

# CALL FOR PAPERS

## JOINT ACVB/AVSAB SCIENTIFIC MEETING Preceding the AVMA ANNUAL MEETING, Seattle, WA Friday, July 10, 2009

The joint scientific veterinary behavior meeting of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists (ACVB; [www.dacvb.org](http://www.dacvb.org)) and the American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior (AVSAB; [www.avsabonline.org](http://www.avsabonline.org)) will be held on FRIDAY, July 10, 2009 preceding the AVMA meeting in Seattle, WA. Scientists and practitioners from all related disciplines are encouraged to submit abstracts for consideration. These may be in the form of original (unpublished) research results, case studies or scientific reviews. Actual presentations will be in the form of full spoken papers, spoken short communications and posters. Speakers of full and short presentations will receive complementary registration for the conference including published proceedings.

### Submission and review procedure:

All submissions should be completed on the Official Submission Form which may be down-loaded from the ACVB web site ([www.dacvb.org](http://www.dacvb.org)) or the AVSAB web site ([www.avsabonline.org](http://www.avsabonline.org)). Except for the AVSAB student award (see below), all submissions must be e-mailed by **December 1, 2008** by midnight, PST to the appropriate addresses:

- AVSAB Student Award to [lbergmanvmd@yahoo.com](mailto:lbergmanvmd@yahoo.com). Submission deadline is April 1, 2009.
- AVSAB How I Treat (HIT) short communications ONLY to [lbergmanvmd@yahoo.com](mailto:lbergmanvmd@yahoo.com)
- SVBT Teaching in Practice Sessions (TIPS) ONLY to [amandamiller@mfire.com](mailto:amandamiller@mfire.com)
- ALL OTHER SUBMISSIONS (posters, short communications, full papers, and all award-eligible submissions) to [acvb.avsab.meeting@gmail.com](mailto:acvb.avsab.meeting@gmail.com).

You may contact Dr. Melissa Bain ([mjbain@ucdavis.edu](mailto:mjbain@ucdavis.edu)) with specific questions regarding the application process.

Each submission will be triple-reviewed anonymously, and evaluated according to scientific merit, originality, and interest to the discipline. Please refer to the "Guide for Submissions" below. An individual may submit more than one abstract; however each should be submitted separately. *Note* that applicants for consideration of the ACVB Resident Award and the SVBT Award are required to submit a longer (2-3 page) and more detailed abstract than other applicants, whose abstracts are limited to one page. Details for application for the AVSAB Veterinary Student Award are listed below.

**Note: The Committee is not responsible for abstracts submitted incorrectly and therefore not reviewed.**

In **all** cases, submissions are due via e-mail by **December 1, 2008** and authors of all submissions will be notified of the outcome of the review process by **January 30, 2009**. By **April 1, 2009**, authors of accepted submissions must submit a short paper (2-3 pages), suitable for publication in the proceedings. In the case of work destined for journal publication elsewhere, authors may emphasize the basis of the topic with brief details of the methods and key experimental findings in order to limit the risk of jeopardizing publication through prior publication. However, full experimental results should be presented at the meeting. Upon written request, assistance with English will be available to those for whom English is not their first language. If not received by the due date of **April 1, 2009**, the committee will assume that the paper has been withdrawn by the applicant and it will not be scheduled for the meeting.