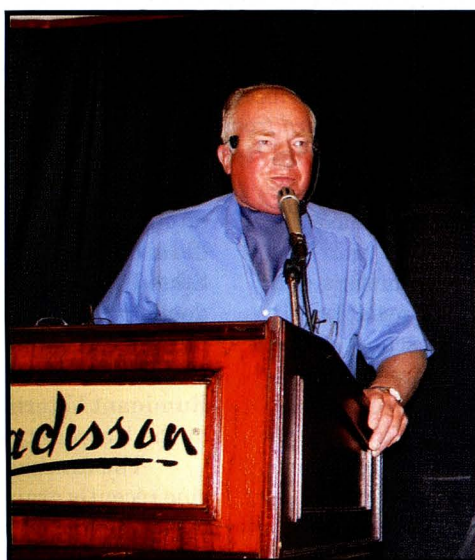
Merial – AABP Awards for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine

Dr. Joe Dedrickson, Merial Limited, described the awards. “The awards were established in 1982, and consist of a \$1500 general scholarship contribution made in the name of the recipient to his/her veterinary college of choice and a specially designed plaque given to the recipient. The awards recognize individual member practitioners or practices that have developed outstanding preventive medicine programs. One award is

given to recognize an outstanding program for beef production and another is given to an outstanding program in dairy production. We, at Merial, are proud to have been the sponsor of this award for the last 22 years and wish to congratulate the 2004 winner.”

Dr. Jim Furman introduced the 2004 dairy award recipient.

Dairy Award



Dr. Butch DeGroff

“I don’t know when, if ever, a beef practitioner such as myself, has presented an award for dairy excellence, but today that is the case. I met the award winner at the San Diego Zoo many years ago during a veterinary function. He was just as excited to talk to a beef practitioner from Nebraska as he would have been to another dairy practitioner. Whoooo! How refreshing! We have since shared many philosophical thoughts and ideas throughout the years and sat on a couple of veterinary advisory boards together. It became obvious to me from the start of our association that he had taken the charge of dairy practitioner into his heart. His experiences and creative thinking, both for the benefit of the veterinary profession and the dairy industry, were evident in his life ambitions. I soon realized that the dairy industry and our bovine practices and reputations would not be where they are today without outstanding, dedicated

individuals like this year’s award winner.

He is a 1969 graduate of the Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine. He then did an ambulatory clinical internship at The Ohio State University in 1970, after which he settled in Western New York and developed a three-clinic practice. He is currently a primary partner in an 18-man veterinary practice, developed over the past 34 years. He is also a member of many professional organizations and has served on several advisory boards. He is a civic leader in Rotary International, 4-H and his church. He has overcome cancer of the throat through a complete laryngotomy, 3-1/2 years ago, to come bouncing back to the practice and profession he loves.

I received many letters from clients and co-workers in support of the nomination for our award winner who all thought he would be a great recipient of the Preventative Medicine Award for Dairy Practitioners.

Some of the comments in all the support material go something like this:

1. His reason for success is “good service at a fair price,” and “he is firm, fair, and consistent.”

2. Works predominately with progressive dairy-men and they feed off each other. Very enthusiastic about his work. He is instrumental in using good vaccination programs – always looking ahead, planning for problems before they happen.

3. He’s a great team player, brings in speakers from all over the country for client information meetings.

4. One of his sons said he is not afraid to “give them hell” and demonstrates tough love both with his clients and his family.

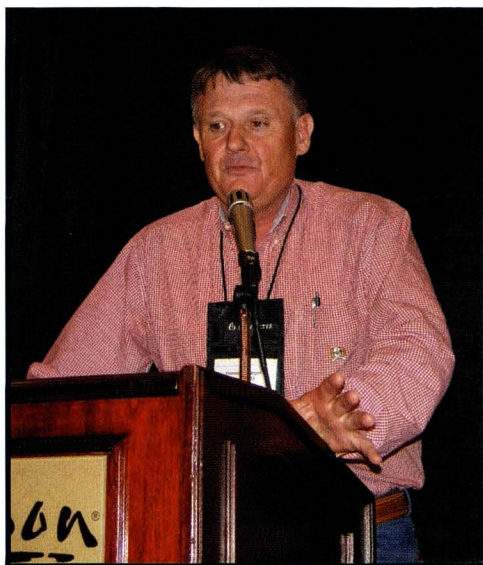
5. He has worked with a number of pharmaceutical companies on various studies and was influential in getting BST approved and on the market.

Our honoree has also been instrumental in an area which has recently caused awareness and deep concern within our bovine profession. That is a concern that stems from a lack of dairy and food animal practitioner graduates today. He has kept dairy and beef students interested in our way of life for years by MENTORING! And it didn’t start yesterday. He and his devoted wife

of many years, Betsy, are known to students from many different schools and many other countries to run The DeGroff Boot Camp for veterinary students, which is not for SISSIES! There have been close to 100 students through this program over the past several years, and they stay right in the doctor’s home, where they are well cared for, but expected to work and learn. His wife says if they aren’t out of bed in the morning, he will just leave them. He has not only taught veterinary medicine to these students, but to use common sense; be honest and courteous; remember the importance of your word and your work; be responsible for your own actions; and respect your clients, co-workers and their time and they will respect yours. You might ask, ‘if I had a veterinarian son, would I send him to the DeGroff Boot Camp?’ Well, I did just that. And it has proven to be one of the most valuable experiences of, not only my son’s veterinary career thus far, but in his life!

I would like to congratulate Dr. Butch DeGroff, our 2004 winner of the AABP-Merial Award of Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine –Dairy, who has truly demonstrated that we call can keep working at what we love and definitely make a difference in the world.”

Beef Award



Dr. Tom Hairgrove

Dr. Steve Wikse, College Station, Texas, presented the 2004 recipient of the Merial-AABP Beef Award for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine.

“This year’s winner of the AABP-Merial Award for Excellence is Preventive Veterinary Medicine-Beef is another very deserving recipient of this honor.

He is the sole owner of a primarily beef cattle practice in a small town in rural Texas. He received his DVM degree from Texas A&M University in 1974. He feels the future is bright for cattle veterinarians as long as we successfully respond to the cattle industry’s problems. He has prepared himself for that task by com-

pleting the Great Plains Veterinary Educational Center's Beef Cattle Certification Program, and by becoming a Diplomate in the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners – Beef Cattle Practice.

This year's award winner does everything possible to solve health or production problems in his clients' herds. He was selected as the 2002 Veterinary Diagnostician of the Year by the Texas Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory. He presented a paper at the 2004 Annual AABP Convention on the diagnostic approach he used to incriminate *Leptospira hardjo-bovis* as the cause of low pregnancy rates and weak calves in a client's herd. He was one of the first practitioners to embrace the Texas Beef Quality Assurance Program. He believes in client education and produces excellent, well-attended annual producer education meetings. He is a participating veterinarian in the Texas Beef Partnership in Extension Program.

He is a very active member of many local, state and national professional organizations. In addition,

he is a member of the following committees: National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, Texas John's Disease Advisory Committee, Beef Cattle Practice Committee of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association and the Council of Regents for the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners.

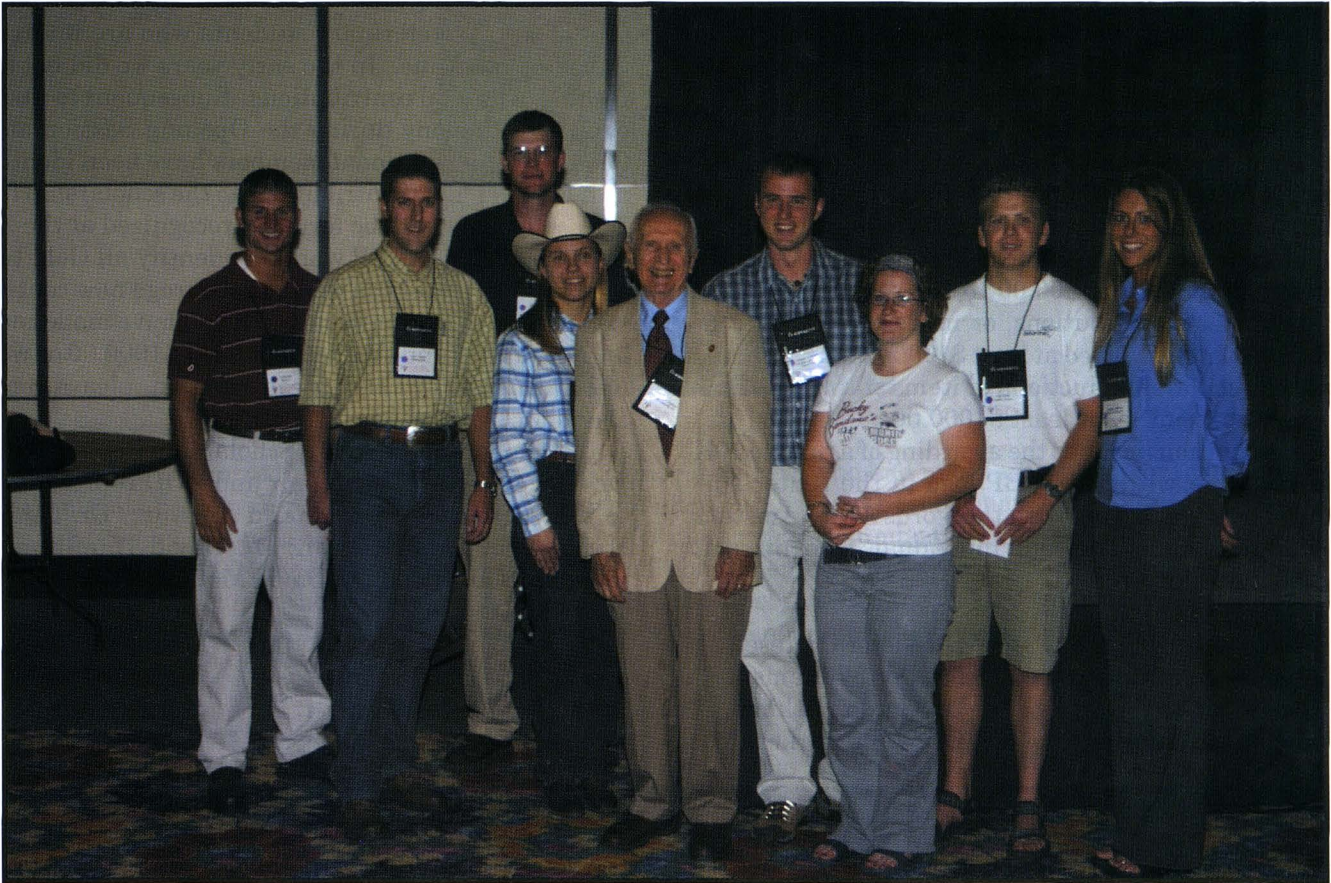
Over the 28 years that this year's winner has lived in Haskell, Texas, he has been very active in community service. He is a member and past-president of the Haskell Rotary Club, a member and past-president of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, past member and president of the Haskell Consolidated Independent School District and current Administrative Council Chair of the First United Methodist Church.

Please help me congratulate Dr. Tom Hairgrove, the 2004 winner of the AABP-Merial Award for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine-Beef."



Dr. Tom Hairgrove (left), beef winner, with his wife, Dr. Butch DeGroff (second from right) dairy winner, with his wife, and Dr. Joe Dedrickson (right), Merial Limited.

AABP Awards 20 Student Scholarships for 2004



From left to right: Steven Ely, Thomas Currier, Lucas Clow, Dorothy Krysak, Dr. Harold Amstutz, retired AABP Executive Vice-President and individual for whom the scholarships are named, Matthew Walker, Melissa Wallace, Brian Keith and Kathleen Colliflower.

During the Opening Ceremonies at the 2004 AABP meeting in Ft. Worth, 20 worthy third-year veterinary students were each awarded \$1750 scholarships. These students were selected by the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Committee from a list of outstanding applicants. This brings the total number of scholarships awarded to 125, for a total of almost \$180,000 since the first was given in 1996. The sources of funds for these awards are individual AABP member contributions and an annual generous contribution from the Eli Lilly Foundation through Elanco Animal Health. The Lilly Foundation has supported the scholarship program since 1997 with a current annual contribution of \$30,000 per year. Additionally, scholarships are supported through the membership by direct contributions to the fund or purchases and donations made through the scholarship auctions.

The 2004 AABP Amstutz Scholarship winners are:

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| Kenneth Barrett | Iowa State University |
| James Caldwell | Auburn University |
| Lucas Clow | University of Minnesota |
| Kathleen Colliflower | The Ohio State University |
| Thomas Currier | Oregon State University |
| Nathan Dorshorst | University of Wisconsin |
| Steven Ely | University of Illinois |
| Rose Funke | Texas A&M University |
| James Gerdes | University of Minnesota |
| Melanie Jones | Mississippi State University |
| Brian Keith | University of Guelph |
| Dorothy Krysak | University of Saskatchewan |
| Ian Norris | Louisiana State University |
| Jennifer Parrott | Auburn University |
| Catherine Peeters | University of Montreal |
| Derek Pirdey | Oklahoma State University |
| Joseph Shockey | The Ohio State University |
| Joseph Tabor | Auburn University |
| Matthew Walker | AVC @ PEI |
| Melissa Wallace | University of Guelph |

Eight of the 20 scholarship winners were among the 200-plus students in attendance at Opening Session of the Fort Worth meeting. They are pictured above.

The Scholarship Committee wishes to offer the heartiest of congratulations to this group of deserving students.

Gold Donor Recognition

Also during the Opening Session the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Committee and AABP recognized eight new Gold Level scholarship fund donors. The Gold Level Donor recognition identifies individuals who have contributed at least \$1000.00 to the scholarship fund through direct contributions, or made significant contributions of items valued at least \$1000.00, or purchases from the scholarship auctions of items that exceed the value of the items by at least \$1000.00.

Recognition includes the awarding of a unique 10K Gold lapel pin with the AABP logo in the center surrounded by a black band with the words AABP Amstutz Scholarship Donor. The eight individuals recognized at the 2004 meeting are:

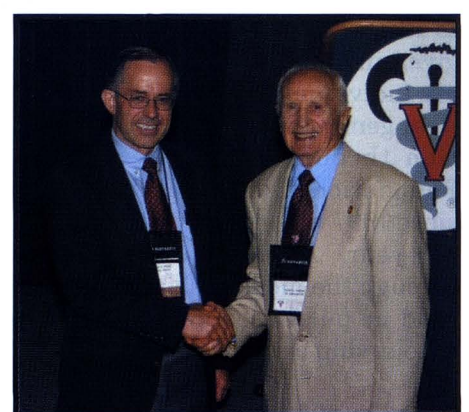
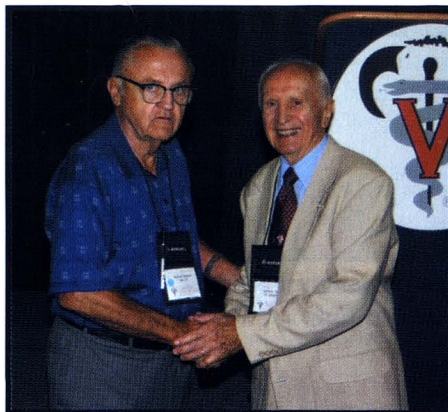
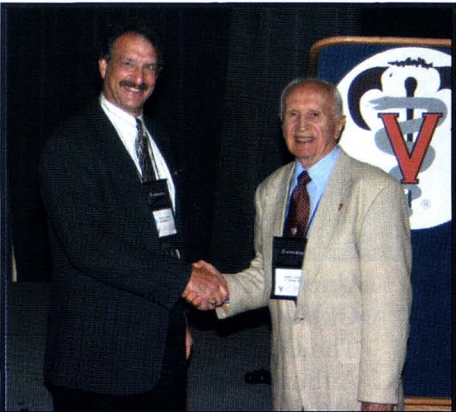
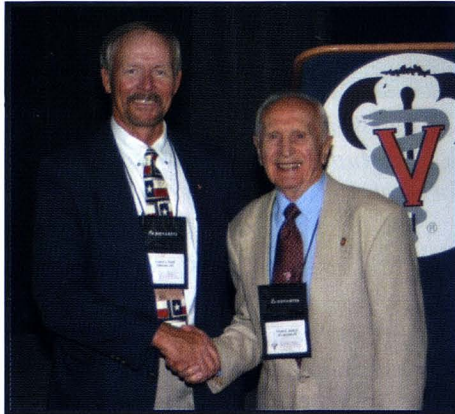
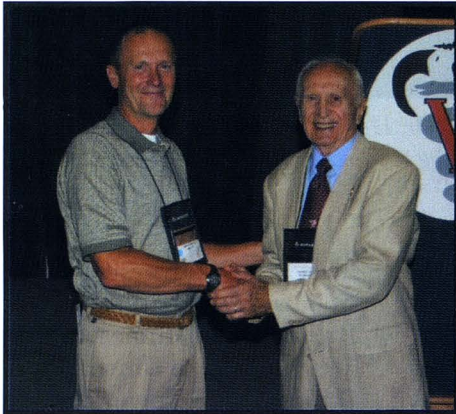
Dr. Keith Sterner
Dr. Andrew Johnson
Dr. Robert Smith
Dr. Michael Anderson

Dr. Victor Cortese
Dr. Don Williams
Dr. Gordon Atkins
Dr. Willis Parker

That brings the total number of Gold Level Donors to 18.

The AABP Amstutz Scholarship program was established over 10 years ago to help support the education of worthy veterinary students who are interested in bovine medicine. In the early years we did not keep records of annual contributions. Subsequent to the recognition ceremony during the Opening Session at the 2004 meeting additional members have been identified as making eligible contributions to the scholarship fund. These members will be formally recognized at the 2005 AABP meeting. AABP wants to identify all Gold Level qualifying members as well as encourage new contributors to this support milestone. If you have made contributions to the fund that total at least \$1000.00 or would like to make a qualifying contribution, please contact David McClary, phone - 317-277-5077.

Members of the AABP Scholarship Committee are: Dr. Steve Stewart (Vice chair and BOD representative to the committee), Dr. Harold Amstutz, Dr. Jennifer Ewoldt, Dr. Brian Gerloff, Dr. David Hamilton, Dr. Sheila McGuirk and Dr. David McClary (Chair).



Pictured above with Dr. Harold Amstutz are (left to right) Dr. Keith Sterner, Dr. Bob Smith, Dr. Mike Anderson, Dr. Vic Cortese, Dr. Don Williams and Dr. Gordie Atkins.

Gold Level Scholarship Donor Recognition



In 2003 AABP introduced a new program to recognize members who had made exemplary contributions to the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Fund. These members were identified as Gold Level Donors for making contributions of at least \$1000.00 to the scholarship fund. At the 2003 meeting in Columbus, OH, ten Gold Level Donors were recognized. At the 2004 meeting in Ft. Worth, eight additional members were recognized.

Recognition includes the awarding of a unique 10K Gold lapel pin with the AABP logo in the center surrounded by a band with the words *AABP Amstutz Scholarship Donor*. Members who have been recognized as the Gold Level Donors are:

Dr. James A. Jarrett
Dr. Harold E. Amstutz
Dr. Del G. Miles
Dr. M. Gatz Riddell, Jr.
Drs. John and Diane Ferry
Dr. Leland G. Allenstein
Dr. James G. Floyd, Jr.
Dr. Arthur G. Donovan
Dr. Charles Guard

Dr. David G. McClary
Dr. Keith Sterner
Dr. Victor Cortese
Dr. Andrew Johnson
Dr. Don Williams
Dr. Robert Smith
Dr. Gordon Atkins
Dr. Michael Anderson
Dr. Willis Parker

AABP and the Scholarship Committee wish to express our deepest gratitude to the generous donations of our members, and especially those recognized as Gold Donors.

The AABP Amstutz Scholarship program was established over 10 years ago to help support the education of worthy veterinary students who are interested in bovine medicine. AABP wants to identify all Gold Level qualifying members as well as encourage new contributors to this support milestone. The next official recognition of Gold Donors will be at the 2005 AABP annual meeting in Salt Lake City. If you have made contributions to the fund that total at least \$1000.00 or would like to make a qualifying contribution please contact David McClary, phone - 317-277-5077, email – d.mcclary@lilly.com or the AABP office.

2003 AABP Amstutz Scholarship Donors

The AABP Amstutz Scholarship Committee wants to express our appreciations to members who contribute to the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Fund. As of the 2004 AABP meeting in Ft. Worth our organization has awarded 125 scholarships, for a total of \$180,000 since the first were presented in 1996. The sources of funds for these awards are individual AABP member contributions and a generous annual contribution from the Eli Lilly Foundation through Elanco Animal Health. At the 2004 meeting 20 new scholarship recipients were recognized. The 2004 awards were for \$1750 each to the 20 deserving students. The AABP Board of Directors, Officers, and the AABP

Amstutz Scholarship Committee wish to thank the members listed below for their contributions during calendar year 2003. During the year we will be recognizing contributors for calendar year 2004 in *The Bovine Practitioner* and/or *The Proceedings* for the annual meeting. If you made a monetary contribution to the Scholarship Fund during 2003 and your name does not appear on this list please inform the AABP office at 1-800-COW AABP.

Again, thank you for your support.

David McClary
Chairman, AABP Amstutz Scholarship Committee

2003 Individual Member Contributors to the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Fund

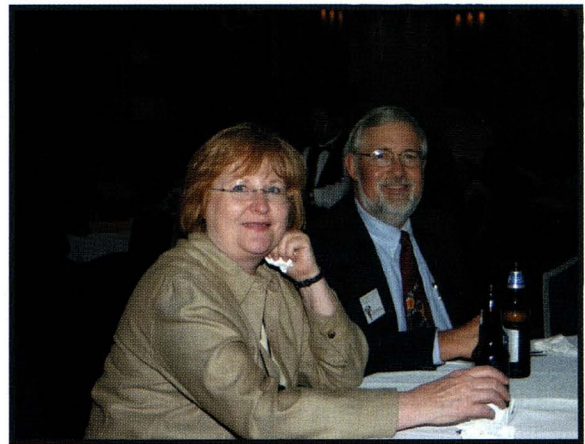
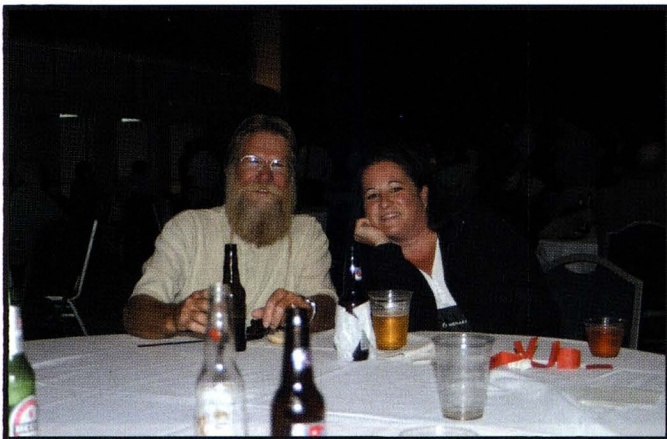
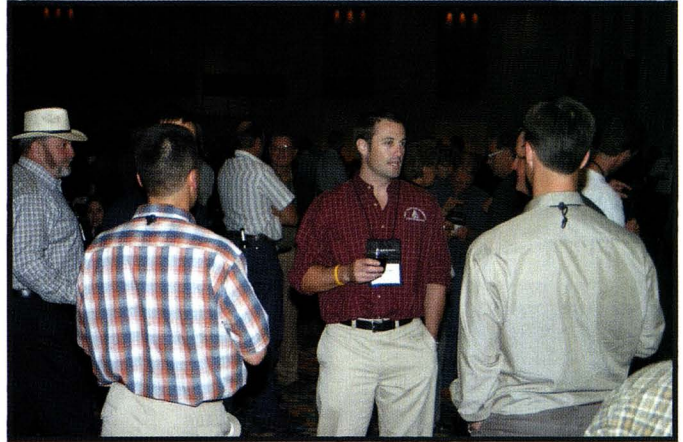
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Kent Ames	Robert Farrell	James Jarrett	Robert Miller	Hal Sinclair
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Michael Capel	David Hamilton	Terry Lehenbauer	David Prigel	Jennifer Troutt
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Fernando Cavazos	Robert Harris	Stephen LeVan	Laura Raymond	Brian Upper
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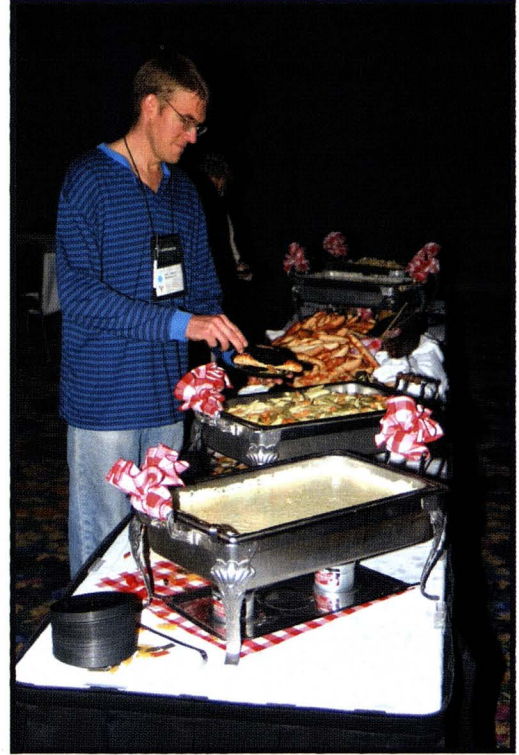
Welcoming Reception

Wednesday, September 22, 2004

Fort Worth, Texas

Sponsored by **Bayer Animal Health**, the welcoming reception for the 37th Annual AABP Conference was held as the official event to kick-off the week's activities. Members of the AABP Program Committee, local veterinarians, representatives from the Fort Worth area and event planners were present to answer questions.

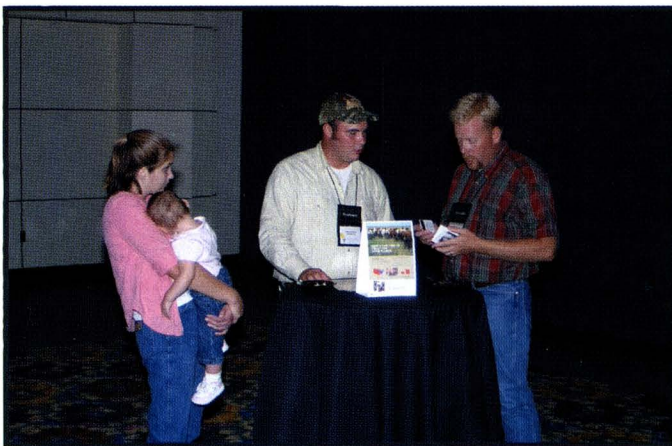
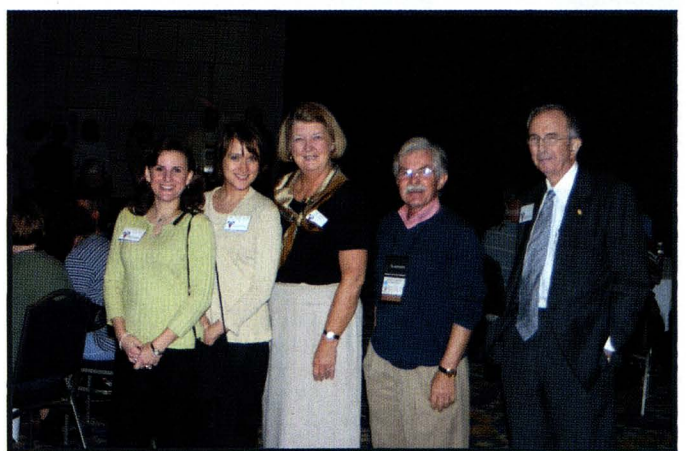
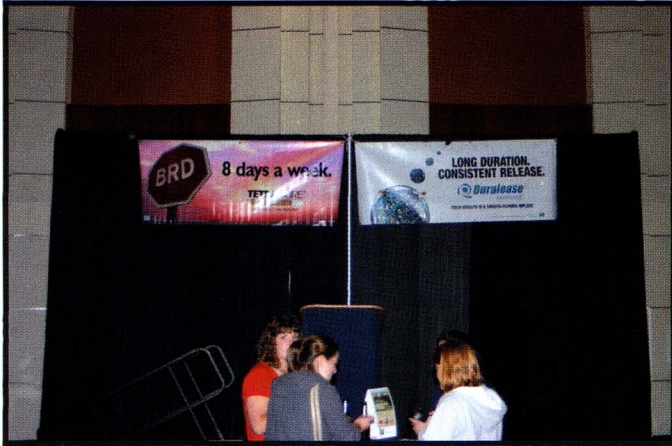


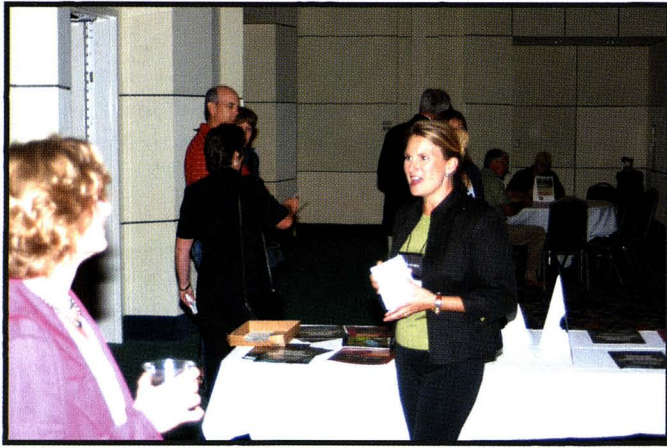


“Just Desserts” Reception

Mountains of mouth-watering, enticing desserts, compliments of **Merial**, were served after the Welcoming Reception on Wednesday evening. This event pro-

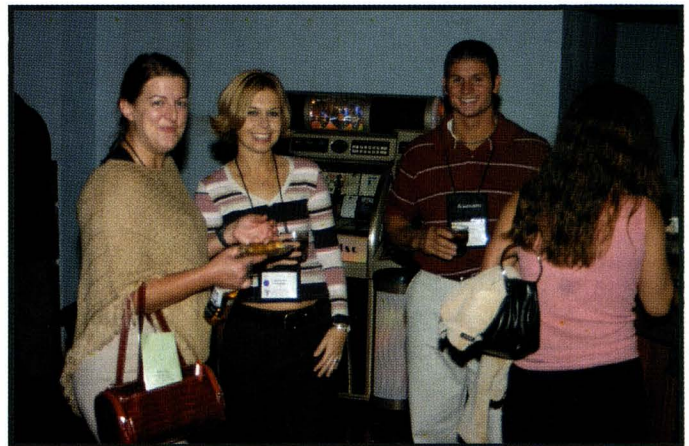
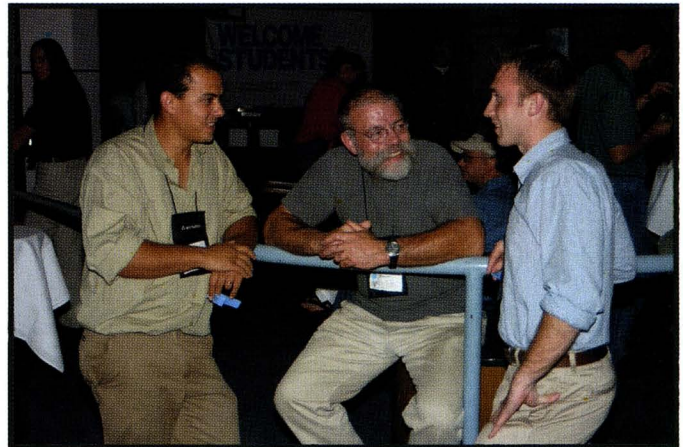
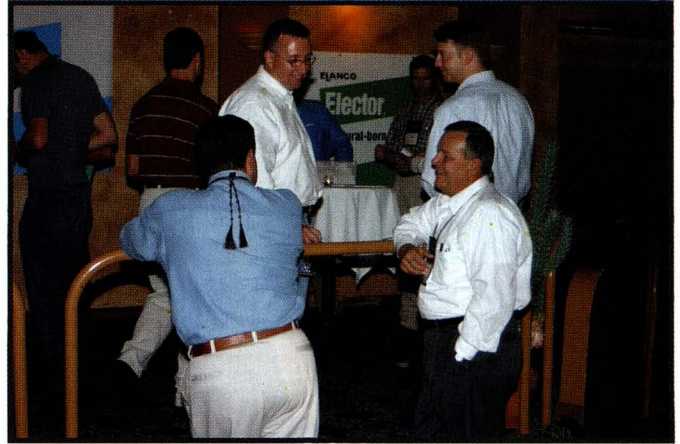
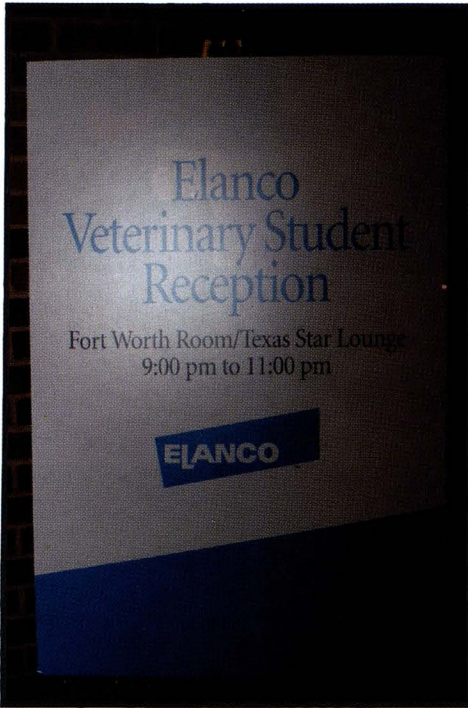
vided further opportunity to continue the feast and fellowship well into the evening. Thanks to **Merial** for sponsoring this event.



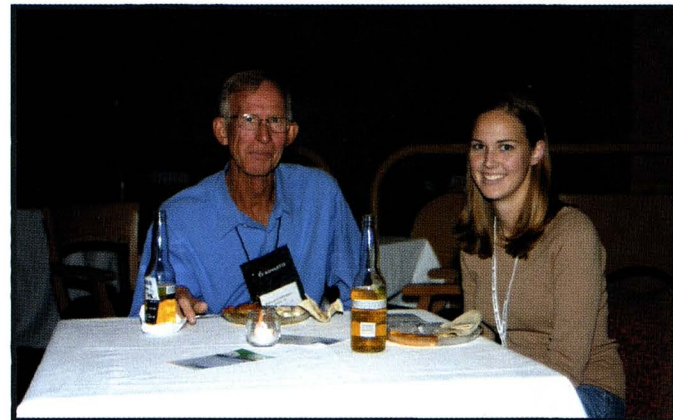


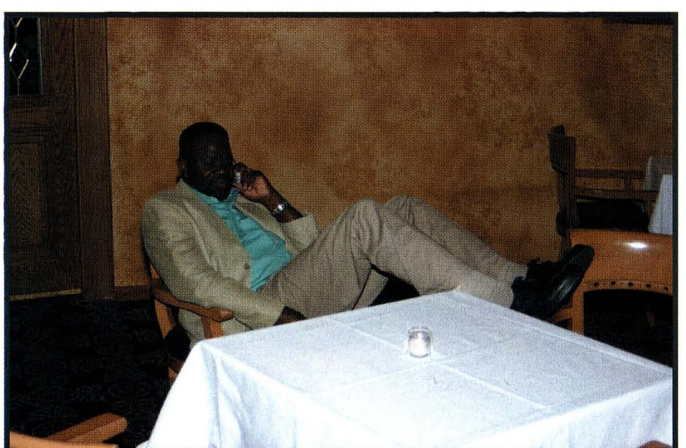
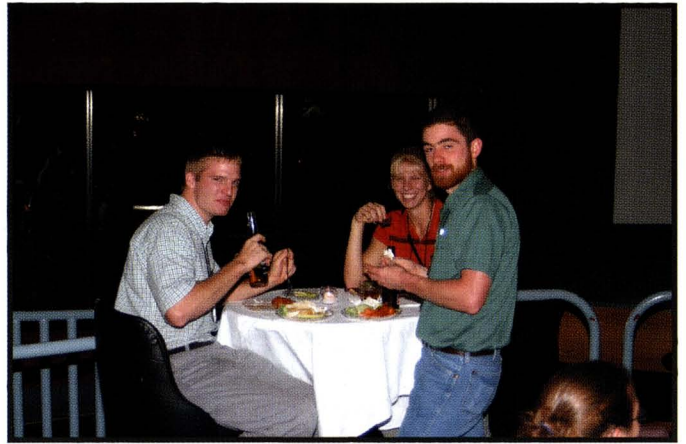
Student Reception

For the 10th year, AABP and **Elanco Animal Health** hosted a reception for all student AABP members at the Annual Conference.



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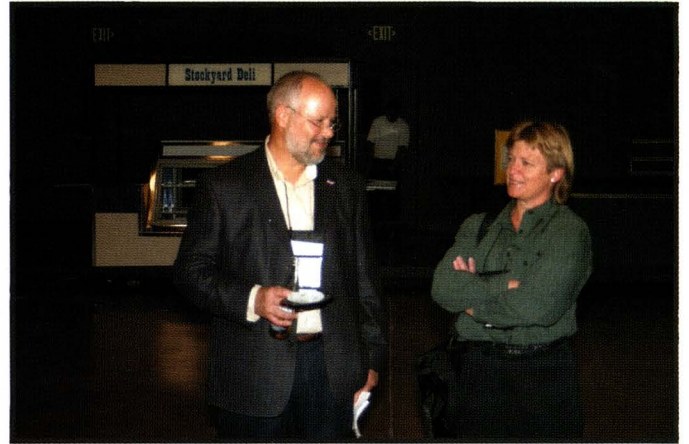
“Stop by for Dinner” Buffet Reception

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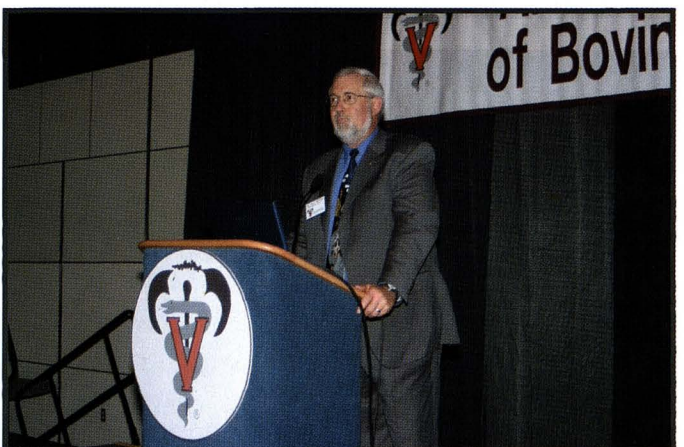
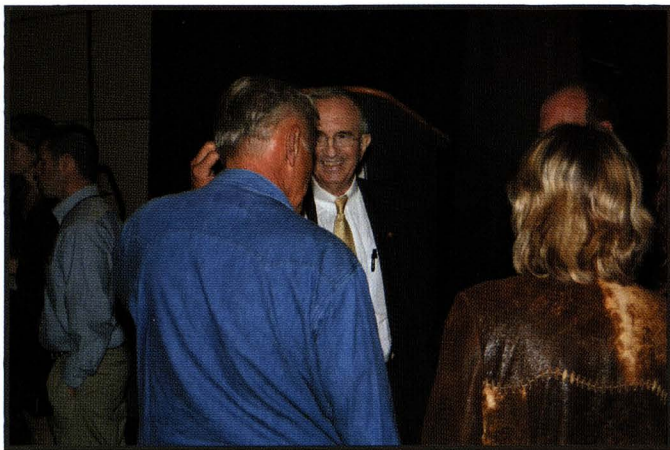
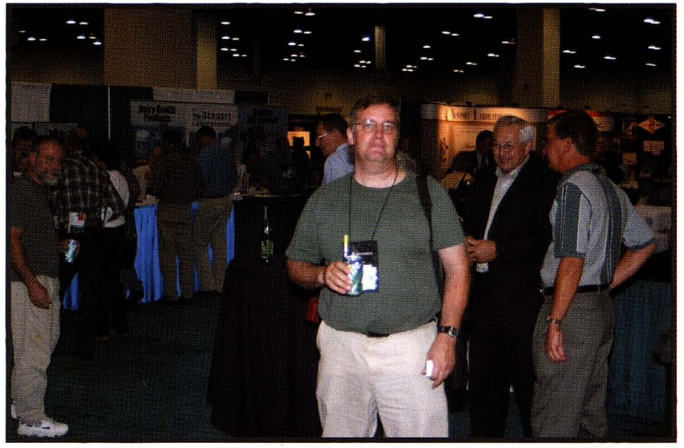
Thursday, September 23, 2004

AABP registrants were treated to excellent food in the exhibit area, courtesy of all exhibitors, prior to gathering to hear the keynote address by the legendary Gene Stallings, who coached at Texas A&M, Alabama, the Dallas Cowboys and the St. Louis Cardinals. Coach

Stallings presented a dynamic and thoroughly enjoyable session on people and events that impacted his life, and how they contributed to his success. Thanks to **Intervet** for sponsoring the keynote speaker for 2004.



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AABP President Mark Spires welcomes 2004 attendees.

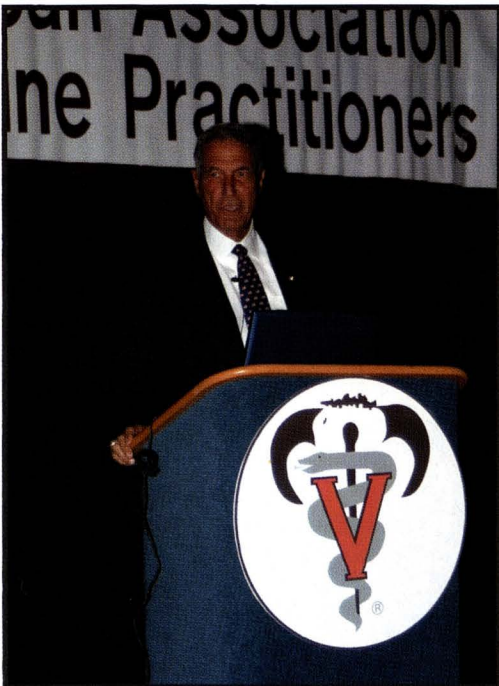
Dr. Rich Meiring, AABP President-elect.



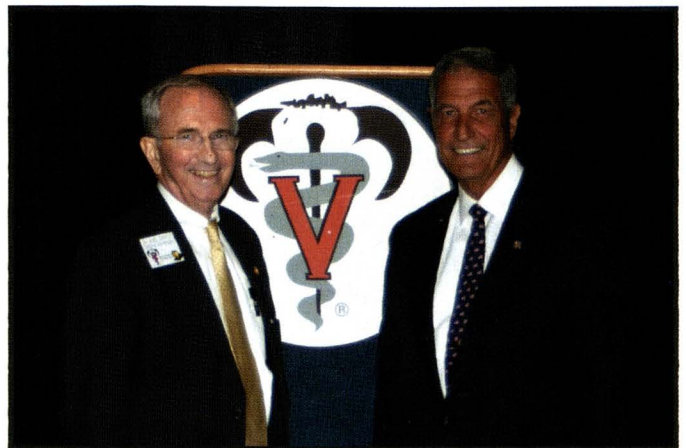
2004 AABP Conference Program Committee



Dr. Jim Jarrett (right) receives a Bonnie Mohr painting from AABP in honor of his retirement. Presenting the gift is former AABP President Dr. Reilly Glore.



Coach Gene Stallings, 2004 Keynote Speaker.



Dr. Jim Jarrett (left) with Coach Stallings.

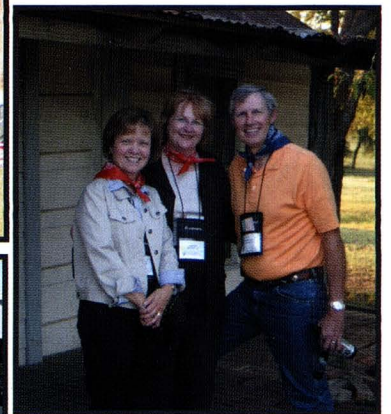
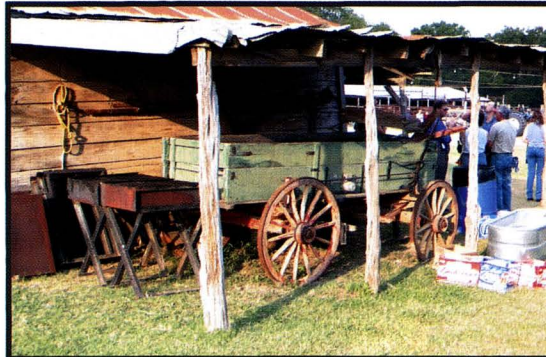
AABP's "Where the West Begins"

West Fork Ranch

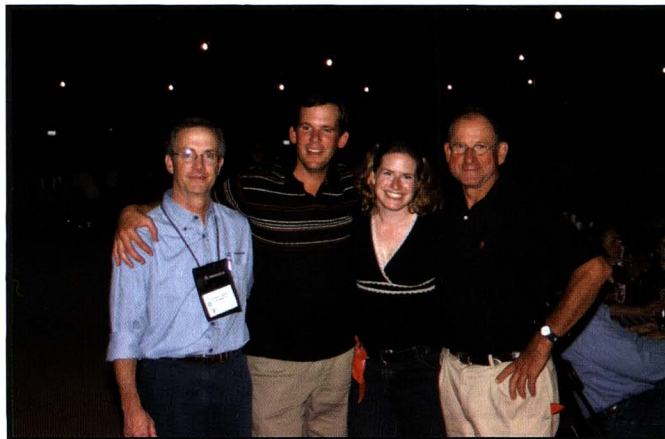
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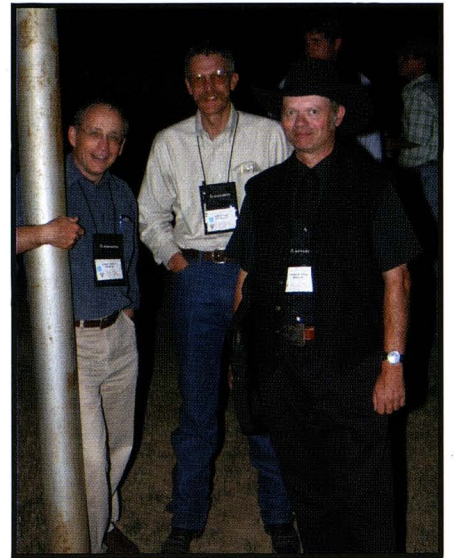
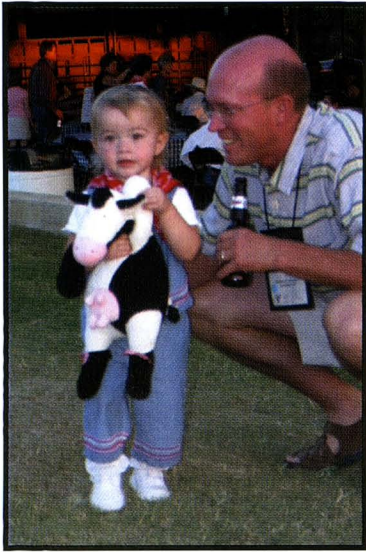
On Friday evening, AABP members had the opportunity to eat, drink and have fun Western style at the West Fork Ranch outside of Fort Worth. There was definitely a "Texas" touch and the evening ended with

dancing and music with cowboy poet and entertainer Red Steagall. Thanks to **Pfizer Animal Health** for sponsoring this fun and memorable evening.

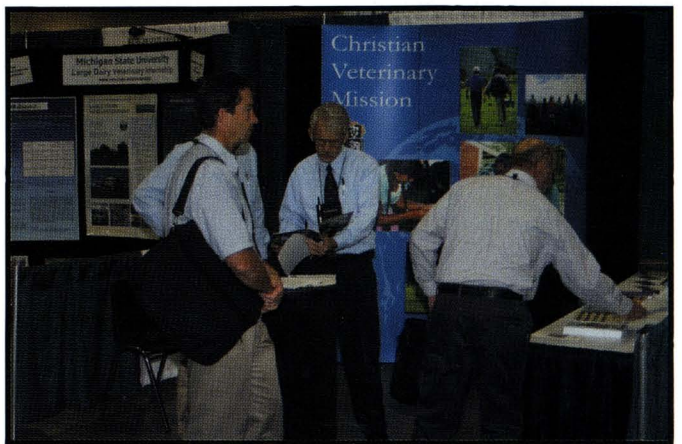
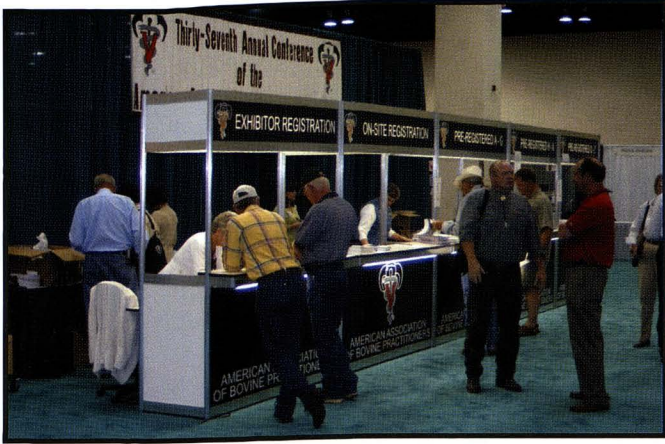


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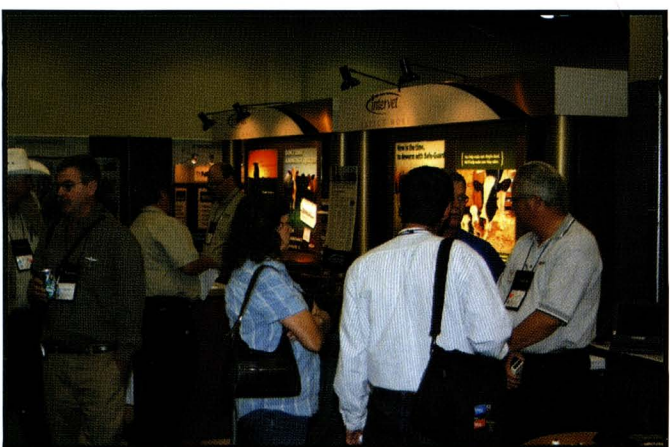


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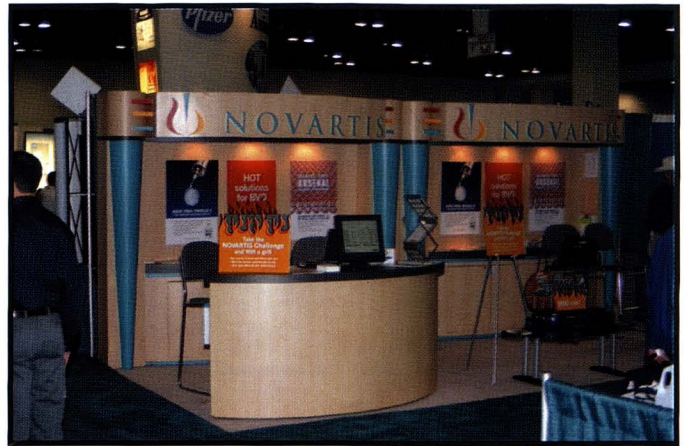


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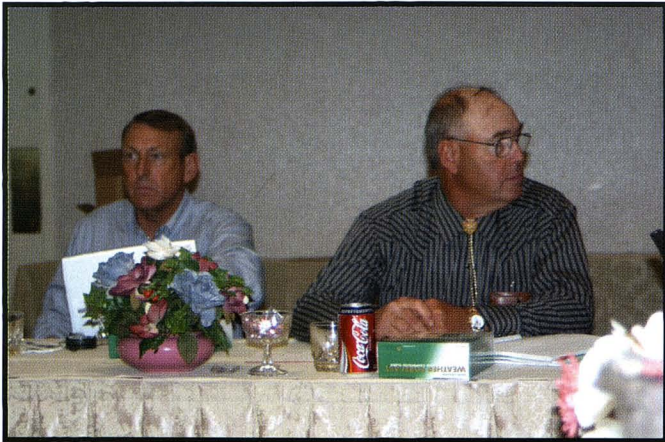
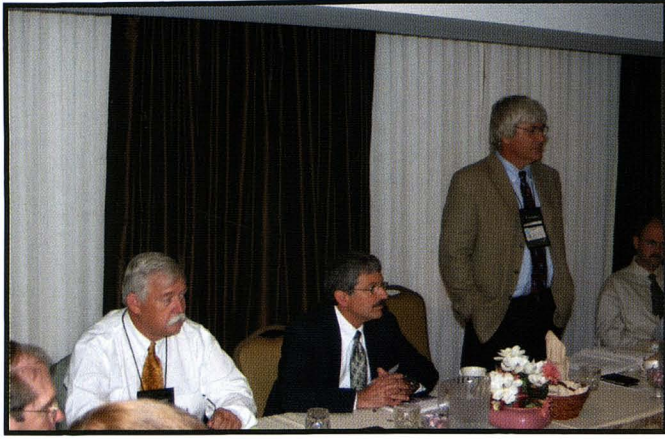
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Board of Directors and Committee Meetings



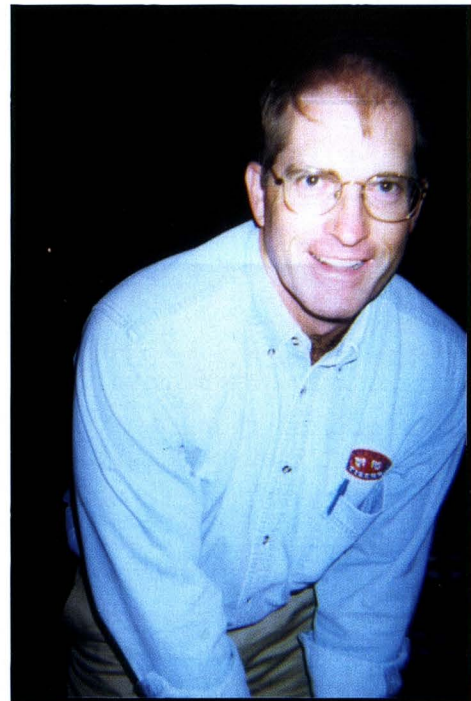
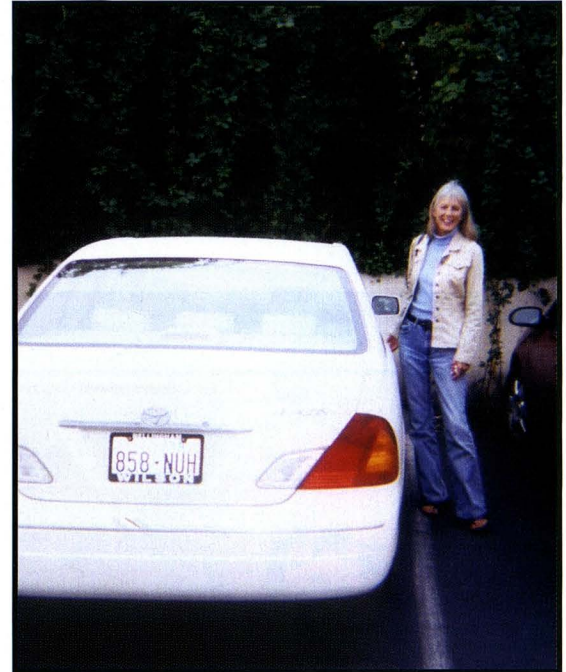
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Annual AABP Golf Tournament

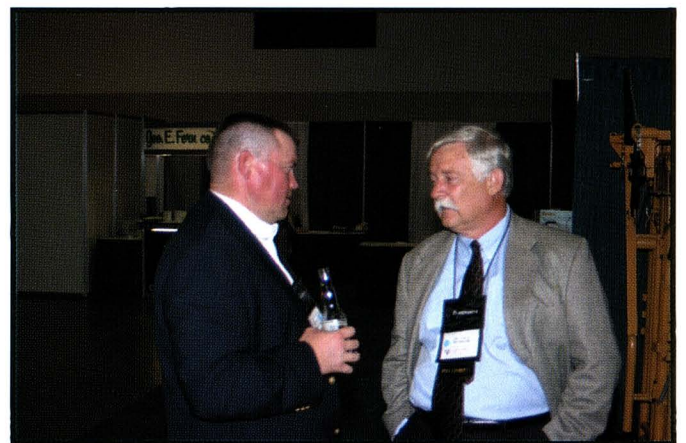
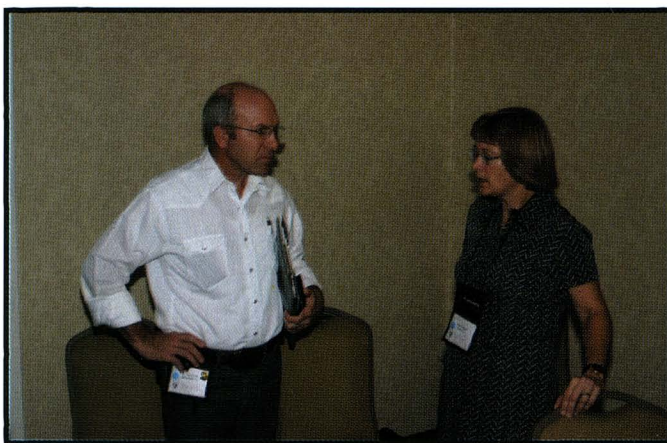
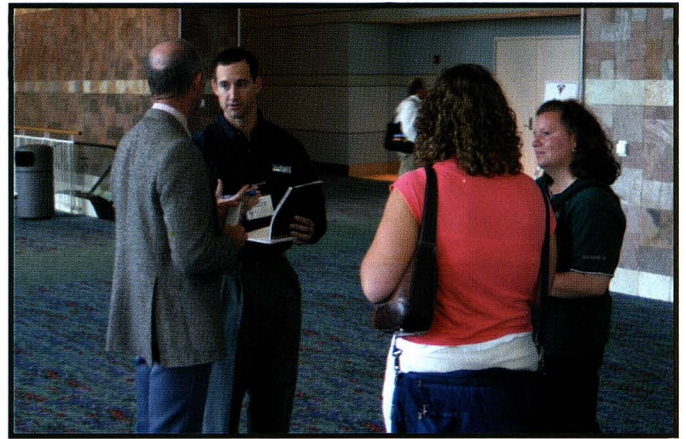
Wednesday, September 22, 2004
The Golf Club at Fossil Creek
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Fort Worth is not known for snow skiing, but golf is outstanding nearly year round! AABP members took advantage of good weather and a day off to play the pleasant 1150-acre natural terrain, links-style course

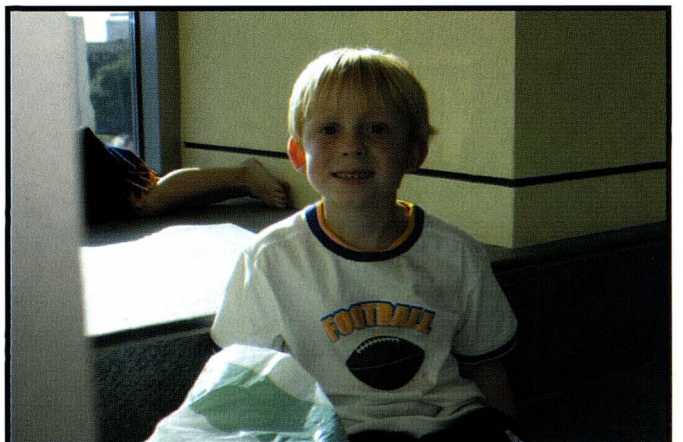
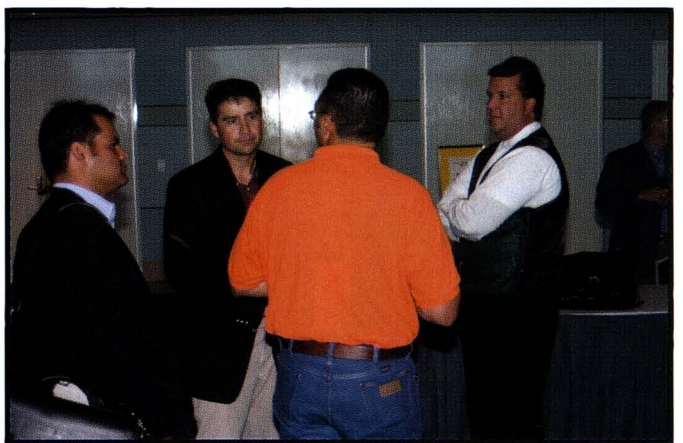
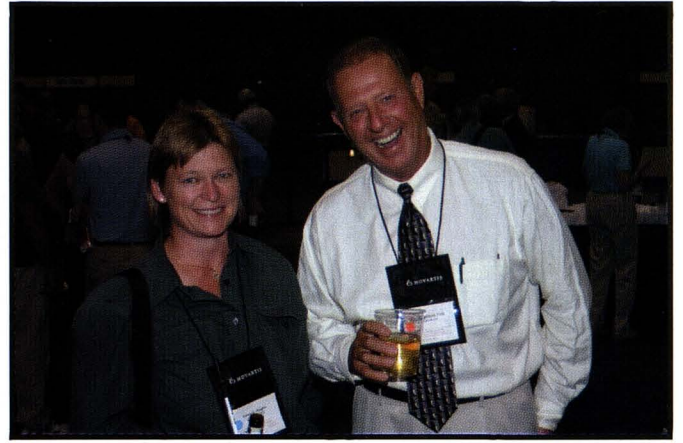
designed by golf legend Arnold Palmer. The scores? Well, AABP golfers are generally better at chasing cows than a Tiger!!!

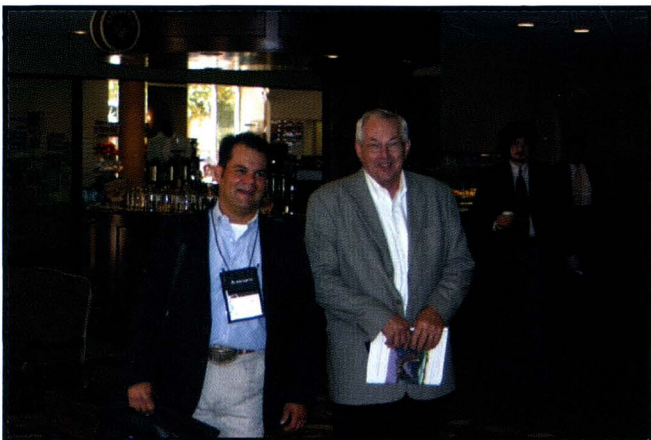
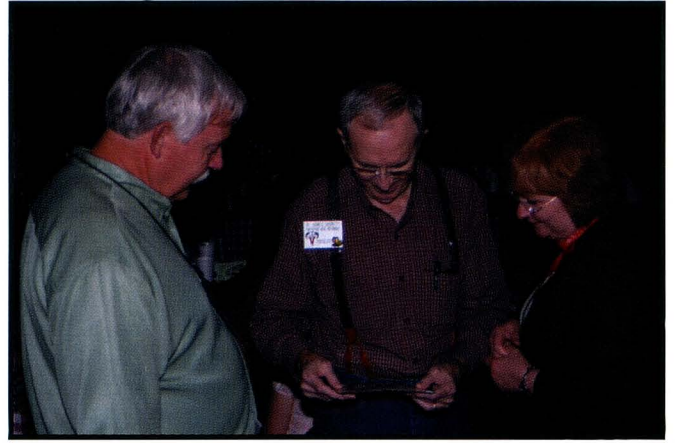
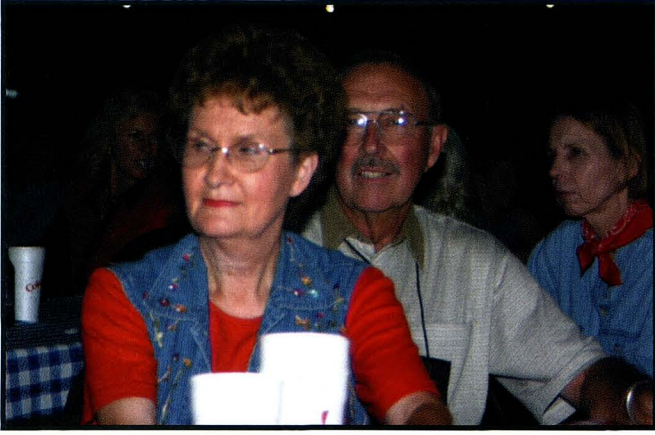


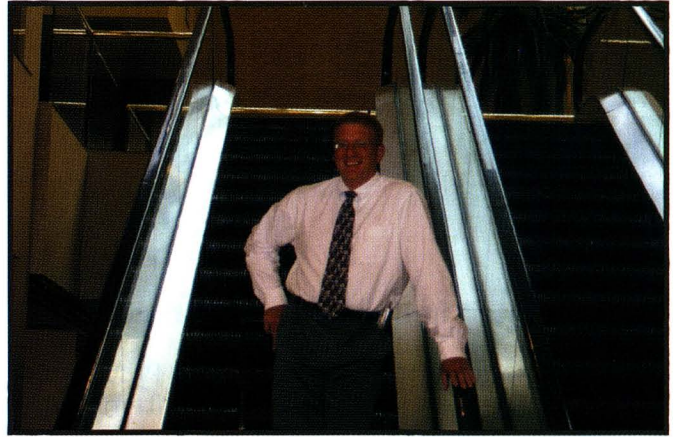
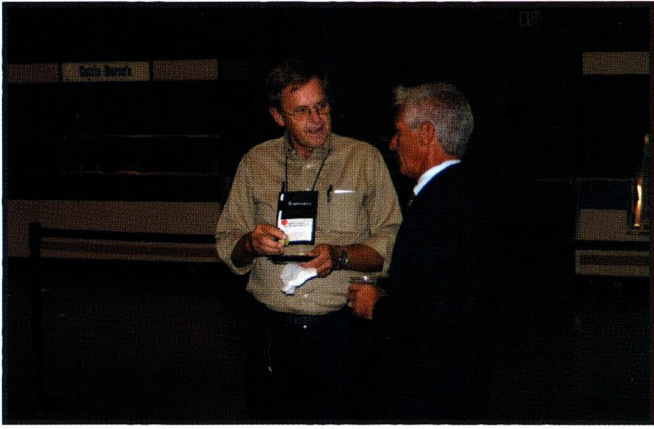
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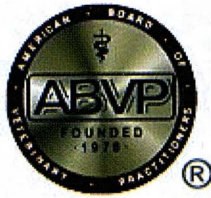


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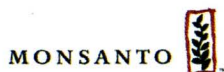
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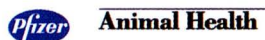
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EXCEDE™ (Ceftiofur Crystalline Free Acid)
Sterile Suspension

For subcutaneous injection in the middle one-third of the posterior aspect of the ear of beef and non-lactating dairy cattle.

CAUTION

Federal (USA) law restricts this drug to use by or on the order of a licensed veterinarian.

INDICATIONS

EXCEDE Sterile Suspension is indicated for treatment of BRD (shipping fever, pneumonia) associated with *Mannheimia haemolytica*, *P. multocida* and *H. somnus*. EXCEDE Sterile Suspension is also indicated for the control of respiratory disease in cattle which are at high risk of developing BRD associated with *Mannheimia haemolytica*, *P. multocida* and *H. somnus*.

DOSAGETreatment

Administer as a single subcutaneous injection in the middle one-third of the posterior aspect of the ear of beef and non-lactating dairy cattle at a dosage of 3.0 mg ceftiofur equivalents/lb (6.6 mg CE/kg) body weight (1.5 mL sterile suspension per 100 lb body weight).

Most animals will respond to treatment within three to five days. If no improvement is observed, the diagnosis should be reevaluated.

Control

Administer as a single subcutaneous injection in the middle one-third of the posterior aspect of the ear of beef and non-lactating dairy cattle at the dosage of 3.0 mg CE/lb (6.6 mg CE/kg) body weight (1.5 mL sterile suspension per 100 lb body weight).

Clinical studies indicate that administration of EXCEDE Sterile Suspension is effective for the control of respiratory disease in cattle at "high risk" of developing BRD. One or more of the following factors typically characterizes calves on arrival at high risk of developing BRD:

- Cattle are from multiple farm origins,
- and/or cattle have extended transport times (that may have included few if any rest stops),
- and/or ambient temperature change from origin to arrival of 30°F or more,
- and/or animals have had continued exposure to extremely wet and cold weather conditions,
- and/or cattle have experienced excessive shrink or stressful arrival processing procedures (such as castration, dehorning).

ADMINISTRATION

- **Shake well before using.** Please read the complete package insert before administering EXCEDE Sterile Suspension subcutaneously in the posterior ear of cattle.
- Deposit as a single subcutaneous injection in the middle one-third of the posterior aspect of the ear, avoiding all blood vessels.
- Adjust the needle insertion point to avoid any blood vessels, previous implants, ear tags or ear tag holes. Do not administer intra-arterially.
- Deliver the full contents of the syringe.
- When administered correctly, a subcutaneous bleb of EXCEDE Sterile Suspension will appear.
- When withdrawing the needle, apply pressure to the needle insertion point, and massage toward the base of the ear.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

As with all drugs, the use of EXCEDE Sterile Suspension is contraindicated in animals previously found to be hypersensitive to the drug.

WARNINGS**FOR USE IN ANIMALS ONLY. NOT FOR HUMAN USE.****KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.****Restricted Drug — Use Only as Directed (California).**

Penicillins and cephalosporins can cause allergic reactions in sensitized individuals. Topical exposures to such antimicrobials, including ceftiofur, may elicit mild to severe allergic reactions in some individuals. Repeated or prolonged exposure may lead to sensitization. Avoid direct contact of the product with the skin, eyes, mouth and clothing. Sensitization of the skin may be avoided by wearing latex gloves.

Persons with a known hypersensitivity to penicillin or cephalosporins should avoid exposure to this product.

In case of accidental eye exposure, flush with water for 15 minutes. In case of accidental skin exposure, wash with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing. If allergic reaction occurs (e.g., skin rash, hives, difficult breathing), seek medical attention.

The material safety data sheet (MSDS) contains more detailed occupational safety information. To obtain a MSDS, please call 1-800-733-5500. To report any adverse events, please call 1-800-366-5288.

Injection of EXCEDE Sterile Suspension into the arteries of the ear is likely to result in sudden death to the animal.

RESIDUE WARNINGS

Because ears are inedible tissue and are removed and discarded at slaughter (9-CFR-301.2), there is no pre-slaughter withdrawal period following label treatment with EXCEDE Sterile Suspension. Use of dosages in excess of 6.6 mg CE/kg or administration by an unapproved route (subcutaneous injection in the neck or intramuscular injection) may lead to violative residues. Do not use in female dairy cattle 20 months of age or older. Use in this class of cattle may cause violative milk residues. A withdrawal period has not been established for this product in pre-ruminating calves. Do not use in calves to be processed for veal.

ADVERSE EFFECTS

Administration of EXCEDE Sterile Suspension into the ear arteries is likely to result in sudden death in cattle. During the conduct of clinical studies, there was a low incidence of acute death (nine out of approximately 6000 animals). Three of these deaths were confirmed to be the result of inadvertent intra-arterial injection. No other adverse systemic effects were noted for either the antibiotic or formulation during any of the clinical and target animal safety studies.

PRECAUTIONS


Following subcutaneous injection in the middle one-third of the posterior aspect of the ear, thickening and swelling (characterized by aseptic cellular infiltrate) of the ear may occur. As with other parenteral injections, localized post-injection bacterial infections may result in abscess formation. Attention to hygienic procedures can minimize their occurrence.

HOW SUPPLIED

EXCEDE Sterile Suspension is available in the following package size: 100 mL vial

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American Association of Bovine Practitioners

2005	Salt Lake City, Utah	September 24-26
2006	Saint Paul, Minnesota	September 21-23
2007	Vancouver, British Columbia	September 20-22

World Association for Buiatrics

2006	Nice, France	October 15-19
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Micotil® 300*

Tilmicosin Injection, USP

CAUTION: Federal (USA) law restricts this drug to use by or on the order of a licensed veterinarian.

HUMAN WARNINGS: Not for human use. Injection of this drug in humans has been associated with fatalities. Keep out of reach of children. Do not use in automatically powered syringes. Exercise extreme caution to avoid accidental self-injection. In case of human injection, consult a physician immediately and apply ice to injection site. Emergency medical telephone numbers are 1-800-722-0987 or 1-317-276-2000. Avoid contact with eyes.

NOTE TO THE PHYSICIAN: The cardiovascular system is the target of toxicity and should be monitored closely. This antibiotic persists in tissues for several days. Apply ice to injection site and provide supportive treatment. Epinephrine potentiated lethality of Micotil in pigs. Dobutamine partially offset the negative inotropic effects induced by Micotil in dogs. β -adrenergic antagonists, such as propranolol, exacerbated the negative inotropy of Micotil-induced tachycardia in dogs.

For Subcutaneous Use in Cattle and Sheep Only. Do Not Use in Automatically Powered Syringes.

Indications: Micotil 300 is indicated for the treatment of bovine respiratory disease (BRD) and ovine respiratory disease (ORD) associated with *Mannheimia (Pasteurella) haemolytica*. Micotil 300 is indicated for the control of respiratory disease in cattle at high risk of developing BRD associated with *Mannheimia (Pasteurella) haemolytica*.

Description: Micotil 300 is a solution of the antibiotic tilmicosin. Each mL contains 300 mg of tilmicosin, USP as tilmicosin phosphate in 25% propylene glycol, phosphoric acid as needed to adjust pH and water for injection, Q.S. Tilmicosin, USP is produced semi-synthetically and is in the macrolide class of antibiotics.

Actions: Activity — Tilmicosin has an *in vitro*** antibacterial spectrum that is predominantly gram-positive with activity against certain gram-negative microorganisms. Activity against several mycoplasma species has also been detected.

Ninety-five percent of the *Mannheimia (Pasteurella) haemolytica* isolates were inhibited by 3.12 μ g/mL or less.

Microorganism	MIC** (μ g/mL)
<i>Mannheimia (Pasteurella) haemolytica</i>	3.12
<i>Pasteurella multocida</i>	6.25
<i>Haemophilus somnus</i>	6.25
<i>Mycoplasma dispar</i>	0.097
<i>M. bovirhinis</i>	0.024
<i>M. bovoculi</i>	0.048

**The clinical significance of this *in vitro* data in cattle and sheep has not been demonstrated.

Directions — Inject Subcutaneously in Cattle and Sheep Only. Administer a single subcutaneous dose of 10 mg/kg of body weight (1 mL/30 kg or 1.5 mL/100 lbs). Do not inject more than 15 mL per injection site. Do not use in lambs less than 15 kg body weight.

If no improvement is noted within 48 hours, the diagnosis should be reevaluated.

For cattle and sheep, injection under the skin in the neck is suggested. If not accessible, inject under the skin behind the shoulders and over the ribs.

Note — Swelling at the subcutaneous site of injection may be observed but is transient and usually mild.

CONTRAINDICATION: Do not use in automatically powered syringes. Do not administer intravenously to cattle or sheep. Intravenous injection in cattle or sheep will be fatal. Do not administer to animals other than cattle or sheep. Injection of this antibiotic has been shown to be fatal in swine and non-human primates, and it may be fatal in horses and goats.

WARNINGS: Animals intended for human consumption must not be slaughtered within 28 days of the last treatment. Do not use in female dairy cattle 20 months of age or older. Use of tilmicosin in this class of cattle may cause milk residues. Do not use in lactating ewes if the milk is intended for human consumption.

CAUTION: Read accompanying literature fully before use. Do Not Administer to Swine. Injection in Swine Has Been Shown to be Fatal. The safety of tilmicosin has not been established in pregnant cattle and in animals used for breeding purposes. Intramuscular injection will cause a local reaction which may result in trim loss. The safety of tilmicosin has not been established for sheep with a body weight of less than 15 kg or in pregnant sheep or sheep used for breeding purposes.

How Supplied: Micotil 300 is supplied in 50 mL, 100 mL and 250 mL multidose amber glass bottles.

Storage: Store at or below 86°F (30°C). Protect from direct sunlight.

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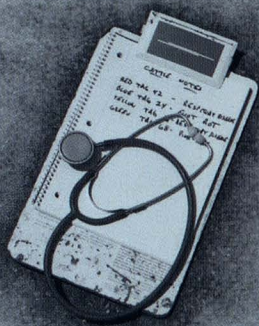
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Tilmicosin Injection

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Tough on BRD.**

Micotil is to be used by, or on the order of, a licensed veterinarian. For cattle, inject subcutaneously. Intravenous use in cattle will be fatal. Do not use in female dairy cattle 20 months of age or older. Use in lactating dairy cattle may cause milk residues. See label for complete use information, including human warnings. Always use proper drug handling procedures to avoid accidental self-injection.

Please remember to advise your clients on the safe handling and use of all injectable products prior to administration.

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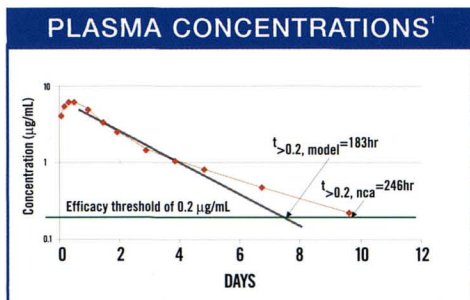
Illustration of EXCEDE molecules providing 7 days of sustained-release activity from the injection site in the ear.

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¹ Non-compartmental analysis (nca) is representative of the observed mean plasma concentrations. Model represents conservative concentration estimates based on repeatable mathematical modeling. Efficacy threshold of 0.2 µg/mL is 3 to 6 times the MIC₉₀ values for targeted BRD pathogens.

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