The work we do here is diverse—from dinosaurs to dogs, from cytokine biology to cell engineering, from mitochondria to mapping avian flu outbreaks, our researchers are in constant motion, advancing the scientific knowledge base.

Penn Vet’s research centers are recognized throughout the nation and the world for groundbreaking advances in:

- Comparative oncology
- Health and productivity in food animal herds and flocks
- Infectious disease
- Regenerative medicine
- Neuroscience

We chose these thematic areas because they cover the major areas of biomedical science and we have outstanding scientists and clinicians working in each of these fields. Just a few of our achievements include our advances in stem cell biology, our strong parasite immunology group, our successes in treating inherited diseases in dogs and cats using gene therapy, our remarkable programs in clinical and basic neuroscience, and our basic and emerging translational work in comparative oncology. In research that impacts humans and non-humans alike, Penn Vet is leading the way toward eminence in veterinary scientific investigation.

For more information: https://www.vet.upenn.edu/research

**Diversity**

The School of Veterinary Medicine welcomes and accepts diversity in the broadest context so as to recognize, value and learn from all people of varying cultural backgrounds regardless of their race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, citizenship status, age, disability, veteran status, or any other legally protected class status.

One of the missions of the Office for Faculty Affairs and Diversity is to foster a respectful, creative, and collaborative environment that will support the faculty, staff and student body, to maximize their contributions to the educational, research, clinical, and service missions of Penn Vet.

Our goal is to make Penn Vet a more welcoming and diverse institution by devising strategies for attracting exceptional scholars and students, and nurturing their development. Penn Vet’s diversity among its faculty and student body is of paramount importance, because brilliant scholars and students are absolutely essential in keeping the institution become productive, creative, competitive, and successful in its mission to train the next generation of leaders in all fields of Veterinary Medicine.

Penn’s stature as an eminent and innovative University rests on our conviction, combined with compelling evidence that excellence and diversity go hand in hand. The School of Veterinary Medicine is eager to move decisively forward in building an ever more diverse and eminent faculty, and in fostering an inclusive and equitable community.

Multiple resources are available at UPenn to support and promote our diverse faculty and student body.

**Faculty and Staff Resources for Diversity**

- University Council Committee on Diversity and Equity
- Woman of Color at Penn
- Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Programs
School of Veterinary Medicine

- UPenn LGBT Center
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning and Ally employees at Penn (LEAP)

Student Resources for Diversity

- School-Affiliated Organizations
- Minorities and Cultural Diversity
- Religious Diversity
- UPenn LGBT Center
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History

Founded in 1884, the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania – Penn Vet – is one of the world’s premier veterinary schools. Penn Vet is the only veterinary school in the United States that was a direct outgrowth of the University’s School of Medicine. A pioneer since its inception, Penn Vet has led the way in such areas as infectious disease research, germ cell biology, animal transgenesis, comparative oncology, and comparative medical genetics.

Penn Vet has also successfully integrated scholarship and research with all aspects of veterinary medical education. The School’s strength in basic sciences, immunology, and mathematical modeling are valuable assets for developing strategies to rapidly detect and control the spread of new infections, and improving and developing vaccines that effectively protect animals.

Learn more about:

- Penn Vet’s Beginnings
- Penn Vet Firsts
- Deans of Penn Vet
- Women Pioneers