

UTCVM Annual Conference, Feb. 6-8, 2009

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A robust three days of scholarship and camaraderie await those attending this year's annual conference at the nearby Knoxville Marriott Hotel. In addition to Small Animal, Large Animal, and Veterinary Technician programs, the ever-popular "Breakfast with the Professor" series will be enjoyed on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

And there will be ample opportunity to meet & greet at the Friday Distinguished Alumni Awards, followed by the luncheon with remarks by Dean James Thompson. Make sure to check out the always lively Friday evening reception & SCAVMA auction and the resident reunion lectures on Saturday or alumni activities on Saturday evening. For more info, see www.vet.utk.edu/continuing_ed/index.php.

Small Animal Program

Friday:

UTCVM Distinguished Coughlin Professor Presentation, Dr. Joe Bartges:

- Urine Dilemma- H₂O or K9p? (Update on Managing Urinary Incontinence)
- Urine Rocks! (Update on Managing Urolithiasis)
- Urine Discomfort (Update on Feline Idiopathic Cystitis)
- Small Animal Case Studies

Saturday:

- Surgery & Medicine Resident Reunion Presentations
- Case Presentations
- **Dr. Jamie Bellah, Senior Surgery Resident, 1984-** Congenital Defect Surgical Correction

- **Dr. Robert McDonald, Senior Medicine Resident, 1984-** Small Animal Medicine Diagnostics: Pearls & Pitfalls

Small Animal Coughlin Visiting Professor Presentation, Dr. David Polzin, University of Minnesota CVM:

- Diagnosis and Staging of Chronic Kidney Disease
- Stages Management of Chronic Kidney Disease I

Sunday:

Dr. David Polzin:

- Stages Management of Chronic Renal Failure II
- Proteinuric Kidney Disease- What, Why & How

Breakfast with the Professor

Saturday:

- **Dr. Patty Sura,** Small Animal Surgery
- **Dr. Sharon Patton,** Referral Laboratory Services
- **Dr. Jacqueline Whittemore,** Small Animal Internal Medicine

Sunday:

- **Dr. DJ Krahwinkel,** Small Animal Surgery
- **Dr. Cheryl Greenacre,** Avian & Exotics

Veterinary Technician Program

Friday:

- **Dr. Matt Welborn-** Don't Let Your Patients Dine on These Greens
- **Dr. Dennis Geiser-** Putting Pressure on Disease- Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

Saturday:

- **Dr. Dianne Mawby and Mr. RL Wyatt-** Tennessee's Outdoor Perils: Identifying Biting and Stinging Creatures and Treating Patients Who Have Been Stung or Bitten
- **Ms. Tammy Moyers, LVMT-** Dentistry lab (limit 14 technicians)

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Clinical Projects <http://www.vet.utk.edu/studies/index.php>

Area	Study	Contact
Mycology	Treatment of systemic aspergillosis with a new antifungal drug, posaconazole	Dr. Al Legendre
Neurology	The benefit of hearing tests (i.e., brainstem-auditory evoked response/BAER) in dogs with vestibular disease	Drs. Christina Wolf or William Thomas
Neurology	New drug for initial treatment of idiopathic epilepsy in dogs	Dr. William Thomas
Oncology	Evaluation of cryobiopsy instrumentation and Cellsave blood collections in dogs with untreated lymphoma. (Substantial financial incentive for clients that participate)	Drs. Jeffrey Phillips or Amy LeBlanc
Oncology	Evaluation of the mTOR inhibitor Rapamycin in dogs with osteosarcoma	Drs. Jeffrey Phillips or Amy LeBlanc
Oncology	Identifying risk factors for the development of canine osteosarcoma	Dr. Jeffrey Phillips
Oncology	Immunocytokine therapy for dogs with oral melanoma. (Financial incentive for owners)	Dr. Amy LeBlanc
Oncology	Treatment with tyrosine kinase and chemotherapy of advanced malignancies	Dr. Al Legendre
Oncology	The UTCVM comparative oncology program tumor tissue and DNA databank	Drs. Jeffrey Phillips, Amy LeBlanc, or Al Legendre
Oncology	Whole-body PET/CT scans in dogs and cats with cancer. (Financial incentive for owners)	Dr. Amy LeBlanc
Orthopedics	NSAID for cats with osteoarthritis	Dr. Darryl Millis
Physical rehab/ CARES	Clinical evaluation of extracorporeal shock wave therapy for management of canine osteoarthritis of the elbow joints. (Financial incentive for clients)	Drs. Marti Drum or Darryl Millis
Physical rehab/ CARES	The effect of diet on muscle atrophy following surgery for cranial cruciate ligament rupture	Dr. Marti Drum
Soft tissue surgery	Evaluation of intra-tracheal stenting in dogs with collapsing trachea www.yorkieangelpatrol.com	Drs. DJ Krahwinkel, Mark Bohling, or Patricia Sura
Soft tissue surgery	Silicone footpad implants in greyhounds with corns	Dr. Mark Bohling
Soft tissue surg/ oncology	Investigation of sentinel nodes in cutaneous mast cell disease	Dr. Patricia Sura
Urinary	Bichons with calcium oxalate stones	Dr. Joe Bartges
Urinary	Cats with chronic renal failure	Drs. Claudia Kirk or Joe Bartges
Urinary	Cats with idiopathic hypercalcemia and calcium oxalate stones. (Monetary incentive for owners and referring veterinarians)	Dr. Joe Bartges
Urinary	Miniature schnauzers with calcium oxalate stones	Dr. Joe Bartges
Urinary	A new diet in managing Dalmatians that have had urate bladder stones	Dr. Joe Bartges