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BSc. (Hons) Zoology with Applied Zoology (2:1), UCNW Bangor, 1976.

Post Graduate Certificate of Education, UCNW Bangor, 1977.

Ph.D. University of Leeds, 1981.

DVM. University of Saskatchewan, 1995.

Diplomate, European College of Animal Reproduction, 2000

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

**October 1977 - August 1981.** Graduate student, Department of Animal Physiology and Nutrition, University of Leeds, UK. In addition to PhD research, I assisted in the teaching of on-farm undergraduate courses and supervised undergraduate research projects.

**February 1982 - January 1984.** Post doctoral fellow, Departments of Animal Science/ Physiology and Anatomy, Massey University, New Zealand. The primary research area was the endocrinology of early weaning. I also presented seminars to various university departments and swine producer groups.

**January 1984 - March 1987.** Post doctoral fellow, Department of Animal Science, University of Alberta. The research focus during this period was nutrition/reproduction interactions. Additionally, I assisted in the supervision of several graduate students.

March 1987 - May 1995. Research Scientist, Department of Animal and Poultry Science, University of Saskatchewan. Research during this period was varied (see publication list). I also assisted in the supervision of several graduate students and designed and taught an introductory animal physiology course.

**August 1991 - May 1995.** During this period I continued as a Research Scientist while attending the WCVM from where I obtained my DVM. In my second year, I was awarded the Rogar/STB prize for pharmacology and in my fourth year, the Western Canadian Association of Swine Practitioners award for swine medicine.

May 1995 – March 1999. Research Veterinarian, Alberta Agriculture. During this time I initiated research programs dealing with reproduction and management/nutrition/disease interactions. I taught the swine component of an animal nutrition course at the University of Alberta and gave guest lectures in a reproduction course. I was on one PhD examination committee (S. Huang) and had one graduate student (J. Patterson) examining replacement gilt management and ovarian function. I was an Associate Editor, Canadian Journal of Animal Science and served on the editorial board of Journal of Swine Health and Production. I was a federally accredited veterinarian and I performed herd health duties in association with a local swine health practice. In my role as a research veterinarian, I provided swine management and reproduction advice to swine practitioners and primary producers from several provinces/states as well as organizing and participating in production workshops.

March 1999-October 2001. Senior lecturer, Department of Farm Animal and Equine Medicine and Surgery, Royal Veterinary College, University of London. During this period I developed the swine medicine components of a distance-learning MSc, taught "Pig Science" to fourth year students, the porcine components of the Respiratory, Alimentary, and Urogenital systems modules, and undertook small-group teaching in swine reproduction for final year students. Research during this period focussed on breeding and farrowing with studies being undertaken in Australia, Italy, The Netherlands, and Spain.

October 2001-July 2011. Associate Professor (swine production medicine), Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences, Michigan State University. Tenure was granted in 2008. In addition to extension and research duties, I was responsible for teaching swine components of animal handling, respiratory diseases and theriogenology to preclinical students and the swine component of 3 clerkships in the clinical program. I was the originator of a 3-week swine elective (LCS635) and developed a course in swine breeding herd management. I was a visiting professor to St Georges University, Grenada, teaching students the swine components of the preclinical curriculum.

My primary research activities involved improving sow fertility to artificial insemination. I provided clinical support and advice for other faculty investigating *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae*, normal tonsil microbiota, and mammary amino acid transport.

I was the major advisor for 3 MSc students and on the guidance committee for 5 others. I was also on one PhD committee at MSU, I co-advised one PhD student from Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand and three from University of Leon, Spain.

I have acted as the external examiner for an MSc thesis from University of Melbourne and a PhD thesis from University of Adelaide. I acted as the opponent for a PhD defence in Uppsala, Sweden.

**July 2011-present.** Associate Professor, Intensive Production Medicine (Pigs), School of Animal and Veterinary Sciences, University of Adelaide.

Current research has continued to involve reproduction, particularly management of the farrowing sow and her litter. A new focus has been the investigation of management effects on the pig enteric microbiome.

I teach into various animal science, veterinary bioscience, vet tech and DVM courses. I am leading a team involved in producing a modular course that can lead to certificate, diploma or MSc qualifications both domestically and internationally by on-site or on-line presentations.

# **PUBLICATION SUMMARY**

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**Kirkwood RN, Lythgoe ES, Aherne FX.** Effect of lactation feed intake and gonadotrophin-releasing hormone on the reproductive performance of sows. Can J Anim Sci. 1987; 67:715-719.

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**Kirkwood RN, Aherne FX.** The influence of feeding allyl trenbolone during late lactation on the reproductive performance of primiparous and multiparous sows. Can Vet J. 1988; 29:68-69.

Kirkwood RN, Mitaru BN, Gooneratne AD, Blair R, Thacker PA. The influence of premating feed intake on the reproductive performance of gilts. Can J Vet Res. 1988; 52:134-136.

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