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We hear from Noel Clancey, Clinical Pathologist at Battlab.

How long have you been at BattLab?

I've been permanently at BattLab for approximately two and a half years. Between 2009 and 2012 I also provided locum services at BattLab for several weeks on three separate occasions.

Why have you chosen to become a clinical pathologist?

There are calculated reasons as well as serendipitous events that have occurred in my life to place me where I am now. I always felt that I would pursue further training once I completed my DVM degree, but I was not certain when or in what discipline.

As I was finishing vet school, I was strongly encouraged by a mentor to consider clinical pathology which had a significant effect. I enjoy interacting with other veterinarians and am fascinated with pathology. I also love cytology. Therefore, clinical pathology seemed to make perfect sense. I am a fairly task-oriented person and much of clinical pathology is similar. There are numerous problem-solving events that occur each day that I get to be part of, assisting veterinarians to provide appropriate care for their patients. The discipline is ever-changing which keeps things fresh as I am always learning. Overall, it's a "the job is suited for me, I'm suited for the job" sort of thing.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

I have been an avid photographer for over a dozen years, mostly landscapes and more recently wildlife. I love the outdoors and exploring remote places. Most holiday time involves a photography-based trip, getting back home to see family and friends, and something active such as sea kayaking. I also enjoy playing guitar and currently have in process an acoustic guitar being built by a local UK luthier, which I am very excited about. I'm a bit of a movie buff as well, so I'm always trying to balance couch-time with something more active.



Yours sincerely,

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