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## MESSAGE FROM THE IAAAM PRESIDENT

It's hard to believe that it has already been 2 months since the 2016 Conference wrapped up in Virginia Beach! My thanks go out again to all of our members and volunteers who worked so hard to make it a success. I know I learned a lot from the presentations and workshops and the opportunity to interact with so many of our members is always priceless. We were able to update our Constitution and Bylaws by vote at the annual Business Meeting, honor Frances Gulland with the Mark Keyes Award for Marine Mammal Conservation at the Banquet and reward several deserving student members with Presentation Awards. The Animal Professional website will be ready to provide video recordings of almost all of the oral presentations and posters on their website within the month and will be notifying all of our members soon with instructions on how to access this material. We have already conducted a post conference survey sent to all attendees and now hope to get even more planning information from all of our members via the short survey monkey poll announced in this newsletter.

That said, our new president elect, Marty Haulena, our hosts Leonardo Iberra and Dolphinaris, and the staff at Delany and Associates are already starting on the details for the 2017 meeting in Cancun. They are especially working on options for potential sponsors and grant funding to keep the conference affordable for all of us and can use your help if you have contacts or suggestions.

Your Executive Board will be meeting quarterly via teleconference to discuss the business of our association. We plan to update our Policies and Procedures Manual, touch bases with our various Standing Committees (see the last page of this Newsletter for the list of committees and committee chairs) and look for more ways to increase the value of your membership such as our partnership with the Wildlife Disease Association and co-operative initiatives with AAZV and ACZM. We welcome your input on what we can and should (or shouldn't) do to further the IAAAM mission.

Sincerely,  
Pam Tuomi

## SURVEY PLEASE!

In the 2016 conference survey we included some questions to get an understanding of what the members preferred for conference length, cost, and also inquired as to where should the 2019 conference be held since it is going to be the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Since the survey only went out to the conference attendees and we invite the input from all our members.

Please use the link the follows to give us your thoughts!

It is only three questions and here is the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/iaaam-member-survey>

Congratulations to the winners of the Student Presentation Awards at the 2016 IAAAM Conference in Virginia Beach.

Posters: Jessica Jacob

Undergraduate/Veterinary/Masters/PhD students:

1st place: Justin Richard

2nd place: Jacob Saunders

Postdocs/Interns/Residents:

1st place: Molly Martony

2nd place: Julie Balko



## Request for Pre-Proposals and Small Grant Proposals

Oiled Wildlife Care Network

Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center, UC Davis

### Deadlines

Pre-Proposals = 1 September 2016 by 5:00 pm (PST)

Small Grant Proposals = 15 December 2016 by 5:00 pm (PST)

The Oiled Wildlife Care Network (OWCN), a collaborative program between the California Department of Fish and Wildlife - OSPR and the Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center at University of California, Davis' School of Veterinary Medicine, is currently seeking research and technology development proposals from wildlife professionals interested in furthering OWCN goals for the 2017 – 2018 funding period.



Specifically, we are soliciting:

- Pre-proposals for full research projects (> \$10,000/yr for up to three years, with yearly re-application)
- Small grant proposals for lower-cost/pilot research projects (up to \$10,000 for one year of funding)



### Goals of the OWCN's Research & Technology Development Program

- Improve Animal Care
  - Identify new, and refine current, wildlife rehabilitation techniques
  - Develop and validate new oiled wildlife treatments & diagnostics
  - Determine and test methods for mitigating the effects of oil on wildlife
- Assess Wildlife Health
  - Investigate medical conditions that may affect care during oil spill response
  - Compile biomedical health parameters of commonly oiled wildlife species
  - Determine the health impacts of oil exposure, including those that persist after release
  - Assess the impacts of medical treatments and chemical countermeasures on wildlife
- Determine Wildlife Population Information that Aids in Preventing and Caring for Oiled Wildlife
  - Determine the demography & distribution of wildlife species in California
  - Understand how populations respond to oil spills (to improve rehabilitation protocols)
- Develop New Technology for Oiled Wildlife Care
  - Generate methods to detect/quantify oil exposure in wildlife, and to document their effects
  - Assess applicability of radiotelemetry techniques to monitor survival of wildlife after spills
  - Develop hardware to improve oiled wildlife rehabilitation & husbandry

NOTE: Projects with greater than 50% of effort focused on Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) issues will not be considered. Research done on species that are not found in California must be applicable to those species or ecosystems that do occur in California.

Pre-Proposal/Small Grant Proposal Review: Complete pre- and small-grant proposals will be reviewed by the OWCN's Scientific Advisory Committee and evaluated & scored for relevance to the goals of the OWCN, its scientific merit/quality, and the ability of investigators to perform work/distribute findings. Pre-proposals that are successful will be invited to submit a full application. Full proposals and submitted small grant proposals will undergo rigorous scientific review, including an external review by a non-collaborating expert. Final funding recommendations from the Scientific Advisory Committee are given to the OWCN Advisory Board, which has final approval of projects.

### Pre-Proposals and Small Grant Proposal Applications

Proposals must use at least 3/4" margins and 12-point single-spaced type. Sections 3-7 of proposals **must not exceed two pages** or will not be reviewed. Required sections include:

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| 1) TITLE of PRE-PROPOSAL (< 100 characters): The title must clearly describe the project.  | 4) EXPERIMENTAL PLAN: Describe the experimental design of the project (including statistical methods) that clearly addresses listed objectives. Include names of collaborators, and <u>attach letters of support</u> . |
| 2) APPLICANT(S) INFORMATION: Name, affiliation, mailing address, phone number, and e-mail address for principal investigator; name and affiliation <u>only</u> for all co-investigator(s). | 5) SIGNIFICANCE TO OILED WILDLIFE HEALTH: Describe how the project is pertinent to the goals   |
| 3) HYPOTHESES AND OBJECTIVES: State the explicit hypotheses and specific aims.   |  |

of the OWCN (see box on previous page; please be specific).

- 6) PROJECT DURATION (1-3 years): If you are proposing the first year of a multi-year study, your pre-proposal should describe the first year of work only. If this is a second/third year of funded work, you should indicate that as well.
- 7) ESTIMATED BUDGET: Provide a one-paragraph budget, outlined according to the following categories: Personnel; Equipment; Supplies; Travel; and Other Expenses. Acceptable costs include salaries (PIs, staff & students; though PI

salary may be a detriment if already supported), office expenses, equipment (> \$5,000 but items become OWCN property after completion), animal care costs, lab fees and research-related travel (not conference or publication costs). Final budgets from selected pre-proposals should not deviate substantially. For multi-year projects, the total funding amount that will be requested in subsequent years should be noted. Indirect costs are not allowable costs on grants.

- 8) APPENDICES: Literature cited & letters of collaboration.

### Review and Application Schedule

#### Small Grant Proposals

1 Jul 2016: RFP distributed  
15 Dec 2016: Small Grant Proposals due  
1 Apr 2017: Grants selected  
1 Jul 17 - 30 Jun 18: Funding period  
31 Dec 2018: Final project report due

#### Full Proposals

1 Jul 2016: RFP distributed  
1 Sep 2016: Pre-proposals due  
26 Sep 2016: Requests for Full Proposals  
15 Dec 2016: Full Proposals due  
1 Apr 2017: Grants selected  
1 Jul 17 - 30 Jun 18: Funding period  
31 Dec 2018: Final project report due

Pre-proposals and small grant proposals may be submitted either:

- 1) Electronically: E-mail single document containing proposal and signed letters, if any, (scanned images OK) in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format to Lavonne Hull at [lwhull@ucdavis.edu](mailto:lwhull@ucdavis.edu)
- 2) By Post: Mail one hard-copy of proposal and signed letters, if any (scanned images OK), to:  
Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center, One Health Institute, 1089 Vet Med Drive, University of California, Davis, California 95616, Attn: Lavonne Hull

All proposals must arrive at the Wildlife Health Center by post or e-mail no later than 5:00 pm (PST) on 1 Sep 2016 (Pre-Proposals) or 5:00 pm (PST) on 15 Dec 2016 (Small Grant Proposals)  
(Note: This is not a postmark deadline)

For additional information on the OWCN's grants program (including detailed application instructions and successful applicants from previous years), please visit [www.owcn.org](http://www.owcn.org)

The Newsletter of the International Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine is published four times a year (usually in January, April, August, and November). An annual conference is held every year in the spring and electronic proceedings from that conference are available on line at [www.iaaam.org](http://www.iaaam.org) to all current members. The International Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the art and science of aquatic animal medicine and health.

Newsletter submissions are welcomed, although the newsletter editor and the IAAAM board reserve the right to edit and/or refuse the publication of any submissions. The deadlines for submissions are December 1, March 1, July 1, and October 1.

Submissions should be made in WORD, without complex formatting. For submissions contact Michael Briggs, Newsletter Editor, at [mbbriggs@ix.netcom.com](mailto:mbbriggs@ix.netcom.com).

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