



Welcome to Our Incoming House Officers, 2008-2009

INTERNS

Dr. Sara J. Almon, DVM: Colorado
Dr. Menolly R. Beittenmiller, DVM: Missouri
Dr. Glen A. Bonin, Jr., DVM: LSU
Dr. Javier Gallegos, DVM: Wisconsin
Dr. Brian A. Maran, DVM: Mississippi
Dr. Courtney P. Warner-Kleinhalter, DVM: Purdue

RESIDENTS

Dr. April M. Durant (Surgery): Orthopedic Fellow- Tennessee; Surgery Intern-Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center & Hollywood Animal Hospital, FL; DVM- Ohio State
Dr. Vanessa L. Grunkemeyer (Avian/Exotic Med): Intern- Tennessee; DVM- Cornell

Dr. Joseph M. Mankin (Neurology): Intern- Purdue; DVM- Tennessee
Dr. April Olmstead-Durtschi (Cardiology): Intern- Animal Medical Center of NY; DVM- Colorado
Dr. Esteban (Steve) Pokorny (Radiology): VMD- Pennsylvania
Dr. Debra Ann Voulgaris (Anesthesia): Intern- Georgia; DVM- Ross
Dr. Rebecca Ward (Oncology): Red Bank Vet Hospital; DVM- Georgia
Dr. Jennifer E. Wells (Medicine): Intern- VCA Alameda East Vet Hospital, CO; DVM- Texas A&M

ORTHOPEDIC FELLOW

Dr. Ralph Millard: Intern- Minnesota & Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center; DVM- Kansas State

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Congratulations to Our Finishing House Officers

INTERNS

Dr. Steve Cogar, intern: Residency in surgery, Georgia
Dr. Vanessa Grunkemeyer, intern: Residency in avian/exotic animal medicine, Tennessee
Dr. Jennifer McClure, intern: Private practice
Dr. Sarita Miles, intern: Residency in neurology & neurosurgery, Florida
Dr. Emily Purvis, intern: Private practice, Asheville
Dr. Steve Shadwick, intern: Residency in internal medicine, Illinois

RESIDENTS

Dr. Beth Johnson, medicine resident: Clinical instructor, UTCVM
Dr. Elizabeth Kirzeder, dermatology resident: Clinical instructor, UTCVM
Dr. Nancy McLean, ophthalmology resident: Private practice, Albuquerque
Dr. Stephanie Schleis, oncology resident: Decision pending
Dr. Carlos Souza, surgery resident: Surgery faculty position, Missouri
Dr. Marcy Souza, avian/exotics resident: Public Health/Exotic Medicine faculty position, UTCVM
Dr. Jeff Wilson, anesthesia resident: Decision pending

Veterinary Technician Internship Program

The veterinary technician internship program is a rotating internship for graduate veterinary technicians through the Small Animal Teaching Hospital. It is designed to offer technicians the opportunity to increase knowledge and gain practical experience in an educational environment. Applicants to the internship must be graduates of AVMA-accredited veterinary technology programs.

Welcome to our incoming interns:

Heather Gear- Baker College of Flint, MI

Jennifer Nichiporuk- Murray State
Kayla Reger- North Dakota State
Talisha Soto- University of Puerto Rico.

Farewell to our departing interns:

Mary Perkins- Mixed animal practice in New York
Misty Vaughn- Lexington, KY
Ashley Williams- Mixed animal practice in Sulfur, OK
Rebecca Smith- Small animal intensive care unit at UTCVM.



Animals are such agreeable friends - they ask no questions, they pass no criticisms. - George Eliot

Clinical Projects

| Area | Study | Contact |
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| 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 |
| Nutrition | Body composition and caloric needs in extremely obese dogs (financial incentive for clients) | Dr. Claudia Kirk |
| Oncology | Identifying risk factors for the development of canine osteosarcoma | Dr. Jeffrey Phillips |
| 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 |
| Orthopedics | NSAID for cats with osteoarthritis | Dr. Darryl Millis |
| Physical Rehabilitation/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 Rehabilitation/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, http://www.collapsingtrachea.com | Drs. DJ Krahwinkel, Mark Bohling, or Patricia Sura |
| Soft tissue surgery | Silicone footpad implants in greyhounds with corns | Dr. Mark Bohling |
| 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 | 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 |