Want to gain the special skills required for those tricky feline patients?

An unwell cat poses many unique challenges to the small animal practitioner and the difference between managing canine and feline patients (in both the art and the science of veterinary medicine) is well recognised.

This course is designed to reinforce, deepen and broaden your knowledge of feline medicine in a practical, interactive and enjoyable way. In addition, it will provide you with valuable information to make your practice more ‘feline friendly’.

**Past Participant**

I have thoroughly enjoyed the CVE Feline Medicine course. The course content, listserv and assignments have helped me to become a better vet. The tutors were fantastic and very encouraging. As a sole practice vet, I found this course exactly what I needed. This course was not just for vets in state of the art referral centres but catered for vets working in small clinics with very little diagnostic equipment.

Orla Fitzpatrick, Auckland NZ
About the course

Learning outcomes

- Review the epidemiology, pathophysiology, diagnosis and treatment of common feline disease.
- Expand your knowledge on unusual feline conditions.
- Increased confidence in handling feline patients gained through a range of practical advice.
- Review important developments in feline medicine.
- Ability to understand key differences when dealing with certain disease conditions in cats versus dogs.
- Understand the pathophysiological responses of cats and gain the special skills needed to confidently treat your tricky feline patients.

Modules

1. Dermatology
2. Cardiology
3. Endocrinology
4. Respiratory disease
5. Gastroenterology
6. Urinary tract disease
7. Neurology
8. Oncology
9. Haematology
10. Infectious diseases

Workshop/s

Round off the course and see real cases that will help you put into practice the knowledge you have gained.

About the tutors

Carolyn O’Brien
BVSc (Hons), MVetClinStud, FANZCVS

Carolyn O’Brien is a Registered Specialist in Feline Medicine. After graduating from the University of Melbourne (1994) she worked in private practice both in Melbourne and the UK for five years. Carolyn completed a residency in Small Animal Medicine at the University of Sydney in 2003 and concurrently obtained a Masters in Veterinary Clinical Studies in the epidemiology and treatment of cryptococcosis in cats and dogs. She stayed at the University of Sydney as a Senior Registrar until moving back to Melbourne in 2004 to prepare for the Fellowship of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists examinations in Feline Medicine. Having successfully gained her fellowship qualification, she commenced referral practice in Melbourne, from the Veterinary Referral Hospital in Hallam and then from the University of Melbourne, as well as becoming a partner in a private feline-only clinic in Prahran. She is currently in the final stages of her PhD project, is a senior tutor for the Feline Medicine Distance Education course and has a busy family life with two children. Carolyn is interested in all aspects of feline medicine, particularly in infectious diseases and clinical microbiology. She also has a strong interest in the theoretical underpinnings of effective adult learning and professional development. Carolyn is one of the tutors of the CVE/ISFM feline medicine DE course.

Katherine Briscoe
BVSc (Hons I), MVetStud, FANZCVS

Katherine Briscoe graduated from the University of Sydney in 2003, graduating with first class honours and the University Medal. Kath worked in private small animal practice in Sydney and the UK for three years. In 2006, Kath completed her internship in small animal medicine at the University Veterinary Teaching Hospital, Sydney after which she completed her Fellowship training program in feline medicine. In 2008,
Kath attained membership of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists in feline medicine. During her residency, Kath completed a research project on the pathology of feline low grade alimentary lymphoma and inflammatory bowel disease. Kath has a keen interest in all aspects of canine and feline medicine, and is also passionate about providing continuing education for veterinary practitioners. After 5 years at the University of Sydney, Kath joined the team at the Animal Referral Hospital, Sydney where she continues to work. Kath passed her Fellowship examinations in June 2012 and is currently President of the Feline Chapter of ANZCVS.

**Keshuan Chow**  
**BVSc (Hons II), MACVSc (Eq. Med.), PhD, FACVSc (Eq. Reprod.)**  
Keshuan graduated from the University of Melbourne and spent the first few years of her career in small animal general practice, both in Melbourne and in the UK. Upon return to Australia, Keshe embarked on a one year rotating internship at the University of Sydney, followed by the completion of a residency in feline medicine. Keshe has spent the past few years back in her hometown of Melbourne working in private cat-only clinic and completing a Masters degree focusing on feline hyperthyroidism. She is currently preparing for Feline Medicine Fellowship examinations, and plans to sit these in 2016.

**Rachel Korman**  
**BVSc, GPCertFelP, MACVS, MRCVS**  
After graduating from the University of Queensland in 2000, Rachel worked in small animal practice in both Australia and the United Kingdom and received a “Cynthia Award” by the Feline Advisory Bureau for her dedication to cats. Rachel completed three years as the Feline Advisory Bureau Senior Clinical Training Scholar at the University of Bristol. She is a member of the Feline Expert Panel, a reviewer for the Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery, and a contributing author to the British Small Animal Veterinary Association Manual of Feline Practice. Her research into acute phase proteins in feline infection won the best clinical research abstract presentation at the BSAVA Congress in 2011. Rachel now runs the Feline Friendly Practice at Veterinary Specialist Services in Brisbane, Australia.

**Wayne Mizon**  
**BVSc, MANZCVS (Small Animal Med., Feline Med.)**  
Wayne graduated from the University of Sydney in 1983 and spent 27 years in mixed practice in Singleton and Bega, NSW where he developed a broad a skill base. Over the years his focus slowly changed to small animals, with Wayne obtaining Membership in Small Animal Medicine in 1998, and completing the CVE Distance Education Course with Dr Russell Mitten in 1999. This spurred a succession of DE Courses starting in 2007 with the completion of Internal Medicine Keys to Understanding, Feline Medicine, Diagnostic Imaging and Sonology. In 2010 he moved to Canberra to work exclusively in small animal practice, where he continued developing his skills in ultrasonography and has a keen interest in feline and oncological cases.

**Richard Malik**  
**DVSc, DipVetAn, MVetClinStud, PhD, FACVSc, FASM**  
Richard Malik graduated from the University of Sydney in 1981 and spent his first year training in anaesthesia and intensive care at Sydney University Veterinary Teaching Hospital. This was followed by a PhD in the Department of Pharmacology at the John Curtin School of Medical Research (ANU). Dr Malik then moved to the Neurobiology Research Centre at the University of Sydney studying the development of neuromuscular connections. In 1987 he returned to the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences as its first Resident in Small Animal Medicine. He remained in the vet school for 16 years in varying capacities and was the Valentine Charlton Senior Lecturer in Feline Medicine from 1995 to 2002. Richard works as a consultant for the Centre for Veterinary Education, various private clinics in the eastern suburbs of Sydney and also for the RSPCA. He is also involved in a large number of collaborative research projects in both pure and applied research. He is passionate about all aspects of feline medicine, and has a special focus on treating common diseases using new therapeutic regimens. He also has a farm, with many pets including horses, sheep, goats and alpacas. Richard is an Adjunct Professor of Small Animal Medicine at Charles Sturt University.
Elise Robertson
BS, BVetMed, MANZCVSc (Feline), DipAVBP (Feline), MACVS

Elise graduated from the Colorado State University with a BSc in biological sciences/anatomy and neurophysiology, and relocated to the UK in 1998 to study veterinary medicine at the Royal Veterinary College, University of London. She graduated with honours in 2003 and instead of moving back to the USA, she ended up staying permanently in the UK. She focused her clinical work and studies on feline medicine, was awarded Membership of the ANZCVSc in feline medicine in 2008, and later Diplomate status of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners (AVBP) in 2012. She is currently working towards the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) Recognised Specialist status in Feline Medicine. She operates a visiting feline referral and endoscopy service for those in first opinion practice in SE England. Her professional interests include medical endoscopy and endosurgery (laparoscopy). She has received formal training from both veterinary and human consultant surgeons in the USA, Germany, France and the UK. In her spare time she enjoys playing the cello, travelling, running events (10K and half marathons) and triathlon. Elise is one of the tutors of the CVE/ISFM feline medicine DE course.

Sarah Caney
BVSc, PhD, DSAM (Feline), MRCVS

Sarah Caney is a 1993 graduate of the University of Bristol where she completed her residency in feline medicine and PhD. She is an RCVS Specialist in Feline Medicine and enjoys seeing a mixture of first opinion and referral feline patients. Sarah has a particular interest in feline geriatrics and is conducting a number of research studies in this aspect of feline medicine. She has written several books for cat owners and veterinary professionals published by her company Cat Professional. Sarah has been a key member of the tutoring team in the CVE/ISFM feline medicine DE course.

Samantha Taylor
BVetMed (Hons), CertSAM, DipECVIM-CA, MRCVS

Sam Taylor graduated from the Royal Vet College in 2002 and completed internships in private referral practice before starting a Feline Advisory Bureau Residency at Bristol University. She was awarded the RCVS Certificate in Small Animal Medicine in 2006 and the European Diploma in 2009. In 2010 she became an RCVS Specialist in Feline Medicine. She currently works for the Feline Advisory Bureau (International Cat Care), specifically involved in distance learning and nursing education. She is an editorial board member for The Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery and her recent research interests include feline lymphoma. She is also passionate about improving cat handling in practice and care of senior cats. Her spare time is taken up protecting her two cats from her toddler’s attention! Sam is a tutor in the CVE/ISFM Feline Medicine DE course.

Nicki Reed
BVM&S, Cert VR, DSAM (Feline) DipECVIM-CA

Nicki graduated from the University of Edinburgh, and after several years in general practice she returned to The University of Edinburgh, initially running the First Opinion Clinic, before undertaking a residency in Internal Medicine sponsored by the Feline Advisory Bureau (now ISFM). Nicki subsequently became a Lecturer and then Senior Lecturer in Internal Medicine, and was Head of The Feline Clinic for 3 years. She recently left Edinburgh to head down South to England with her two British Shorthair cats (Will and Grace) to take up a clinical post at Lumbry Park Veterinary Specialists in Hampshire. Nicki is a RCVS Recognised Specialist in Feline Medicine and a European Veterinary Specialist in Internal Medicine, and has numerous feline publications.

Andy Sparkes
BVetMed, PhD, DipECVIM, MANZCVS, MRCVS
Course ambassador

Andy Sparkes graduated from the Royal Veterinary College (University of London) in 1983. In 1987 he joined the University of Bristol as an intern in feline medicine where he remained in various clinical, research and teaching positions and was ultimately appointed as Senior Lecturer in Feline Medicine. In 2000, Andy joined the Animal Health Trust in the UK, and then in 2012 he was appointed as the Veterinary Director of International Cat Care and International Society of Feline Medicine. He has published widely in the field of feline medicine, is a Diplomate of the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and is the founding and current co-editor of the Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery.
Susan Little
DVM, DABVP

Susan Little received her BSc from Dalhousie University (Nova Scotia, Canada) and her DVM from the Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph. She has been in feline practice since 1990 and achieved board certification in Feline Practice in 1997. She is part owner of two feline specialty practices in Ottawa, Canada. She is president of the American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP) and is a feline medicine consultant for the Veterinary Information Network. She is a peer reviewer for the Canadian Veterinary Journal and the Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery as well as the author of many journal articles. She is the editor and co-author of ‘The Cat – Clinical Medicine and Management’ (Elsevier, 2012) and the editor of ‘August’s Consultations in Feline Internal Medicine, Volume 7 (Elsevier, 2015).

Jessica Quimby
BA, DVM, DACVIM, PhD

Jessica Quimby received her veterinary degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2003 and completed a small animal rotating internship in Sacramento, CA. She subsequently spent two years in feline exclusive private practice in Grand Rapids, Michigan before moving to Colorado State University. Wanting to learn more about medicine and advance the state of medical knowledge for cats, Jessica completed a combined small animal internal medicine residency and PhD program. In 2012, she completed her PhD entitled “Feline Chronic Kidney Disease: Novel Approaches to Etiology, Specific Therapy and Supportive Care”. Dr Quimby is now a faculty member at Colorado State University. Her research continues to focus on chronic kidney disease in cats. She has an interest in clinical trials and clinical pharmacology which is aimed at improving supportive care and quality of life in cats with chronic kidney disease. Jessica is one of the tutors of the CVE/ISFM feline medicine DE course.

Mike Lappin
DVM, PhD (Parasitology), DACVIM (Internal Med.)
Course ambassador

After graduating from Oklahoma State University in 1981, Dr Lappin completed a rotating internship in small animal medicine and surgery at the University of Georgia. After two years in small animal practice in Los Angeles, Dr Lappin returned to the University of Georgia where he completed a small animal internal medicine residency and a PhD in Parasitology. Dr Lappin was board certified by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in 1987. He is currently an Associate Professor of Small Animal Internal Medicine at the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at Colorado State University and directs the Toxoplasma gondii Serology Laboratory. He has had multiple research grants funded and is the author of more than a hundred research papers and book chapters. Dr Lappin is an associate editor for the Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine and the Compendium for Continuing Education for the Practicing Veterinarian. 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. Dr Lappin was selected to receive the Robert W. Kirk Award for Professional Excellence by the ACVIM in 2014.
Registration

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Course fees

Super early bird – expires 30 June, 2016
- CVE/ISFM Members* AU$5,685
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- Non-members AU$5,985

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- CVE/ISFM Members* AU$5,970
- AAFP Members AU$5,657
- Non-members AU$6,285

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- Non-members AU$6,485

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