



IDEXX Reference Laboratories

Clinical pathology consultants

Sylvie Beaudin, DVM, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Montreal, QC

Area(s) of interest: cytology, noninvasive diagnostic testing

Dr. Beaudin obtained her DVM from the University of Montreal in 1996. She was a small-animal practitioner for 2 years before heading down the path of clinical pathology and veterinary diagnostics. She completed her clinical pathology residency at Oklahoma State University in 2003 and became board certified in 2004. She worked for a large diagnostic laboratory in California for almost 2 years and continued on as a contract pathologist for 5 years, out of Montreal. This has afforded her immense experience with cytology cases, an area she particularly enjoys. Her hobbies include screenwriting and enjoying the outdoors with her dog, Laika.

Nariman Deravi, DVM, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Markham, ON

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology

Dr. Deravi is a native of Mississauga and received his DVM from the Ontario Veterinary College in 2012. He practiced in the Barrie area for 2 years before pursuing a residency in clinical pathology at the University of Guelph. There he assisted with clinical pathology duties for the teaching hospital, helped teach the veterinary students, and conducted research on canine T cell lymphoma. In his spare time, Dr. Deravi enjoys spending time with his Schnauzer mix Tillie and practicing stand-up comedy and improv. He is also a proud alumnus of the Omega Tau Sigma veterinary fraternity, actively contributing to the chapter during veterinary school and his residency.

Lily Edwards, DVM, MVSc, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Calgary, AB

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology

Dr. Edwards graduated from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine (WCVN) at the University of Saskatchewan in 1998 and proceeded directly to graduate studies in clinical pathology. In 2001, she joined IDEXX Reference Laboratories and, in 2002, attained board certification in clinical pathology from the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. Dr. Edwards lives in the suburbs of Calgary with her husband, two children, and three cats.

Brittney Fierro, DVM, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Delta, B.C.

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology

Dr. Fierro received her DVM from Colorado State University in 2008, and then completed a clinical pathology residency at Michigan State University. She is board certified in clinical pathology by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. She joined IDEXX initially at the Johannesburg, South Africa, laboratory, and then transferred to the Delta, British Columbia, laboratory in 2014. Dr. Fierro lives with her husband and two cats, who are now veteran world travelers.

Carrie Flint, DVM, DACVP

Regional Head of Clinical Pathology – Western Canada, Delta, B.C.

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology

Dr. Flint was born and raised in Southern New Hampshire. She received her DVM in 2006 from Tufts University and completed a residency in clinical pathology at Michigan State University in 2009 and then attained board certification in clinical pathology by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. Dr. Flint joined the IDEXX lab in Delta, British Columbia, in 2009. She was promoted to Regional Head of Clinical Pathology in 2018. Outside of work, she enjoys trivia, baking, photography, and spending time with her beloved chocolate Labrador retriever, Lily.

Sonya Keller, DVM, DVSc, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Markham, ON

Area(s) of interest: cytology, hematology

Dr. Keller graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC) in 2001. She worked as a mixed-animal practitioner in rural Ontario until returning to OVC to complete her DVSc in clinical pathology in 2005. Dr. Keller also completed her board certification with the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 2005. After graduation, she joined IDEXX Reference Laboratories in Calgary in January 2006 and relocated to the Markham, Ontario, laboratory in 2008. Dr. Keller lives in Maple, Ontario, with her husband, Wayne, her two sons, and their two cats. She enjoys biking, hiking, hockey, and spending time with her family.

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Natalie Kowalewich*, DVM, DACVIM, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Delta, B.C.

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology

Dr. Kowalewich received her DVM from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan in 1988. Following graduation, she completed an internship and residency at Purdue University. In 1992, she attained diplomate status with the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine, specializing in small-animal internal medicine. For 7 years, Dr. Kowalewich owned her own internal medicine consulting service and radioactive iodine unit. She has been with IDEXX at the Delta, British Columbia, laboratory for more than 13 years and became board-certified with the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 2008. Dr. Kowalewich loves living on the West Coast with her young daughter, dog, cat and hamster. In her spare time, she enjoys cooking, skiing and hockey.

Lynne Marcotte, DVM, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Montreal, QC

Area(s) of interest: cytology, endocrinology, hematology

Dr. Marcotte obtained her DVM from the University of Montreal in 1987 and then worked as a companion-animal practitioner in Quebec City until December 1995. After 2 years of teaching animal-health technicians, she enrolled in the clinical pathology residency program at the Atlantic Veterinary College, University of Prince Edward Island, in 1998. In 2002, she attained board certification from the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. She joined IDEXX in 2005, working as a clinical pathologist in the Montreal laboratory. Dr. Marcotte lives in Quebec City with her spouse and their five adorable children. She enjoys outdoor sports (cross-country skiing, trekking, snowshoeing, cycling), indoor training, and travel.

Cathy Monteith, DVM, MVSc, DACVP

Special Projects Manager, Edmonton, AB

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology, canine reproduction, cattle clinical pathology

Dr. Monteith received her BS in agriculture from the University of British Columbia in 1985. In 1989, she received her DVM from Western College of Veterinary Medicine (WCVN) at the University of Saskatchewan. After practicing at a mixed-animal practice in Ontario and a small-animal practice on Vancouver Island, she returned to WCVN and received her MVSc in 1993. Following a senior diagnostic fellowship year, she was board-certified as a clinical pathologist by the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 1994. She held a temporary faculty position at WCVN and conducted research in lentiviral infections in sheep in 1994–1995. In her time away from the lab, she is active with Honeybrook Farms in the central Northwest area of Saskatchewan. With her husband and two children, she raises

and shows Registered Angus and Lowline cattle, and also has a herd of commercial cattle. In the summer time they are busy with a commercial honeybee operation. They share their house with two Tibetan Spaniels, an Australian Cattle dog, and a Bulldog.

Sébastien Overvelde, DVM, MVSc, DACVP

Regional Head of Clinical Pathology - Eastern Canada, Montreal, QC

Area(s) of interest: cytology, infectious diseases

A native of Sherbrooke, Quebec, Dr. Overvelde received his DVM from the University of Montreal in 1998 and then worked in a small-animal practice in Newport News, Virginia, for 3 years. He then returned to the University of Montreal to complete a residency in clinical pathology and a master's degree in veterinary science. Dr. Overvelde attained American College of Veterinary Pathologists board certification in 2004 and joined IDEXX at the Montreal laboratory in November of the same year. He became regional head of clinical pathology in 2008. Dr. Overvelde lives in Laval, Quebec, with his wife and two daughters. His family also includes a pug, two cats, and many fish. In his spare time, he enjoys karate, kayaking, cooking, and genealogy research..

Heidi Peta, DVM, MVSc, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Edmonton, AB

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology, endocrinology

Dr. Peta received her DVM in 2002 from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine (WCVN) at the University of Saskatchewan. She spent 1 year in small-animal private practice in Edmonton, Alberta, before returning to WCVN in 2003 to begin a 3-year residency in clinical pathology. Her time there was spent performing diagnostic duties, teaching veterinary students, and completing a master's project on GLDH, a liver enzyme in dogs. After the final year of her residency, Dr. Peta earned American College of Veterinary Pathologists board certification. She worked at a veterinary laboratory near Seattle before joining IDEXX Reference Laboratories in 2008.

Caroline Piché, DVM, MSc, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Montreal, QC

Area(s) of interest: cytology, hematology

Dr. Piché graduated with a DMV from the University of Montreal in 2002 which was followed by 1-year internship in small-animal medicine and surgery. She then completed a 3-year residency in clinical pathology while also pursuing a master's degree in veterinary science. After graduating in 2007, Dr. Piché worked as a clinical pathologist at the diagnostic laboratory of the University of Montreal. She joined IDEXX Reference Laboratories in June 2008 and became board certified later that year. Dr. Piché lives with her two sons and her cat in Montreal. In her spare time, she enjoys skiing, swimming, gardening, traveling and photography

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Tanya Stirtzinger DVM, PhD

Clinical Pathologist, Markham, ON

Area(s) of interest: diagnostic cytology, infectious diseases, development and evaluation of laboratory diagnostic tests for veterinary profession.

Dr. Stirtzinger received her DVM in 1976 from the University of Guelph. After graduation she worked in a mixed practice, then returned to Guelph in 1977 where she worked in the Ontario government's diagnostic laboratory. She returned to the University of Guelph, completing a diploma in clinical pathology in 1978 and a PhD in 1985, at which time she joined the faculty of the Department of Pathology at the Ontario Veterinary College. Dr. Stirtzinger joined our Markham laboratory in 1995. Her special interests include diagnostic cytology, infectious diseases and the development and evaluation of laboratory diagnostic tests for the veterinary profession. During her career she and her husband raised three children and have recently become proud grandparents. Although diagnostic clinical pathology remains her most compelling interest she also enjoys other activities including cooking, gardening and breeding and training horses.

Emmeline Tan, DVM, DVSc, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Markham, ON

Area(s) of interest: hematology, oncology

Dr. Tan received her DVM from the Ontario Veterinary College in 2000 and was in companion animal/emergency practice for 5 years in the Pacific Northwest before returning to OVC to complete a DVSc in clinical pathology. A diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists since 2009, she also taught and performed diagnostic work in the OVC Department of Pathobiology, teaching clinical pathology to veterinary students, mentoring pathology graduate students and performing diagnostic work for OVC Health Sciences Centre cases. Dr. Tan joined IDEXX in 2013. Her special interests include hematology and oncology.

Julie Webb, DVM, DACVP

Clinical Pathologist, Markham, ON

Area(s) of interest: clinical pathology, cytology

Dr. Webb is a native of Ottawa and received her DVM from the Ontario Veterinary College in 2003. She practiced in the Ottawa area for 2 years before pursuing a residency in clinical pathology at the University of Georgia. She became a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 2008 and was a clinical instructor at the University of Wisconsin–Madison for 7 years before joining IDEXX in 2015. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her dogs and staying active by cycling, swimming, and playing hockey and soccer. She enjoys gardening in the summer months, as well as working with stained glass in the winter months.

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