(October 27, 2011 Stillwater, OK) – Oklahoma State University's Center for Veterinary Health Sciences will host the 3rd Annual Lundberg-Kienlen Lectureship in Biomedical Research on Tuesday, Nov. 8, at 3:30 p.m. in the McElroy Hall Auditorium. Presenting "Mechanisms of Lung Innate Immunity during Infection" will be Joseph P. Mizgerd, Sc.D., professor of medicine, microbiology and biochemistry and the director of the Pulmonary Center at Boston University School of Medicine.

Internationally recognized for his contributions to respiratory infections and pneumonia, Mizgerd's special research interests focus on neutrophil recruitment and activation, transcriptional and post-transcriptional regulation of gene expression, cytokines and innate immunity.

Mizgerd has served as an associate and section editor of Journal of Immunology. He has also served on various National Institutes of Health study section and other grant review panels. He earned his B.A. from Amherst College and Sc.D. from Harvard School of Public Health. Mizgerd is a recipient of the Edward Livingston Trudeau Scholar (American Lung Association) and the Parker B. Francis Fellow in Pulmonary Research (Francis Families Foundation).

Hosted by Lin Liu, Ph.D., Lundberg-Kienlen Professor at the veterinary center, the lectureship is sponsored by the center's Lundberg-Kienlen Endowment, Office of Research and Graduate Education and Department of Physiological Sciences. The lecture is open to the public at no charge. McElroy Hall Auditorium is located at the corner of Farm Road and McFarland on the west end of the Stillwater OSU campus.

The Oklahoma State University Center for Veterinary Health Sciences is the only veterinary college in Oklahoma and one of 28 veterinary colleges in the United States and is fully accredited by the Council on Education of the American Veterinary Medical Association. The center's Boren Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital is open to the public and provides routine and specialized care for small and large animals. It also offers 24-hour emergency care and is certified by the American Animal Hospital Association. For more information, visit www.cvhs.okstate.edu or call (405) 744-7000.

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