

Distinguished Speakers:

Mark Brady, DVM, DACVECC - Lunch & Learn

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Dr. Mark Brady received his DVM degree from Purdue University in 1995. The following year he completed a small animal internship at Michigan Veterinary Specialists in Southfield, MI. Dr. Brady spent the next eleven years working in the emergency and critical care department at a private specialty referral hospital in Overland Park, KS. He completed his emergency and critical care residency during this time in conjunction with the University of Missouri. Dr. Brady has been with Hill's Pet Nutrition Inc. since 2007 where he is currently the manager of the veterinary consultation service.

Sharon Center, DVM, DACVIM

James Law Professor of Medicine, Cornell University

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Dr. Sharon Center completed her veterinary training at the University of California at Davis, followed by a rotating Internship in Small Animals and an Internal Medicine Residency at Cornell University. She joined the veterinary faculty at Cornell in 1983 and is currently the James Law Professor of Internal Medicine. She co-manages the Internal Medicine Service, provides didactic lectures in the areas of hepatobiliary, hematologic, and urinary disease to 3rd and 4th year veterinary students, trains Small Animal Internal Medicine residents, and conducts focused research in the area of hepatobiliary disease. Current research involves better histopathologic characterization of feline and canine liver disorders, breed related hepatopathies, and identifying toxic and infectious causes of liver injury. She has a long-standing interest in feline metabolism and energy utilization, and in the syndrome of hepatic lipidosis. She has authored numerous research manuscripts, clinical papers, and book chapters regarding liver disease in dogs and cats and often provides national and international lectures on liver disorders. She has received the Norden Teaching Award 2012 and Outstanding Woman Veterinarian by the Association for Women Veterinarians Foundation and was recently named Distinguished Alumni of the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California at Davis.

Audrey Cook, BVM&S, MRCVS, DACVIM, DECVIM, DABVP (Feline)

Associate Professor in Small Animal Internal Medicine, Texas A&M University

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Dr. Audrey Cook graduated from the Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1989. The following year, she completed an Internship in Small Animal Medicine and Surgery at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine and then spent three years at the University of California at Davis College of Veterinary Medicine as a resident in Small Animal Internal Medicine. In 1994, she became a Diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine. In 1996, she achieved Diplomate status in the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine. From 1997 to 2007, Dr. Cook owned a specialty referral practice in Newport News, VA before joining the faculty at Texas A&M. In 2013, she became a Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners (Feline Practice). She is currently Associate Professor in Small Animal Internal Medicine, with particular interests in endocrinology and gastroenterology.

Robin Downing, DVM, CCVP, CCRP, DAAPM - Lunch & Learn

The Downing Center of Pain Management, Windsor, Colorado

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Dr. Robin Downing is Hospital Director of The Downing Center for Animal Pain Management, LLC. She is the recipient of many regional, national, and international awards. Dr. Downing is a Certified Veterinary Pain Practitioner, a Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist, a Certified Canine Rehabilitation Practitioner, a Tui Na practitioner (Chi Institute), and is certified in canine medical massage (CSU) and animal chiropractic (IVCA). She was the third veterinarian to earn the Diplomate credential in the American Academy of Pain Management and the first veterinarian to earn the designation Certified Pain Educator from the American Society of Pain Educators, a second human pain management credential.

Michael Lappin, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Professor of Small Animal Internal Medicine, Colorado State University

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After graduating from Oklahoma State University in 1981, Dr. Michael Lappin completed a rotating internship in Small Animal Medicine and Surgery at the University of Georgia. After 2 years in a small animal practice in Los Angeles, he returned to the University of Georgia where he completed a small animal internal medicine residency and a PhD in Parasitology. Dr. Lappin became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in 1987. He is currently Professor of Small Animal Internal Medicine at the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at Colorado State University. Dr. Lappin studies feline infectious and immune-mediated diseases and has written over 250 primary research manuscripts and book chapters. His principal areas of interest are prevention of infectious diseases, the upper respiratory disease complex, infectious causes of fever, infectious causes of diarrhea, and zoonoses of cats. Dr. Lappin is on the editorial board of Feline Medicine and Surgery and Compendium for Continuing Education for the Practicing Veterinarian and is the editor of the textbook, Feline Internal Medicine Secrets. Dr. Lappin has received the Beecham Research Award and the Norden Distinguished Teaching Award. Dr. Lappin is the Kenneth W. Smith Professor in Small Animal Clinical Veterinary Medicine at Colorado State University and is currently the Assistant Department Head for Research. Dr. Lappin is the director of the "Center for Companion Animal Studies." The Center supports clinical research for faculty and students and utilizes only naturally occurring models of disease or research animals that can be adopted. He was selected to receive the European Society of Feline Medicine International Award 2008 for Outstanding Contribution to Feline Medicine, the Winn Feline Research Award in 2009, and was named an Oklahoma State University Distinguished Professor in 2010.



Feline Gastroenterology and Endocrinology

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Distinguished Speakers:

Susan E. Little, DVM, PhD, DACVM-Parasit

Professor & Krull-Ewing Chair in Veterinary Parasitology, Oklahoma State University



Dr. Susan Little is Regents Professor of Parasitology and the Krull-Ewing Endowed Chair in Veterinary Parasitology at the Center for Veterinary Health Sciences, Oklahoma State University, where she is active in veterinary parasitology teaching and oversees a research program that focuses on zoonotic parasites and tick-borne diseases. She earned her BS from Cornell University, DVM from Virginia Tech, and PhD in veterinary parasitology from the University of Georgia, and is board certified in veterinary parasitology through the American College of Veterinary Microbiology. She is a past-president of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists, co-directs of the National Center for Veterinary Parasitology, and is President-elect of the Companion Animal Parasite Council. Dr. Little has authored more than 100 publications on veterinary and human parasites and tick-borne disease agents. She is also recognized as an outstanding teacher and has been awarded two, Excellence in Teaching Awards from the National Student American Veterinary Medical Association (SAVMA).

Heather Lynch, LVT

Tatum Point Animal Hospital, Phoenix, Arizona



Ms. Heather Lynch has been the Technical Director for Tatum Point Animal Hospital in Phoenix, AZ since 2009. Prior to this, she spent 14 years as the Supervising Technician in Internal Medicine at the VCA Emergency Animal Hospital and Referral Center in San Diego, CA. Ms. Lynch is a frequent speaker at national veterinary conferences and has authored numerous articles for professional journals. In 2009, she co-authored the pilot study validating the use of Detemir Insulin in dogs. In 2013, she co-authored the Home Monitoring chapter in the Veterinary Clinics of North America Feline Diabetes Volume, edited by Dr. Jacque Rand.

Gary Norsworthy, DVM, DABVP (Feline)

Alamo Feline Health Center, San Antonio, Texas



Dr. Gary Norsworthy has been in private practice for over 40 years. Of those 40 years, 25 were spent in small animal practice and 17 were in feline practice. He is the owner of Alamo Feline Health Center in San Antonio, TX. In addition to practice, he lectures frequently on feline diseases and is the editor and major author of six feline textbooks. The most recent being *The Feline Patient, 4th Edition*, which is being or has been translated into Spanish, Portuguese, Japanese, Italian, Chinese, and Korean, and *Nursing the Feline Patient*, the first American feline textbook for technicians. His practice hosts externs from veterinary schools across North America and internationally. He is a charter Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners in the Feline Practice Category and an Adjunct Professor at the College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University and the Western University of Health Sciences. He was chosen for the 2009 Practitioners of the Year Award in the Medical Specialist category by the Texas VMA.

Mark Peterson, DVM, DACVIM

Animal Endocrine Clinic, New York, New York



Dr. Mark Peterson graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1976, moved to New York City for an internship and medical residency at The Animal Medical Center (AMC), and then completed a post-doctoral fellowship in endocrinology and nuclear medicine at The New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center and the Animal Medical Center. Following his training, Dr. Peterson stayed on as head endocrinologist at the AMC for over 30 years. In 2009, Dr. Peterson opened the Animal Endocrine Clinic in New York City, a specialty referral hospital devoted exclusively to the diagnosis and treatment of dogs and cats with endocrine disease, where he now cares for his endocrine patients. Over the last 35 years, most of Dr. Peterson's clinical and research efforts have been directed toward advancing our understanding of endocrine disorders of the dog and cat, especially hyper- and hypothyroidism, diabetes mellitus, and adrenal disease. He has published more than 500 journal articles, book chapters, and research abstracts. With more than 500 lecture presentations to his credit, Dr. Peterson is a frequent speaker at veterinary colleges and scientific seminars both in the United States and abroad.

Paula Plummer, LVT, VTS (ECC, SAIM)

Veterinary Technician of Feline Internal Medicine, Texas A&M University

Ms. Paula Plummer has been at Texas A&M University since 2007, first working in the Small Animal ICU and then moving to the Feline Internal Medicine service in 2011. She graduated from Murray State College in Tishomingo, OK and has been a registered veterinary technician since 2000. In 2011, she received her veterinary technician specialty in emergency and critical care. Paula has spent most of her career in academia working in critical care or feline internal medicine teaching veterinary students tasks that will help them be better patient advocates when they graduate.



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Jane Robertson, DVM, DACVIM - Lunch & Learn IDEXX Laboratories

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Dr. Jane Robertson received her DVM from the Ontario Veterinary College at the University of Guelph in Canada in 1992. She worked in mixed-animal and small animal practice before completing a small animal internship at the same institution in 1994. Dr. Robertson completed her medicine residency at University of California, Davis, and became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in 1998. She practiced in a busy referral hospital before joining IDEXX as a Medicine Consultant in 2000. Dr. Robertson is currently Director of Internal Medicine for IDEXX Laboratories. She enjoys speaking about kidney disease, endocrinology, pancreatitis, and the clinical utility of real-time PCR.

Catharine Scott-Moncrieff, VET MB, MA, MS, DACVIM, DECVIM Professor of Small Animal Internal Medicine, Purdue University

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Dr. Catharine Scott-Moncrieff received her Master of Arts and Vet MB (Veterinary Medicine) degrees 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 Director of International Programs. She is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (small animal), the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (companion animal), and has a diploma in Small Animal Medicine from the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. She is the author or co-author of over 60 peer reviewed publications, 20 book chapters, and has lectured extensively both nationally and internationally. Her clinical and research interests include clinical endocrinology and immune mediated hematologic disorders.

Kenneth Simpson, BVM&S, PhD, DACVIM, DECVIM Professor of Small Animal Medicine, Cornell University

Dr. Kenneth Simpson graduated from Edinburgh in 1984 and gained a PhD in Gastroenterology at the University of Leicester in 1988. Dr. Simpson hopped the pond for an internship at the University of Pennsylvania in 1989 and a medicine residency at the Ohio State University in 1991, then hopped back to the UK as a lecturer at the other Royal Veterinary College. He fled the hostile climes of Londinium in 1995 to join the faculty at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. He is a Diplomate of the American and European Colleges of Veterinary Internal Medicine. He is a recipient of the National Phi Zeta and Pfizer awards for research, the BSAVA Bourgelat Award for outstanding contributions to the field of small animal practice, and the AVMF/AKC Career Achievement Award in Canine Research. He is a past president of the Comparative Gastroenterology Society. His research interests are centered below the diaphragm, with a focus on inflammatory diseases of the GI tract (including the pancreas and liver), host bacterial interactions in health and disease, and culture independent bacteriology.

Craig Webb, DVM, PhD, DACVIM Associate Professor & Head of Small Animal Medicine Section, Colorado State University

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Dr. Craig Webb is currently an Associate Professor in the Clinical Sciences Department at the Colorado State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital, where he is head of the Small Animal Medicine Section. Dr. Webb received his PhD in Neuroscience prior to completing his DVM degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Dr. Webb completed his internship at Alameda East in Denver, CO, spent a year in private practice, and then went on to complete his Small Animal Residency at Colorado State University where he has been ever since. He is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and specializes in Clinical Gastroenterology. Along with Drs. David Twedt and Eric Monnet, Dr. Webb is an integral part of CSU CE courses in both Flexible Endoscopy and Laparoscopic Techniques. Dr. Webb presents annually at the ACVIM Convention and lectures throughout the United States and Europe on current topics in Small Animal Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Webb's research interests include stem cell therapy, antioxidants, and figuring out how to best educate veterinary students.