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University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine, Knoxville, Tennessee



Dr. Julia Albright is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists and Associate Professor at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Albright obtained both a Master's degree in Experimental Psychology and DVM from The University of Tennessee before completing a residency and fellowship in Animal Behavior at Cornell University CVM. Dr. Albright's research interests include reducing stress in animal facilities, psychopharmacology, and the human-animal bond.

Kara Burns, MS, Med, LVT, VTS (Nutrition), VTS-H (IM, Dentistry)
Academy of Veterinary Nutrition Technicians, Lafayette, Indiana



Kara Burns is a licensed veterinary technician with a master's degree in physiology and a master's degree in counseling psychology. She's the Founder and Past President of the Academy of Veterinary Nutrition Technicians. She teaches nutrition courses around the world and is an independent nutritional and wellbeing consultant, the Director of Veterinary Nurse Development for WellHaven Pet Health and the Editor in Chief of Today's Veterinary Nurse. She is a member of many national, international, and state associations and holds positions on many boards in the profession: American Academy of Veterinary Nutrition Executive Board; Western Veterinary Conference Technician Education Manager; NAVTA Past President; the first technician representative on the AAFP Board; and the first technician to be President of the Pet Nutrition Alliance, to name a few. She has authored many articles, textbooks, and textbook chapters and is an internationally invited speaker focusing on topics of nutrition, leadership, and technician utilization. Kara and her wife, Dr. Ellen Lowery, developed the Pet Nutrition Coach Certification course through NAVC. Ms. Burns has been featured on the cover of the Veterinary Technician Journal, the NAVTA Journal, and has been featured in PetVet Magazine. She was also named the North American Veterinary Conference/VMX Technician Speaker of the Year in 2013, 2016, and 2021. She was granted an honorary VTS (Internal Medicine) in 2011 and an honorary VTS (Dentistry) in 2012. She is the 2010 NAVTA Veterinary Technician of the Year, as well as the 2011 Dr. Franklin Loew Lecturer.

Christopher Byers, DVM, DACVECC, DACVIM (SAIM), CVJ
CriticalCareDVM, Omaha, Nebraska



Dr. Christopher G. Byers is a board-certified veterinary emergency and critical care and small animal internal medicine specialist, as well as a certified veterinary journalist. He received his Bachelor of Science degree as a University Honors Scholar in Animal Sciences from Colorado State University and his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Cornell University. Dr. Byers works as a teleconsultant in emergency/critical care and small animal internal medicine for VetCT. He is the Co-editor of the textbook, *Feline Emergency & Critical Care Medicine*, and has published chapters and articles in numerous textbooks and peer-reviewed medical journals. Dr. Byers also publishes a blog called CriticalCareDVM.com with goals to educate pet owners and promote the triad of care.

Julie Byron, DVM, MS
The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Columbus, Ohio



Dr. Julie Byron is a 1998 graduate of The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine. She completed an internship at VCA West LA and residency at OSU in 2004. She was a faculty member at University of Illinois before moving back to Columbus, Ohio for a position at OSU in 2011. She is currently at the rank of Professor – Clinical at OSU. She has a strong interest in lower urinary tract disease and nephrology, as well as interventional endoscopy. She has published research and book chapters on urinary disorders and cystoscopy. She teaches and practices academic internal medicine including endocrinology, respiratory, and intestinal disease.

Elizabeth Colleran, DVM, MS, DABVP (Feline)
Chico Hospital for Cats, Chico, California



Dr. Elizabeth Colleran is an author, keynote, and veterinary conference speaker, consultant, and feline specialist board-certified by the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners. She has successfully created and managed two feline medicine veterinary practices. Her practice in Portland, Oregon was the first feline-only practice in Portland and her current practice, the Chico Hospital for Cat, is celebrating its 22nd birthday this year. Dr. Colleran chaired the Cat Friendly Practice® Committee for the AAFP for many years. Dr. Colleran is a published author and frequent contributor to several peer-reviewed publications. She has been a media spokesperson on a number of feline topics for communications campaigns and has proudly mentored many aspiring feline practitioners. Her next book for veterinarians, "The Senior Cat: Medicine and Management in the Golden Years" (working title) will be published in 2023. She loves teaching and believes it is one important way to improve health care and quality of life for felines.

Robin Downing, DVM, MS, DBe, DAAPM, DACVSMR
The Downing Center for Animal Pain Management, LLC, Windsor, Colorado

Dr. Robin Downing is Hospital Director of The Downing Center for Animal Pain Management. She has received many regional, national, and international awards, including the 2001 Excellence in Veterinary Medicine Award from the WSAVA, the 2016 Erwin Small Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, and most recently the 2020 Leo K. Bustad Companion Animal Veterinarian of the Year Award from the AVMA. Most recently, she earned her Doctorate in Clinical Bioethics from Loyola University of Chicago with the intention of translating the practices of clinical bioethics for application in veterinary medicine.

Sarah Ellis, BSc(Hons), PGDip, PhD
International Cat Care, Tisbury, England

Dr. Sarah Ellis has a BSc in Zoology and Psychology from the University of Bristol (UK), a Post-Graduate Diploma in Companion Animal Behaviour Counselling from the University of Southampton (UK), and a PhD from Queen's University Belfast (UK) which focused on investigating ways to improve the welfare of cats housed in rehoming centres. Sarah spent several years at the University of Lincoln as a post-doctoral research scientist working on numerous projects including investigating novel ways to improve feline welfare, and to further our understanding of feline behavior and the cat-human relationship. Since 2015, Sarah has worked for International Cat Care providing feline behavior and mental wellbeing expertise. Her current role as Head of Cat Advocacy includes chairing the iCatCare Feline Wellbeing Panel. She also is a Visiting Fellow at the University of Lincoln where she teaches on the MSc Clinical Animal Behaviour program. She has co-authored a NY Times Best-Selling book with John Bradshaw entitled 'The Trainable Cat' which details how training can be used to improve cats' mental wellbeing.

Richard Ford, DVM, MS, DACVIM, DACVPM (Hon) North Carolina State University, Hendersonville, North Carolina

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Dr. Richard Ford is Emeritus Professor of Medicine in the College of Veterinary Medicine at North Carolina State University. A graduate of Ohio State University, Dr. Ford practiced small animal and equine medicine prior to completing the internal medicine residency at Michigan State University. He taught internal medicine at Purdue University and North Carolina State University. He is board-certified by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and is an honorary Diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Preventive Medicine. Dr. Ford was the Lead Editor of the 2017 AAHA Canine Vaccine Guidelines and was a co-author of the AAFP Feline Vaccine Guidelines from 1998 to 2013. Outside of veterinary medicine, Dr. Ford spent 28 years with the US Air Force as a Biomedical Scientist. He retired from the USAF Reserve as a Brigadier General, where he was assigned to the Office of the Air Force Surgeon General at the Pentagon.

Anne-Marie Germain, DVM Village Cat Clinic, Cambridge, Ontario

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Dr. Anne-Marie Germain graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College in 1999. Since graduation, she devoted several years to private practice including 8 years focused on her true love, cats, in feline-only clinics. She currently works in two feline-only practices in Ontario, alongside some of Canada's ABVP feline specialists. She enjoys everything related to cats but has a particular fondness for feline urology, nutrition, and weight management as well as behavior, including raising awareness of feline environmental needs to optimize the mental and physical health of our feline patients. Another large portion of her career was spent as a Technical Services Veterinarian then Scientific Communications Specialist for Royal Canin. During this time, she provided individualized nutritional consultations and numerous continuing education events to veterinary teams across Canada. For several years, she was the subject matter expert on the Canadian urinary portfolio. She worked closely with the Canadian Veterinary Urolith Centre and various specialists, developing a passion and expertise in the management of lower urinary tract disease in cats and dogs, particularly urolithiasis management and feline idiopathic cystitis.

John Godbold, DVM Stonehaven Veterinary Consulting, Jackson, Tennessee

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Dr. Godbold is a veteran of 33 years of solo small animal practice. For over 20 years he has had a special interest in medical photobiology and the practical applications of lasers and thermal imaging. He now works teaching colleagues and assisting equipment manufacturers with the development of new laser and light-based technologies. In high-demand as a continuing education speaker, he has led over 800 laser workshops, wet-labs, and continuing education meetings throughout North America and in over 25 countries around the world.

Henry Green, DVM, DACVIM (Cardiology) Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dr. Henry Green recently returned to his Alma Mater Louisiana State University (DVM C/O '99) as associate professor of cardiology following a nearly twenty year stint at Purdue University CVM. He has since been named Associate Dean of Inclusive Excellence. Following completion of his internship at the University of Tennessee in 2000, he completed a residency in cardiology at Purdue University in 2003. He became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in Cardiology at that time and remained as a faculty member of Purdue University CVM until 2020. Dr. Green has been published in numerous peer-reviewed publications, medical texts, and scientific abstracts and has been awarded research grants from multiple organizations. He truly enjoys teaching and mentoring on every level of the profession. His professional awards/honors attest to his efforts and include The Weedon Faculty Teaching Recognition Award, Student Recognition Excellence in Teaching, The Raymond E. Plue Alumni Teaching award, and The Zoetis Iverson Bell Summit Diversity and Inclusion Award. His areas of interest include interventional cardiology, cardiac pacing, muscle atrophy, and cardiomyopathies.

Laura Greene, DVM, DACVIM Merck Animal Health, Raleigh, North Carolina

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Dr. Laura Greene graduated with her DVM from North Carolina State's College of Veterinary Medicine, completed a rotating small animal internship at the University of Georgia, and then returned to NC State for her residency in small animal internal medicine. She is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and spent several years in specialty private practice before joining Merck Animal Health as a Senior Professional Services Veterinarian. Her areas of interest include infectious disease, immunology, and endocrinology, and she has a love of teaching.

Randal Gregg, PhD Nova Southeastern University, Clearwater, Florida

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Randal Gregg is an Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology in the Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine at Nova Southeastern University in Clearwater, Florida. Dr. Gregg received his PhD degree from the University of Missouri School of Medicine in Molecular Microbiology and Immunology where he worked on development of immune-related therapies for autoimmune diseases. He has taught Microbiology and Immunology in medical schools for 14 years and he has an active research program looking at the mechanisms employed by viruses to escape the immune response and developing vaccine delivery systems for application to bacterial and viral infectious agents as well as cancers.

Margaret Gruen, DVM, MVPH, PhD, DACVB North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Raleigh, North Carolina

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Dr. Margaret Gruen completed her veterinary degree at the University of Illinois. She then went to North Carolina State University for an internship followed by a residency in veterinary behavior. She completed a Masters in Veterinary Public Health and became a board-certified veterinary behaviorist. After a few years on the faculty at NCSU, she decided to pursue a PhD with a focus on understanding the behaviors associated with pain in cats with naturally-occurring arthritis. She then spent two years at Duke University, where she co-directed the Canine Cognition Center, and has since returned to North Carolina State University and is now an Associate Professor of Behavioral Medicine. She is always excited about the opportunity to talk about cats!

Anne Hale, DVM
VetStem, Poway, California

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Dr. Anne Hale is formally trained in small animal internal medicine with a comparative postdoctoral NIH fellowship in transfusion medicine. She has been an active translational scientist in the cellular therapy world for over 25 years with successful translation of lyophilized small molecules and cells for use in transfusion and regenerative medicine. Dr. Hale is a recognized speaker and author with recent publications in cellular therapy for use in control of shock, hemorrhage, and endotheliopathy. Her clinical practice limited to small animal Internal Medicine has been focused on immune mediated diseases as well as utilization of cellular therapies for immunomodulation and endotheliopathy. Dr. Hale has successfully completed comparative veterinary clinical trials developed to support the One Health Initiative as both Level 1 evidence-based medicine for common transfusion and cellular practice and preclinical support for human cellular therapies. Active in organized veterinary medicine through the New Mexico Veterinary Medical Association as a recent president, she has been involved in the legislative clarification of transfusion and cellular therapy for animals. She is a member and past board member of the Association of Veterinary Hematology and Transfusion Medicine.

Melissa Hall, DVM, DACVD
Animal Dermatology Clinic, Los Angeles, California

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Dr. Melissa Hall has been exploring her passion for pet medicine for as long as she can remember. Growing up as a Los Angeles native, Dr. Hall gave as much of her time as she was able to the Los Angeles Zoo, the Natural History Museum, the Equestrian Center, and many other animal focused local groups. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Physiology and Neuroscience from the University of California, San Diego prior to achieving her Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from the University of California, Davis. Dr. Hall's veterinary studies led her to a passion for veterinary dermatology that carried her through a 3-year residency with Animal Dermatology Clinic in Southern California. In 2011, Dr. Hall became a board-certified veterinary dermatologist and Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Dermatologists. Dr. Hall shares her passion for all aspects of skin and ear disease by lecturing all over the world and training residents. Dr. Hall specializes in treating allergic skin and ear diseases in dogs and cats. With her experience of practicing and seeing cases both nationally and internationally, Dr. Hall has guided owners to improve the quality of life for their pets.

Sarah Heath, BVSc, PgCertVE, DECAWBM(BM), CCAB, FHEA, FRCVS
Behavioural Referrals Veterinary Practice, Chester, England

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Dr. Sarah Heath qualified as a veterinary surgeon from Bristol University in 1988 and set up Behavioural Referrals Veterinary Practice in 1992. She sees clinical cases across North West England and wider afield through video platform consultations. In 2018, she was made an FRCVS for meritorious contributions to the profession in recognition of her work in establishing Behavioural Medicine as a veterinary discipline. She is an RCVS and EBVS® European Veterinary Specialist in Behavioural Medicine and an External Lecturer in small animal behavioural medicine on the veterinary undergraduate course at Liverpool University. In 2019, she gained her Postgraduate Certificate in Veterinary Education. Sarah has a special interest in the interplay between emotional and physical illness in dogs and cats.

Meghan Herron, DVM, DACVB
Gigi's, Canal Winchester, Ohio

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Dr. Meghan Herron is the Senior Director of Behavioral Medicine, Education, and Outreach at Gigi's – a shelter organization dedicated to improving the lives of shelter dogs. Prior to her current position she spent over a decade as an Associate Professor in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences as head of the Behavioral Medicine Service at her alma mater - The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Herron is the lead editor on the book "Decoding Your Cat" where The American College of Veterinary Behaviorists reveal how to prevent or change unwanted feline behaviors.

Duncan Lascelles, BSc, BVSc, CVA, PhD, FRCVS, DSAS(ST), DECVS, DACVS
North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina

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Dr. Lascelles is the Dr. J. McNeely and Lynne K. DuBose Distinguished Professor of Musculoskeletal Health, and Professor of Translational Pain Research. His research program (Translational Research in Pain [TRiP]) develops methods to measure pain associated with spontaneous disease in animals, and seeks to understand the underlying neurobiology. His work improves pain control in companion animals, and facilitates analgesic development in human medicine through proof of concept studies in companion animals, and discovery of relevant pain signaling mechanisms. He has authored over 200 peer reviewed research papers and reviews, about 300 research abstracts, and about 30 book chapters.

Patty Lathan, VMD, MS, DACVIM
Mississippi State University CVM, Starkville, Mississippi

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Dr. Patty Lathan is a professor of small animal internal medicine at Mississippi State University. Her primary interest is endocrinology, specifically the management of adrenal disease and diabetes mellitus. She has published articles and book chapters, given lectures throughout the United States and internationally, and currently serves as the President of the Society for Comparative Endocrinology. Her students also publish educational endocrine music videos as an assignment for her elective, and those can be viewed on her YouTube channel.

Megan McClosky, DVM, DACVIM (SAIM)
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Dr. McClosky graduated summa cum laude from Auburn University's College of Veterinary Medicine in 2014. After earning her veterinary degree she completed a one-year rotating internship and Small Animal Internal Medicine residency at Penn Vet, earning board certification in 2018. Following her residency she stayed on as Lecturer of Internal Medicine at Penn Vet and was promoted to Assistant Professor in 2020. Within internal medicine her interests lie in infectious disease, hematology, and nephrology. She is passionate about veterinary education, resident training, and wellness in the veterinary community. Outside of veterinary medicine, Dr. McClosky enjoys spending time with her tripod shih tzu, Mabel, and her one-kidney cat, Doug Jones.

Ragen McGowan, PhD Nestlé Purina PetCare, St. Joseph, Missouri

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Ragen McGowan is Senior Manager of the Global Pet IoT, AI, and Digital Solutions Group at Nestlé Purina. She has over 20 years of experience in animal behavior research, the last 13 of which have been with Purina using a holistic approach incorporating both behavior and physiology to quantify affective states in dogs and cats. Ragen earned a B.S. in Zoology, a B.A. in Foreign Language & Literature and a PhD in Applied Ethology from Washington State University. Her PhD research focused on Contrafreeloading in grizzly bears, laying hens, and mice. Prior to joining Purina, Ragen held a post-doctoral research position at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences in Uppsala, Sweden with focus on the study of emotionality in dogs. This included exploring Cognitive Bias and the 'Eureka Effect.' She is now bringing her knowledge of animal behavior and emotions into the digital space to better connect owners with their pets by translating pet data into meaningful insights regarding pet health and wellbeing; giving our pets a voice. Ragen has a passion for sharing her knowledge, speaking at a variety of events, serving as a reviewer for several scientific journals, and contributing as a scientific expert for congresses, roundtables, and podcasts.

Eric Morissette, DVM, DACVP (Clinical) Zoetis, Fort Collins, Colorado

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A native of Montreal, Quebec, Dr. Morissette received his DVM from the University of Montreal in 1998 and then worked in a small-animal practice in Virginia Beach/Chesapeake, Virginia for 8 years. He then attended the University of Florida to complete a residency in clinical pathology. Dr. Morissette was granted the American College of Veterinary Pathologists board certification in 2009. After becoming a Board-Certified Veterinary Clinical Pathologist, Dr. Morissette provided clinical pathology consultation services for Abaxis for 11 years before joining the Zoetis Global Diagnostics, Medical Affairs team. During all that time, he has been involved in various research projects and teaching opportunities around the world.

Mark Peterson, DVM, DACVIM Animal Endocrine Clinic, New York, New York

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Dr. Mark Peterson is well known for his clinical research and teaching in small animal endocrinology. Mark is the owner and director of the Animal Endocrine Clinic, a specialty referral hospital now devoted primarily to the diagnosis and treatment of cats with thyroid disease, where he conducts most of his clinic research. He also serves as adjunct Professor of Medicine at the New York State College of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, where he teaches and collaborates with investigators. Over the last 45 years, most of Dr. Peterson's clinical and research efforts have been directed toward advancing our understanding of naturally-occurring endocrine disorders of the cat, especially hyperthyroidism, hypothyroidism, diabetes mellitus, calcium disorders, and adrenal disease. He has published more than 600 journal articles, book chapters, and research abstracts. With more than 600 lecture presentations to his credit, Dr. Peterson is a frequent speaker at veterinary colleges and scientific seminars around the world.

Jessica Quimby, DVM, PhD, DACVIM The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

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Dr. Quimby is an associate professor at the Ohio State University who is board-certified in small animal internal medicine and specializes in feline nephrology. Dr. Quimby has received the International Renal Interest Society Award and the AVMF/Winn Feline Foundation Research Award for her contributions to nephrology and feline medicine. In 2021, she was selected to serve on the IRIS board.

Kathryn Reif, MSPH, PhD Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Manhattan, Kansas

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Dr. Kathryn Reif is an associate professor in the Department of Diagnostic Medicine/Pathobiology in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University. Dr. Reif's research interests broadly revolve around vectors and vector-borne diseases of veterinary, medical, and agricultural importance, with a primary focus on ticks and tick-borne pathogens. Some of Dr. Reif's on-going research projects include: i) developing new approaches for studying tick feeding behaviors, ii) evaluating efficacy of ectoparasiticide products, and iii) examining tick-borne pathogen prevalence. Dr. Reif enjoys engaging veterinarians and clients/producers in research projects and delivering presentations on the importance of ticks and tick-borne pathogens.

Ilona Rodan, DVM, DABVP (Feline), CCBC, IABC Cat Behavior Solutions, LLC, Madison, Wisconsin

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Dr. Ilona Rodan is ABVP certified in feline practice since 1995. Her passion is feline behavior and how to handle cats in veterinary practices to enhance feline welfare and human safety. She is the owner and director of Cat Behavior Consultations, LLC and the former medical director and owner of the Cat Care Clinic in Madison, Wisconsin from 1987-2015. Dr. Rodan is an active volunteer of the American Association of Feline Practitioners, a past-president, and former chair of the AAFP Cat Friendly Practice® Committee. She has also co-chaired several guidelines and welfare position statements, including the Feline-Friendly Handling, Feline Environmental Needs, and Pain Management Guidelines. She presents nationally and internationally on feline medicine and behavior, and leads workshops on feline-friendly handling. In 2005, she was awarded the AVMA Animal Welfare Award for her leadership and contributions to advancing feline medicine and behavior. Dr. Rodan has written journal articles and book chapters, and is a co-editor and co-author of the veterinary textbook, *Feline Behavioral Health and Welfare*, published in 2015.

Ashlie Saffire, DVM, DABVP (Feline) Cats Only Veterinary Clinic, Columbus, Ohio

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Dr. Ashlie Saffire is a practicing feline medicine specialist, board-certified with the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners. She is a 2011 graduate of The Ohio State College of Veterinary Medicine and has been practicing at Cats Only Veterinary Clinic since relocating to Columbus in 2015 from her home town of Buffalo, NY. She is the Medical Director and ABVP residency advisor at Cats Only and currently serves on the board of directors for the American Association of Feline Practitioners. She is also a tutor for the University of Sydney's Feline Medicine Distance Education Course. Dr. Saffire specializes in feline internal medicine and management of complex disease processes and disorders. Dr. Saffire is a published author and has served as primary investigator in several pilot studies and pivotal clinical trials in feline medicine. As an invited speaker, Dr. Saffire hopes to share her clinical experience and expertise in feline medicine with the veterinary profession.

Rebecca Salazar, DVM, DACVAA
Gulf Coast Veterinary Specialist, Houston, Texas

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Dr. Rebecca Salazar is board-certified in Veterinary Anesthesia and Analgesia. She completed veterinary school at Texas A&M University and completed her residency there as well. Prior to coming to her current position at Gulf Coast Veterinary Hospital, Dr. Salazar was an assistant professor at Center for Veterinary Health Sciences at Oklahoma State University. She considers teaching current anesthesia protocols one of the most enjoyable aspects of her job. Her particular clinical interests include novel approaches to providing analgesia; to include peripheral nerve blocks, epidural catheters, and tailor-made analgesic plans for surgical, oncologic, trauma, and internal medicine patients.

Catharine Scott-Moncrieff, MA, VMB, MS, DACVIM, DECVIM
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

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Dr. Catharine Scott-Moncrieff received her Veterinary Degree from the University of Cambridge in 1985. She completed an internship in small animal medicine and surgery at the University of Saskatchewan, Canada, and a residency and Master of Science degree in internal medicine at Purdue University. In 1989, she joined the faculty of Purdue University, where she is currently Professor of small animal internal medicine and head of the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. She is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (small animal), and the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (companion animal). Her research and clinical interests are canine and feline endocrinology, and she is an author of more than 70 peer reviewed publications in small animal endocrinology and internal medicine.

Kelly St. Denis, DVM, MSc, DABVP (Feline)
St. Denis Veterinary Professional Corporation, Brantford, Ontario

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Dr. Kelly St. Denis is board-certified with the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners in the specialty of feline practice. In her early career she trained in molecular biology and immunology, and in the field of cancer research. In 1999, she graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College and owned and operated the Charing Cross Cat Clinic from 2007 to 2020. Dr. St. Denis is Immediate Past President of the AAFP and an active volunteer in the organization. Dr. St. Denis is a consultant on the Veterinary Information Network in feline internal medicine.

Sarah Sweet, DVM
IDEXX Laboratories, Westbrook, Maine

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Dr. Sarah Sweet is a 2004 graduate of the Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Sarah worked in the financial industry in Boston and New York for 12 years before pursuing her dream of veterinary medicine. Following graduation, she practiced small animal general and emergency medicine for 11 years in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Maine, where she co-founded a companion animal practice on the beautiful coast of Maine. Sarah joined IDEXX Laboratories as Medical Affairs Specialist in March 2018. Prior to joining IDEXX, she was the Senior Professional Services Veterinarian for Merck Animal Health in the Northeast. She is a Past President of the Maine VMA and was named Maine's Emerging Leader in 2011.