

and commercialization of products used by producers in the food animal ind avit dtiw betiber 213 gl **2003 VIDO ANNUAL REPORT** Durrent research interests include vaccines against a number of food-borne organisms, and novel vaccine delivery systems



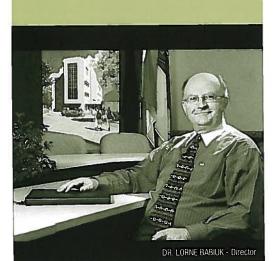
VIDO is renowned for the research, development and commercialization of products used by producers in the food animal industry. It is credited with five "world firsts" in animal vaccine research, and is expanding into human health applications. Current research interests include vaccines against a number of food-borne organisms, and novel vaccine delivery systems including needle-free methods. A wholly owned University of Saskatchewan not-for-profit organization, VIDO operates with substantial support from the governments of Alberta and Saskatchewan as well as Government of Canada and industry competitive grants. It collaborates extensively with external institutes and companies and provides a rich training environment.



Vaccine & Infectious Disease Organization

MANDATE: TO SERVE THE CANADIAN LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY INDUSTRY BY - Conducting animal health-related research • COMMUNICATING LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES AND INFORMATION . Facilitating the transfer of technology for international commercial development. VIDO'S GOALS: TO SERVE AND ASSIST THE ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS OF THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY THROUGH RESEARCH ON THE COMMON INFECTIOUS DISEASES OF ANIMALS AND POULTRY • To provide information leading to safe and effective animal health preventative medicine programs which enhance animal care through improved management and performance of livestock • TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES TO UTILIZE VIDO'S LIVESTOCK RESEARCH TO IMPROVE HUMAN AND COMPANION ANIMAL HEALTH • To maximize funding by enhanced visibility and development of innovative communication programs with all organizations that provide support to VIDO • TO TRANSFER TECHNOLOGY TO THE BIOLOGICAL INDUSTRY TO ENHANCE ITS COMMERCIAL APPLICATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CANADIAN LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS AND TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL STABILITY TO VIDO • To manage its financial, educational, and human resource efforts to ensure long-term benefits to the organization's stakeholders.

and novel



LETTER TO OUR STAKEHOLDERS

Innovation continues to be a focus in Canada as we strive to increase our competitiveness in the global community. The people who make up VIDO know that many factors are critical to the chain of innovation, and imagination is one of the most crucial. Without imagination, the power to create new ideas, technologies or products – to innovate – is extremely limited. VIDO's vision is to be an engine of innovation and to push our creativity to the limits. Indeed, our belief is that our imagination will be what ensures our success.

In business, the term "return on investment" (ROI), is what all venture capitalists and investors strive for. We put a twist on it and call it the return on our imagination. Thus, imagination and its fulfillment provide VIDO and Canada a competitive advantage. Although sometimes we may not achieve all that we had imagined, our motto is "if we don't fail at least sometimes, we didn't try hard enough." It is through failure that we learn, and it is failure that pushes us to achieve more than if we hadn't made the attempt at all.

In parallel with its innovation agenda, VIDO is also pursuing a commercialization agenda. Our belief is that no matter how innovative or imaginative

an organization or country is, without embracing the second phase (commercialization), society will not benefit. We are happy to support the federal government in its commercialization agenda. To

...we are still VIDO, and our history and founding roots remain intact.

this end, VIDO continues to forge partnerships that enable us both to develop and market our technologies and to expand receptor capacity for our discoveries and those of other university researchers.

A YEAR OF NEW DISEASE CHALLENGES

VIDO is blessed with a flexibility that allows us to re-align our goals in response to emerging needs. Today, hardly a week goes by without some news regarding infectious diseases of animals or humans. Currently, more than 70 per cent of newly emerged or re-emerging diseases of humans originate in animals. Indeed, controlling infection in animals can have a dramatic impact on human health. Examples with which we are very familiar include *E. coli* O157: H7, which is shed into the environment from animals and can



Vaccine & Infectiou

have devastating effects in humans; and the equally devastating SARS virus. Thus, addressing diseases that affect both animals and humans makes very good economic sense.

A YEAR OF GROWTH

This past year, VIDO has achieved a significant milestone in the opening of a 50,000 sq. ft. laboratory and office wing. This addition was made possible through our original vision to extend the impacts of our research across a broader range of diseases by capitalizing on the convergence of human and animal health, and the emergence of the powerful new technologies of genomics and proteomics. Our expansion into the realm of human infectious diseases necessitated a broadening of our mandate and a name change from the Veterinary Infectious Disease Organization to the Vaccine & Infectious Disease Organization. Our expanded mandate will enhance our ability to obtain support for our research. But we are still VIDO, and our history and founding roots remain intact.

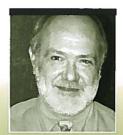
A YEAR OF COMMITMENT

The success of VIDO has always been dependent upon strong ties with other scientists worldwide, both through collaborations and funding relation-

ships with governments, academia and private industry. Our partners sustain our viability, and have shown their faith in us time and again by investing in VIDO. It was our tradition of partnership in all that we do that led to the reality of our new wing enabling the extension of our research. The Canada Foundation for Innovation was the agency that conducted the International Scientific Review of the proposal, and provided \$5.1 million to the project. Other partners included the Province of Saskatchewan (\$5.6 million), Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD, \$4.5 million), the Province of Alberta (\$2 million), and the University of Saskatchewan (\$500,000). After completion of the building, WD provided a further \$1.14 million to completely equip the laboratories. As a result of these partnerships, we have a fully functional laboratory with all the required equipment to support our research programs in infectious diseases. Our senior management continue to seek opportunities for partnership and are a driving force for economic growth within our province.

The expansion of our facilities will help us embrace a new phase in our growth by providing us resources to host visiting scientists from other universities, industry and government. These

VIDO SENIOR MANAGEMENT



DR. ANDY POTTER, Associate Director - Research



JOYCE SANDER, C.I.M., P.Mgr. Manager - Human Resources



CAROL MARTEL, C.M.A. Manager - Financial Operations



DR. LOUIS DESAUTELS Chief Operating Officer







LETTER TO OUR STAKEHOLDERS CONTINUED...

interactions will further expand our collaborations with academics around the world. The expansion provides us opportunity to extend our linkages with industry by hosting industry scientists who will work alongside our scientists. We feel this

The impacts of our inventions will be felt by those whom they are intended to help.

capability is not only innovative but efficient, as it will help transfer discoveries from the laboratory to industry and beyond to commercialization, in a seamless manner. As a result, the impacts of our inventions will be felt by those whom they are intended to help.

A YEAR OF FORTITUDE

Although this year has been one of rapid change at VIDO, staff have weathered the upheaval extremely well. I am especially grateful to them for their understanding during the construction phase which was not only disruptive, but also taxed their interpersonal skills: in some cases,

three scientists shared an office designed for one - creating a unique bonding opportunity. I thank you for your support and trust that the inconvenience experienced during this past year was worth the wait.

As a not-for-profit organization, VIDO does not pay its Board of Directors. Thus, I would like to specifically thank the dedicated individuals who have agreed to serve on VIDO's board and provide their insight and guidance throughout this year. It is always amazing to see how their varied experiences benefit VIDO as they collaborate in designing a strategy and building a business plan to ensure our success for years to come.

Once again, we thank our partners in the livestock industry, government, private industry, the University of Saskatchewan and our academic collaborators across Canada for their continued support of VIDO's research efforts and their commitment to ensuring that Canada remains a leader in research.



Vaccine & Infectiou

VIDO's grand opening ceremony in the fall of 2003. Speakers included VIDO Director Lome Babluk; the Hon. Ralph Goodale, then Minister of Public Works and Government Services Canada; the Hon. Judy Junor, then Minister of Learning; the Hon. Eric Cline, Minister of Saskatchewan Industry and Resources; Dr. Robert Davidson, Director, Programs and Services, Canada Foundation for Innovation

VIDO CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Canada's producer community is certainly being tempered by one livestock industry crisis after another. Successive years of drought were followed by BSE, which has devastated producers in the beef industry and also affected almost every other agricultural enterprise. As these communities struggle with challenges that good management or associations cannot protect them from, in an era of prion diseases, SARS and West Nile virus, research on livestock diseases - and at the animalhuman interface - is crucial. Yet, the devastating financial impacts of disease on animal agriculture - resulting from closures of international markets - are often more damaging than the disease itself. Therefore, finding solutions to these problems has become increasingly important, particularly for a nation like Canada, which is dependent upon international trade as a contributor to its continued prosperity.

Since its inception, VIDO has worked to develop vaccines for the protection of livestock against disease. In fact, five of these vaccines were world firsts. The opening of the expansion to VIDO's facilities in the fall of 2003 was a celebration of the improved capacity for VIDO's infectious disease research. As a result of the expansion, more than 30 new positions were created at VIDO — an even broader range of talent and expertise working to protect livestock and humans from disease.

VIDO is committed to maintaining the voice of the agricultural community in its day-to-day operations — through its two technical groups (beef and swine), its Board of Directors, through regular communications targeting the producer industry, and by hosting various producer-related conferences and seminars. Yet over the past several years, VIDO has increasingly found ways

insight



Brad Wildeman is Manager of Poundmaker Agventures Ltd. and Director of the Canadian Cattlemen's Association.



Disease Organization

leadership

2002-2003 VIDO Board of Directors

Mr. Brad Wildeman (Chair)
Mr. Peter Schuld (Vice-Chair)

Dr. Lorne Babiuk
Mr. Dickson Gould
Dr. Bryan Harvey
Mr. John Hoover
Dr. Larry Milligan
Mr. Thomas Nash
Mr. Gordon Nystuen
Dr. Chuck Rhodes
Dr. Howard Tennant
Dr. W. Ronald Usborne

VIDO CHAIRMAN'S REPORT CONTINUED...

to apply technology gleaned through research on diseases of livestock to human diseases. This makes the use of VIDO's research dollars highly efficient. In light of the ongoing research activities highlighted in

VIDO has increasingly found ways to apply technology gleaned through research on diseases of livestock to human diseases.

this report, VIDO's Board of Directors fully expects VIDO to maintain and extend its reputation as an international centre of excellence in infectious disease research.

The combination of VIDO's existing expertise and its physical proximity to the soon-to-be-operational Canadian Light Source synchrotron will significantly enhance the potential for development of truly innovative vaccines, and will also bring even greater national and international collaboration with scientists from an expanded field of expertise.

For these reasons, and the talent and creativity of VIDO's scientists, the organization is in an ideal position to tackle emerging diseases, and will continue to fulfill its mandate of providing solutions for the benefit of its stakeholders — even more effectively than in the past. As a university-owned research institute, VIDO takes its responsibilities seriously — it is accountable for its research, its finances, its communications, its personnel and day-to-day operations. And, the expanded facilities will only serve to increase the opportunities for graduates from the University, many of whom are Saskatchewan residents.

As this is my final report as Chairman, I would like to express my appreciation for this opportunity to serve VIDO and interact with a great team of committed people, led by our Director, Lorne Babiuk. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here, and look forward to VIDO's future with anticipation.

Brad Wildeman



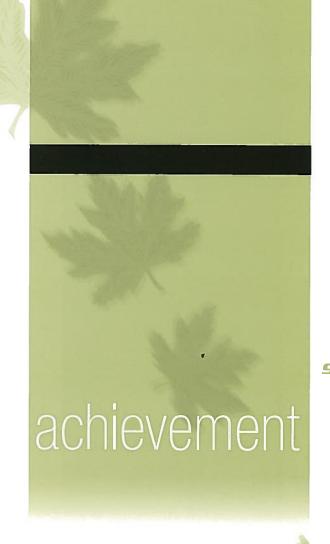
HELPING OTHERS SUCCEED

What is VIDO's most important asset? The answer is easy — it's our employees. It is through this group of dedicated people that VIDO's growth and success is achievable — that we remain competitive and attract high calibre scientists to Saskatchewan. VIDO is committed to meeting the needs of our people. Our goal is to provide the very best working environment, the very best resources and the highest level of support to our employees.

VIDO plays a very active role in training. At any time, a minimum of one third of VIDO's staff is made up of trainees — from undergraduate to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, both national and international. VIDO has always provided tremendous opportunity for graduating students to continue to develop their expertise in their chosen fields of research, and is a valuable addition to the University of Saskatchewan. We also open our doors for visiting scholars and

scientists on sabbatical leaves. We believe that we can and are contributing to Canada's status as an innovator in research, by providing the inter-disciplinary training opportunities that will equip our "alumni" to perform competitively in academia, industry or government. We are continually contacted by head-hunters for universities, research institutes and industry seeking our trainees for employment.

Part of what makes us such a sought-after training and working environment is that VIDO strives to maintain an atmosphere in which creativity is encouraged, accomplishments are recognized, dreams are achieved and opinions are heard. VIDO's Director plays a key role in our stimulating working environment: Dr. Lorne Babiuk had a vision of growth and expansion; he shared his vision with his co-workers and then together, we developed a plan to make this vision a reality.



Disease Organization

PERFORMING UNIQUE CANADIAN RESEARCH

Over the past five to 10 years, we have witnessed the emergence and re-emergence of a number of infectious disease threats to both human and animal health. These have included agents such as SARS and avian influenza, as well as disease outbreaks caused by food and environmental pathogens such as enterohemorrhagic *E. coli* and *Cryptosporidium parvum*, to name but a few.

More than 60 per cent of human infectious diseases have an animal origin, and more than 70 per cent of new diseases affecting humans originate in animals.

More than 60 per cent of human infectious diseases have an animal origin, and more than 70 per cent of new diseases affecting humans originate in animals. In spite of this, the fields of human and animal health have traditionally been viewed as independent, with little in the way of linkages at a research level. Since disease prevention strategies are the same in both hosts, VIDO believes that a significant opportunity exists for having an impact in both areas - by establishing common technologies. VIDO has focused much of its efforts over

the past decade on fundamental pathogenesis studies, as well as the development of "platform technologies" which have application in both fields.

Protection at the source – mucosal vaccine delivery

Vaccines have changed little over the past 50 years. This is primarily because advances in formulation and delivery have not kept pace with methods for antigen (the key immune-system stimulating ingredient of a vaccine) production. Since most pathogens cause disease by

colonizing the mucosal surfaces of the respiratory, digestive and reproductive tracts, the development of vaccines which target these sites is particularly attractive. VIDO is pursuing the development of several mucosal vaccine technologies and formulations. Examples include live-vectored viral and bacterial vaccines; novel

subunit vaccines, in which one component of a pathogen is used

to stimulate the

immune response; and killed vaccines in which the virus or bacteria is treated so that it cannot cause disease. Novel delivery methods include oral and intranasal delivery.

A virus knows best

Dr. Suresh Tikoo and his group have pioneered the use of bovine and porcine adenoviruses as live delivery vehicles for antigens from a variety of animal and human pathogens. As delivery vehicles, the natural infective capability of a virus or bacteria is co-opted to deliver the vaccine.

Bovine adenoviruses are usually involved in subclinical respiratory and enteric infections and can easily

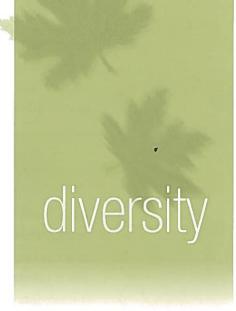
be attenuated or inactivated by the deletion of specific genes. Dr. Tikoo's group has demonstrated through proof of concept trials that vectored viral vaccines with insertions using a number of different genes coding for protective proteins

are effective. In addition, the group has been characterizing the interaction of adenoviruses with host cells and has successfully demonstrated

that vaccines can be manipulated to target either the respiratory tract or gut, depending upon the application.

Vaccines that pack an extra punch

The delivery of killed or subunit vaccines to animals is more problematic than live viruses or bacteria due to degradation of the antigen and the requirement for adjuvants - substances that increase the magnitude of the immune response. In addition, the type of immune response induced by conventional vaccines is often biased towards the production of antibody, which can actually be detrimental to the animal in the case of some infections. *Dr. George Mutwiri* and his team have been attempting to maximize immune responses to subunit and killed vaccines through the use of novel adjuvant formulations as well as immunomodulators such as CpG - a short genetic sequence most often found in bacterial DNA, recognized by the immune systems of animals as a threat. Compounds such as alginate, liposomes and polyphosphazenes (synthetic polymers) have been tested at VIDO for their ability to induce not only immune responses in the blood, lymph and tissues, but also mucosal immunity in both the respiratory tract and gut. Such formulations have been shown to increase not only the magnitude of the local immune responses relative to



conventional adjuvants, but also the quality of the immune response. This work has been carried out in a number of animal model systems, including cattle, swine and poultry. Such formulations have been demonstrated to be compatible with needle-free delivery methods

Such formulations have been demonstrated to be compatible with needle-free delivery methods such as intranasal and oral immunization.

such as intranasal and oral immunization, making them especially valuable for the induction of immunity at the site of infection. These delivery methods will also eliminate tissue reactivity often associated with the use of conventional vaccines, a phenomenon which has been shown to cost cattle producers several dollars per animal.

A vaccine factory?

Over the past decade, VIDO has pioneered the use of nucleic acid vaccines in livestock as an alternative method of inducing immunity. This technology involves the introduction of genes coding for protective antigens (proteins or molecules from specific viruses, bacteria or parasites) into the animal. The introduced genes then produce the antigen inside the animal. This technique has several advantages over conventional vaccines, especially for inducing protection against viruses and parasites. These advantages include a decreased cost of

production, the ability to modulate the immune response, effectiveness in newborns and the ability to induce long-lasting immunity.

Although vaccines are not normally effective in neonates due to interference from the mother's antibodies, *Dr. Sylvia van Drunen Littel - van den Hurk* and her group have recently demonstrated that maternal antibodies against a bovine herpesvirus glycoprotein did not inhibit the development of immune responses in animals vaccinated with nucleic acid vaccines. However, these maternal antibodies did interfere with the effectiveness of an alternate vaccine formulated with recombinant subunit products. The group is continuing to optimize immunization schedules in the neonate and continues to apply the technology to the development of vaccines against a wide variety of infectious agents affecting animals and humans.

Tapping into the immune response for disease protection strategies

During the past year, VIDO and collaborators at Pyxis Genomics, Inimex Pharmaceuticals, the University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University initiated a genomics research program dealing with the analysis of immune responses at mucosal surfaces in both animals and humans. The objective of the project is to identify genes and pathways involved in pathogen recognition and the mounting of innate (natural) and adaptive (antigen-specific) immune responses, both in the lung and in the gut. VIDO is well positioned to undertake these studies due to the wide variety of animal

models developed over the past two and a half decades, which permit studies determining the overall picture of genetic interactions to be carried out with natural host-pathogen interactions.

Dr. Philip Griebel and his group have made significant progress in the past year in the analysis of bovine responses to viral and bacterial gene expression in the gut and respiratory tract. This work has been carried out both in vivo using whole animal studies as well as in vitro with purified cell populations. The results obtained to date offer exciting new targets for disease intervention and are consistent with those obtained both at VIDO and elsewhere over the past two decades. Coupled with this research, VIDO researchers have also been studying the effect of immune stimulants upon gene expression patterns. Similar work is also being carried out using chicken respiratory and enteric models. The data obtained from these studies is currently being used to design new vaccination strategies as well as therapeutics against specific diseases and we anticipate testing the latter over the next 12 months.

Vaccines to improve food safety

VIDO continues to work on the development of specific vaccines for both humans and animals, utilizing the platform technologies described above where appropriate. A major focus of the research carried out by *Dr. Phil Willson's* group over the past three years has been the development of vaccines to prevent the colonization of animals by human pathogens. In collaboration with Dr. Brett Finlay at the University of British Columbia, the researchers have successfully demonstrated proof of concept for vaccination of cattle as a means

of reducing the levels of *E. coli* O157, and similar collaborative work with researchers at the National Research Council of Canada is underway on *C. jejuni* vaccines for poultry. It is anticipated that this work will be expanded during the coming year to include Salmonella vaccines for both poultry and cattle.

Embracing new challenges

We have previously reported on VIDO's first human vaccine project, namely hepatitis C virus, and this work has been extended over the past year to include SARS. VIDO is uniquely positioned to work in this field due to our expertise in platform technologies for vaccine formulation and delivery, as

The results offer exciting new targets for disease intervention.

well as previous experience at VIDO in developing vaccines for a related pathogen, bovine coronavirus. VIDO's work in this field is part of a large collaborative effort with other Canadian scientists, and the results to date have been very encouraging. We will continue to initiate new projects in the human vaccine field as the opportunity arises to apply VIDO's expertise and technologies.

Research backed by world-class expertise

VIDO continues to operate in a collaborative fashion, both internally and externally, in order to maximize interactions and use of resources. *Dr.*Sam Attah-Poku's chemistry group has played a pivotal role in all



organizational activities by providing expertise in nucleic acid and peptide technologies to all programs, as well as to VIDO's external collaborators.

VIDO's research programs all require the development of relevant disease models to support our studies on basic pathogenesis, pathogenomics and vaccine testing. Over the years, *Dr. Don Wilson* and his clinical staff have successfully developed a number of such models, focusing on respiratory and enteric infections. With our expansion into human infectious disease research, there has been a need to establish new models such that pathogenesis and vaccine studies can be carried out in more relevant systems than those currently used. An excellent example of this is the work being carried out by VIDO's formulation and delivery group, which has established a reproducible model for *Bordetella pertussis* – the causative agent of whooping cough

- infection in swine. The pathology observed in swine appears to mimic that found in the human host and is clearly more relevant than the mouse models which are currently in widespread use. These studies are being followed up with vaccination experiments to determine if the model can be used to develop new vaccination strategies which ultimately will be used to protect the human neonate.

Bovine and avian gut loop models are also being refined for the study of the interaction of zoonotic pathogens with their animal host. Such organisms include enterohemorrhagic *Escherichia coli, Campylobacter jejuni* and Salmonella species. These models allow not only fundamental studies on colonization to be carried out, but also genomic studies aimed at elucidating host and pathogen responses during colonization.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRODUCER RELATIONS

VIDO is growing and changing, as our March 2003 name change attests. As emerging technologies allow us to apply more of our work across species and diseases, our mandate expands. The relationship between animals and emerging human diseases emphasizes the need for an organization like ours – that has the resources and the support from the livestock industry to perform research benefiting both animals and humans.

For every research dollar spent on "platform technologies," VIDO can apply this knowledge to benefit humans or other species. And awards from the livestock community make up a significant part of VIDO's income as a non-profit organization: producer dollars are often leveraged two to three times. We also gratefully acknowledge the advocacy support we receive from the producer communities in recognition of VIDO's efforts.

VIDO has always maintained close ties with Canada's producer community – our best source of information as to the needs and concerns of the livestock industry. Producers are represented on our Board of Directors and assist in guiding VIDO. Four years ago, we hired a new Producer Relations Manager to build and extend that communications link. **Stuart Bond** became a well-liked and

well-known figure in the producer industry, and it was with regret that we saw him retire in July 2003. We wish Stuart the very best and take this opportunity to thank him for his years of service and the groundwork he has laid in building relationships between VIDO and the producer community.

To maintain the relationships built by Stuart, *Dr. Keith Schneider* was hired in October 2003 as Producer Relations Manager. Dr. Schneider continues to carry VIDO's message to the industry. VIDO's two technical groups, which drive the collection and dissemination of livestock management information to the industry, continue to develop resources for producers, and have been working on two new major reports for the swine and beef industries to be available in the new year.

Producer relations continue to play an important and expanding role at VIDO. A new administrative department was created in March 2003 and new staff hired. *Dr. Louis Desautels* joined VIDO's management team in the spring of 2003 as Chief Operating Officer. Dr. Desautels joins VIDO from a background in veterinary medicine and the pharmaceutical industry, bringing a wealth of experience in drug development and production medicine.





VIDO has made a new commitment to extend our communications capacity. Over the past several years, we have worked with a consultant who has been remarkably successful in carrying VIDO's research stories to the national and international media, and our relationship with them continues. To augment our in-house capacity, we hired a Communications Officer, *Tess Laidlaw*, in September 2003. Ms. Laidlaw's background in research and health-related communications and her education in journalism are proving to be a valuable asset for VIDO.

We look forward to the next year in which we will further expand our efforts to communicate VIDO's research stories and successes to national and international audiences.



2003 VIDO ANNUAL REPORT



Deloitte & Touche LLP 122 1st Ave. S. Suite 400, PCS Tower Saskatoon SK S7K 7E5 Canada

Deloitte.

Tel: (306) 343-4400 Fax: (306) 343-4480 www.deloitte.ca

AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

We have audited the combined balance sheet of the Vaccine & Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO), University of Saskatchewan as at September 30, 2003 and the statements of income, expenditure and fund balance (Research Trust, Dr. Alfred Savage VIDO Research Fund and Capital Trust) and combined statement of cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at September 30, 2003 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Chartered Accountants

Febritte + I anche LLP

Saskatoon, Canada January 14, 2004

Member of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

10

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

RESEARCH TRUST - STATEMENT OF INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

	_	2003	_	2002
INCOME				
Donations and unconditional grants (Schedule 1) Conditional grants (Schedule 2) Amortization of Conditional grants - Building expansion (Note 6) Contract research Department of Western Economic Diversification Commercial Government of the Province of Saskatchewan	\$	371,005 6,514,964 242,198 - 2,046,272	\$	359,784 4,939,191 257,302 (3,631) 1,719,001
 -Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Revitalization -Saskatchewan Industry and Resources 		300,000		300,000 731,106
Gift-in-kind Licensing fees Royalties and dividends Investment income Animal sales University of Saskatchewan (Schedule 2)		- 415,236 101,028 140,872		187,189 43,209 414,503 58,237 489,556
Oniversity of Saskatchewan (Schedule 2)		254,633 10,386,208	_	145,670 9,641,117

See accompanying notes

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

RESEARCH TRUST - STATEMENT OF INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

	-	2003	2002
EXPENDITURE			
Salaries and benefits		5,149,297	4,381,498
Materials and supplies		2,249,794	2,483,773
Animal services		202,170	315,561
Equipment repair and service agreements		215,740	325,048
Sub-contract research (Note 8)		28,500	(18,293)
Travel and recruiting		256,672	250,311
Patents and legal fees		312,861	186,489
Amortization		689,910	524,554
Other expenditures (Note 9)	_	229,107	404,670
		9,334,051	8,853,611
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		1,052,157	787,506
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	5,733,837	5,187,426
		6,785,994	5,974,932
CAPITAL TRUST ASSET PURCHASES, NET OF FUND TRANSFER	_	140,960	(241,095)
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$_	6,926,954	\$ 5,733,837

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

DR. ALFRED SAVAGE VIDO RESEARCH FUND STATEMENT OF INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

	2003					2002					
	Restricted						Restricted				
	for						for				
	Endowment	E :	xpendable			J	Endowment		Expendable		
	Purposes		Funds		TOTAL		Purposes		Funds		TOTAL
EXCESS OF INCOME											
OVER EXPENDITURE											
Investment (Loss) Earnings	\$ 1,523	\$	4,101	\$	5,624	\$	(1,908)	\$	1,409	\$	(499)
FUND BALANCE,											
BEGINNING OF YEAR	61,784		27,649		89,433		63,692		26,240		89,932
	63,307		31,750	_	95,057	_	61,784	-	27,649	_	89,433
Transfer expendable									•		•
funds to endowment funds	8,591	_	(8,591)	_		_			-	_	
FUND BALANCE,											
	\$71,898	\$_	23,159	\$_	95,057	\$ =	61,784	\$_	27,649	\$_	89,433

See accompanying notes

اع

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

CAPITAL TRUST STATEMENT OF INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

	_	2003		2002		
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE						
Investment earnings	\$	47,460	\$	24,651		
Gifts-in-Kind		82,000		-		
	_	129,460	_	24,651		
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR		1,159,405		893,659		
	_	1,288,865	_	918,310		
Purchase of Capital Assets		(140,960)	-	(8,905)		
Transfer from Research Trust		-	_	250,000		
		(140,960)		241,095		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$_	1,147,905	\$	1,159,405		

See accompanying notes

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

ASSETS

AbbEtb			
	2003	_	2002
CURRENT ASSETS			
Funds held - University of Saskatchewan	\$ 2,962,036	\$	2,745,249
Due from University of Saskatchewan	-		3,903,285
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	1,190,622		677,478
Inventories (Note 4)	201,502	_	152,781
	4,354,160		7,478,793
INVESTMENTS	900,531		842,929
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 5)	19,622,163	_	7,552,433
	\$24,876,854	\$_	15,874,155

23

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

LIABILITIES		2003		2002
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Due to University of Saskatchewan	\$	1,638,836	\$	-
Accounts payable		15,400		11,800
Accrued vacation pay		474,469		375,905
Unearned grants (Schedule 2)	_	1,151,821	_	1,372,373
		3,280,526		1,760,078
UNEARNED GRANTS - BUILDING EXPANSION (Note 6)		13,426,412		7,131,402
	_	16,706,938		8,891,480
EQUITY				
RESEARCH TRUST	\$	6,926,954	\$	5,733,837
DR. ALFRED SAVAGE VIDO RESEARCH FUND		95,057		89,433
CAPITAL TRUST		1,147,905	_	1,159,405
	_	8,169,916	_	6,982,675
	\$	24,876,854	\$	15,874,155

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: Brad blidena Director

Laure M. Kenney Trustee

See accompanying notes

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

		2003	_	2002
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Cash received from Livestock industry	\$	350,105	\$	343,184
Cash received from Provincial governments and individuals		20,900		16,600
Cash received from Conditional grants		5,884,167		4,494,798
Cash received as Gift in Kind		82,000		187,189
Cash received from Contract research		2,346,272		2,757,726
Cash received from Royalties, licensing and dividends		415,236		457,712
Cash received from University of Saskatchewan		151,870		195,043
Interest income received for operating purposes		101,028		58,237
Cash paid for Salaries and benefits		(5,047,133)		(4,254,424)
Cash paid for Materials, supplies and sub-contractors		(2,327,015)		(2,490,746)
Cash paid for Patent and legal costs		(312,861)		(186,489)
Cash paid for Animal services, net of animal sales		(61,298)		337,342
Cash paid for Other expenditures		(700,104)		(1,061,186)
		903,167	_	854,986
Interest earned on Dr. Alfred Savage VIDO Research Fund		4,101		1,409
Net cash generated through operating activities		907,268	_	856,395
CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Increase in University of Saskatchewan investment pool		(57,602)		(8,193)
Purchase of capital assets from Capital Trust		(140,960)		(8,905)
Purchase of capital assets from Research Trust, net of disposals		(784,672)		(198,910)
Purchase of capital assets from Research Trust-Building expansion funds	((11,835,423)		(4,424,397)
Net cash used in investing activities		(12,818,657)	_	(4,640,405)

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

	2003		2002
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Funds received for building expansion - Research Trust	6,503	175	3,573,918
Increase (Decrease) in Dr. Alfred Savage VIDO Research Fund investments	1,	523	(1,908)
Interest income received on Capital Trust Funds	47,	324	24,490
Interest earned on building expansion funds	34,	033	38,331
Net cash provided by financing activities	6,586	055	3,634,831
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH HELD	(5,325	334)	(149,179)
CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR	6,648	534	6,797,713
CASH, END OF YEAR \$	1,323	200 \$	6,648,534
Funds Held - University of Saskatchewan \$	2,962	036 \$	2,745,249
Due (to) from University of Saskatchewan	(1,638,	836)	3,903,285
\$	1,323,	200 \$	6,648,534

See accompanying notes

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

1. AUTHORITY and PURPOSE

The Vaccine & Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO) was established by an Agreement dated August 11, 1975 between the Devonian Foundation of Calgary, Alberta, the Province of Alberta, the Province of Saskatchewan and the University of Saskatchewan to conduct research on infectious diseases of animals. VIDO's name was changed from the Veterinary Infectious Disease Organization to the Vaccine & Infectious Disease Organization on March 19, 2003.

Effective April 1, 1980 the above Agreement was replaced by a Constitution which was amended September 23, 1996. The Constitution provides for a Board of Directors to assume the responsibilities formerly performed by the Board of Advisors and the Governing Committee.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles which include the following policies:

FUND ACCOUNTING

VIDO follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions and grants to each of its funds. VIDO classifies its funds by purpose and objective as follows:

The Research Trust fund consists of revenue and expenditures related to VIDO's program delivery and administrative activities. This may also include funds raised specifically for the building expansion and for the purchase of other assets through grants.

The Capital Trust fund consists of grants, investment earnings and authorized transfers from the Research Trust fund and Dr. Alfred Savage VIDO Research Fund to be used for the purpose of acquiring capital assets approved by the Board of Directors.

The Dr. Alfred Savage VIDO Research Fund was approved as an endowment for VIDO until 2010. During the endowment period, a portion of the fund's annual investment earnings are available to purchase equipment, instruments, materials and supplies to be used in research projects.

USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and notes to the financial statements. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

INVENTORIES

Inventories of materials and supplies are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Animal inventory is valued at cost.

INVESTMENTS

Funds designated as endowment funds, restricted for the purposes of acquiring capital assets or future expenditures are invested with other funds from the University of Saskatchewan in a long-term investment pool. Long-term investments are carried at market value.

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

REVENUE RECOGNITION

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the Research Trust fund in the year in which the related expenditures are incurred. Donations and unconditional grants are recognized as revenue of the Research Trust fund when received. License fees, research payments and royalties are recognized as they are received under the terms of the agreements with the licensees or contractors. Gifts-in-kind, including equipment are recorded at fair market value on the date of their donation. The financial statements do not include certain investment revenue received by the University of Saskatchewan from VIDO revenue sources.

Investment income earned on the Dr. Alfred Savage VIDO Research Fund is recognized as income of that fund; a portion of the fund's earnings is retained for reinvestment. Investment income earned on the Research Trust fund and Capital Trust fund is recognized as revenue when earned.

Royalties are recognized as they are received or earned.

UNEARNED GRANTS - BUILDING EXPANSION

Various funding parties have designated grants and commitments for the building and equipping of the expansion to the VIDO facility (Note 6). Restricted funds received for this purpose are accounted for under the deferral method whereby the contribution is deferred and recognized as revenue on the same basis as the amortization expense related to the acquired capital assets.

The current year amortization is \$242,198 (2002 - \$257,302).

CAPITAL ASSETS

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at fair market value upon receipt. Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over the asset's estimated life as follows:

Computers	3 years	Software	3 years
Vehicles	6 years	Furnishings and equipment	8 years
Site improvements	20 years	Buildings	40 years

In the year of aquisition, amortization is prorated based on the date of aquisition. For the building expansion, amortization began when the assets were put into use.

2003

2002

3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Conditional grants (Schedule 2)	\$ 1,188,588	\$ 675,580
Accrued interest	2,034	1,898
	\$ 1,190,622	\$ 677,478
4. INVENTORIES	2003	2002
Animals	\$ 67,863	\$ 66,373
Materials and supplies	133,639	 86,408
	\$ 201,502	\$ 152,781

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

	Cost	2003 Accumulated Amortization Bo			Net Book Value	2002 Net Book Value
Computers Software Vehicles	\$ 502,109 23,379 151,883	\$	319,552 13,009 97,787	\$	182,557 10,370 54,096	\$ 92,122 5,544 75,789
Furnishings and Equipment Site Improvements Buildings	6,274,164 250,532 18,013,666 25,215,733	\$	1,933,486 149,455 3,080,281 5,593,570	\$	4,340,678 101,077 14,933,385 19,622,163	\$ 2,386,916 31,971 4,960,091 7,552,433

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO),

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

6. UNEARNED GRANTS - BUILDING EXPANSION

Unearned grants reported in the Research Trust fund include the unamortized portions of restricted funding designated for the building and equipping of an expansion to the VIDO facility.

Funding details and amortization to revenue are as follows:

	Committed	Received to 2003	2003 Rever	Prior <u>Years</u> nue Earned	2003 Unearne	2002 d Revenue
Western Economic Diversification	\$ 4,500,000	2,817,085	62,529	42,406	2,712,150	(42,406)
Canada Foundation for Innovation	5,151,773	3,795,343	71,655	94,971	3,628,717	2,564,282
Province of Saskatchewan Alberta Science and Research Authority	5,651,773	5,210,000	78,533	53,260	5,078,207	2,606,740
Income earnedInterest earned	2,000,000	2,000,000 106,326	29,481 -	22,633 46,874	1,947,886 59,452	1,997,367 25,419
	\$ 17,303,546	13,928,754	242,198	260,144	13,426,412	7,131,402

Funds received from Alberta Science and Research Authority and interest earned on those funds are restricted to the purchase of equipment.

7. BUILDING EXPANSION

During the year, VIDO began expansion of its research capacity to include genomics, therapeutics, new delivery systems and diagnostics research. To accommodate this, construction and equipping of a 51,476 square foot building addition estimated to cost \$18.5 million began in March, 2002. As at September 30, 2003, the building was substantially completed.



VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

8. SUB-CONTRACT RESEARCH

During the year VIDO entered into sub-contract research collaborations with various third parties relating to funding from conditional grants and contracts including the following:

	 2003	 2002
Dalhousie University.	\$ 28,500	\$ -
SemBioSys Genetics Inc.	-	29,000
National Research Council of Canada	-	(47,293)
	\$ 28,500	\$ (18,293)

9. OTHER EXPENDITURES

Other expenditures consist of VIDO operating accounts which include repairs and maintenance, equipment rental, annual report and technical bulletins, professional fees and Board expenses.

The financial statements do not include expenditures for in-kind support and services provided by the University of Saskatchewan.

10. INCOME TAXES

VIDO is not subject to either federal, provincial or capital income taxes. VIDO is required to pay GST, net of rebates and PST on taxable services and supplies.

11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

- a) VIDO is a research unit of the University of Saskatchewan. The University of Saskatchewan maintains, as part of its normal operations, various infrastructure services (utilities, caretaking, building maintenance), financial and administrative functions relating to VIDO. These costs are partially offset by investment earnings on VIDO funds maintained by the university.
- b) The University of Saskatchewan is the beneficiary of a Trust which owns 16.53% of Star Biotech Inc. as at March 31, 2003 (2002-16.53%). Star Biotech Inc. is an investment holding company. Prior to the sale of the research and development assets, it was a research development company associated with the development of some of VIDO's products and technologies. During the year VIDO had the following transactions with Star Biotech Inc.:

	2003	2002
Income from Star Biotech Inc. to VIDO Royalties	\$ 100,000	\$100,000

12. CONTINGENCIES

VIDO has entered into certain contractual arrangements, which may require repayment of the contracted amount if the research sponsored by the contract results in commercialization. There are no amounts repayable under these contracts at September 30, 2003.

13. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain of prior year's comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO), UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

SCHEDULE OF DONATIONS AND UNCONDITIONAL GRANTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY Beef	2003	2002
British Columbia Cattlemen's Association	\$ -	£ 5000
Saskatchewan Horned Cattle Trust Fund	·	\$ 5,000
Kamloops Stockmen's Association	37,500	37,500
Saskatchewan Cattle Marketing Deductions Fund	1,000	700
Ontario Cattlemen's Association	180,000	180,000
Alberta Cattle Commission	2,000	-
Manitoba Cattle Producers Association	10,000	-
Manhood Cattle I foddeers Association	220 #00	5,000
Swine	230,500	228,200
Alberta Pork	50,000	50,000
B.C. Hog Marketing Commission	2,500	-
Ontario Pork Producers Marketing Board	12,000	-
Manitoba Pork Council	25,000	25,000
Sask Pork	30,000	33,000
Swine Improvement Services Co-operative Ltd.	105	84
	119,605	108,084
Poultry		
Alberta Chicken Producers	_	6,900
		6,900
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS		
British Columbia	5 700	700
Manitoba	5,700	700
11AMATE OU	15,200	15,200
	20,900	15,900
OTHER FOUNDATIONS, COMPANIES AND INDIVIDUALS		
Individuals		700
		700
	\$ 371,005	¢ 350.704
See accompanying notes	3/1,003	\$359,784

VACCINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASE ORGANIZATION (VIDO) UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONAL GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

	12.12	YEAR ENDED	SEPTEMBER 30, 2	003				
		September 30, 2	002	2003	September 30, 2003			
	_	Accounts	Unearned	Funds	Accounts	Unearned	2003	2002
		Receivable	Revenue	Received	Receivable	Revenue	Income	Income
Federal Departments and Agencies	_							
Natural Sciences & Engineering Research Council								
of Canada (NSERC)								
Operating, Strategic and Equipment	\$	- \$	110,543 \$	461,884 \$	- \$	76,597 \$	495,830 \$	740,151
Canadian Institutes of Health Research		-	653,052	684,198	-	468,616	868,634	481,882
Agriculture Canada/NSERC Research Partnership Grants		-		-	-	-	-	(7,637)
Canadian Bacterial Diseases Network (CBDN)		67,848		205,717	38,204	-	176,073	200,065
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada		155,700		843,798	36,191	-	724,289	1,111,393
Public Works & Government Services Canada		-	Ę	_	7,900	-	7,900	-
Canada Research Chair								
Infrastructure		53,583	-	-	8,703	-	(44,880)	322,623
Operating		_	216,803	263,921	-	274,859	205,865	362,036
Research Network on Bacterial Pathogens of Swine		-	43,320	119,813	-	64,407	98,726	216,366
Canvac		_	83,421	51,831	64,501	-	199,753	276,054
Genome Canada		154,303	<u>=</u>	2,203,145	770,892	-	2,819,734	154,303
Provincial Departments and Agencies								
Saskatchewan Council for Community Development		112,643	-	300,000	120,170	-	307,527	347,515
Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture and Food		65,114	63,283	299,800	22,718	47,779	272,908	243,077
Agri-Food Innovation Fund		16,000	- CORES	16,000	-	-	-	252,916
Health Services Utilization and Research Commission			473	20,000	-	16,079	4,394	68,503
Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation		-	50,147	85,739	-	51,095	84,791	70,340
Alberta Agriculture Research Institute (AARI)		2,450	24,591	2,450	-	-	24,591	158,074
Alberta Livestock Industry Development Fund Ltd.		-	-	100,510	-	97,680	2,830	-
Ontario Ministry of Agriculture & Food		-	-	5,603	38,782	-	44,385	-
Beef Cattle Industry Development Fund		12,422	-	31,708	-	6,995	12,291	38,669
Saskatchewan Beef Development Board		19,200	-	10,200	_	-	(9,000)	_
Beef Cattle Research Council		8,781	_	30,000	3,312	-	24,531	38,781
Producer Groups		0,701		,	-,		•	,
Ontario Cattlemen's Association		709	27,952	25,800	42,137	_	95,180	35,474
Poultry Industry Council		6,827	6,863	16,400	18,784	4,462	30,758	25,034
Alberta Beef Producers		0,027	-	75,000	,	43,252	31,748	_
Other Agencies				,,,,,,,,		,	,	
Livestock Environmental Initiative		-	1,508	30,650	2,947	_	35,105	24,782
Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research		-	-	-	1,001	-	1,001	- 1,7.02
Michael Shifth Foundation for Health Research	\$	675,580 \$	1,281,956 \$	5,884,167 \$	1,176,242 \$	1,151,821 \$	6,514,964 \$	4,939,191
University of Saskatchewan		075,550					·_	
Indirect Cost of Research Allocation	\$	- \$	- \$	50,000 \$	- \$	- \$	50,000 \$	_
Canada Research Chair - Infrastructure	Ψ	- y	90,417	101,870	12,346	-	204,633	145,670
Canada Research Chair - Infrastructure	s ⁻	- s	90,417 \$	151,870 \$	12,346 \$	- s	254,633 \$	145,670
	\$_ \$	675,580 \$	1,372,373 \$	6,036,037 \$	1,188,588 \$	1,151,821 \$	6,769,597 \$	5,084,861

32

See accompanying notes

RESEARCH COLLABORATORS

- Dr. Kingsley Amoako Canadian Food Inspection Agency, ADRI, Lethbridge, AB
- Dr. Robert Anderson Dept. of Microbiology and Immunology, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS
- Dr. Jean-Christophe Audonnet Merial, Lyon, France
- Dr. J. Bacha Inimex Pharmaceuticals Inc., Vancouver, BC
- Dr. C. Barnett Intervet Inc., Millsboro, DE, USA
- Dr. R. Bartenschlager University of Hudelberg/Klinikum, Germany
- Dr. T. Boon Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Brussels, Belgium
- Dr. R. Bratzler Coley Pharmaceuticals, Wellesley, MA, USA
- Dr. C. Breathnach Dept. of Medical Sciences, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, USA
- Dr. Bryce Buddle AgResearch Wallaceville, Upper Hutt, New Zealand
- Dr. M. Czub Dept. of Health, Government of Canada, Winnipeg, MB
- Centocor Inc. Nalvern, PA, USA
- Dr. Zhijie Chang Tsinghau University, Beijing, People's Republic of China
- Dr. Dirk Deregt Canadian Food Inspection Agency, ADRI, Lethbridge, AB
- Mr. Nelson Dinn Agassiz Dairy Education and Research Centre, Agassiz, BC
- Dr. Michael Fontaine Moredun Research Institute, Penicuik, Scotland
- Dr. Patrick Frenchick Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica GmbH, Ingelheim am Rhein, Germany
- Genome Canada Ottawa, ON
- Genome BC Vancouver, BC
- Genome Prairie Calgary, AB
- Dr. Marcelo Gottschalk Université de Montréal, Montreal, QC
- Dr. Sagar Goyal University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA

- Dr. S. Griffin Border Vet Animal Health Services, Carnduff, SK
- Dr. Cariton Gyles University of Guelph, Guelph, ON
- Dr. Scott A. Halperin Pediatrics, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS
- Dr. Beth Halperin Pediatrics, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS
- Dr. Robert E.W. Hancock Centre for Microbial Diseases and Immunity Research, University of British Coloumbia, Vancouver. BC
- Dr. B. Harrach Veterinary Medical Research Institute, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary
- Dr. Rolf Hecker Qiagen/Merial, Düsseldorf, Germany
- Dr. R. Holland Intervet Inc., Millsboro, DE, USA
- Dr. Mark Holmes Dept. of Clinical Veterinary Medicine, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK
- Dr. Mary Hondalus Dept. of Immunology and Infectious Diseases, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA, USA
- Dr. Steve Hussey Dept. of Medical Sciences, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, USA
- Dr. John Hutcheson Intervet Inc., Millsoboro, DE, USA
- Dr. M. Ishibashi Osaka University, Kagawa, Japan
- Dr. Mario Jacques Université de Montréal, Montreal, QC
- Dr. Hakan Janson Malmo University Hospital, Lund University, Malmo, Sweden
- Dr. Christiane Juhls Mologen AG, Berlin, Germany
- Dr. David Junker Syntro, San Diego, CA, USA
- Dr. Vivek Kapur University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA
- Dr. John Kelly Institute for Biological Sciences, National Research Council of Canada, Ottawa, ON

- Dr. K.W. Kinzler Johns Hopkins University, School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD, USA
- Dr. C. Lachance BioMed Laboratories, Saint-Hubert. QC
- Dr. Barbara J. Law Pediatric Infectious Diseases Dept., University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB
- Dr. Song F. Lee Department of Applied Oral Sciences, Dalhousie University, Halifax. NS
- Dr. G. Lemm Bayer Healthcare LLC, Research Triangle Park, NC, USA
- Dr. Lemon University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, TX, USA
- Dr. D.P. Lunn Dept. of Medical Sciences, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, USA
- Dr. David R. Mack Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO), Ottawa, ON
- Dr. Alex Mackenzie Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO), V.P. Research, CHEO, V.P. Research, Genome Canada, Ottawa. ON
- Dr. D. Mason Southern Research Institute, Birmingham, AL, USA
- Dr. J. McPherson Guardian Biotechnologies Inc., Saskatoon, SK
- Dr. Shirin Munir University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA
- Dr. John Nash Institute for Biological Sciences, National Research Council of Canada, Ottawa, ON
- Dr. Axel Neubauer Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica Inc. (BIVI), St. Joseph's, MO, USA
- Dr. G. Nitzel Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica Inc. (BIVI), St. Joseph's, MO, USA
- Dr. C. Olsen University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI, USA
- Dr. T. Overlay Fort Dodge Animal Health Division of Wyeth, Overland Park, KS, USA
- Dr. Mark Peppler, Dept. of Microbiology and Immunology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

- Pfizer Inc. New York, NY, USA
- Dr. Bryan Roberts Parallel Solutions Inc., Cambridge, MA, USA
- Dr. F.E. Roberson University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- Dr. Dragan Rogan Bioniche Life Sciences Inc., Belleville, ON
- Dr. Andrew Ross Dept. of Mass Spectrometry, NRC Plant Biotechnology Institute, Saskatoon, SK
- Dr. Carol Rinehart Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica Inc. (BIVI), St. Joseph's, MO,
- SARS Accelerated Vaccine Initiative (SAVI), Vancouver, BC
- Dr. R. Sebring Heska Corporation, Fort Collins, CO, USA
- Dr. David Scheifele Pediatrics Department, BC Children's Hospital, Vancouver, BC
- Dr. L. Schook Pyxis Genomics Canada Inc., Saskatoon, SK
- Simon Fraser University Vancouver, BC
- Dr. Danuta Skowronski Epidemiology Services, BC Centre for Disease Control Society, Vancouver, BC
- Dr. R. Smith Dow AgroSciences Canada Inc., Calgary, AB
- Dr. Hugo Soudeyns Unité d'immunopathologie virale, Centre de recherche de l'Hôpital Sainte-Justine, Montreal, QC
- Dr. Mike Surrette University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
- Dr. Christine Szymanski Institute for Biological Sciences, National Research Council of Canada, Ottawa, ON
- Dr. Jim Thompson Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
- Dr. Aleina Tweed Epidemiology Services, BC Centre for Disease Control Society, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC

- University College London London, UK
- Dr. G. Vandenberg PerOs Technologies Inc., St. Nicolas, QC
- Dr. Joyce Van Donkersgoed Dr. Joyce Van Donkersgoed Veterinary Services Inc., Lacombe. AB
- Dr. B. Vogelstein Johns Hopkins University, School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD. USA
- Dr. Martin Vordermeier Veterinary Laboratories Agency -Weybridge, New Haw, UK
- Prof. Dr. B. Wittig, Mologen AG, Berlin, Germany
- Dr. Neil Wedlock AgResearch Wallaceville, Upper Hutt, New Zealand
- Dr. Jimmy Xu Dept. of Physics and Engineering, Brown University, Providence, RI, USA
- Dr. Richard Yost Parallel Solutions Inc., Cambridge, MA, USA

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

- Dr. James Dosman Institute of Agriculture Rural and Environmental Health
- Dr. Susantha Gomis -
- Dept. of Pathology, WCVM
- Dr. Tony Kusalik Dept. of Computer Science
- Dr. Jeremy Lee Dept of Biochemistry; Adnavance Technologies Inc.
- Dr. Lou Qualtiere Dept. of Pathology
- Dr. Elemir Simko -
- Dept. of Pathology, WCVM

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS IN SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS

Alcon, V. L., M. Foldvari, M. Snider, P. Willson, S. Gomis, R. Hecker, L. A. Babiuk, and M. E. Baca-Estrada. 2003. Induction of protective immunity in pigs after immunisation with CpG oligodeoxynucleotides formulated in a lipid-based delivery system (Biphasix). Vaccine 21:1811–1814.

Babluk, L. A. 2002. Vaccination: a management tool in veterinary medicine. Vet J 164:188-201.

Ewen, C., K. P. Kane, I. Shostak, P. Griebel, E. M. Bertram, T. H. Watts, and R. C. Bleackley. 2003. A novel cytotoxicity assay to evaluate antigen-specific CTL responses using a colorimetric substrate for Granzyme B. J Immunol Methods 276: 89-101.

Gomis, S., L. Babluk, D. L. Godson, B. Allan, T. Thrush, H. Townsend, P. Willson, E. Waters, R. Hecker, and A. Potter. 2003. Protection of chickens against Escherichia coli infections by DNA containing CpG motifs. Infect Immun 71:857-863.

Gupta-Rossi, N., S. Storck, P. J. Griebel, C. -A. Reynaud, J. -C. Weill, and A. Duriel. 2003. Specific over-expression of the deltex and a new Kelch-like protein in human germinal centre B cells. Mol Immunol 39: 791-799.

Hein, W. R. and P. J. Griebel. 2003. A road less travelled: large animal models in immunological research. Nature Reviews - Immunol 3:7-14.

Ioannou, X. P., P. Griebel, A. Mena, S. M. Gomis, D. L. Godson, G. Mutwiri, R. Hecker, L. A. Babluk, and S. van Drunen Littelvan den Hurk. 2003. Safety of CpG oligodeoxynucleotides in veterinary species. Antisense Nucleic Acid Drug Dev 13:157-167. [XII]

Kim, B., T. Bowersock, P. Griebel, A. Kidane, L. A. Babiuk, M. Sanchez, S. Attah-Poku, R. S. Kaushik, and G. K. Mutwiri. 2002. Mucosal immune responses following oral immunization with rotavirus antigens encapsulated in alginate microspheres. J Control Release 85:191-202.

Lun, S., J. Perez-Casal, W. Connor, and P. J. Willson. 2003. Role of suilysIn in pathogenesis of Streptococcus suis capsular serotype 2. Microb Pathog 34:27-37.

Manoj, S., L. A. Babiuk, and S. van Drunen Littel-van den Hurk. 2003. Immunization with a dicistronic plasmid expressing a truncated form of bovine herpesvirus-1 glycoprotein D and the amino-terminal subunit of glycoprotein B results in reduced gB-specific immune responses. Virology 313:296-307.

Manoj, S., P. J. Griebel, L. A. Babluk, and S. van Drunen Littelvan den Hurk. 2003. Targeting with bovine CD154 enhances humoral immune responses induced by a DNA vaccine in sheep. J Immunol 170:989-996.

Mena, A., A. Nichani, Y. Popowych, X. Ioannou, D. L. Godson, G. Mutwiri, R. Hecker, L. A. Babiuk, and P. Griebel. 2003. Bovine and ovine blood mononuclear leukocytes differ markedly in innate immune responses induced by Class A and Class B CpG oligonucleotides. Olignucleotides 13:245-260.

Mutwiri, G., R. Pontarollo, S. Babiuk, P. Griebel, S. van Drunen Littel-van den Hurk, A. Mena, C. Tsang, V. Alcon, A. Nichani, X. Ioannou, S. Gomis, H. Townsend, R. Hecker, A. Potter, and L. A. Babiuk. 2003. Biological activity of immunostimulatory CpG DNA motifs in domestic animals. Vet Immunol Immunopathol 91:89-103.

Spencer, T. M. Mura, C. A. Gray, P. J. Griebel, and M. Palmarini. 2003. Receptor usage and fetal expression of ovine endogenous betaretroviruses: Implications for the co-evolution of endogenous and exogenous retroviruses. J. Virol 77:749-753.

Szynal, M., Y. Cleuter, T. Beskorwayne, C. Bgnis, C. Van Lint, P. Kerkhofs, A. Burny, P. Martiat, P. Griebel, and A. Van den Broeke. 2003. Disruption of B cell homeostatic control mediated by the BLV Tax oncoprotein: association with the upregulation of Bcl-2 and signaling through NF-_B. Oncogene 22:4531-4542.

Van Donkersgoed, J., K. Manninen, A. A. Potter, S. McEwen, V. Bohaychuk, S. Klashinsky, A. Deckert, and R. Irwin. 2003. Antimicrobial susceptibility of hazard analysis critical control point Escherichia coli isolates from federally inspected beef processing plants in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Ontario. Can Vet J 44:723–728.

Xing, L., and S. K. Tikoo. 2003. Characterization of cis-acting sequences involved in packaging porcine adenovirus type 3. Virology 314:650-661.

Zakhartchouk, A., Y. Zhou, and S. K. Tikoo. 2003. A recombinant E1-deleted porcine adenovirus-3 as an expression vector. Virology 313:377-386.

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS, POSTERS, AND ABSTRACTS PRESENTED AT MEETINGS

Aich, P., Goldle, H., and Delbaere, L.T.J. 2002. Pyruvatekinase-like activity of E. coll Phosphoenolpyruvate carboxykinase: Structure-function study. 2nd Annual Western Canadian Structural Biology Workshop: Structural Genomics. Canmore, AB, October 24-27. Allan, B, Taboada, E., Carrillo, C., Amoako, K., Gomis, S., Remier, C., Wakarchuk, W., Tessier, L., Verhulp, R., Wararchuk, W., Nash, J. Kelly, J., Potter, A., and Szymanski, C. 2003. Characterization of two variants of Campylobacter jejuni NCTC11168. Annual Meeting of the World Veterinary Poultry Association and the American Association of Avian Pathologists. Denver, CO, July 19-23.

Babiuk, L.A. 2002. DNA vaccination methodologies. Stanier Symposium. Vancouver, BC, November 22.

Babiuk, L.A. 2002. Novel vaccine delivery methods. National Immunization Strategy Meeting. Victoria, BC, December 1-3.

Babiuk, L.A. 2003. Novel approaches to vaccination. 3rd International Veterinary Vaccines and Diagnostic Conference. Guelph. ON, July 13-18. Plenary 1.1.

Babluk, L.A. 2003. Rational Design of Vaccines and Immunomodulators. NRC Genome Sciences Conference. Saskatoon, SK. August 20-23. Abstract No. 20.

Babiuk, LA, Gomis, S., Hecker, R., Mutwiri, G., and van den Hurk, S. 2003. Modulating immune and innate immune responses with CpG oligodeoxynucleotides. Modern Vaccines and Delivery systems. Dublin, Ireland, June 4-6.

Bakare, D., Popowych, Y., Beskorwayne, T., Bowdish, D., Dullaghan, E., Rawlyk, N., Wilson , H., Jalal, S., Aich, P., Hancock, B., Potter, A., Babiuk, L.A., and Griebei, P.J. 2003. Alteration of gene expression in bovine monocytes following stimulation with lipopolysaccharide and cationic antimicrobial peptide. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon, SK, August 27-28.

Carrillo, C., Taboada, E., Nash, J., Lanthier, P., Kelly, J., Lau, P., Verhulp, R., Amoako, K., Gomis, S., Austin, J., Allan, B., and Szymanski, C. 2003. Fiagellar Regulation and the Role of fihA in the Coordinate Control of Motility and Virulence in Campylobacter jejuni NCTC11168. Campylobacter, Helicobacter and Related Organism Meeting. Denmark, September 6-10.

Cleave J., Ingram L., Barber, E., P.J. Willson, P. J. 2003. Airborne dust, endotoxin and DNA downwind from swine barns: An update. Centred on Swine, The Newsletter of Prairie Swine Centre Inc. Summer, 2003. 10(2):6-7.

Cleave J., Willson, P.J., Kirychuck, S.P., Chenard, L., Lemay, S.P. 2003. Distribution of dust, endotoxin and DNA After oil sprinkling in a swine facility. (M 39) Canadian Society of Animal Science Annual Meeting. University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, June 10-13.

Dar, A., Munir, S., Kapur, V., Goyal, S., Patnayak, D., Visvanathan, S., Herzog, K., Griebel, P., Tikoo, S.K., Potter, A., and Babiuk, L.A. 2003. Host gene expression profiles in response to avian viral respiratory infection in-vivo and in-vitro. 22nd Annual Meeting of American Society of Virology. Davis, CA, July 12-16.

Elahi, S., Pang, G., Ashman, R., and Clancy, R. 2003. Th1/Th2 cells and nitric oxide, anti-candida albicans activity in an murine model of oral candidiasis. Abstract #76; 17th Spring Meeting of the Canadian Society for Immunology. Lake Louise. AB. March 28-31.

Gerdts, V., Snider, M., Brownlie, R., Babluk, L.A., and Griebel, P.J. 2002. DNA vaccination of the fetus: a new approach for the prevention of vertical disease transmission. Abstract #1; DNA Vaccines. Edinburgh, UK, October 23-25.

Gerdts, V., Korzeniowski, J., Foley, J., Babiuk, L.A., and Griebel, P.J. 2003. Regionalization of Intestinal Immunity in sheep. Abstract #72; 17th Spring Meeting of the Canadian Society for Immunology. Lake Louise, AB, March 28-31.

Goji, N., Perez-Casal, J., and Potter, A.A. 2003. Localization of GapB and GapC proteins on the Staphylococcus aureus cell surface. 2003 CBDN Meeting. Calgary, AB, April 24-26.

Gomis, S., Babiuk, L.A., Tffrush, T., Waters, E., Allan, B.J., Hecker, R., and Potter, A.A. 2002. Stimulation of the immune system of brollers against cellulitis/collbacillosis. Presented at the Westvet Conference. Banff. AB. October 8.

Gomis S., Babluk L., Thrush T., Waters E., Willson P., Allan B., Hecker, R., and Potter, A. 2003. Stimulation of the innate immune system of broiler chicks with DNA oligonucleotides containing CpG motifs (CpG-DNA) against a lethal challenge of E. coli. 13th Congress of World Veterinary Poultry Association/American Association of Avian Pathologists/American. Veterinary Medical Association. Denver. CO. July 19-23.

Gomis, S., Babiuk, L.A., Thrush, T., Waters, E., Wilson, P., Allan, B., Hecker, R., and Potter, A. 2003. Protection of chickens against Escherichia coll infections by a vaccine containing CpG motifs. Modern Vaccines, Adjuvants, and Delivery Systems. Dublin, Ireland. June 4-6. Abstract PA-29.

Harrach, B., Kovacs, G.M., Farkas, S.L., Elo, P., Angyal, O., Davison, A.J., Zakhartchouk, A., Kidd, A., and Benko, M. 2003. Molecular evolution of adenoviruses. 6th International Congress of Veterinary Virology. Saint Malo, France, August 24-27. Kaushik, R.S., Begg, A.A., Beskorwayne, T.K., Popowych, Y., Moorlehem, E.V., Jalal, S., Potter, A., Babiuk, L.A., Wilson, H.L., Griebel, P.J., and Aich, P. 2003. Gene expression pattern in primary fetal bovine intestinal epithelial cells following bovine rotavirus infection. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon, SK, August 27-28.

Kaushik, R.S., Begg, A.A., Lancto, C., Abrahamsen, M.S., Wilson, H.L., Potter, A., Babiuk, L.A., Alch, P., and Griebel, P.J. 2003. Establishment and characterization of primary cultures of bovine fetal ileal and jejunal epithelial cells and jejunal fibroblasts. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon, SK, August 27-28.

Kulshreshtha, V and Tikoo, S.K. 2003. Molecular characterization of 100K protein of bovine adenovirus type 3. 22nd Annual meeting of American Society of Virology. Davis, CA, July 12-16.

Li, X and Tikoo, S.K. 2003. Construction and characterization of E3-E4 deleted replication competent porcine adenovirus-3. 22nd Annual meeting of American Society of Virology. Davis, CA, July 12-16.

Manoj, S., Griebel, P.J., Babiuk, L.A., and van Drunen-Littelvan den Hurk, S. 2003. Immune responses induced in cattle by biojector-mediated delivery of DNA vaccine encoding chimeric bovine herpesvirus-1 glycoprotein D (BHV-1 gD) and bovine CD154. 28th International Herpesvirus Workshop. Madison, WI, July 15-18.

Moshynskyy, I., Perez-Casal, J., Babiuk, L.A., and Potter, A.A. 2003. A role of the lactoferrin binding protein of Streptococcus uberis. 2003 CBDN Meeting, Caloary, AB, April 24-26.

Moxley, R.A., Smith, D.R., Klopfenstein, T.J., Erickson, G.E., Folmer, J.D., Macken, C.N., Hinkley, S., Potter, A.A., and Finlay, B. 2003. Vaccination and feeding a competitive exclusion product as intervention strategies to reduce the prevalence of Escherichia coli 0157:H7 in feedlot cattle. Presented at the VTEC 2003. Edinburgh, Scotland, June 8-11.

Nichani, A., Kaushik, K., Popowych, Y., Dent, D., Townsend, H., Mutwiri, G., Hecker, R., Babiuk, L.A. and Griebel, P. 2003. CpG oligodeoxynucleotides induce antiviral effector molecules in sheep. 3rd International Veterinary Vaccines and Diagnostics. Guelph, ON, July 13-18.

Nichani, A.K., Mena, A., Popowych, Y., Dent, D., Townsend, H., Hecker, R., Babluk, L.A. and Griebel, P.J. 2003. In vivo immunostimulatory effects of a CpG oligodeoxynucleotide in cattle and sheep. Poster presented at 42nd Midwinter Conference of Immunologists. Pacific Grove, CA, January 25.28

Perez-Casal, J., Prysliak, T., and Potter, A.A. 2003. Characterization of a protein chimera constructed from conserved and unique regions of the GapC proteins of mastitis-causing streptococci. 2003 CBDN Meeting. Calgary, AB, April 24-26.

Potter, A.A. 2002. Enterohemorrhagic Escherichia coli vaccines for cattle. Presented at the Academy of Veterinary Consultants Winter Symposium. Denver, CO, December 6.

Potter, A.A. 2002. Rational animal vaccines development: targets and strategies. Presented at the Stanier Symposium, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, November 23.

Potter, A.A. 2003. Novel vaccine strategies. Presented at the Discover Conference on Antibiotics in Agriculture. Nashville, IN, September 21-24.

Potter, A.A. 2003. Bacterial zoonoses. Presented at the International Veterinary Vaccines and Diagnostics Conference (IVVDC). Guelph, ON. July 17.

Sampathkumar, B., Carrillo, C., Willson, P., Nash, J., Potter, A., Babiuk, L.A., and Allan, B. 2003. Comparative Proteomic and Genomic Analysis of Campylobacter Jejuni:NCTC 11168 Grown on Agar and in Broth. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon. SK. August 27-28. Poster.

Sampathkumar, B., Van Moorleham, E., Willson, P., Potter, A., Babluk, L.A., and Allan, B. 2003. Comparative Genomic Analysis of Caco-2 Cells Co-Cultured with an Invasive and a Non-Invasive Strain of Campylobacter jejuni. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon, SK, August 27-28.

Singh, M. and Tikoo, S.K. 2003. 52K protein encoded by L1 of porcine adenovirus-3 (PAV-3) is essential for virus replication. 22nd Annual Meeting of American Society of Virology. Davis, CA, July 12-16.

Song, X.-M., Perez-Casal, J., and Potter, A.A. 2003. The Mig protein of Streptococcus dysgalactiae inhibits bacterial internalization into bovine mammary epithelial cells. Presented at the 103rd American Society for Microbiology (ASM) General Meeting, Washington, DC, May 18-22.

Szymanski, C., Taboada, E., Carrillo, C., Amoako, K., Gomis, S., Remier, C., Wakarchuk, W., Tessier, L., Verhulp, R., Wararchuk, W., Nash, J., Kelly, J., Potter, A., and Allan, B. 2003. Comparison of two variants of Campylobacter jejuni NCTC11168 with different capabilities of colonizing poultry. NRC Campylobacter Symposium. April 28-29.

Tsang, C.H., Gerdts, V., Babluk, L.A., and Griebel, P.J. 2003. In utero oral DNA immunization during the second trimester: induction of responses in pre-immune lambs. Keystone Symposia: Immunologic Tolerance. Snowbird, UT, January 7-13.

Vega-Lopez, M.A., Alcón, V., Foldvari, M., Hecker, R., Kumar, P., and Willson, P. 2003. Immune response in pigs after intranasal immunization with OmlA using a novel lipid based delivery system and CpG ODN as adjuvant. Modern Vaccines and Delivery Systems. Dublin, Ireland, June 4-6.

Wedlock, D.N, Skinner, M.A., Vordermeier, M.H., Hewinson, R.G., Hecker, R., van Drunen Littel-van den Hurk, S., and Buddle, B.M. 2003. Addition of CpG ODN to Mycobacterium bovis culture filtrate protein vaccine enhances immune responses in cattle. Modern Vaccines Adjuvants and Delivery Systems. Dublin, Ireland, June 4-6.

Willson, P., Sampathkumar, B., Mirakhur, K., Mace, E., Reiman, C., Gomis, S., Babiuk, L.A., Potter, A., and Allan, B. 2003. Campylobacter jejuni: Development of a colonization model for Pathogenomics Studies in Poultry. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon, SK, August 27-28. Poster.

Willson, P.J. 2003. Airborne Endotoxin and Microbial DNA Outside Swine Facilities. Focus on the Future Conference 2003. Saskatoon, SK, March 26.

Wilson, H.L., Hurk, J.V.D., Begg, A.A., Moorlehem, E.V., Potter, A., Babiuk, L.A., Griebel, P.J., and Aich, P. 2003. Development of Enteric Models for Bovine Rotavirus and Coronavirus infections in young calves. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon, SK, August 27-28.

Wilson, H.L., Popowych, Y., Jalal, S., Bakare, A., Manuja, A., Babiuk, L.A., Potter, A., Abrahamsen, M.S., Aich, P., and Griebel, P.J. 2003. Magnetic activated cell sorting of bovine monocytes using CD14 monoclonal antibody and effects on differential gene expression. 1st Annual General Meeting, Functional Pathogenomics for Mucosal Immunity, Genome Canada. Saskatoon, SK, August 27-28.

Xing, L. and Tikoo, S.K. 2003. Mutational analysis of 5' flanking region of bovine adenovirus-3 E1A gene defines two functionally separate transcriptional control elements. 22nd Annual Meeting of American Society of Virology. Davis, CA, July 12-16.

Zakhartchouk A. and Tikoo, S.K. 2003. Studies on the protein IX of porcine adenovirus-3. 22nd Annual Meeting of American Society for Virology. Davis CA, July 12-16.

PRESENTATIONS TO LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY, ETC.

Allan, B. 2002. Poultry Infections by Campylobacter jejuni and their control. Poultry Service Industry Workshop. Banff, AB, October 8-10.

Alian, B., Amoako, K., and Gomis, S. 2002. Identification of surface structures of Campylobacter jejuni involved in the colonization of poultry. 13th Annual Western Meeting of Avian Clinicians and Pathologists. Lake Louise, AB. October 8.

Gomis, S., Babiuk, L.A., Waters, E., Willson, P., Allan, P.J., Hecker, R., and Potter, A.A. 2003. Stimulation of the innate immune system of broiler chicks with DNA oligonucleotides containing CpG motifs (CpG DNA). Presented at the Western Meeting of Poultry Clinicians and Pathologists-West Vet 14. Lake Louise, AB, September 30.

Szymanski, C., Carrillo, C.D., Taboada, E., Nash, J., Lanthier, P., Kelly, J., Lau, P., Verhulp, R., Amoako, K., Gomis, S., Willson, P., Austin, J., and Allan, B. 2003. Use of Genomics to Investigate How Campylobacter jejuni Colonizes Poultry. Western Meeting of Poultry Cliniclans and Pathologists. Lake Louise, AB, September 30.

Szymanski, C., St. Michael, F., Amoako, K., Gomis, S., Willson, P., Shen, H., Jarriell, H., Brisson, J.R., Li, J., Potter, A., Conlan, W., and Allan, B. 2003. The Role of Sufface Carbohydrates in Colonization of Poultry By Campylobacter Jejuni Nctc 11168. Prairie Poultry Meeting, Saskatoon, SK, June 10.

Willson, P.J. 2003. Airborne Endotoxin and Microbial DNA Outside A Swine Barn. Rural Air Quality Issues Conference 2003, CPANS. Regina, SK, April 29.

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

Babiuk, L.A., Pontarollo, R., Babiuk, S., Loehr, B., van Drunen Littel-van den Hurk, S. 2003. Induction of immune responses by DNA vaccines in large animals. Vaccine. 21: 649-658.

Mutwiri, G., Pontarollo, R., Babíuk, S., Griebel, P., van Drunen Littel-van den Hurk, S., Mena, A., Tsang, C., Alcon, V., Nichani, A., Ioannou, X., Gomis, S., Townsend, H., Hecker, R., Potter, A., and Babiuk, L.A. 2003. Biological activity of immunostimulatory CpG DNA motifs in domestic animals. Vet. Immun. and Immunopath. 91: 89-103.

Babiuk, L.A., Gomls, S., and Hecker, R. 2003. Molecular Approaches to Disease Control. Pouttry Science. 82: 870-875.

CONTRIBUTORS:

Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada

Agriculture Canada

Agri-Food Innovation Fund

Alberta Agriculture Research Institute (AARI)

Alberta Beef Producers

Alberta Cattle Commission

Alberta Chicken Producers

Alberta Livestock Industry Development Fund Ltd.

Alberta Pork

Alberta Science and Research Authority

Beef Cattle Industry Development Fund

Beef Cattle Research Council

British Columbia Cattlemen's Association

B.C. Hog Marketing Commission

Canada Foundation for Innovation

Canada Research Chair

Canadian Bacterial Diseases Network

Canadian Institutes of Health Reseach

Canadian Network for Vaccines and Immunotherapeutics

Genome Canada

Health Sciences Utilization and Research Commission

Kamloops Stockmen's Association

Livestock Environmental Initiative

Manitoba Cattle Producers Association

Manitoba Pork Council

Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research

Natural Sciences & Engineering

Research Council of Canada

Ontario Cattlemen's Association

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture & Food

Ontario Pork Producers Marketing Board

Poultry Industry Council

Province of British Columbia

Province of Manitoba

Province of Saskatchewan

Public Works & Government Services Canada

Research Network on Bacterial Pathogens of Swine

Saskatchewan Beef Development Board

Saskatchewan Cattle Marketing Deductions Fund

Saskatchewan Council for Community Development

Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture and Food

Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation

Saskatchewan Horned Cattle Trust Fund

Sask Pork

Swine Improvement Services Co-operative Ltd.

University of Saskatchewan

Western Economic Diversification

Vaccine & Infectious Disease Organization