



IDEXX Reference Laboratories

Dermatopathology consultants

Linda Berent*, DVM, PhD, DACVP

Clinical and Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: cytology, hematology, bone marrow evaluation, dermatopathology, oncology

Dr. Berent received her DVM from the University of Illinois, where she also completed her residency in clinical pathology after 1 year of small-animal practice. She received board certification in clinical pathology in 2001 and anatomic pathology in 2006. She joined the faculty at the University of Missouri in 2002 as a clinical track faculty focused on diagnostic service and teaching. She joined IDEXX as a contractor in 2017.

Dean Cornwell, DVM, PhD, MT (ASCP)

Regional Head of Clinical Pathology, Clinical Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: cytology, hematology, immunology, molecular diagnostics

Dr. Cornwell attended Fort Hays State University and received a BS in medical technology prior to receiving his DVM from Kansas State University (KSU) in 1990. He practiced in Kansas City for 1 year before beginning his clinical pathology residency at KSU in 1991. Dr. Cornwell joined IDEXX as a clinical pathologist in 1997 and completed and defended his thesis in physical gene mapping and received his doctorate in 2001. He became a regional manager in 2000 and was named western head of clinical pathology in 2014. He is a member of the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technical team, Medical Review Board, and the Reference Interval committee. He was instrumental in driving IDEXX to become the premier provider for veterinary molecular diagnostics and continues to give pathology, molecular, and medical guidance.

David M. Getzy, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: anatomic, oncologic, eye, bone, liver/GI, avian and exotic/large animal/wildlife, endocrine, general surgical pathology, dermatopathology

Dr. Getzy received his DVM from The Ohio State University in 1987 and has served in the department of pathology, the diagnostic laboratories, and the cancer unit at Colorado State University. He has extensive experience in necropsy/gross anatomic pathology, and is board certified by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. Dr. Getzy's interest in wildlife pathology, including exotic and fish pathology, has led him to work extensively with Colorado Parks and Wildlife, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Denver Zoo, and other zoologic parks. He has been with IDEXX since 1996.

Erin E. Hardam, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: laboratory animal pathology, soft tissue sarcomas, dermatopathology

Dr. Hardam received her DVM from the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine in 2000 and completed her anatomic pathology training at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. At the University of Pennsylvania, she was involved with work on feline pancreatitis, sarcomas of the central nervous system, and a novel therapy for pain relief in dogs. Dr. Hardam also spent time working with the San Diego Zoo pathology department.

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Tammy Johnson, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: surgical pathology, dermatopathology, aquaria species pathology

Dr. Johnson is a native of North Carolina and graduate of the North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine. She practiced general small-animal medicine before completing her residency in anatomic pathology at Texas A&M University. She joined IDEXX in 2005 after 8 years as director of Sentara Veterinary Laboratory Services in Virginia Beach, Virginia. She is currently a full-time IDEXX surgical pathologist, performing routine diagnostic pathology and dermatopathology of dogs and cats, and occasional aquaria species. Her special interest in dermatopathology has benefited from mutually shared learning/teaching experiences gained while training clinical dermatology residents. Dr. Johnson is a member of the International Society for Veterinary Dermatopathology. Her off-work passion is sustainable gardening, which she enjoys with her pet chickens and growing honeybee hives.

Carroll J. Jones, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: avian and aquatic pathology, hematopoietic neoplasia, canine lymphoma

Dr. Jones graduated from the Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine in 1984. After 4 years of private practice in small-animal medicine, she entered a pathology residency at the University of Pennsylvania. Following residency and her successful board certification, she worked at the veterinary diagnostic laboratory of the University of New Hampshire (UNH) for 10 years. She taught a variety of courses in UNH's animal science department, in addition to performing service diagnostic work in cytology and histopathology. During her last 5 years at UNH, she became involved in aquaculture research and poultry diagnostics. Dr. Jones joined IDEXX in January of 2000.

Nicole Kraipowich, DVM, MS, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: anatomic pathology

Dr. Kraipowich received her DVM from Iowa State University in 1995. While there, she also worked for the university's pathology department and for the National Animal Disease Center. After a few years spent in private practice in Oregon and North Dakota, she pursued an MS in veterinary pathology and microbiology at Colorado State University, graduating in 2003. Also that year, she became board certified by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. She joined IDEXX at the Westminster laboratory in 2005. Additionally, she serves as a relief veterinarian.

"Kevin" JungKeun Lee[†], DVM, MS, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: dermatopathology, hepatic pathology, parasites

Dr. Lee received his DVM at Konkuk University and MS degrees at the Seoul National University, Korea. He worked in small-animal practice and emergency clinics for a year and was a pathologist at Neodin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Seoul, Korea, for 3 years. He came to the United States in 2004 to work as a research scientist at the University of Washington, Seattle, until 2009. He completed his anatomic pathology residency at Mississippi State University and became board certified by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 2014. He began working for IDEXX in 2015.

Serena M. Liu, VMD, MS, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: dermatopathology

Dr. Liu received her VMD from the University of Pennsylvania, and completed an MS and residency training at the University of California, Davis. She became a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 1996, and has been a practicing diagnostic pathologist since then, including positions at IDEXX, and the Animal Medical Center in New York City. Dr. Liu has a special interest in dermatopathology, and was mentored by Dr. Thelma Lee Gross during her time in California. She is a member of the International Society for Veterinary Dermatopathology and the American Association of Veterinary Dermatology. Dr. Liu lives in New York City with her family, which includes her dog, Clancy, and cat, Olivia. In her spare time she enjoys travel, cooking, and the dual charms of city life (theatre, classical music) and country life (hiking, skiing, and gardening).

Becky McElhaney, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: diagnostic pathology, mammalian pathology, dermatopathology, reproductive pathology

Dr. McElhaney received a BS in agriculture from the University of Florida in 1983 and a DVM from the University of Florida in 1992. She completed the first 2 years of her residency in anatomic pathology at the University of Florida, and a third year at the University of California, Davis. She remained at UC Davis as a staff pathologist and chief of the university's pathology service until joining IDEXX in 1997. She has been board certified in anatomic pathology by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists since 1995.

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Barbara McMahon, DVM, DACVP, PhD

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: dermatopathology

Dr. McMahon earned her DVM from the Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal, in 2006. She then completed a residency in anatomic pathology and a PhD in comparative pathology at the University of California, Davis. She became a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 2011. Dr. McMahon has a special interest in dermatopathology and was mentored by Dr. Verena Affolter and Dr. Thelma Lee Gross. While at UC Davis, she also attended dermatopathology rounds and lectures at the university's school of medicine. She joined IDEXX in 2014, is currently the vice president of the International Society of Veterinary Dermatopathology, and is a member of the editorial board of the *Veterinary Dermatology Journal*. She enjoys gardening, cooking, horseback riding, rock climbing, and the great outdoors.

Kristy A. Mielka, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: dermatopathology, reproductive pathology, livestock pathology, diagnostic pathology

Dr. Mielka graduated from Michigan State University (MSU) College of Veterinary Medicine in 2002 and spent 5 years in companion-animal practice in the greater metro Detroit area. She returned to MSU for an anatomic pathology residency in 2007 and spent the final year of her program with a focus in toxicologic pathology at a contract research laboratory. Dr. Mielka achieved board certification in 2011. She stayed on as faculty at MSU for 5 years, teaching organ histology and systemic pathology to veterinary students, as well as performing diagnostic service work in anatomic pathology. Dr. Mielka joined IDEXX in January 2016. She enjoys swimming, hiking, camping, canoeing, and spending time outdoors with her husband and two young children.

Elisa N. Salas, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: neuropathology, dermatopathology, ocular pathology

Dr. Salas grew up in Philadelphia, and always knew that she wanted to be a veterinarian. She first realized her love of pathology at necropsy show and tell rounds at Cornell University, where she obtained her DVM. After 4 years of mixed-animal and small-animal practice, she jumped at the opportunity to pursue a residency at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory. During that time, Dr. Salas developed and taught her own gross pathology class, focusing on exotic animals. In addition to her pathology experience, she has a strong interest in big-data analysis and publications in both fields. She passed her boards in 2013. In addition to helping submitting veterinarians at IDEXX, she also serves as a consultant on the Clinical and Anatomic Pathology boards of the Veterinary Information Network. Her volunteerism includes membership in the Member Relations Committee of the ACVP and teaching high school students zoo anatomy and pathology at the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha.

Nick Sorensen, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: large-animal pathology (especially bovine respiratory disease), dermatopathology, infectious disease

Dr. Sorensen grew up in Bozeman, Montana, and has been involved with veterinary medicine from the time he could accompany his father on large-animal farm calls. After finishing his undergraduate studies at Montana State University, he completed his DVM at Washington State University in 2008 and returned to Montana to practice mixed-animal medicine. His interest in pathology led him to apply for residency positions and in 2012 he began his anatomic pathology residency at Oklahoma State University and became board certified through the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 2015. In his spare time, Dr. Sorensen spends as much time as possible with his fiancé Katie and their dog Lily. He also spends as much time fly-fishing and being outside as his schedule allows.

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Jeremy Tobias, DVM, DACVP

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: surgical pathology, ophthalmic pathology, dermatopathology

Dr. Tobias was born in South Africa and raised in Alabama. He attended Cornell University for his undergraduate studies, and in 2011 he received his veterinary degree from North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine and subsequently stayed to complete an anatomic pathology residency. In 2014, Dr. Tobias attained American College of Veterinary Pathologists board certification and joined IDEXX Laboratories in Memphis.

Amy Louise Warren*, BSc, BVSc (Hons. I), PhD, DACVP (anatomic and clinical pathology)

Anatomic Pathologist

Area(s) of interest: hematopathology, dermatopathology, neuropathology

Dr. Warren graduated from the University of Queensland, Australia, in 2001. She completed an internship in small-animal medicine and surgery at the Queensland Veterinary Specialist Center in 2002. In 2003, she did an anatomic pathology residency at Cornell University, followed by a clinical pathology residency in 2007. Dr. Warren is a double-boarded diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in anatomic pathology (2006) and clinical pathology (2007). She joined the faculty of veterinary medicine at the University of Calgary as an assistant professor and founding faculty member in 2008 and was promoted with tenure to associate professor in 2014. She has a PhD in medical education and has a passion for educating veterinarians and veterinary pathologists. She has served as a proctor on the ACVP board examination and is currently a full member of the ACVP board examination committee in clinical pathology. Dr. Warren loves all aspects of diagnostic pathology but particularly likes hematopathology, dermatopathology, and neuropathology. When she's not working, she is spending time with her husband and four young children in the gulf islands of British Columbia.

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