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[Vet2011 Anniversary Exhibit & Antique Veterinary Instrument Display]



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Content: The year 2011 marked the 250th Anniversary of the first veterinary school in the world. This exhibit was the only Vet2011 Accredited traveling display in the world. It was designed and constructed by Fred J Born, DVM (MSU '62). The display covers the historical events in the founding of the first two veterinary schools, one in Lyon, France (1761) and at Alfort, France (1765).

In 2011, the exhibit was featured at the AVMA Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, in July; then at the Iowa State University Veterinary Medical Association Convention in Ames, Iowa, in September; followed at the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association Convention in Madison, Wisconsin, in October and at the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine for the month of November.

In June of 2011 the AVMHS Vet2011 Exhibit found its home on the second floor of the Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine, near the Dean's Office at the main entrance of the school.

In addition to the display, the exhibit was accompanied by 45 rare veterinary instruments from the 18th century and over 150 veterinary instruments from the 19th century. The complete veterinary instrument collection was on loan from the WVMA Veterinary Museum at The Galloway House and Village in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.



When necessary to relocate the entire exhibit in spring 2023, the college purchased a new state-of-the-art display case to house the collection of antique veterinary instruments through the efforts of emeritus professor Dr. Jan Krehbiel. The 5-tiered case containing the instruments is located in a walkway on the first floor of the MSU-CVM building.

To continue sharing the Vet2011 Anniversary Exhibit content, viewers are referred to a 5-inch x 7-inch plaque with a QR Code linked to a complete PowerPoint slide set covering over 2200 years of the evolution of the history of veterinary medicine. Veterinarians, students, and visitors may download the 125 slides of Dr. Born's "Early History of the Horse Doctor" for viewing remotely on their smartphones. It is also posted on the AVMHS webpage at <https://www.avmhs.org/history-presentations>,



Historical Veterinary Instruments at Michigan State University

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