



Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Society

Preconference Meeting “It’s a Shocking Time”

Wednesday 20th August 2008

UCD Veterinary Sciences Centre
University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4, Ireland

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The objective of the Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Society is to raise the level of patient care for seriously ill or injured animals through quality education and communication programmes. The VECCS has given rise to three other national organisations within the United States, focused on expanding the training and core knowledge in veterinary emergency and critical care medicine – ACVECC, AVECCT and SVECCS.

The VECCS promotes veterinary education in emergency medicine and critical care worldwide. This preconference day provides ‘state of the art’ practical education in important aspects of critical care delivered by two world class speakers.

Speakers

Professor Lesley King



Dr Lesley King graduated from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University College Dublin, Ireland, in 1986. After a year as a House Surgeon in Dublin, Dr King went to the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, where she completed a residency in small animal internal medicine in 1989. Following the residency, Dr King remained on staff in the Intensive Care Unit at the University of Pennsylvania, and she is currently a Professor in the Section of Critical Care, and the Director of the Intensive Care Unit. She is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care, the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine, and the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (Companion Animal). Dr King's research interests include all aspects of small animal intensive care medicine, with special emphasis on pulmonary medicine and outcome prediction in the critical small animal patient.

Dr Kate Hopper, BVSc, MVSc, DACVECC



After graduating from The University of Melbourne, Australia in 1991, Kate spent the next 4 years in small animal practice in suburban Melbourne. She then returned to The University of Melbourne for a residency in emergency medicine and critical care. After 4 years of working at the university, Kate finally left home to do another residency in emergency medicine and critical care at the University of California, Davis and she became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care in 2002. She has remained at Davis where she is currently an Assistant Professor of small animal emergency and critical care and is completing her PhD. Her research interests include acid base physiology and mechanical ventilation.



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PROGRAMME

08.00-08.30	Registration
08.30-09.30	Hypovolemic shock – pathophysiology and treatment in the dog, Kate Hopper
09.30-10.30	Dealing with septic shock: how to recognise it and what to do about it, Lesley King
10.30-11.00	Coffee Break
11.00-12.15	Managing shock in cats: is it different from dogs? Lesley King
12.15-13.30	Lunch
13.30-14.30	Hypoglycemia: diagnostic and therapeutic approach, Kate Hopper
14.30-15.30	Critical cases: dilemmas and decisions, Lesley King/Kate Hopper
15.30-16.00	Break
16.00-16.45	Critical cases: dilemmas and decisions, Lesley King/Kate Hopper
16.45	Conclusion