



CHAIR'S MESSAGE

I'm sure we have all heard—if not used—the old cliché, "Where does the time go?" It especially fits when you invest time and effort into a cause that you believe in. From the public and educational outreach programs funded by our generous contributors to the dedicated work of the AALAS Foundation Board, we grow in recognition year after year. Recognition is not something that happens by mistake. This type of accomplishment is due to the exceptional commitment of everyone involved.

In 2006, the AALAS Foundation approved funding for the following grants:

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Outreach at Teacher Conferences in 2007 - \$46,300

STATES UNITED FOR BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH (SUBR)

Humane, Responsible Animal Research: Strategic Guide for Speakers, Presenters and Media Spokespersons—\$32,000

OREGON HEALTH AND SCIENCES UNIVERSITY (OHSU)

Development of a multi-faceted educational exhibit to improve student/public understanding of the nature and importance of animal research—\$30,000

National Institutes of Health (NIH) / National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)

Training in Basic Biomethodology for Laboratory Rats-\$10,000

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"Product Safety" poster-\$3,000

It is our hope and belief that the efforts of the AALAS Foundation will not only thrive, but grow exponentially in the coming years.

Our Mission:

The AALAS Foundation supports educational outreach on the essential role of responsible laboratory animal care and use in science to advance to advance human and animal health.

Remember, giving to the Foundation at any level grants us the opportunity to disseminate our message in a positive way. The steps we are taking to promote our scientific community as a responsible and professional organization is noticed.

On behalf of the AALAS Foundation Board, I thank you your continued support. Please remember: "It's not a donation. It's an investment in your future."

Sincerely, Remoth B. Shapire

-Kenneth B. Shapiro

Chair, AALAS Foundation Board of Directors

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

The AALAS Foundation holds a special place in the hearts of many people who work in the field of laboratory animal science. Moreover, the work of the Foundation is of great importance to those who benefit from the research using laboratory animals. The linchpin that connects understanding the complexity and consequences of laboratory animal science and the contributions of those who work in the field to advancement of science to the people (and animals) who benefit from the research is the projects and programs supported by the AALAS Foundation. As detailed in this report, the Foundation has had a stellar year. The fundraising efforts have been successful and the array of funded projects and programs is commendable. Thank you for supporting the efforts to educate more people about what we do and why we do it!



Ann Tourigny Turner, Ph.D., CAE
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Public Outreach

The AALAS Foundation contributes to the public's awareness of ethical issues in the use of animals and the advances made that help both animals and people. There has been an ongoing educational effort, with particular emphasis on schools, to inform the public about the knowledge gained through the use of animals in research.

LIVING PROOF: FACES OF RESEARCH – This documentary video, developed and produced by The North Carolina Association for Biomedical Research (NCABR), improves the public's awareness of the contribution of animal-based research to human health. The video showcases, through written stories and news articles, the remarkable benefits of biomedical research and provides Americans with a personal connection to the improvements in the health of citizens aged 55 and older made possible as a result of animal-based research. For availability, email foundation@aalas.org.

"IF THERE IS NO ANIMAL RESEARCH, THERE IS NO CURE" POSTER – The AALAS Foundation developed this 11- by 17-inch poster, suitable for display in classrooms, medical centers and research facilities, to reinforce the necessity of responsible laboratory animal care and use to advance health. Order this free poster from the AALAS Bookstore (www.aalas.org).

Outreach at Teacher Conferences – AALAS staff exhibited at the annual meetings of the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), National Science Teachers Association Eastern (NSTA-Eastern), National Association for Biology Teachers (NABT), Future Farmers of America (FFA), National Association of Agricultural Educators (NAAE) / Association of Career Technical Educators (ACTE), the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB), and the Tennessee Science Teachers Association (TSTA), to provide teachers and students with educational and informational resources promoting the awareness of research animal care and the benefits of biomedical research. The Foundation approved a grant which will provide funding for AALAS staff to exhibit at conferences in 2007.

"Together for Life...Every Day of the Year" Classroom Calendar – This second version (2006–2007) is a joint project of Millennium Pharmaceuticals Inc. and the AALAS Foundation. The beautiful full-color, two-sided, 17- by 33-inch calendar/poster is a multi-purpose outreach tool for students and teachers in grades 6 to 10. The calendar's objectives are to increase awareness of the benefits people and animals receive from medical research using animals; pique curiosity about current issues within the biomedical research field, and teach students more about laboratory animals and the magnificent contributions they have made to our lives. Order for free through the AALAS Bookstore.

Public Outreach for School-Aged Children – With a renewed \$10,000 grant from Pharmacal Research Laboratories, the AALAS Foundation supports ongoing projects directly reaching students in the classroom.

KIDS 4 RESEARCH WEBSITE – Funded with a renewed \$100,000 grant from Charles River Laboratories, www.kids4research.org provides age-appropriate material, including educational games and activities. It is used by teachers and others to stimulate interest and understanding about our field. Look for updates and a fresh new look to the website in 2007.

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As strides are being made in research laboratories across the country, it becomes increasingly more important to attract talented students to the laboratory animal science field. The AALAS Foundation endeavors to help students explore careers in the field with two projects.

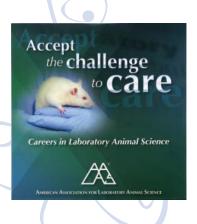
Accept the Challenge to Care: Careers in Laboratory Animal Science

video – Informs students about the variety of careers in laboratory animal science. Through interviews with professionals in the field, students can learn more about biomedical research using animals, its necessity, and the importance of the work. This video was funded by an \$80,000 joint grant from Novartis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Novartis Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc. It is available to schools at no cost through AALAS. Thousands of these videos/DVDs are distributed at science teacher meetings to middle and high school level teachers.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Knowledge has advanced rapidly within the field of laboratory animal science, and it is essential to provide personnel with educational programs and materials to keep them well trained and to enhance the level of research being performed in the laboratory. Toward that, the AALAS Foundation has supported education and training with these programs.

AALAS LEARNING LIBRARY WEB-BASED TRAINING—Funded by a \$125,000 grant from Merck & Company, AALAS is developing web-based training courses on animal research biomethodologies for common laboratory animal species on the AALAS Learning Library (ALL, www.aalaslearninglibrary.org). The course design delivers brief vignettes with streaming video presentations, which allows learners to focus on training related to specific procedures of interest. A series of five dog biomethodology courses has been developed: "Working with the Laboratory Dog: Basics," "Urinary Catheterization," "Venous Catheterization," "Endotracheal Intubation," and "Injections & Blood Collection"; it was released Spring 2007. A script for the "Working with the Laboratory Rat" course is in development. The course will cover topic areas such as regulatory requirements, routine care, animal identification, intravenous injection, blood collection, anesthetics and analgesics, clinical signs of illness, and euthanasia. The course will be structured similar to the "Working with the Laboratory Mouse" course that is currently on the ALL.



COMING SOON

Look for further information about these grants the AALAS Foundation approved for funding in 2006 to be developed in 2007:

- Humane, Responsible Animal Research: Strategic Guide for Speakers, Presenters & Media Spokespersons States United for Biomedical Research (SUBR)
- A multi-faceted educational exhibit to improve student/public understanding of the nature and importance of animal research – Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU)
- Training in Basic Biomethodology for Laboratory Rats National Institutes of Health (NIH) and National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)
- Outreach at Teacher Conferences in 2007 AALAS Foundation
- Product Safety poster AALAS Foundation

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFPs)

In an effort to serve its mission and the laboratory animal science community, the AALAS Foundation developed an RFP to attract proposals that:

- 1. Are designed to implement an innovative educational/outreach program;
- 2. Enhance awareness and understanding of animal welfare and care in laboratory settings, and/or
- 3. Promote the necessity for and benefits of the use of animals in biomedical research.

The proposal's purpose, activities, and products should focus on a specified population (e.g., research scientists, science journalists, classroom and home school teachers, research administrators, physicians or research foundations) that is perceived to be neutral to animal-based research but who are opinion leaders within the greater society. For further information, visit http://www.aalasfoundation.org. The AALAS Foundation expects to award funds to at least one or two substantial proposals per year.





FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Current Assets

Cash Pledges receivable (current portions)	\$165,235 \$175,553				
Prepaid expenses .	\$750 \$341,538				
Investments Pledges receivable (less current portion)	\$732,583 \$132,520				
	\$865,103				

Total: \$1,206,641

Liabilities and Net Assets

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Accounts payable	\$10,000
Grants payable	\$2,250
Payable to AALAS	\$19,724
•	\$31,974
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	\$568,659
Temporarily restricted	\$423,038
Permanently restricted	\$182,970

Total: \$1,206,641

\$1,174,667

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