International conference for
Companion animals – Horses – Farm animals

November 24, 25 and 26 2016
The Netherlands
Programme

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Innovative Veterinary Medicine

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Dear colleagues,

We gave our conference a new name: Innovative Veterinary Medicine instead of Complementary Veterinary Medicine. It appears that the notion ‘complementary’ officially stands for therapies such as acupuncture and homeopathy. In those therapies the individual holistic approach to the patient is leading. Therefore, we will find new developments in ‘old’ complementary innovative therapies mainly applied in veterinary medicine for companion animals and horses. Veterinary medicine in intensive farming is mostly group-oriented; there we will find a lot of new developments of non-complementary innovative therapies.

The mandatory antibiotic reduction as a result of the bacterial antibiotic resistance issue hit a big hole in the “health care package” of the intensive farming vet. With the subsequent explosion of innovations even herbs came into the picture. For scientific research a lot of money is needed. But that money is only limited available. There is money available if scientific research serves a social and/or commercial interest of sufficient size. The mandatory antibiotic reduction a social and commercial interest of sufficient size was born! Our government currently funds scientific research on herbs for veterinary application. And there are a lot more innovating veterinary scientific research activities on the field of intensive farming and organic farming which appear to be of great benefit both economically and in the very interest of animal and human welfare.

In veterinary medicine for companion animals and horses the demand for health care is also much greater than conventional veterinary medicine can meet. Through the limitation due to lack of funds for scientific research we simply cannot do without experience based veterinary medicine (ExBVM) in daily practice. Scientifically trained vets are obliged to their class to look for and better opportunities for their patients. And then the step to the ‘old’ complementary therapies is a logical one. Of those good and especially critical educated vets you may expect them to integrate complementary and other innovative therapies into their practice on a professional manner and that they have their well calibrated ‘bullshit detector’ shift on continuously! Repeating the same successful treatments for different patients by different veterinarians independently of each other can also be seen as (empirical) evidence.

In any case, this kind of empirical evidence is sufficient to give similar patients the opportunity to take advantage of these treatment opportunities for the time being. This empirical evidence is also sufficient to serve as a hypothesis for further scientific substantiation. This empirical evidence gives us sufficient motivation to do basic scientific research on “new” paradigms that underlie remarkable clinical experiences with ‘remarkable’ complementary treatments.

So, please don’t forget to write down this unique Conference for Innovative Veterinary Medicine in your agenda of 2016, November 24 (pre-conference seminar on herbs for companion animals), 25 and 26! Welcome at your conference!

Drs. Atjo Westerhuis DVM, on behalf of the IVM programme committee

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Program committee
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*SCvD = Dutch Group for Complementary Veterinary Medicine. IAVH = International Association for Veterinary Homeopathy

Target audience
All veterinarians working with companion animals, horses and/or farm animals; there are three separate programmes, so you can create your own program for different species. Veterinarians are welcomed to join who have little or a lot of experience with applying one or more of the innovative therapies. The conference is also understandable for a ‘starter’, as it includes motivating case histories and background information.

Language
Official language of the conference is English.

International speakers
42 lectures: 20 for companion animals incl. 6 lectures of the pre-conference seminar on herbs on November 24; 11 for horses and 11 for farm animals. 24 very experienced international speakers from Australia, Austria, Denmark, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Taiwan/USA and United Kingdom.

Pre-Conference Seminar
There will be a pre-conference seminar on herbs for companion animals on November 24, 2016; taught by dr. Barbara Fougere DVM from Australia.

Stay and travel etc.
1. Hotel Veenendaal - Van der Valk **** | Bastion 73 | Veenendaal | www.hotelveenendaal.com | Conference Hotel or Boshotel Overberg **** | Oirschotseweg 63b | Oirschot | www.boshoteloverberg.nl | shuttle service will be provided to the Conference Hotel.

Based on availability EduPet can book a hotel room for you. Please send in your request by e-mail to info@edupet.nl Special room rates:
Hotel Veenendaal - Van der Valk and Boshotel Overberg

EduPet does not guarantee a late room cancellation or no-show.

Your experience will be far more relaxing when you can sleep under the same room as your conference. EduPet Education therefore has a number of rooms on option for conference participants. Van der Valk Hotels are very popular and November is a busy month, so please book in time.

Public transport
Train from Amsterdam (airport) to Veenendaal – de Klomp. This train station is on walking distance (5 min.) from the conference hotel: Hotel Veenendaal – Van der Valk. Follow the signs. For the timetable you can look at www.9292.nl for details or send an e-mail to info@edupet.nl and we will be happy to help you.

Vet's night
On Friday night November 25, 2016, 19:30 – 23:30, we are organizing a Vet’s Night in the Hotel Veenendaal – Van der Valk.

Whilst enjoying drinks and dinner (4-course dinner including drinks), the conference participants will informally have the opportunity to meet each other and the speakers, strengthen contacts, exchange knowledge etc. The conference organization, including the chairs will also participate in the Vet’s Night. The dinner is also open to exhibitors from companies and educational institutes. There will be entertainment with music and singing. The Vet’s Night costs € 65,00 incl. VAT p.p.
Tourist information
You can get tourist information at the front desk of Hotel Veenendaal - Van der Valk (conference venue) and on their website.
See under ‘Conference venue’. You can also contact the VVV tourist office in Veenendaal:
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Organization
The organization of this conference is in the hands of EduPet Education
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This conference and pre-conference seminar is approved by
✓ Collectief Praktiserende Dierenartsen Nederland (CPD) in accordance to the guidelines of the Federation of Veterinarians of Europe (FVE); Full Conference: 12,5 credits, Half Conference Nov.25: 6,5 credits, Half Conference Nov.26: 6 credits, Horse and/or Farm Animals Nov. 25;6.5 credits
✓ International Veterinary Acupuncture Society (IVAS); Pre-conference 5,5 CE hours, Nov. 25th: Companion Animals: 1 CE hours; Horses 2,5 CE hours; Farm Animals 0,75 CE hours, Nov. 26th: Companion Animals 3,5 CE hours; Horses 3,5 CE hours; Farm animals 2,5 CE hours.
✓ Chiropractic:Nov.25: lecture “Pain diagnosis” : 1 credit, lecture ‘Different ways of complementary pain treatment”: 1 credit.
✓ Samenwerkende Nederlandse Veterinaire Acupuncturisten (SNvA): Pre-conference 6 points, Full Conference Companion Animals 5 points, Horses 4 points.
✓ Orde der Dierenartsen - NGROD; Companion Animals 12 points - EBP/N/2016/0117, Horses 9 points - EBP/N/2016/0116, Farm Animals 9 points - EBP/N/2016/0115; Pre-conference Nov. 24th 6,5 points

Conference fee (incl. VAT), Registration and Payment
Full Conference includes the attendance of the two day lecture of Companion animals, Horses and / or Farm animals; allowing you to create your own programme choosing different species. Moreover free coffee, tea, soft drinks and two lunches are included during the two conference days, as well as the after conference drinks during the ‘social’ on the first conference day on Friday 25, 18:00-19:30 hrs. The Vet’s Night has to be paid separately.
Half Conference includes the attendance of the one day lecture of Companion animals, Horses and / or Farm animals; allowing you to create your own programme choosing different species. Moreover free coffee, tea, soft drinks and one lunch during the conference day as well as the after conference drinks during the ‘social’ on the first conference day on Friday 25, 18:00-19:30 hrs. The Vet’s Night has to be paid separately.

Horses and / or Farm animals includes the attendance of two half day lectures of Horses and / or Farm animals; so you can create your own programme with these different species. Moreover free coffee, tea, soft drinks and two lunches will be provided during the conference days as well as the after conference drinks during the ‘social’ on the first conference day on Friday 25, 18:00-19:30 hrs. The Vet’s Night has to be paid separately!

Exhibition fee includes (for one person) free coffee, tea, soft drinks and two lunches during the two conference days as well as the after conference drinks during the ‘social’ on the first conference day on Friday 25, 18:00-19:30 hrs. The conference fee and the Vet’s Night has to be paid separately!

Veterinary students
There is a special rate for veterinary students. Please send an e-mail to Pauline Westerhuis, info@edupet.nl

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Please register on our website www.edupet.nl. A confirmation of registration email will be sent to you as soon as we receive your payment. All rates are VAT inclusive.
Join us for a one day immersion into the practical application and evidence base of herbal medicine in veterinary medicine, the main focus is Western Herbal Medicine but key Chinese formulas will also be discussed. Be prepared for information overload and a set of knowledge and skills that you can use straight away.
CONFERENCE SATURDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2016, 8:00-17:30

FARM ANIMALS
12:00-12:45 Participants reception | 12:45-13:00 Opening of the conference by Sam de Snoeck
Chair: Drs. Evelien van der Waa DVM
13:00-13:45 Innovative Veterinary Medicine
Dr. Sam de Snoeck DVM, the Netherlands
13:45-14:30 The right tool for the job - classical homoeopathy as the treatment of choice for allergic skin diseases.
Dr. Lise Hansen DVM, Denmark
14:30-15:15 Ditch the itch - an integrative approach to atopic & allergic skin disease (part 1)
Dr. Barbara Fougere DVM, Australia
BREAK 15:15-16:00
Chair: Drs. Evelien van der Waa DVM
16:00-16:45 Ditch the itch - an integrative approach to atopic & allergic skin disease (part 2)
Dr. Barbara Fougere DVM, Australia
16:45-17:30 Trans dermal gel with Chinese herbal remedies in it
Dr. Sagiv Ben-Yakir DVM, Israel
LUNCH 12:30-13:45
Chair: Drs. Evelien van der Waa DVM
13:45-14:30 Treating eye problems with homoeopathy
Dr. Sam de Snoeck DVM, the Netherlands
14:30-15:15 An integrative approach to chronic renal disease and bladder stones
Dr. Barbara Fougere DVM, Australia
BREAK 15:15-16:00
16:00-16:45 Diagnosis of cat diseases by using their paws
Dr. Sagiv Ben-Yakir DVM, Israel
16:45-17:30 Plenary discussion with the speakers of the day

END OF THE CONFERENCE
**Title of the lecture:** Placebo response and self-healing: what is the difference?

**The major source of healing comes from within, not from without.** In our scientific approach we speak about the mystery of healing when it’s not explainable. But unsolved questions still remain: who is healing and what is healing. The journey starts with Hans Driesch’s discovery a century ago. The lecture will end with putting these questions within the framework of systems biology and life energy thermodynamics.

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Vera trained as a veterinarian and worked as a practitioner in a mixed practice before joining the Dept. of Veterinary Anatomy at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Utrecht University, the Netherlands, where she obtained her PhD. She moved to the Dept. of Laboratory Animal Science at the same university and became Animal Welfare Officer at Utrecht University and Academic hospital, whilst also holding the Chair in Laboratory Animal Science at Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, Sweden for 6 years. She is involved in organizing and teaching courses in Laboratory Animal Science in many countries. Her research field is “Environment, behaviour and well-being of laboratory animals”. She is the founding member of the Veterinary European College of Laboratory Animal Medicine and currently member of the Council of Management of Laboratory Animals Ltd. She won the Felix-Wankel Animal Welfare Research prize in 2011. She was president of the Study-group of homeopathic veterinarians in the Netherlands for many years and is currently member of the training committee of the group.

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Tannetje graduated in 1994 from Utrecht University. She finished her homeopathy study in 1995 and worked as a regular vet for 9 years. After that she broadened her horizon with studies in TCM (acupuncture and herbs), chiropraxis, flower essences, orthomolecular medicine and Western herbs. Tannetje has worked as a holistic vet since 2003. In 2005 she wrote a book about raw food for dogs and cats. Tannetje is the current president of the Dutch Group for Complementary Veterinary Medicine (SCeVet).

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Evelien graduated in 1995 (farm animals). In 1996 she started working in a mixed practice. Since 2001 she works as a second line homeopathic vet for pets. She finished her post-academic study homeopathy with the Stichting Homeopathische Opvoedingen (SHO) in 1998. For many years she has played one of the leading parts in the Dutch Group for Complementary working Veterinarians (SCeVet). She teaches homeopathy (SHO) to vets, organizing mentor groups and writing articles on homeopathic and veterinary subjects. She is involved in a research program for 4th year students from the Higher Agriculture School (HAS DB) in Den Bosch, on the use of homeopathy in dogs suffering from fear for fireworks.

**Drs. John Pijnappel DVM**
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John graduated as a veterinarian in 1986. As a student he already followed intensive courses in classical homeopathy. After graduating, he took over his father’s practice in Nijmegen. John treats for the most part pets. Besides veterinary medicine he has great passion for technology; in his spare time he builds a lot of ‘high tech’ gadgets, amongst others a tailor-made examination / surgery table for endoscopy and surgery including adjustment memory and a recovery with individual music of choice, brought by the owner from home especially for their pet.

**SPEAKERS**

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Roele was the Director of the Research Unit for Complementary Medicine of the Utrecht University from 1985-1995. Presently, he is the Director of Meluna Research in Biophotonics and Advisor at Sino-Dutch Centre for Preventive and Personalized Medicine, Leiden University. He is editor-in-chief of Integrale Geneeskunde. He has published about 300 publications in international peer-reviewed scientific journals.

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Dr. Linda Boggie graduated from Colorado State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1987. After graduation she worked in various practices including a 24 hour animal hospital in Phoenix, Arizona, USA, locum work for various small animal practices, and finally at a high quality small animal practice in Stockton, California where she became a partner. She completed the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society basic acupuncture course in 1995 and incorporated acupuncture into her existing small animal hospital practice using both conventional and alternative medicine. She has received additional training in acupuncture from Jeffrey Yuen, a Daoist priest and a recognized teacher of classical acupuncture. She sold her veterinary practice in California in 2002 to pursue additional training in Chinese herbs, completing a veterinary Chinese herbal course at the Chi Institute in Reddick, Florida. In 2003 she moved to The Netherlands and together with her husband, also a veterinarian specialized in dentistry and orthopedics in companion animals, they have their own practice in Deventer where they practice integrative medicine. Since 1998 she has lectured for various acupuncture courses in Canada, Scandinavia, Europe and Cuba, as well as lecturing for advanced continuing education seminars, congresses and symposiums in North America, Scandinavia, Europe and Australia. In September 2011 she was an invited keynote speaker at the International Congress of TCVM in Lanzhou, China. Since 2013 she is the organizer of the IVAS Affiliate course in the Netherlands.

An active member of the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society since 1995, she was elected President of the society in 2002 and completed her duties as President in 2008. She remains actively involved with IVAS as the Examination committee chairperson and member of the IVAS Board of Directors. In November of 2014 she took and passed the advanced acupuncture certification exam offered by the AVA (American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncturists) and is now a Fellow of the AAVA.

She continues to enjoy Chinese veterinary medical practice, lecturing on Chinese medicine, acupuncture and the use of Chinese herbs in small animals. Any spare time is enjoyably spent with her husband, their Friesian horses, two cats, two dogs and a Shetland pony.

**Title of the lecture:** Using Acupuncture and Chinese herbs to treat Behavioural Conditions in Small Animals

One of the main reasons for a dog or cat to present to the veterinarian is for behavioural issues. It can also be one of the major reasons for euthanasia. Most western medications do not help or do not help significantly. By addressing underlying patterns of imbalance acupuncture and Chinese herbs are often integral aids in helping animals regain or even obtain acceptable behaviour. In a 45 minute presentation a basic understanding of Chinese pattern diagnosis will be explained and case examples will be shared.
Dr. Sagiv gained his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M) upon graduation with honours from Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada in 1986. He is a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (IRCVS). He is a Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist and a Certified Veterinary Chiropractor. Dr. Sagiv is the academic manager & a teacher of a two year CAVM course at The Wingate Academic College, ISRAEL for 14 years. Dr. Sagiv is lecturing globally on different CAVM issues in the Far East (China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan etc.), Europe (as in Germany, Spain, Ireland, and Italy etc.), North America (US & Canada). Dr. Sagiv is performing his clinical activities in small animals, exotics and large animals as horses, cows etc. The third corner stone of Dr. Sagiv activities is research in CAVM done at the Wingate Academic College. Currently Dr. Sagiv is the Vice President of “The Asian Society for Traditional Veterinary Medicine” - the organization in Asia (as in China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, India, Israel) that is serving Asian hundreds of thousands of veterinarians in the area of CAVM. Dr. Sagiv is the president of "The Israeli Society of Traditional Veterinary Medicine" (ISTVM).

Title of the lecture 1: Prolotherapy – an excellent natural way to treat tears at cruciate ligaments etc.

Treating atlanto-axial subluxation, ruptured cruciate ligaments, patellar sub-luxation, cervical vertebral instability and other connective tissue related problems with no surgeries.

Title of the lecture 2: Transdermal gel with Chinese Herbal Remedies in it – the best way to treat animal skin conditions

A lecture on one of the most important medical problems in horses – its pathology, pathogenesis, clinical signs, history, diagnostic patterns, and accordingly its successful therapy with medical leeches.

Skin conditions accounted for about 20% of clinical cases presented to complementary medicine veterinarian. Applications of Chinese herbal remedies in transdermal gel will increase dramatically the clinical success rate. The advantages of using transdermal gels are huge: no need to give pills, capsules, tincture etc. by that avoiding fights with the treated animal, or having a mental & physical trauma to the treated animal, play an important role in the effectiveness of every therapy session. Having this tool at hand will assist our efforts to diagnose and assess our success or failures. Having this tool at hand will assist our efforts to diagnose and assess our success or failures. Having this tool at hand will assist our efforts to diagnose and assess our success or failures. Having this tool at hand will assist our efforts to diagnose and assess our success or failures.

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### SPEAKERS

**Companion animals**

**Dr.med.vet Markus Kasper CVA**  
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Markus is born on World Animal Protecting Day, 04. October 1958. He is married with mag.med.vet. Elisabeth Kasper. Together they have 4 wonderful children (23, 21, 17, 9). Markus graduated in 1993. In that same year he founded their Tierklinik & Tierheilzentrum Aspern with the 1st Pain-Department for Dogs & Cats. Markus is a Certified Member of IVAS (International Veterinary Acupuncture Society). He is author of several books and articles on Neuraltherapy and Diagnosis and Treatment of chronic pain. He gives international courses and lectures on the treatment with gold implantation.

**Title of the lecture 1:** Pain diagnosis in preparation for complementary treatment

Pain is the strongest drive in an organism, stronger than hunger and sexuality; so it is our most noble duty to avoid pain, to recognize pain and to fight the pain. In the 20th century there was a lot of research done on which we now can built our different therapy methods. We have to understand pain. It is information, which we can stop or modulate. Moreover there happens a lot of secondary biological mechanism called regulation.

**Title of the lecture 2:** Different ways of complementary pain treatment (together with Elisabeth Kasper)

The fact is you can't reduce pain for a longer period without improving the blood supply of the capillary vessels. Pain therapy is one of the most fascinating and satisfying chapter in medicine. Holistic methods of pain therapy are being discussed. Markus: acupuncture, neuraltherapy, gold-implantation, Elisabeth: homeopathy and kinesiology.

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**Dr. Lise Hansen DVM**  
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Lise qualified as a vet in Denmark in 1994. She went on to study homeopathy in England, first with The Homeopathic Physicians Teaching Group (HPTG) and later at Jeremy Sher's homeopathic postgraduate course, Dynamo. Lise passed her IAVH exam in 1999 and has been in full time homeopathic referral practice ever since. She works both in London and in Denmark.

**Title of the lecture:** The right tool for the job - classical homeopathy as the treatment of choice for allergic skin disease.

Allergic skin disease is one of the most common problems in small animal practice - and one for which the conventional approach doesn't have a cure. Lise will show how classical homeopathy reliably cures even the most chronic and "hopeless" skin cases and share her excitement about this approach - the right tool for the job.

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Evelien graduated in 1995 and started working in a mixed practice. At the same time she started a post-academic study in homeopathy for doctors and veterinarians (SHO). Since 2001 she works as a homeopathic vet for small animals. Next to her work she is an active member of the Dutch Group for Complementary working veterinarians (SCwD). She also gives lectures and writes articles on homeopathic and veterinary subjects for veterinarians and pet owners. In 2012 she started her own company “Veternaire praktijkondersteuning” to support veterinary practices in the Netherlands with the improvement of their service to pet owners. Currently the main subject is about supporting owners in the veterinary practice with euthanasia and grief.

**Title of the lecture:** Treating eye problems with homeopathy

The eye is a very special and vulnerable organ. During veterinary education it's always stressed out the importance of being careful when working on the eye. Not causing unintended trauma or making things worse by using the wrong medication. In small animals several eye diseases are rather common, like Keratitis Conjunctiva Sicca (KCS) in dogs and persistent ulceration of the cornea in cats. Conventional treatment doesn't always succeed in curing these diseases. Homeopathy can be a good help to stimulate the self-healing power of the eye. Next to some clinical cases the materia medica of two important homeopathic remedies, Arnica and Cuprum, in eye diseases will be presented.

The lecture is interested for experienced homeopaths who want to know more about eye problems and general practitioners who want to know more about the possibilities of homeopathy in eye problems.
Title of the lecture 1: The whole is more than the sum of its parts

Most practitioners treat a horse with only one form of “alternative” medicine. In practice you will get much better and faster results if you combine different therapies in one session. Acupuncture, chiropraxia / osteopathy, homeopathy, neural therapy, phytotherapy etc. is easy to combine if you want fast results, especially in chronic cases.

Implantation of gold beads on PIF (pain inflammatory foci) is a very effective and long-term treatment in almost all chronic pain diseases of a horse.

Linda is a conventional practitioner, certified acupuncturist and Chinese Food Therapist, treating mainly dogs and horses. She qualified as a vet from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Utrecht University in 1995, she got her PhD on diseases in poultry 2005. Linda started her veterinary career in a mixed animal practice, followed by joining the Gezondheidsdienst voor Dieren (Animal Health Department). After a few years she wanted to know more about poultry diseases from a global perspective and joined Intervet International in Boxmeer, the Netherlands. In 2002 she started her own practice Dierenkliniek het Hazewinkel, for small animals and horses. In November 2009 she founded her own practice focusing on manual therapy, especially Chiropractic but also myofascial and craniosacral techniques as well as Acupuncture and Chinese and Western herbs. Her patients are about 80 % horses and 20 % dogs. Besides her own practice she used to be a freelance co-worker at the Acupuncture practice of Dr. Ina Goesmeier, Marl, Germany on a one-week-per-month basis from May 2010 until December 2014 and as a holiday replacement ever since. In 2012 Katja Goerts went to Perth, Australia to do a four-week internship at Dr. Bruce Ferguson’s Holistic Veterinary Practice.

Title of the lecture: Integrative Treatment of Equine Gastric Ulcer Syndrome

Equine Gastric Ulcer Syndrome (EGUS) is common in the equine patient and often challenging for both general equine practitioners as well as holistic veterinarians. Though the registration and availability of omeprazole made it more easy to treat gastric hyperacidity, long term therapeutic success can only be achieved by also addressing accompanying symptoms, such as lack of performance, behavioural and ride ability problems and possible side effects of medication. This presentation addresses integrative approaches, containing acupuncture and herbal treatment, as well as optimizing nutrition and husbandry conditions, and Western medicine to diagnose and treat EGUS. Real-life patients’ case records are discussed in the oral presentation to link theoretical knowledge and practical experience. Special emphasis is given to analysing the way to find the most likely Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine (TCVM) diagnosis and selecting appropriate point combinations and herbal formulas.

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Eric has been a holistic veterinarian for more than twenty years. He is an acupuncturist, also licensed human acupuncturist, chiropractor, osteopath, herbalist and homeopath. He is the owner of the Holistic Clinic for Animals Den Hoek in De Bilt, co-owner of herbal medicine Phytonics (www.phytonicsmed.com), managing director of research Lab Valight (www.valight.nl), managing director of organic (research) farm Efibia (www.efibia.nl), director of Healthcare Academy Den Hoek (www.healthcare-academy.nl). Eric is the author of 2 books: Horse Types and (in Dutch) Het Tevreden Paard (the happy horse).

Title of the lecture: Acupuncture as complementary treatment in coughing horses

Linda treats a lot of coughing horses that remain coughing despite of correct regular treatment. Acupuncture releases the tension in the big respiratory muscles, as the diaphragm, allowing the horse to breathe and perform better. In this lecture she will combine western and Chinesse medical philosophy and discusses acupuncture points that can be used for these cases.

Katja Goerts graduated from Tierärztliche Hochschule Hannover, Germany in 1999. After graduation she worked in the pharmaceutical industry in various medical positions including Medical Trainer and Medical Advisor. Her main topics were Neurology and Ophthalmology. In 2009 she decided to go back to curative veterinary practice and became certified Animal Chiropractor (BackBone Academy of Animal Chiropractic and Healing Arts, Sittensen, Germany). She completed the IVAS Basic Acupuncture Course in 2010 and is an IVAS certified Acupuncturist since 2014. In 2011 she became an Animal Kinesiology Practitioner (WINGP®). In November 2010 she founded her own practice focusing on manual therapy, especially Chiropractic but also myofascial and craniosacral techniques as well as Acupuncture and Chinese and Western herbs. Her patients are about 80 % horses and 20 % dogs. Besides her own practice she used to be a freelance co-worker at the Acupuncture practice of Dr. Ing Goesmeier, Marl, Germany on a one-week-per-month basis from May 2010 until December 2014 and as a holiday replacement ever since. In 2012 Katja Goerts went to Perth, Australia to do a four-week internship at Dr. Bruce Ferguson’s Holistic Veterinary Practice.

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Dr. Sagiv gained his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M) upon graduation with honours from Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada in 1986. He is a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (MRCVS). He is a Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist and a Certified Veterinary Chiropractor. Dr. Sagiv is the academic manager & a teacher of a two years CAVM course at The Wingate Academic College, ISRAEL for 14 years. Dr. Sagiv is lecturing globally on different CAVM issues in the Far East (China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan etc.), Europe (as in Germany, Spain, Ireland, and Italy etc.), North America (US & Canada). Dr. Sagiv is performing his clinical activities in small animals, exotics and large animals as horses, cows etc. The third corner stone of Dr. Sagiv activities is research in CAVM done at the Wingate Academic College. Currently Dr. Sagiv is the Vice President of “The Asian Society for Traditional Veterinary Medicine” - the organization in Asia (as in China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, India, Israel) that is serving Asian hundreds of thousands of veterinarians in the area of CAVM. Dr. Sagiv is the president of “The Israeli Society of Traditional Veterinary Medicine” (ISTVM).

Title of the lecture 1: Equine sarcoids - The best way to treat

A natural herbal remedy applied to equine sarcoids in order to remove equine sarcoids as well as preventing re-occurrence. In the lecture – the preparation of the easy to make remedy, or how to get it done by pharmacy, application and follow ups protocols, and lots of cases and statistics.

Title of the lecture 2: Equine laminitis – a great natural way to solve successfully

A lecture on one of the most important medical problems in horses – its pathology, pathogenesis, clinical signs, history, diagnostic patterns, and accordingly its successful therapy with medical leeches.

Dr. Sagiv Ben-Yakir DVM
My interest for Oriental medicine has arisen because I was seriously ill in Japan in 1990. I participate as a trained physiotherapist and trained karateka in the Fukushima Open Championship. I was not only the winner, but I was also affected by a very severe pneumonia; that period appears to be the loneliest experience of my life. But just looking back also one of my greatest blessings. Because in those four special weeks I had to stay there, I came intensively into contact with the Japanese culture and Oriental medicine. Immediately after graduating as a manual therapist in 1994 at the Foundation for Musculoskeletal Therapy degree programs (SOMT), I started with the 4-year program TCM (Traditional Chinese Medicine) at the European University for Traditional Chinese Medicine and completed this successfully in 1998.

Meanwhile I have developed myself more and more as a coach therapist in the field of consciousness and energy. To do so I travelled around the world to find out more about energy and consciousness. For example, I studied with Shen Honsuen, a Chinese doctor and Chi-kung master. Studied at the International Academy of Consciousness in London and Portugal to produce my own Out of Body Experiences. After all these experiences I came to the conclusion that the consciousness is not a product of the brain and the physical body but that the consciousness expresses itself through the body as an interface. This paradigm shift opens a lot of new healing possibilities. Therefore this paradigm takes an important place in our entire healthcare centre.

I'd like to share my experience by giving therapy sessions, giving lectures and I also wrote a book about this subject with the title: "Het labo-ratorium van de geest en de kracht van compassie" (The laboratory of the spirit and the power of compassion)

Title of the lecture: Demystifying the role of consciousness ‘encoded’ energy and its practical role in healing processes

If you shift your paradigm that your consciousness is not the product of the physical body but that the consciousness (spirit) is something that controls and regulates the body, a whole new world of healing possibilities will become available. How the consciousness controls the body and influences the environment will be explained in this lecture. Your own energy as a veterinarian and the energy of the owner of the animal, plays an important role in the effectiveness of every therapy session.

Title of the lecture 1: The Gut and the Skin - When the Immune System goes Haywire

The gut and the skin are two very important immunological sites of the body with close connections to each other. It is impossible to treat skin problems without considering the health of the gut. Although we have learned a lot about the immune system in the last few decades it is still impossible to understand all the interactions of the different immune cells and how to influence them. However, it is possible to use plants and herbs to improve their biota and thus give the immune cells a chance to stay healthy and in balance. This often leads to improvement of skin problems as well and to the general well-being of the horse.

Title of the lecture 2: Myofascial kinetic lines in horses

A dissection study shows how interconnected muscles and fascia create Myofascial Kinetic Lines which describe the motions of the whole body as flexion, extension, side bending and rotation. They also describe the somatic and visceral connections and provide a holistic anatomical understanding of the full body.

Title of the lecture 2: Are myofascial kinetic lines the anatomical foundation for acupuncture meridians?

The Myofascial Kinetic Lines follows some of the acupuncture meridians very closely and dissections has shown close proximity between acupuncture points and fascia planes.
**Title of the lecture 1:** Innovative veterinary medicine

Traditionally, veterinarians have been trained to treat the diseased animal. Current societal and scientific developments demand a paradigm shift resulting in a focus on sustainable animal health, disease prevention and innate mechanisms of resilience to infectious and chronic diseases. The aim of this lecture is to summarize our current understanding of these innate defence mechanisms and the opportunities to improve health, wellbeing and productivity of farm animals making use of natural resources.

**Title of the lecture 2:** Oregano officinalis – one of the most prominent herbal remedies in farm animals

With the aim to reduce the use of antibiotics in farm animals, oregano products have re-gained worldwide attention. An impressive body of literature describes the biological and therapeutic effects of oregano and its active ingredients. The aim of this lecture is to present a summary and methodological evaluation of this literature and to use this example to explain the clinical applications and benefits of oregano products to manage the risk of antimicrobial resistance and to improve innate defence mechanisms.

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**Education**

2012: certificate of qualification in veterinary phytotherapy ("Fähigkeitsausweis Veterinärphytotherapie"

of the Swiss Veterinary Society)

2006: doctoral thesis at the Vetsuisse Faculty of the University of Zurich (CH)

1998: approbation as veterinarian at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover (D)

1992 – 1998: education in veterinary medicine at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover (D)

**Professional**

2014 – recent leader of the research topic Animal Health of the Department of Livestock Science of the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FIBL, CH) with the main focus on preventive veterinary medicine including reduction of antibiotic input as well as the preventive and therapeutic use of medicinal plants and natural products in livestock.

1998 – recent in the beginning PhD student, since 2002 researcher and since 2006 senior researcher at the Department of Livestock Science of the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FIBL, CH)

**Title of the lecture 1:** Is the future organic? - Frames, challenges and opportunities of organic husbandry

Lecture summary will be published later

**Title of the lecture 2:** Medicinal plants – prophylactic and therapeutic options for gastrointestinal and respiratory diseases in calves and piglets? A systematic review

Lecture summary will be published later

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Maria graduated in 1985 at Utrecht University and worked at the National Inspection Service for Livestock and Meat at RIKILT since 1987 and was employed by RIKILT since 1989. After working in field of the control of illegal use of hormonal growth promoters, from 1999 she became involved in research of herbs, ranging from growing, processing, quality control, analysis and product development. In 2006 she coordinated the Fyto-V project, in 2009 she led the project Naturally Healthy in which they made the guides for farmers and since 2014 she is chair of the study group Animals and Herbs from The Netherlands Association for Phytotherapy.

**Title of the lecture:** The use of herbal medicine in production animals

Since the use of antimicrobial growth promoters in feed are forbidden, there has been a need for alternative feed ingredients. Botanicals, enzymes, pre- and probiotics, organic acids, yeasts are added to feed by the feed companies to keep animals healthy. But since here in the Netherlands there is a strong urge to reduce the therapeutically use of antibiotics, there is a new market for herbal products. These herbal products are sold as complementary feed and are used to reduce the risk factors of disease or support the animals during illness. RIKILT Wageningen UR has made Guides for farmers with management advice, methods and products to keep animals healthy.

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**SPEAKERS Farm animals**
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