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Description

Images of Pavlov

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On this page you will find an assortment of images related to Pavlov. Most of the images were been collected by the author from various internet sites, including

- Web pages devoted to Pavlov,
- Web pages about psychology in general or learning theory in particular,
- Course-related web pages, and
- eBay auction sites

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Here are some photos provided by Larry Cahill (UC Irvine) taken during a visit to Pavlov's office and lab. We thank him for his generosity.

... the attached images, taken when i had the chance with my family to visit his office/lab a few years ago. I thought in particular the pictures without me or my family might be of some use, so i pass them along. I only have one of his office and it has me in it, unfortunately.

The one with the chair, which unfortunately also has me posing in front of it, is just cool- its was Pavlov's personal chair. He dug the hole himself as he was a very efficient man, and he found he could grab the chair and move it more easily that way. The room in which he trained the dogs is literally freely hanging, thus sways slightly when you enter it. he did this to achieve as complete isolation of the training situation from all noise/movement etc as

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animals as training occurred. again, i thought maybe the pics without me or my family in it might be of interest to the society. The entire building, as many know, was called the "Tower of Silence," and was built just for him.

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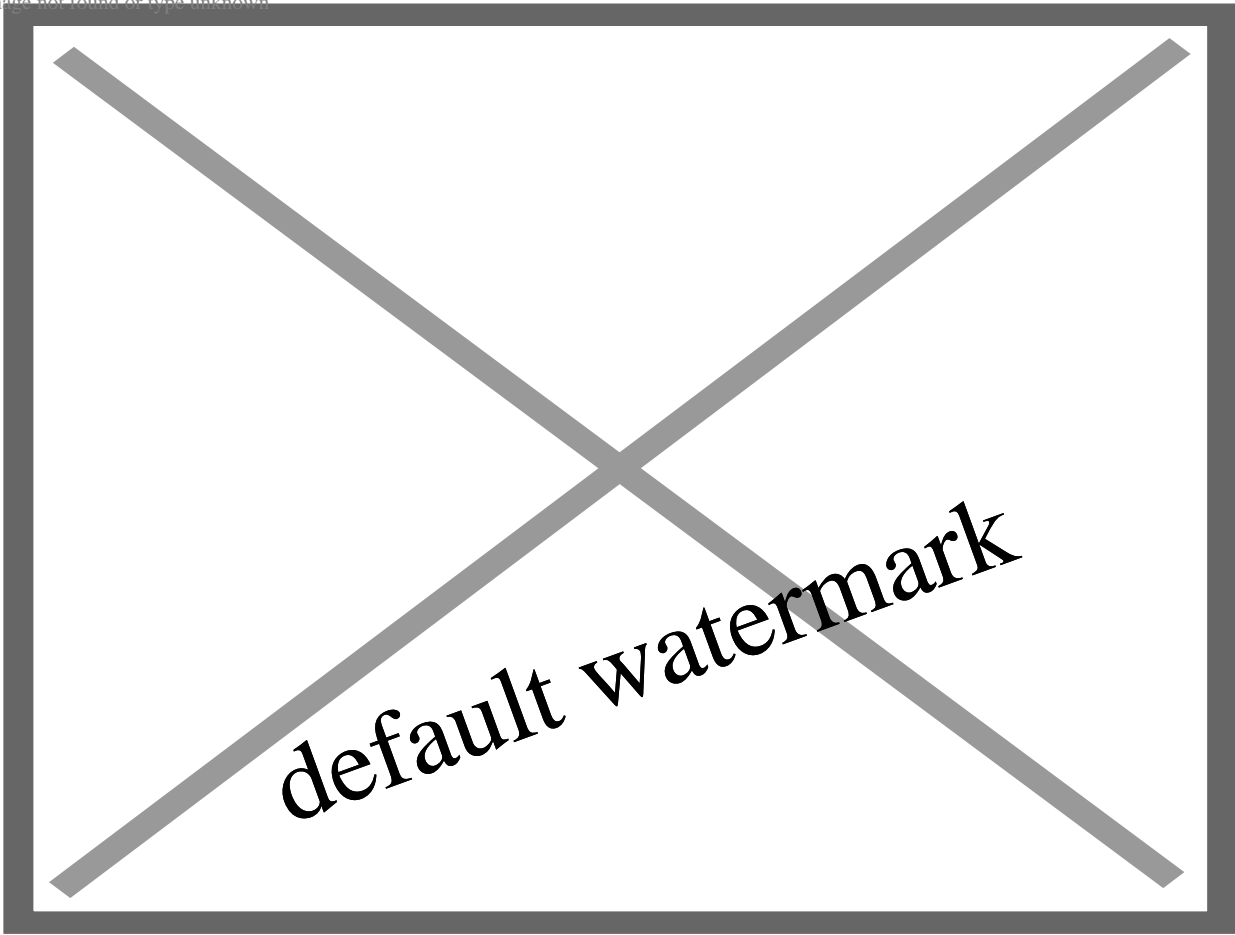
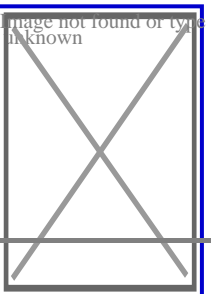
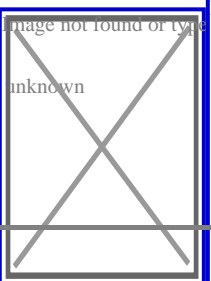
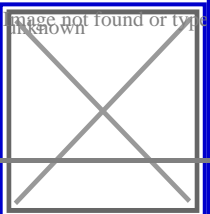
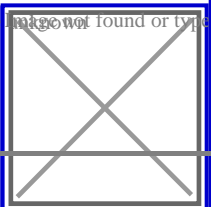
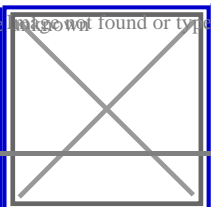
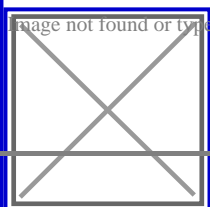
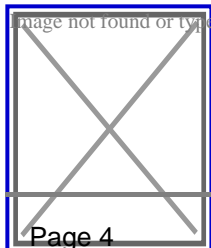
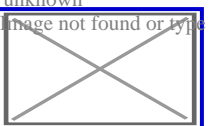
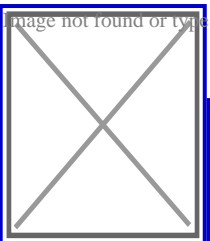
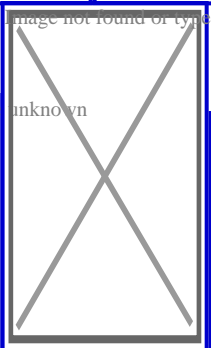
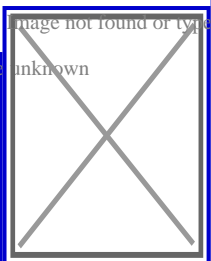
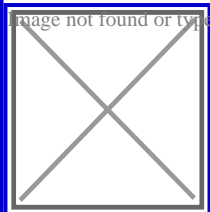
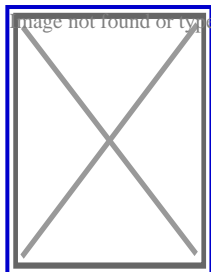
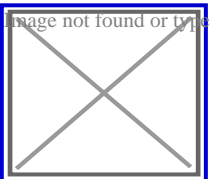
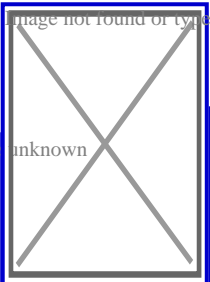
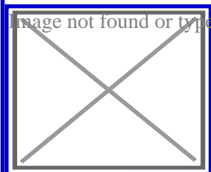
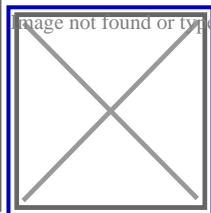
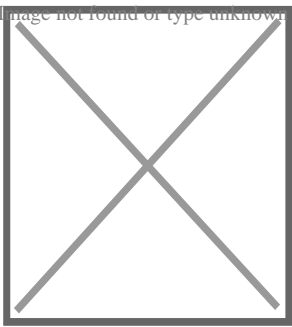
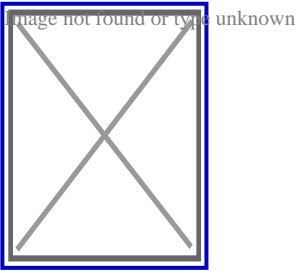


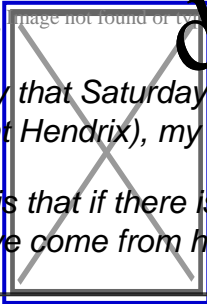
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Photos below were graciously provided to the Society by Chris Spatz at Hendrix College, on his quest for Pavlov's "Statue to the Experimental Dog." Chris' commentary appears with the photos. [NOTE: Links to the photos are broken, but I have left the descriptions in the hope that I can resurrect the images. WJW]

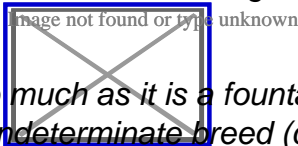
Pictures were taken during a trip to St Petersburg in the summer of 1998. I had heard of "a statue that Pavlov erected to 'the experimental dog'" No one in St Petersburg seemed to know anything about it. Many academics knew Pavlov, "the father of reflexology" but that was about the limit of their knowledge. Finally, a driver at the hotel said he'd heard of the statute and indicated a section of the city. Looking at a map, we found Academician Pavlov Street. We headed there. Here is picture of that avenue, with me standing on the sidewalk. Across the street is an iron fence and beyond that a jungle-like area.



The party that Saturday morning was Thea and me, our friends Bruce and Pat Haggard (he teaches biology at Hendrix), my nephew who works for Mars, Inc in Russia, and his Russian girlfriend.

My idea is that if there is a statue, it must be over the fence on the other side of Academician Pavlov street. I've come from halfway around the world, so over the fence I go.

I work my way through the growth (my nephew Dan is right behind me – the rest of the party is standing on the street side of the locked gate that leads into the area). I pull back a bough of a bush and here's what I see.



Well, it isn't a statue so much as it is a fountain. The pedestal is about 6 feet tall and the dog is about 3 feet tall. The dog is of indeterminate breed (composite breed, might be a better description). The fountain is working (a big surprise). The water is coming from the mouths of some 8 or so dog heads that are near the top of the pedestal. These dog heads are clearly recognizable as different breeds. Beneath the fountain heads are four bronze panels, each with a scene and an inscription. Here's another view of the fountain.



The next picture shows one of the bronze panels with a dog on a table. The inscription translates as: "Let the dog, which has been a helper and a friend of humans since the prehistoric era, be sacrificed to science, but our dignity always obliges us to accomplish this process without any unnecessary suffering."

Now, I've claimed that the fountain is about 6 feet tall with a 3-foot dog. To give you some evidence for this claim, the next picture shows something to give the fountain some perspective.

By this time all our party had joined us and the rest of them were enjoying my exuberance. However, a watchman appeared. UH-OH. Collective fear, and collective guilt. Dan talked to the man. I thought it would cost us some money, but Dan said that offering money would be an insult. After the watchman left, Dan said that he had explained that I was a famous psychologist from America who had come to St Petersburg to see this fountain.

The fountain was located in the back yard area of a two red-brick institutional buildings, two and three stories high. After about 45 minutes of so at the fountain, we ventured around to the front of the buildings, which were part of the Institute of Experimental Medicine. Here is a picture of me standing next to a bust that is by the sidewalk that leads between the two buildings.

In addition to the bust I was pictured standing by (Pavlov), there were five other bronze busts. The others were Descartes, Darwin, Pasteur, Mendeleev, and Sechenov. All were avowed materialists, just as Pavlov was. Mendeleev, of periodic chart fame in chemistry, may have worked at the Institute there in St Petersburg. Sechenov set Pavlov on Pavlov's path with an 1863 book, *Reflexes of the Brain*, which Pavlov read while he was in seminary. Shortly afterward, Pavlov left the seminary. Here's the bust of Pavlov.

Having finished our look at the front of the complex, we headed back to the fountain for one last look. On the wall of the 2-storey building were two plaques. The top one notes that Ivan Petrovich Pavlov worked at this institute from 1890 to 1936.

Hope you enjoyed the tour. Cheers, Chris

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