

OADDL E-News

Special Issue

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OADDL Receives AAVLD Accreditation

OADDL was recently granted full accreditation by the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians (AAVLD), becoming one of 33 U.S. states with an AAVLD-accredited veterinary diagnostic laboratory. OADDL's accreditation covers all animal species and extends through 2023.

Earlier this year a team from AAVLD visited OADDL and performed a comprehensive review of OADDL policies, procedures, diagnostic reports, facilities, funding, and safety programs. The team also met

with various internal and external stakeholders.

The primary goal of the AAVLD accreditation review process is to ensure competence and quality of a diagnostic laboratory. AAVLD has established standards that assist laboratories in providing the highest quality results and services to clients as well as facilitate trade with domestic and international partners.

OADDL is a proud member of AAVLD and is committed to continual improvement.

— Dr. K. Bailey



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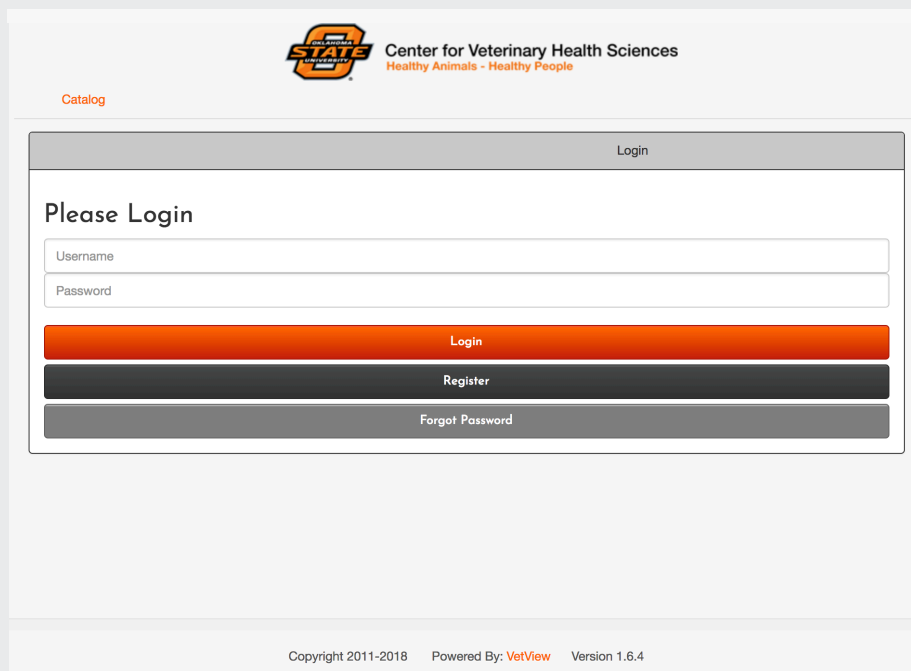
Introducing the new **OADDL Client Portal**

Secure, easy & free!

OADDL clients can now securely access results of diagnostic testing remotely, as well as detailed billing information.

The sign-up process is very quick and easy. **Clients may contact us by telephone (405-744-6623), fax (405-744-8612) or email (oaddl@okstate.edu) to request an account.** Once we receive the request, a username and password will be emailed to the primary account listed for the client.

– Dr. V. Windiate and E. Cooper



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Visit the OADDL booth at **2018 CVHS FALL CONFERENCE**

October 11-12, 2018
Wes Watkins Center
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Chagas Disease in Oklahoma?

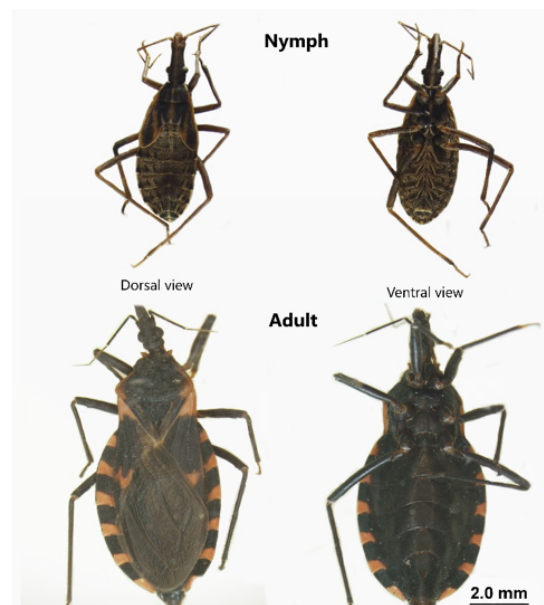
Pictured on the right is an insect commonly called a kissing bug. These bugs are blood suckers and known to transmit the deadly parasite *Trypanosoma cruzi*, which causes Chagas disease in humans and dogs. Chagas disease may remain inapparent for years, but eventual cardiac and gastrointestinal tissue damage in chronic infections can be fatal in some patients.

Oklahoma State University parasitologist and researcher Dr. Kelly Allen is working to learn more about Chagas disease right here in Oklahoma. If you find a kissing bug and would like to have it tested for Chagas parasite DNA, please follow directions below for submission. Upon request, PCR to evaluate the animal species of the bug's recent blood meal is available.

To learn more about kissing bug testing for the potentially deadly Chagas parasite, please email Dr. Allen at Kelly.allen10@okstate.edu.

To mail a suspected kissing bug (attn: Dr. Kelly Allen), place the bug within a small plastic container (ex. a pill bottle, Tupperware container, empty bottle, etc.) before placing it in an envelope/box to protect it during shipping. Also, please complete the following questionnaire and include it within the package. Thank you!

– Dr. K. Allen



- 1) How many bugs are you sending? _____
- 2) In which city/state/county did you find the bug(s)? _____
- 3) Where did you find the bug(s) (please be as specific as possible)? _____
- 4) Please provide either an email address or phone number if you would like to be contacted about PCR results. _____
- 5) Do you have pets? If yes, please list which kind(s). _____

For your convenience, please print and adhere a copy of this pre-paid postage label to your envelope/parcel. The postage fee for submitting Kissing Bugs will be covered by the research project.

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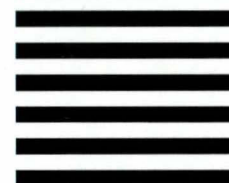
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Letter from the Director

We are excited to offer this special issue of our e-Newsletter because it highlights a significant accomplishment by your team at OADDL as well as a new feature that provides you with more access to critical information.

OADDL recently received full accreditation by the AAVLD that extends through 2023. While we are extremely proud of this accomplishment, we recognize that we have more work to do in order to meet

the evolving needs of clients.

We are also excited to roll out a new feature that provides clients with 24-7 access to their diagnostic testing results (so-called VetView Portal). In addition to test results, clients can access detailed billing information and other pertinent records.

And lastly, we are asking for your help to investigate diseases in Oklahoma. As you are probably aware, the National Center for Veterinary

Parasitology (NCVP) is based in OSU's Center for Veterinary Health Sciences (CVHS). We are happy to partner with the NCVP in providing disease surveillance throughout the state.

On behalf of your team at OADDL, we thank you for your continued support and we welcome your suggestions and input on how we can better serve you.

– Dr. K. Bailey



FRIENDLY REMINDER:

Don't forget to vaccinate your horses for West Nile Virus!

Ideas/Suggestions for Future Content

We want to hear from you. Send us your ideas and suggestions to oaddl@okstate.edu.

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Getting to Know Us

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