



## **Yerkes National Primate Research Center**

### *Accomplishments: September 2008 to August 2009*

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- Awarded Specific Pathogen Free grant and Special Awards for Sooty Mangabeys
- Passed with no deficiencies an unannounced joint inspection from USDA and NIH (OLAW)
- Established a Mentoring Program
- Recruited Francois Villingier, DVM, PhD, for Chief of Yerkes Pathology Division and C06 Submission for ABSL3 and Transplant Medicine

### *Accomplishments: September 2007 to August 2008*

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- Revision of Specific Pathogen Free (SPF) NCCR five-year grant and resolution of the Sooty Mangabey issue
- Established more effective lines of communication between the Yerkes Director's office and Yerkes faculty and staff
- Established mentoring program, internal grant review, and hired professional science writer to increase hit-rate at NIH
- Developed field station links with Gwinnett County education and business sectors

### *Accomplishments: September 2006 to August 2007*

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- Developed master planning for the Yerkes National Primate Research Center (NPRC) Field Station, including funding and design for a clinical veterinary medicine building
- Yerkes NPRC led the joint development of two large database linkages across the eight national primate research centers (census of nonhuman primates and digital pathology images)
- Yerkes emerged as the number one ranked of eight national primate centers, based on measures such as the number of projects carried out and the number of publications

### *Accomplishments: September 2005 to August 2006*

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- Secured funding for new clinical medical and administration building at Field Station
- Submitted proposal to NCCR/NIH and obtained funding for Biomedical Informatics Research Network NHP test-bed at Yerkes. First in the country
- Established collaborations with other university departments in order to advance noninfectious disease vaccine research programs