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Harrisvaccines is developing vaccine technology for both the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases in swine, cattle, and farmed shrimp. The advanced molecular approaches used by Harrisvaccines feature vaccines that differentiate infected from vaccinated animals (DIVA) using unique Alphavirus RNA Particle vaccine production platform (RP Platform).

Keeping Critters Carefree



By Anja Dekkers

Pam Whitson has always enjoyed working with and being around animals, and growing up on a livestock farm gave her just that opportunity. After graduating high school Pam decided to attend DMACC and realized



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that a career that didn't involve animals and being outdoors was just not for her. She then applied for jobs at ISU and in 1982 got a job in what was then the Department of Human Nutrition. In 1982 she also began taking courses through the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science (AALAS). Through AALAS she first became a certified Assistant Lab Technician, then moved up to a Laboratory Animal Technician, and in 1990 became a Laboratory Animal Technologist. In 1985 she moved to Lab Animal Resources and from there moved up to Animal Facility Manager for molecular biology, Kildee animal facilities, and ruminant nutrition facilities. While being an Animal Facility Manager she has worked with Dr. Harris for many years through a variety of different animal research projects including pigs, mice, and rabbits. In 2009 she was approached for a job at Harrisvaccines. This August will be her second year anniversary of working for Harrisvaccines.

As well as Harrisvaccines' Animal Research Facility Manager, Pam is also Chair for the company's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). She is responsible for making sure all IACUC reports are updated, turned in, renewed, and that all animals being used for research projects are inventoried. If a new research project is being done that doesn't fall under an already established IACUC report, a new one has to be made, and sent onto the other two committee members for approval prior to ordering animals for the project.

Pam also stays in close contact with Lab Animal Resources, updating them with what we are doing, what animals we need, and coordinating the ordering of pigs and shrimp. She oversees the 3 full time research facility employees, as well as 5 student employee animal caretakers and aquaculture technicians. She is also in charge of coordinating ordering of supplies, facility maintenance and repairs, SOP updating and revising, and makes sure all projects are running smoothly and that all paper work is in order. Recently she has been busy with shrimp research projects being done at Kildee and Building 6, but tries to stay up to date with all other projects that are being done at Harrisvaccines.

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