



## UC Davis Veterinarians Remove Softball-Sized Tumor from Fish



When Madonna's abdomen recently became distended, she was examined by the UC Davis veterinary hospital's Aquatic Animal Health Unit of the Companion Exotic Animal Medicine and Surgery Service.

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## On the Hunt for Disease X



From Ebola to swine flu to HIV/Aids, viruses borne by animals have caused some of the most devastating epidemics in history. What will come next? In Sierra Leone, Joe Shute (a reporter with The Telegraph) joins PREDICT scientists working to find Disease X – a virus that is as yet undiscovered, but which could have the potential to ravage populations.

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## Healthy Chickens Create Healthy Communities



Dr. Rodrigo Gallardo may be a poultry medicine specialist who helps improve the wellbeing of chickens through research and education, but he also sees the far-reaching impact of his role. "By helping villages in other parts of the world maintain healthier poultry flocks, we're assisting communities as a whole," Gallardo explained. "If families can increase egg and meat production in their chickens because they are healthier, they have more financial resources to spend on health care and sending their children to school."

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# Honeybee Health Key to Agriculture



Bees are one of our planet's most important animals. They produce honey and they are the primary managed pollinators for a majority of high value specialty crops grown in the contiguous states of California and Oregon, such as nuts, stone fruits, vegetables, and berries. A problem looms for our animal friends, the bees. Colony losses are high due to a variety of environmental and biological causes including bacterial diseases.

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## UC Davis Vet School Diagnostic Lab Performs Critical Disease Testing for Equine Herpesvirus



Equine herpesvirus-1 (EHV-1) is relatively widespread in horses; approximately 60 percent of healthy horses harbor the virus. While the more common form of EHV-1 can cause respiratory illness as well as abortion, it is rarely fatal. However, a neurological strain of this virus, also known as equine herpes myeloencephalopathy (EHM), can kill 30 to 50 percent of affected horses. That's why it is critical for the California Animal Health & Food Safety Laboratory to be able to use PCR testing to differentiate between strains.

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## Upcoming Events

### An Evening with Vet Med: "Importance of 'Catifying' Your Home"

November 13, 7-8 p.m.  
Presented by UC Davis board-certified veterinary behaviorist Dr. Melissa Bain

[Register online](#)

