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NEWS & EVENTS

Philip Johnson elected to International Equine Veterinary Hall of Fame

Dr. Philip Johnson, a professor of equine internal medicine at the MU College of Veterinary Medicine, has been selected for induction into the 2014 International Equine Veterinary Hall of Fame. Sponsored annually by American Farriers Journal, the elite program was established in 1997 to recognize equine veterinarians for their contributions to the knowledge and recognition of proper hoof care for horses. Johnson will be honored in January during the International Hoof-Care Summit in Cincinnati.

Veterinarians are nominated in two classes: practicing equine veterinarians who work closely with farriers in the field, and college and industry vets involved in teaching, research or other important aspects of hoof-care education. Members are selected by current Hall of Fame members as well as members of the International Horseshoeing Hall of Fame.

"Being nominated for this prestigious award was a complete surprise," Johnson said. "I feel very privileged to be asked to join this outstanding group of veterinary clinician scientists."

Johnson completed his veterinary studies at the University of Bristol in the United Kingdom and earned a master of science in veterinary clinical medicine at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. In addition to being a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and the European College of Equine Internal Medicine, he is a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

Johnson's clinical interests encompass all aspects of equine internal medicine. His research focuses on understanding the processes that lead to and complicate laminitis in horses and ponies. This condition continues to be one of the most devastatingly painful causes of lameness in horses and all too commonly leads to a need for euthanasia. Johnson is committed to ethical and meaningful research to develop better understanding of why horses develop laminitis with



the goal of yielding improved preventive and therapeutic strategies.

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