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On October 2, 1987, three honorary doctorates were conferred at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, located at Uppsala north of Stockholm.

The faculty of Veterinary Medicine conferred an Honorary Doctor of Veterinary Medicine on professor Ralph L. Kitchell of the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California at Davis, U.S.A.

Professor Kitchell has distinguished himself in a unique combination of fields – anatomy, neurophysiology, and applied research – in addition to being a skilled teacher and administrator. Kitchell is an international authority on animal pain and somatosensory physiology, or the mechanisms of pain.

During 1957-58 he spent a sabbatic leave at the Department of Physiology of the Veterinary College in Stockholm where he worked with professor Yngve Zotterman, professor Bengt Andersson, and professor Sven Landgren.

Dr. Kitchell is an ISU '43 alumnus and former Dean of our college (1966-71) when plans for our new facility were drawn up and approved by U.S. government.