












THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2018

Pre-conference Day


TIME	SESSION TITLE	SPEAKER	ROOM	SPONSOR/ PARTNER
8:00 - 10:00 am	Feline-Friendly Handling Workshop**	Dr. Ilona Rodan	208	 
PRE-CONFERENCE DAY*				
10:00 - 11:50 am	Early Morning Learning Sessions			
10:00 - 10:55 am	New Strategies of Managing Feline URIs	Dr. Jeannine Berger	Ballroom A	
10:55 - 11:50 am	Cat Scratching Solutions	Dr. Jeannine Berger	Ballroom A	
11:50 - 1:15 pm	Food for Thought Luncheon			
12:15 - 1:15 pm	Is It Early CKD: Now What?	Dr. S. Dru Forrester	Ballroom C & D	
1:30 - 5:30 pm	ABVP/AAFP Seminar & Social			
1:30 - 2:20 pm	Pandora Syndrome in Cats, Part I: Diagnosis & Acute Care	Dr. Tony Buffington	Ballroom A	 
2:20 - 3:15 pm	Pandora Syndrome in Cats, Part II: Chronic Care	Dr. Tony Buffington	Ballroom A	
3:15 - 3:45 pm	Refreshment Break		Ballroom B	
3:45 - 4:35 pm	What is so "Pleasing" About Placebo?	Dr. Tony Buffington	Ballroom A	
4:35 - 5:30 pm	Nutrition & Disease Prevention: Focus on the Growth Period	Dr. Tony Buffington	Ballroom A	
5:30 - 7:00 pm	Welcome Reception <i>All attendees invited</i>		Ballroom Pre-function & Terrace	

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Session Descriptions

This conference offers concurrent Veterinary tracks, a Technician/Nurse Track, and a Practice Management Track that will allow attendees the opportunity to customize their learning experience. All of the tracks offer cutting-edge feline research and the latest information in feline medicine. You can choose to follow one track exclusively or you can jump between tracks, based on your own interests and needs.

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6:00 - 7:00 am	Early Riser Yoga Class*		Westin Hotel – Grand Ballroom A	
7:15 - 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast		Ballroom Foyer	
8:00 - 8:15 am	President's Address	Dr. Paula Monroe	Ballroom A & B	
8:15 - 10:00 am	Anesthesia & Analgesia for the Golden Oldies: Why Are They Different?	Dr. Sheilah Robertson	Ballroom A & B	
	<i>Practice Management: Diversity & Inclusion: Creating a LGBTQ+ Friendly Environment for Staff & Clients</i>	Dr. Mike Chaddock	Ballroom C	
10:00 - 11:10 am	Networking Refreshment Break		Exhibit Hall	
11:10 - 12:00 pm	Cognitive Dysfunction in Senior Cats	Dr. Margaret Gruen	Ballroom A	
	Chronic Diarrhea in Older Cats	Dr. Alex German	Ballroom B	
	<i>Practice Management: Benefits of Cat Friendly Housing</i>	Dr. Ilona Rodan	Ballroom C	
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Lunch		Exhibit Hall	
12:15 - 1:15 pm	<i>Lunch & Learn #1:*</i> Feline Heartworm Disease: What Your Clients (& You) Need to Know	Dr. Gary Norsworthy	213 A - D	
12:15 - 1:15 pm	<i>Lunch & Learn #2:*</i> Feline Clinical Pharmacology: Exploring Species & Disease State Influences	Dr. Jessica Quimby	217 B - D	
1:30 - 2:20 pm	How Do We Know? Assessing Chronic Pain in Cats	Dr. Sheilah Robertson	Ballroom A	
	Environmental Enrichment for Senior Cats	Dr. Margaret Gruen	Ballroom B	
	<i>Practice Management: How Preventive Care Will Grow Your Business</i>	Dr. Christine Bohn Kirnos	Ballroom C	
2:25 - 3:15 pm	Now What? Managing Chronic Pain in Older Cats	Dr. Sheilah Robertson	Ballroom A	
	Promoting Healthy Weight in Senior Patients	Dr. Alex German	Ballroom B	
	<i>Practice Management: Increasing Client Compliance in Feline Appointments</i>	Dr. Christine Bohn Kirnos	Ballroom C	
3:15 - 3:45 pm	Networking Refreshment Break		Exhibit Hall	
3:45 - 4:35 pm	Quality of Life Assessments, Feline Hospice, & Palliative Care	Dr. Diane Eigner	Ballroom A	
	Feeding Old Cats: Understanding Feeding Behavior	Dr. Debra Zoran	Ballroom B	
	<i>Practice Management: Does Veterinary Medicine Have a Mental Health Crisis?</i>	Dr. Linda Lord	Ballroom C	
4:40 - 5:30 pm	Saying Goodbye: When, How, & Where?	Dr. Sheilah Robertson	Ballroom A	
	Feeding Old Cats: Determining Nutritional Needs	Dr. Debra Zoran	Ballroom B	
	<i>Practice Management: Purring into Practice: Creating & Nurturing a Cat Friendly Team Mission</i>	Dr. Elizabeth Colleran	Ballroom C	
5:30 - 6:30 pm	Happy Hour Reception		Exhibit Hall	

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6:15 - 7:15 am	Early Riser Yoga Class*		Westin Hotel – Grand Ballroom A	
7:30 - 8:30 am	Breakfast		Exhibit Hall	
8:00 - 8:20 am	<i>Oral Abstract Session:</i> Feline Amylin is Faster to Aggregate than Human Amylin & Increases During Pancreatitis	Dr. Aline Vieira	Ballroom A	
8:00 - 8:20 am	<i>Oral Abstract Session:</i> Pharmacokinetics & Pharmacodynamics of Buccally-Administered Dexmedetomidine Gel (Sileo®) in Healthy Adult Cats	Dr. Kristen Messenger	Ballroom B	
8:00 - 8:20 am	<i>Oral Abstract Session:</i> An Analysis of Causes of Feline Infertility in a Cattery: A Review of Medical Records & Histopathologic Diagnoses	Dr. Aime Johnson	Ballroom C	
8:30 - 9:20 am	Screening Seniors: Integrating Early Detection Programs to Benefit Your Patients & Practice	Dr. Margie Scherk	Ballroom A	
	Nutritional Management of Older Cats: Changes in GI Function	Dr. Debra Zoran	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Why Assigning Acute Pain Scores to Surgery & Trauma Patients Matters	Dr. Sheilah Robertson	Ballroom C	 
9:25 - 10:15 am	Comorbidities - Managing the Unmanageable: Approaching a Cat with CKD, Diabetes, Arthritis, Hyperthyroidism, & Hypertension	Dr. Margie Scherk	Ballroom A	
	Nutritional Management of Older Cats with Multiple Diseases	Dr. Debra Zoran	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Anesthesia & Pain Management for Difficult Cats	Dr. Sheilah Robertson	Ballroom C	 
10:15 - 11:00 am	Networking Refreshment Break		Exhibit Hall	
10:25 - 10:50 am	AAFP Membership Meeting		217 A	
11:00 - 12:30 pm	<i>Panel:</i> Meeting Senior Needs: Q&A with the Experts (Drs. Alex German, Margaret Gruen, Sheilah Robertson, & Debra Zoran)	Dr. Margie Scherk, Moderator	Ballroom A & B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Blood Pressure Monitoring: Who, What, Where, When, & Why?	Dr. Kelly St. Denis	Ballroom C	 
12:30 - 2:00 pm	Lunch		Exhibit Hall	
12:45 - 1:45 pm	<i>Lunch & Learn #1:</i> * Cats, Cardiomyopathy, & the Practical Use of BNP Testing	Dr. Bonnie Lefbom	213 A - D	
12:45 - 1:45 pm	<i>Lunch & Learn #2:</i> * Cats, Ticks, & Disease	Dr. Susan E. Little	217 B - D	
12:45 - 1:45 pm	<i>Lunch & Learn #3:</i> * Feline Pain: Increase Your Tools	Dr. Jennifer Johnson	217 A	
1:15 - 1:45 pm	ABVP: Is it for Me?		Ballroom C	
2:00 - 2:50 pm	The First 5 Minutes: You Too Can Save a Life!	Dr. Elke Rudloff	Ballroom A & B	 
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Nutritional Support in the Critically Ill Cat	Dr. Christina Fernandez	Ballroom C	 
2:55 - 3:45 pm	The Diabetic-Ketotic CATastrophe	Dr. Elke Rudloff	Ballroom A & B	 
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Not in my Back Yard! The Secret Life of Cats & Parasites	Dr. Cathy Lund	Ballroom C	 
3:45 - 6:30 pm	Free Time			
3:50 - 4:45 pm	<i>Forum:</i> Have Questions? Answers to Your Cat Friendly Practice Inquiries		Ballroom C	
6:30 - 10:30 pm	Feline 500: NASCAR Hall of Fame Offsite Event**			

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7:30 - 8:30 am	Breakfast		Exhibit Hall	
7:30 - 8:30 am	ABVP Breakfast for Diplomates		217A	
8:30 - 9:20 am	Urinary Tract Obstruction: Bad to the Stone	Dr. Elke Rudloff	Ballroom A	 
	Sedation of the Critically Ill Cat	Dr. Justine Lee	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Bring Back the Pounce: Osteoarthritis in Cats	Ms. Kara Burns	Ballroom C	 
9:25 - 10:15 am	Feeding Tubes: How to Place & Use	Dr. Elke Rudloff	Ballroom A	 
	Top 10 Mistakes to Avoid in the Emergency Feline Patient	Dr. Justine Lee	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Diabetes: Nutritional Management & Client Communication	Ms. Kara Burns	Ballroom C	 
10:15 - 10:45 am	Networking Refreshment Break		Exhibit Hall	
10:45 - 11:35 am	Approach to the Cat in Respiratory Distress	Dr. Adesola Odunayo	Ballroom A	
	Global FAST Ultrasound: How to Perform & Unique Feline Differences	Dr. Gregory Lisciandro	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Nutritional Counseling with the Feline Owner	Ms. Kara Burns	Ballroom C	 
11:40 - 12:30 pm	Decontamination of Common Feline Toxicities	Dr. Adesola Odunayo	Ballroom A	
	Proactive Lung Ultrasound: The Vet BLUE & the Tale of Four Felines	Dr. Gregory Lisciandro	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> FLUTD: Updates in Nutritional Management	Ms. Kara Burns	Ballroom C	 
12:30 - 1:45 pm	Lunch		Exhibit Hall	
12:40 - 1:40 pm	<i>Lunch & Learn #1:</i> * Obesity in Cats: Making that Fat Cat Fit!	Dr. Alex German	213 A - D	
12:40 - 1:40 pm	<i>Lunch & Learn #2:</i> * Managing Complex Feline Endocrine Diseases: A Case-based Approach	Dr. Audra Fenimore	217 B - D	
1:45 - 2:35 pm	Approach to the Cat in Shock	Dr. Adesola Odunayo	Ballroom A	
	Global FAST Ultrasound: Patient Monitoring & Detecting Treatable Forms of Shock	Dr. Gregory Lisciandro	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> Feline IBD: Pathophysiology, Treatment Goals, & Client Communication	Ms. Kara Burns	Ballroom C	 
2:40 - 3:30 pm	Case-based Approach to Transfusion Medicine	Dr. Adesola Odunayo	Ballroom A	
	Setting Up a Successful Global FAST Ultrasound Program	Dr. Gregory Lisciandro	Ballroom B	
	<i>Technician/Nurse:</i> CKD: Getting Your Picky Patient to Eat	Ms. Kara Burns	Ballroom C	 
3:30 pm	Conclusion of Conference			

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