UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine Welcomes New Faculty Member  
Dr. Rodrigo A. Gallardo

Dr. Rodrigo A. Gallardo joined the UC Davis Veterinary Medicine Department of Population Health and Reproduction as Assistant Professor/Assistant Professor in Residence for Poultry Infectious Diseases, effective June 1, 2012.

Dr. Gallardo holds a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree (2004) from the University of Chile College of Veterinary Sciences, completed a PhD in Avian Infectious Diseases in 2011 from the Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine, and is eligible to become board-certified in the American College of Poultry Veterinarians in 2012. He has been working as an avian diseases veterinarian in the Department of Pathobiology at Auburn University since completing his doctoral degree five months ago. He also brings with him five years of experience as an avian diseases veterinarian in Chile’s private sector. In 2010 Dr. Gallardo won the Arnold S. Rosenwald Student Poster Award of the American Association of Avian Pathologists.

His research interests include phenotypic, genetic, and intraspatial variation of infectious bronchitis virus in healthy and immunodeficient hosts, determinants of Salmonella Enteritidis infection and shedding in in layer flocks, and experimental and field vaccine trials.

Dr. Gallardo will have the unique responsibility of engaging veterinarians practicing in the poultry industry, helping them to solve medical and biosecurity problems of importance to California. Veterinary medical students will profit from this as they accompany him on field trips to poultry operations in the state. He will also work closely with diagnostic medicine veterinarians in the California Animal Health and Food Safety Laboratory System and in the Companion Exotic Animal Medicine and Surgery Service of the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Gallardo to our faculty.

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