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Further pictures from the  
Congress and social events  
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## Vet News Flash • Vet News Flash • Vet News Flash

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- Mississippi Friends-of-Animals project establishes safe chemical castration of puppies to fight over population



- Unique film material released by German Society of Biotechnological Research shows for first time immune cells "at work"
- Toxic-shock-like-syndrome might be an under diagnosed cause of death in young kittens
- Long-term study shows: glossectomy in dogs does not necessarily mean major decrease in function and life quality

- Size of pituitary gland tumors influences neurological symptoms in dogs with Morbus Cushing Syndrome
- Randomized double-blind trial evaluates steroid sparing effect of essential fatty acid supplementation in 60 dogs with atopic dermatitis



- Two quick tests for bird flu diagnosis recently developed by the Health Protection Agency

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- Propofol: repeated administration has no apparent cumulative side effects

- Lens surgery in dogs: surgical contamination of the anterior chamber is a common occurrence



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## The Keiper's WATER-WALKER® (Underwater Treadmill) for Physical Therapy of Dogs

WATER-WALKER® makes it possible for an animal to exercise muscles, tendons, ligaments and joints of limbs following injuries and / or surgery. The buoyancy of the water removes much of the pressure from the painful limbs.

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When dogs are using the underwater treadmill, they are able to work on many things at one time. Their gait is often exaggerated, new muscle groups are engaged, extra balance is required on the treadmill, they are able to bear weight on guarded limbs better, and the treadmill compliments both neuromuscular re-education and agility. The viscosity of the water creates resistance to the muscles, resulting in a great strength and endurance workout.



The Keiper's WATER-WALKER® was distinguished with the Innovation Award 2004.

Its ergonomic and innovative design combined with low maintenance and safety was developed in cooperation with animal physiotherapists and veterinarians, and is recommended by small animal hospitals all over Europe.

Ample accessories can be added, like reverse energy flow with an underwater massager. This makes the WATER-WALKER® an indispensable training equipment for recovery as well as for wellness and performance training.



### Advantages of the WATER-WALKER®:

- faster recovery time after surgery
- wellness and fat-burning
- exercise therapy to build muscle strength
- treatment of temporary paralysis
- improving performance in sport dogs
- compensation for lack of exercise
- water massage above or under water

Further information, case studies and references under [www.water-walker.de](http://www.water-walker.de)

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## Excellence in Veterinary Practice



The European School for Advanced Veterinary Studies (ESAVS) is very glad to announce the new species-oriented training programme in Small Animal Practice.

The full programme covers all major issues and is based on a systematic approach to all organ systems, diseases and techniques according to their frequency and importance to daily veterinary practice.

The complete cycle is a 4-year training programme consisting of 8 courses of 5 days

each (2 per year at half year intervals) plus distance learning in between. Each course is a unit by itself and can be booked independently. Part I of this training programme "Excellence in Veterinary Practice I" will cover skin problems and neural disorders and it will take place in Palma de Mallorca (E), October 2005.

Course master: Prof. **Dr. Marc Vandeveld** (CH)  
**Dr. Dr. h.c. Hans-Joachim Koch** (D)  
Co-Lecturers: **Prof. Dr. Andre Jaggy** (CH)  
**Prof. Dr. Richard Halliwell** (UK)

Tuition fee 990.00 €

[www.esavs.org](http://www.esavs.org)



# WHAT'S UP DOC?

HOW TO TRACK DOWN ADVANCES IN MEDICAL CARE? HOW CAN YOU RELIABLY COMBAT INFECTIONS? HOW DO YOU SEE THROUGH THE HAZE OF INCONCLUSIVE CLINICAL FINDINGS?

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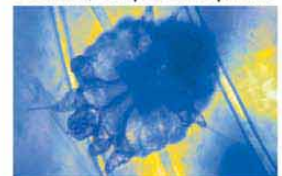
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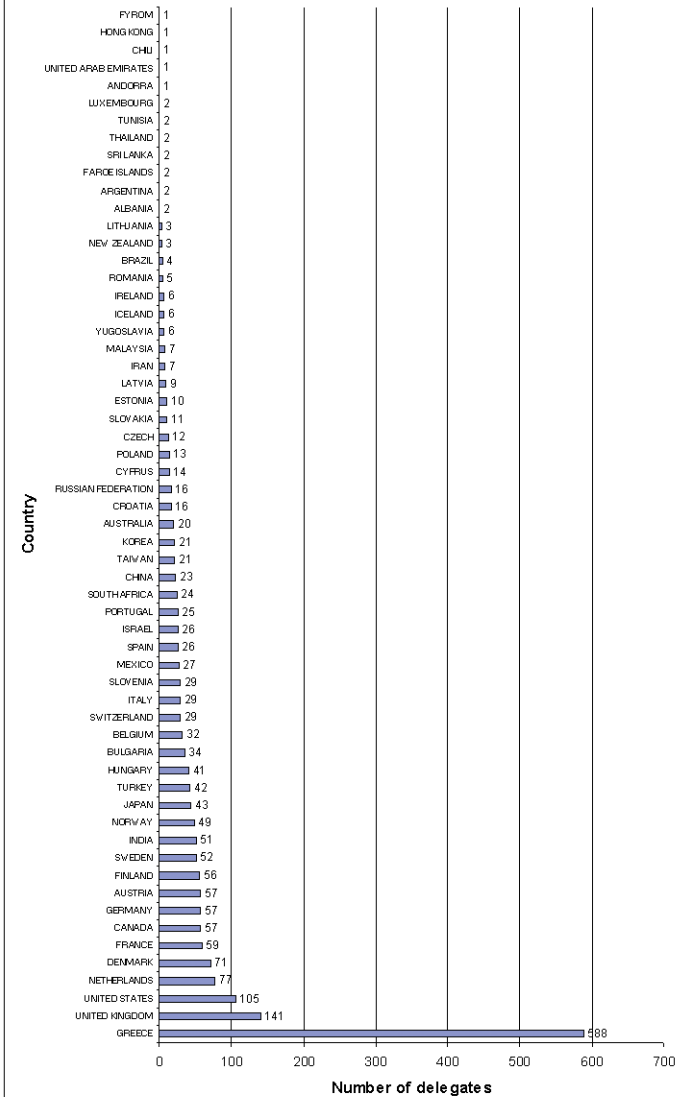
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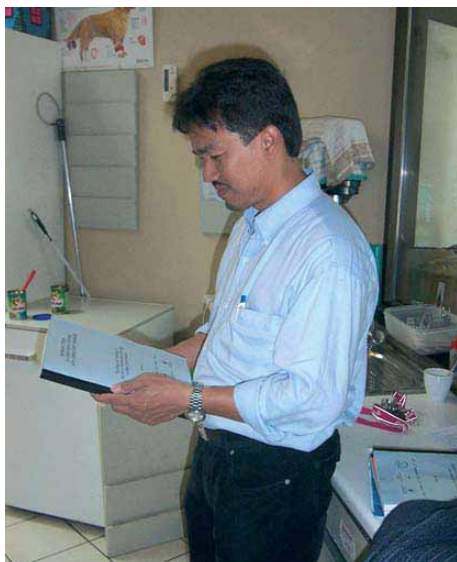
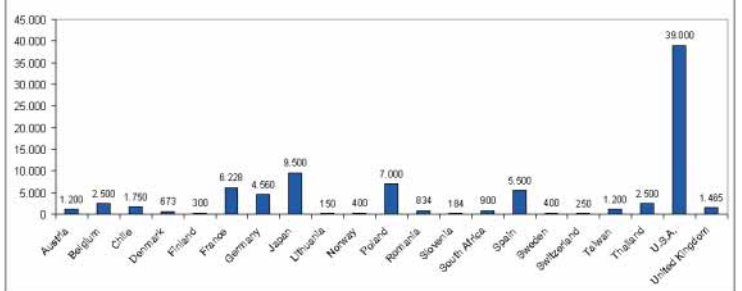
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## Small Animal Practitioners

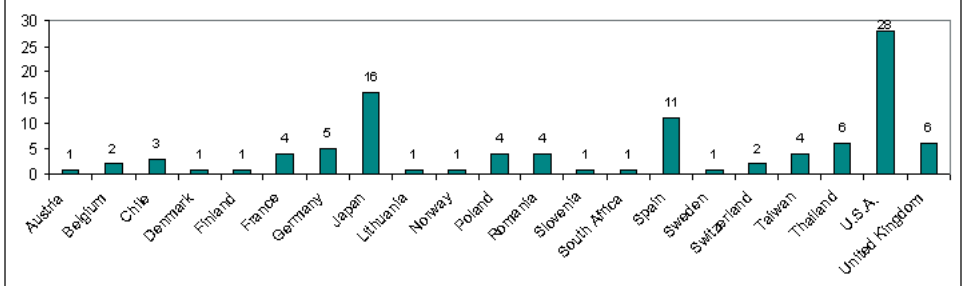
Demographic statistics concerning the WSAVA/FECACAHVMS 2004 Congress delegates  
Total number of the delegates 2.079



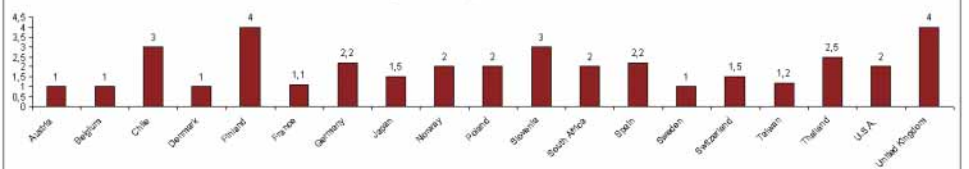
Number of Small Animal Practitioners



Number of Veterinary Schools

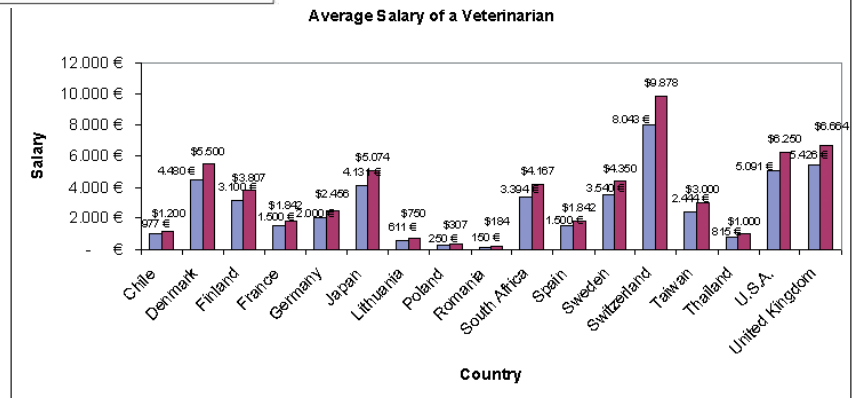
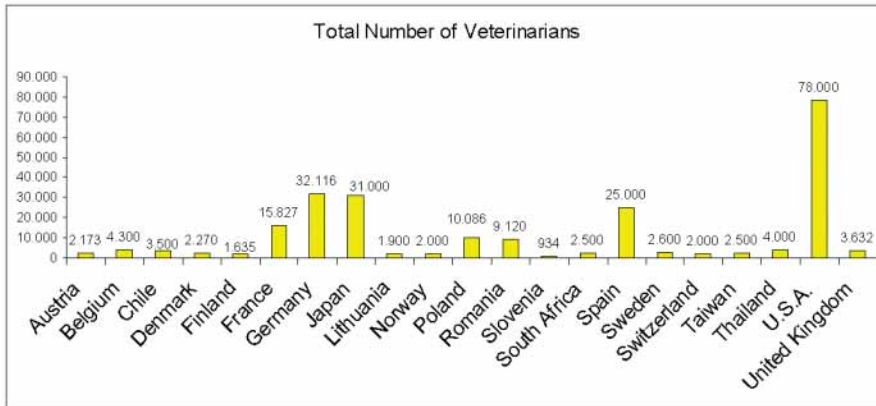


Average Number of Employed Veterinarians in a Practice



# The Future of Veterinary Practice: Veterinary Specialisation

Marc Vandeveldde

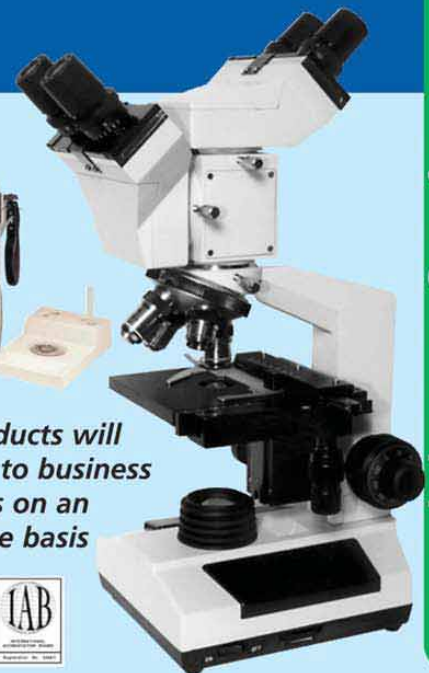


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## Exhibition News



### Ground Breaking Research presented at the 9th Iams Clinical Nutrition Symposium

Over 200 veterinarians from over 20 countries joined The Iams Company for the 9th Iams Clinical Nutrition Symposium (ICNS) held prior to the WSAVA Congress. Presentations from scientists from the Iams R&D group together with renowned independent veterinary and medical experts from around the world discussed the latest scientific knowledge concerning managing puppy and kitten growth for a healthy adulthood.



Speakers included Dr Gail Smith from the University of Pennsylvania presenting on how veterinarians can help reduce hip dysplasia in dogs, Dr David Spreng from the University of Bern who covered the intensive care of the neonate, Dr Jacquie Rand of University of Queensland who looked at the role of genes, nutrition and the environment on canine and feline diabetes mellitus and Dr Stan Marks of University of California, Davis on managing gastrointestinal conditions in the young dog and cat. This symposium provided an opportunity for both researchers and clinicians to get together to share the most recent knowledge, and offered hands on practical information for the participating veterinarian.

One of the highlights of the conference was the presentation of the first ever study to examine the benefit of DHA (docosahexaenoic acid) to puppies. Praised as a wonder nutrient linked to human infant brain development, the Iams Company has shown that puppies nourished with high levels of dietary DHA are smarter and more trainable. Results showed that puppies fed enhanced levels of DHA both pre- and post-weaning were consistently twice as successful at picking up cognitive training shapes as those fed lower levels of DHA. The fact that food may be able to address issues of training and potential anti-social puppy behaviour is a breakthrough development, well received by veterinarians and animal behaviourists.

This exciting new research, together with the full presentations from the latest Iams Clinical Nutrition Symposium can be found in a downloadable format at [www.eukanuba-scienceonline.com](http://www.eukanuba-scienceonline.com).

### IAMS provides you with a FREE Health Test



Check your weights, body mass index, body fat content, blood pressure and heart rate at the Interactive Health Centre



### FECAVA • Iams • Book Aid

This project is sponsored by FECAVA (the European Small Animal Veterinary Association) and The Iams Company, manufacturer of Eukanuba Veterinary Diets, and Eukanuba and Iams premium dog and cat nutrition

### European vets unite donate generously

Thanks to the enormous generosity of veterinarians from around the world, including Europe, North America and New Zealand, the IAMS – FECAVA – Book Aid Project will be able to offer over 500 medical and surgical textbooks to YASAP – The Yugoslav Association of Small Animal Practitioners, the recipient of the project in 2004.

Sponsored by The Iams Company and FECAVA, the objective of this on-going programme is to support veterinary universities and organisations in countries suffering difficult circumstances by collecting veterinary medical and surgical textbooks written in English or German. The basis of this project is that veterinarians can easily help both colleagues and students in need of valuable textbooks, by donating earlier editions of their books when replacing them. By supporting libraries with these indispensable sources of information they become available to many students and veterinarians.

Veterinarians wishing to support this worthy cause can hand their books to Iams representatives at both national and international veterinary congresses. As a thank you for their support, all donating vets will be entered into an annual prize draw to win the latest state-of-the-art digital camera and one year's worth of Eukanuba or Iams super premium nutrition for their pet. The runner up will receive one year's worth of Eukanuba or Iams. In addition FECAVA is providing both the winner and runner up free registration to a FECAVA Congress.

More information on this programme can be obtained from local Iams representatives or by e-mailing [IamsTDProject.im@pg.com](mailto:IamsTDProject.im@pg.com)



Photo: book collection at 5th World Congress of Veterinary Dermatology in Vienna, August 2004



## WELCOME TO MÉXICO CITY!!

These are the words you will hear the most during May 11-14 2005, when the 30th WSAVA World Congress is celebrated in Mexico City. We will greet you with open arms!

It was back in 1971 when a WSAVA World Congress was celebrated in México. That's a long time! Now, the members of AMMVEPE (Mexican Small Animal Veterinary Association), along with our Mexico City authorities, anticipate the pleasure to host you again, and are working hard now to guarantee a successful WSAVA MÉXICO 2005.



The scientific program will cover all specialties of Veterinary Medicine applied to small animals, as the most advanced investigation works by 2005. We have invited over 120 recognized speakers to guarantee the highest level of the event. The participation of International specialized Associations will add relevance to our Congress. All sessions will have English-Spanish simultaneous translation services by highly professional, technical translators.

The venue of our Congress will be the new Banamex Expo and Convention Center the newest, largest and most functional Congress Center in Latin America. As an added feature, the Convention Center forms part of the famous Las Americas Race Track and feature, the Convention Center forms part of the famous Las Americas Race Track and we will of course enjoy a WSAVA 2005 Derby!

Our social program will prove to be most attractive, as well as the program for accompanying persons. There will be great opportunities to meet and make new friends, to see the many cultural and historical sites of México City to enjoy our folklore and cuisine. Our pre-and post-Congress Tours will offer the possibility to see ancient ruins, colonial towns, and relax on any of our world famous beach resorts.



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51<sup>st</sup> World Small Animal Veterinary Congress  
12<sup>th</sup> European Congress  
14<sup>th</sup> Czech Small Animal Veterinary Association Congress

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### City of Prague

PRAGUE - the capital of the Czech Republic situated on the both banks of Vltava River, is a beautiful city with a rich history. Thanks to its location in the centre of Europe, Prague has been an important crossroad of trade and culture for many centuries. During its thousand years history, Prague was always a political, cultural, and business centre of the country. Prague is also called a "Golden City" or a "City of Hundred Towers" and belongs to the group of architecturally unique European towns, attractive for tourists from the whole world.

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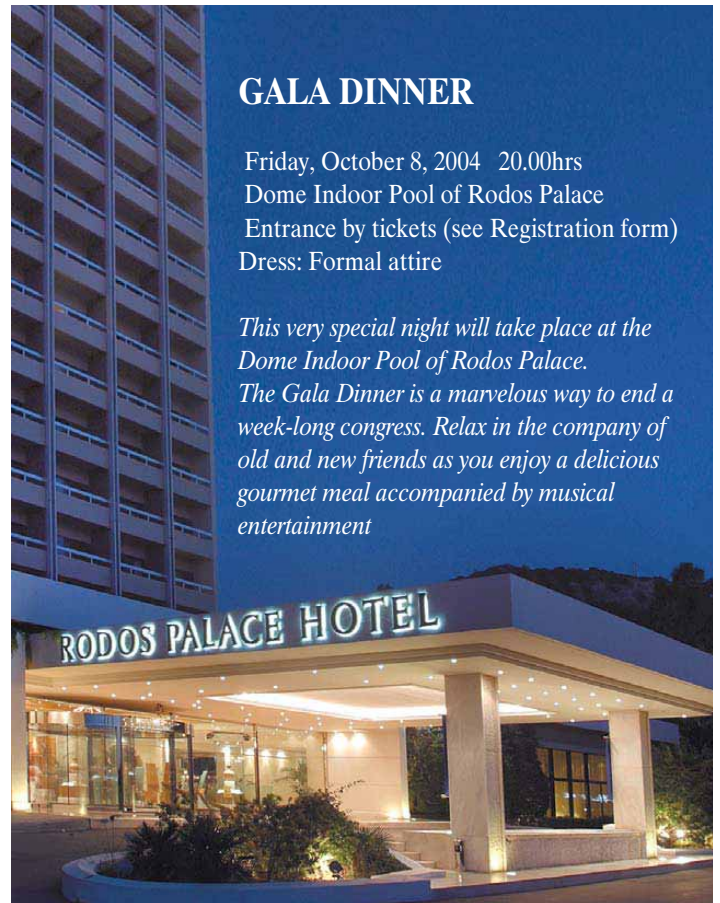
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## GALA DINNER

Friday, October 8, 2004 20.00hrs  
Dome Indoor Pool of Rodos Palace  
Entrance by tickets (see Registration form)  
Dress: Formal attire

*This very special night will take place at the Dome Indoor Pool of Rodos Palace. The Gala Dinner is a marvelous way to end a week-long congress. Relax in the company of old and new friends as you enjoy a delicious gourmet meal accompanied by musical entertainment*



## Sharing the same passion for cats and dogs with Veterinarians

Offer "the best of both worlds"



Health / Nutrition, Knowledge and Respect of the pet. Permanent Innovation.

- 1 Veterinarians & Royal Canin people are the same**

  - » They feel real Respect for pets
  - » They are dog and cat experts
  - » They are both Passionate and Rational, because they share the same objective: **"Improving the Health and longevity of dogs and cats"**
- 2 Create "a Great Alliance"**

Be an ethical partner of the vet world.

  - » Create new territories for Health improvement
    - Prevention
    - Associated Risks
    - Innovation
  - » Offer specific, precise and dedicated ranges **Develop Health Nutrition with vets.**
- 3 Develop a new vision of Health and Nutrition**

Help vets to give better and more precise answers to the needs of pets visiting their clinics.

  - » Sick Pets "Veterinary Diet" segment
  - » Pets at risk "Vet Early Care" segment
  - » Healthy Pets "Vet Nutrition" segment
- 4 Offer real Difference**

  - » For better answers to pet needs
  - » For Client loyalty and activity development
  - » Create value for Pets, Pet-Owners & Vets **Develop the size of the market, rather than trying to conquer the competition's market share.**
- 5 Strengthen the vet's role**

  - » Reinforce scientific and medical status
  - » Provide services with real added value
  - » Avoid reducing influence
  - » Avoid «gimmick - innovations» (lack of scientific credibility)

**Give the prescription of petfood by vets a new role.**
- 6 Apply a rule written 2450 years ago**

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