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12:00 - 1:00 pm	Practical Steps to Managing Inflammatory Airway Diseases	Dr. Phil Padrid	 Trudell Medical International
1:15 - 2:30 pm	Intercat Tension: Recognition, Prevention, & Management	Dr. Ilona Rodan and Dr. Daniela Ramos	
2:45 - 3:45 pm	Working with a Short Fuse: Navigating Clients' Reactivity In & Outside of the Consultation Room	Dr. Ryane E. Englar	
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2:00 - 3:00 pm	Advances in Radiation Oncology: Treating Disease in the Age of Star Trek, Feline Edition - Part 1	Dr. Neal Mauldin	
3:15 - 4:15 pm	Advances in Radiation Oncology: Treating Disease in the Age of Star Trek, Feline Edition - Part 2	Dr. Neal Mauldin	
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3:45 - 4:45 pm	Managing co-Morbidities with Feline Diabetes	Dr. Catharine Scott-Moncrieff	



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What Can You Do for Me? I'm in Pain but Really Young: Neonatal/Kitten Pain Management

Tamara Grubb, DVM, PhD, DACVAA

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024 – DAY 1

- 12:00 – 1:00 pm** **Practical Steps to Managing Inflammatory Airway Diseases, Dr. Phil Padrid**
At the completion of this presentation, the attendee will understand the basic mechanisms that underlie inflammatory airway disease. The attendee will review practical diagnostic techniques including pathognomonic physical exam findings in inflammatory disease of the nose, pharynx, and bronchial tree. Finally, we will review the most current management of these disorders including (using video) the step-by-step use of inhaled steroids and bronchodilators. A list of pharmacies will be provided that offer inhaled drugs at the lowest prices.
- 1:15 – 2:30 pm** **Intercat Tension: Recognition, Prevention, & Management, Drs. Ilona Rodan and Daniela Ramos**
Social tension or conflict is common in multiple cat households, but often goes unrecognized because signs are usually subtle behaviors. Tension between cats may result in fear-anxiety, associated behavioral concerns, stress-associated disease, relinquishment or abandonment, and impaired welfare. Recognition of the most common signs of tension between cats, and details on how to prevent or manage intercat tensions in multiple cat households will be presented. Case-based examples, information on how to best introduce a new cat to resident (existing) cats, and client education to safely minimize intercat tension and fully manage less severe cases will all be covered.
- 2:45 – 3:45 pm** **Working with a Short Fuse: Navigating Clients' Reactivity In and Outside of the Consultation Room, Dr. Ryane E. Englar**
It has been estimated that the average clinician engages in 100,000 client interactions during their career. Inevitably, a fraction of these interactions is "difficult" and may involve strong emotions, high stakes, and/or opposing opinions. When conflict is introduced into clinical conversations, there is a tendency for all parties involved to either ramp up or shut up. Both hypervigilance and silence are counterproductive. This session will acknowledge the impact that such interactions have on the veterinary team and will provide applicable tools to navigate clients' reactivity so that we can move from unhelpful reaction to constructive response.
- 4:00 – 5:00 pm** **Leading with Language: Conflict within the Practice & Patient Care Plan Compliance, Dr. Ryane E. Englar**
The practice of veterinary medicine requires a team approach to healthcare delivery. Diagnostic and treatment plans may be well thought out, but without buy-in and mutual understanding by all contributors, execution, and delivery of patient healthcare needs falls short. Workplace incivility impedes forward progress within the team, and patient care falls flat when drama takes the place of healthy, constructive interactions among team members. This session will explore various approaches to addressing workplace incivility by engaging others in dialogue. When we productively confront conflict and hold space for challenging conversations, we strengthen our resolve to uphold a positive work environment.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024 – DAY 2

- 2:00 – 3:00 pm** **Advances in Radiation Oncology: Treating Disease in the Age of Star Trek, Feline Edition - Part 1, Dr. Neal Mauldin**
This lecture will focus on technical advances in the field of radiation therapy and explore how these advances have fundamentally changed the clinical practice of radiation oncology. We will review the current state of the art from a practical perspective, and see how these advances have led to fewer anesthetic events, less severe acute and long-term toxicity, and equivalent or better outcomes than those seen with older radiation therapy protocols. We will use clinical case materials to help illustrate these points. Finally, we will discuss the use of low dose radiation therapy for the treatment of non-malignant inflammatory diseases such as chronic feline idiopathic cystitis and osteoarthritis.
- 3:15 – 4:15 pm** **Advances in Radiation Oncology: Treating Disease in the Age of Star Trek, Feline Edition - Part 2, Dr. Neal Mauldin**
Like all good SciFi franchises, this one deserves a sequel. Tune in to continue learning more about advances in radiation oncology.
- 4:30 – 5:30 pm** **Management of Anemia Associated with CKD, Dr. Jessica Quimby**
A common consequence of CKD in cats is anemia, and managing this aspect of the disease has had its challenges. This lecture will focus on a review of anemia of CKD and current treatment recommendations and options will be discussed. In this session, attendees will:
- Understand the prevalence of anemia of CKD and the pathophysiology of regulation of RBC production
 - Recognize the potential negative effects of anemia on the patient and the importance of addressing this condition
 - Understand how different options can be implemented and monitoring guidelines for these options
- 5:45 – 7:00 pm** **Multifaceted Approach to Kidney Disease, Dr. Jessica Quimby**
What's new in feline CKD? This session will highlight updates on a multifaceted approach to assessment and management of CKD, including nutrition and the gut-kidney axis, medical management, and overall wellbeing. In this session, attendees will:
- Consider quality of life in the feline patient and individualized medicine
 - Obtain updates on medical management of CKD including anemia, hydration, hypertension, proteinuria, and more
 - Learn about nutrition and the gut-kidney axis and the bidirectional effects on organ health

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024 – DAY 3

- 12:00 – 1:00 pm** **FLUTD Potpourri: Real World Cases from the Trenches, Dr. Kelly St. Denis**
Feline lower urinary tract disease is the number one medical complaint that causes cats to visit the veterinarian. Data suggests that regardless of the underlying cause, recurrence is common. This session will review the differential diagnosis for FLUTD, and explore the impact of the pandemic and the role of obesity in FLUTD. Together we will explore practical tips for management and prevention.
- 1:15 – 2:15 pm** **The Path(way) to Success in Feline Pain Management: Longer Duration Analgesic Drugs, Dr. Tamara Grubb**
Knowledge of where drugs work in the pain pathway are crucial to building an effective analgesic protocol. However, even with a great in-hospital analgesic plan, what happens when the patient is discharged? The pain pathway will be reviewed and the impact of longer duration analgesic drugs on effective pain control will be discussed.
- 2:30 – 3:30 pm** **What Can You Do for Me? I'm in Pain but Really Young: Neonatal/Kitten Pain Management, Dr. Tamara Grubb**
Pain—and the negative impact of pain on welfare, health, and behavior—occurs in all ages. But pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic responses to drugs may be different in very young and very old patients compared to patients that are middle-aged. The unique aspects of pain in very young patients and the impact of different treatment modalities will be explored.
- 3:45 – 4:45 pm** **Managing co-Morbidities with Feline Diabetes, Dr. Catharine Scott-Moncrieff**
Feline diabetes mellitus (DM) is a common geriatric disease of cats, and co-morbidities are commonly present either at the time of diagnosis or after implementation of treatment. This lecture will review the complex pathogenesis of feline DM and discuss common co-morbidities such as pancreatitis, hypersomatotropism (acromegaly), hyperthyroidism, and chronic kidney disease. We will then discuss how occurrence of each of these co-morbidities affects the diagnosis and treatment of feline diabetes.



Ryane E. Englar, DVM, DABVP (Canine/Feline)

Associate Professor and Executive Director of Veterinary Skills Development, University of Arizona, College of Veterinary Medicine

Dr. Englar graduated from Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine in 2008. She practiced as an associate veterinarian in companion animal practice before debuting in academia as a Clinical Instructor at Cornell University. She subsequently became an Assistant Professor as founding faculty at Midwestern University College of Veterinary Medicine. She launched the Clinical Skills curriculum at Kansas State University between 2017 and 2020 before returning to Arizona in February 2020 to reprise her role as founding faculty at the University of Arizona. She currently serves as a dual appointment Associate Professor and the Executive Director of Veterinary Skills Development. Dr. Englar is passionate about advancing education by thinking outside of the box to develop course materials for the hands-on learner. She has authored textbooks on performing the companion animal physical examination, companion animal medicine, medical documentation, oral communication, clinical pathology, and spectrum of care. Her research interests involve the design, integration, validation, and assessment of simulated client encounters to train veterinary communication, as well as the design and implementation of novel clinical skills simulators. In her current role at the University of Arizona, Dr. Englar oversees four consecutive semesters of Clinical Skills and six consecutive semesters of Professional Skills. Her primary responsibilities are to integrate both content areas into the systems-based pre-clinical curriculum.

Tamara Grubb, DVM, PhD, DACVAA

President, International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management

Dr. Tamara Grubb is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Anesthesia & Analgesia with a strong focus in pain management. She owns an anesthesia/analgesia and continuing education consulting practice which serves both small and large animals. Dr. Grubb is a national/international educator and lecturer, a certified acupuncturist, an Adjunct Professor of Anesthesia & Analgesia, and the President of the International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management (IVAPM). She is co-author of two books, including *Veterinary Anesthesia & Pain Management for Nurses & Technicians*. Dr. Grubb's favorite achievement is winning the Carl J. Norden Distinguished Teaching Award from students at both Oregon and Washington State Universities.



Neal Mauldin, DVM, DACVIM (Internal Medicine and Oncology), DACVR

CMO, PetCure Oncology; National Director of Radiation Oncology, Thrive Pet Healthcare

Dr. Neal Mauldin, Chief Veterinary Medical Officer at PetCure Oncology and the National Director of Radiation Oncology for Thrive Pet Healthcare, is a pioneer in the field of veterinary oncology, having supervised the treatment of more than 8,000 pets with stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) since 2010. With triple-board certification in internal medicine, medical oncology, and radiation oncology—the latter achieved in its inaugural year, 1994—Dr. Mauldin boasts more than 37 years of experience, including roles at VCA Canada Western, the Animal Medical Center in New York, and Louisiana State University. His contributions to veterinary oncology include more than 25 peer-reviewed publications, textbook chapters, and presentations at more than 60 national and international meetings. A former president of the Veterinary Cancer Society, Dr. Mauldin's training spans Texas A&M University, the Animal Medical Center, and a fellowship at Memorial Sloan Kettering. He is a devoted pet parent to four Shetland Sheepdogs, two Maremmas, one cat, and 15 horses (and counting).



Phil Padrid, DVM

Senior Regional Medical Director for Specialty Medicine (Ret), VCA/Mars Animal Health

Dr. Padrid completed a Residency in Small Animal Internal Medicine at UC Davis in 1988 and a Fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the Medical school at UC Davis in 1990. From 1990-2000, Dr. Padrid was an Associate Professor of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine. From 2000-2023, Dr. Padrid was a Regional Vice President and then Senior Regional Medical Director for Specialty Medicine (VCA/Mars Veterinary Health). He retired January 1, 2024. He is the author of more than 70 peer-reviewed manuscripts and book chapters in the fields of human and veterinary pulmonary medicine, and is acknowledged to be the first person in our profession to actively promote and research the use of inhaled medications to treat veterinary patients with respiratory disease.



Jessica Quimby, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Professor, The Ohio State University

Dr. Quimby is a 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. She is also co-medical editor of the AAFP's magazine, *The Feline Practitioner*.



Distinguished Speakers

Daniela Ramos, DVM, MSc, PhD, DCLEVE
PSICOVET Canine and Feline Behaviour and Welfare Centre, São Paulo, Brazil



Daniela Ramos is a Brazilian veterinary behaviourist working in the field since 2000. She graduated from University of São Paulo where she also completed a doctorate and a post doctorate in veterinary behaviour medicine. Her masters degree in applied animal behaviour was completed at the University of Lincoln (UK) and her advance certificate in feline behaviour at the International Society of Feline Medicine (ISFM). Daniela deals with canine and feline behaviour cases and is a speaker and consultant for several pet companies in Brazil. Her company (Psicovet) runs behaviour courses for veterinarians, other pet professionals and caregivers. Being an enthusiast about animal life and behaviour, Dr. Ramos enjoys life in Brazil with her three cats (Chininha, Gordo and Magoo) and a dog (Toddy).

Ilona Rodan, DVM, DABVP (Feline), AdvCertFB
Cat Behavior Solutions, LLC, Owner and Director



Since 2015, Dr. Rodan has been the founder and director Cat Behavior Solutions. She was the founder and medical director of Care Clinic in Madison, WI for almost three decades before starting her feline behavior focused practice. She is ABVP Feline Certified since 1995. Dr. Rodan is passionate about teaching veterinarians and veterinary teams about feline behavior and how best to interact with and handle cats in veterinary practices to enhance feline welfare and human safety. She has presented nationally and internationally on feline medicine and behavior over the past 18 years and leads workshops for Cat Friendly Interactions and Handling. She is also an active AAFP volunteer, a Past-president, and former chair of the AAFP Cat Friendly Practice® Committee. She co-chaired several guidelines and welfare position statements, including the *2022 AAFP/ISFM Cat Friendly Veterinary Interactions and Handling Guidelines*, and the upcoming *2024 AAFP Intercat Tension Guidelines: Recognition, Prevention, and Management*. 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 2015 textbook, *Feline Behavioral Health and Welfare*.

Catharine Scott-Moncrieff, MA, VMB, MS, MRCVS, DACVIM, DECVIM, DSAM Sponsor 
Professor, Purdue University

Dr. J. Catharine Scott-Moncrieff earned her Vet MB from Cambridge University. She later completed a residency at Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine, where she is now a professor of small animal internal medicine and head of the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. Dr. Scott-Moncrieff is a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and European College of Veterinary International Medicine. Her research interests are canine and feline endocrinology.

Kelly A. St. Denis, MSc, DVM, DABVP (Feline)
Veterinarian & Feline Specialist, St. Denis Veterinary Professional Corporation



Dr. St. Denis is a practicing feline specialist, author, and international speaker. In her early career she trained in molecular biology and immunology, working in the field of cancer research. She is a consultant on the Veterinary Information Network in feline medicine and has co-authored a number of practice guidelines including the *2022 AAFP/ISFM Cat Friendly Veterinary Interactions and Handling Guidelines*, and the *2022 AAFP/ISFM Cat Friendly Veterinary Environment Guidelines*. Dr. St. Denis is medical co-editor of the AAFP's magazine, *The Feline Practitioner*, and co-editor of the *Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery*.

Why Should I Attend?

Join the AAFP for a three-day virtual live CE event: *Spring into Feline Medicine*. Expert speakers will present a variety of feline topics in a live format. The live presentations are spread out and on different days of the week (Sunday, Wednesday, and Saturday) to allow for work schedule flexibility. The sessions will be live, but will be made available on-demand afterwards through December 31, 2024, allowing registered attendees to watch and earn CE credit even if they can't attend live. Attendees can earn up to 13 RACE approved CE credits over the three days. Attend the live sessions to experience interactive presentations where you can submit questions at the end of each lecture.

Included In Your Registration

- 13 RACE Approved CE Hours Presented Live
- Access to all Presentations and CE Credits On-demand through December 31, 2024
- Online Conference Notes/Outlines Sent Prior to the Event
- Ability to Participate in Live Speaker Q&A (when attending the live sessions)

Continuing Education Credits

This conference will be submitted (but is not yet approved) for continuing education credits in jurisdictions which recognize AAVSB RACE approval; however, participants should be aware that some boards have limitations on the number of hours accepted in certain categories and/or restrictions on certain methods of delivery of continuing education. Contact AAFP Headquarters for further information at info@catvets.com. Once obtained, the program approval number will be listed on the conference website at www.catvets.com/education and on the CE form.

Registration

Below are the costs for attending the eConference.

eConference Pricing		THREE DAY	TWO DAY	ONE DAY
Veterinarian	Members	\$ 99	\$ 79	\$ 49
	Non-Members	\$159	\$129	\$ 79
	New Membership & Conference Registration	\$328 (3 Day Conference Bundle)		
Technician, Nurse, Practice Manager	Members	\$ 49	\$ 40	\$ 25
	Non-Members	\$ 95	\$ 75	\$ 45
	New Membership & Conference Registration	\$163 (3 Day Conference Bundle)		
Support Staff	Members	\$ 35	\$ 25	\$ 15
	Non-Members	\$ 45	\$ 35	\$ 25
	New Membership & Conference Registration	\$ 84 (3 Day Conference Bundle)		
Student*	\$ 25	\$ 18	\$ 10	

**A limited number of scholarships are available to AAFP Student Chapter Members. Learn more at www.catvets.com/sfm2024.*

Cancellation Policy

Registration fees are non-refundable. If you are unable to attend the live CE, the sessions will be recorded and available for viewing on-demand until December 31, 2024.

eConference Planning Task Force

The AAFP would like to thank the following for all their hard work, dedication, and time in helping to make this eConference a success: Dr. Christian Jones, Dr. Christine Kirnos, Dr. Rachel Luoma, Dr. Tammy Sadek, and Dr. Heather Sims

FAQs

Do I have to be present on all days of the meeting to attend?

No, you do not have to be present each day to attend the meeting. All sessions will take place live on the day and time listed on the agenda. However, if you cannot attend the live sessions, all content will be available on-demand until December 31, 2024, so even if you cannot attend one or more of these days, you will still be able to access the educational content. Being present on the dates of the meeting allows you to interact and engage with speakers and attendees in real time.

After I register, when will I receive more information about the eConference?

Closer to the start of the eConference, all attendees will receive an email with more details about how to access the virtual eConference platform. The same platform will be used for this meeting as was used for past Spring into Feline Medicine eConferences. If you attended any of those meetings, it will be familiar to you. You will also receive an email one week prior to the eConference with the Proceedings Notes login details so you can access them online.

How do I get the most out of this virtual eConference?

We suggest treating the eConference as you would an in-person conference with respect to your calendar and other obligations. Prioritize your time so that you can truly be present in the experience by focusing your attention on the session in front of you. It's also a great idea to minimize distractions as it is easy to multi-task and get preoccupied. Instead, try to reduce background noise, create a comfortable set up, and get ready to start learning! Attending this eConference has huge benefits if you take advantage of everything it has to offer. In addition, you will have on-demand access to all of the sessions until December 31, 2024, so you can watch and access as many CE sessions as you like!

What technology will I need?

For an optimal experience, we recommend participating from a desktop or laptop computer with broadband wired/wireless access. You will be able to connect to audio via your computer. Below are additional recommendations.

1. Use Chrome (recommended) or Firefox browsers
2. Disconnect from a VPN (Virtual Private Network)
3. Check firewalls. If you are in the office, try another network (some offices have robust firewalls that will block some virtual features)
4. Clear your web browser history and cache
5. Check your internet connection
6. Close any other tabs that may be using a lot of bandwidth
7. If you are at home, make sure you are not also using streaming services like Netflix, etc. that could impact your available bandwidth
8. Use a hard-wired internet connection, if possible
9. If you have to use Wi-Fi, make sure you are close to the Wi-Fi device

For more information visit: www.catvets.com/sfm2024

Have questions? Email conference@catvets.com.