

September 2023

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Dates for your Diary

Meetings and Conferences

- Annual Conference of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP). Milwaukee, USA. Sept. 21st to 23rd, 2023 (<https://www.aabp.org/>).
- Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases (CRWAD) 2024. Chicago, USA. Jan. 20th to 23rd, 2024 (<https://crwad.org/>).
- XXIII Middle European Buiatrics Congress. Brno, Czech Republic. Apr. 23rd to 27th, 2024 (<https://www.mebc2024.cz/>).
- 32 World Buiatrics Congress (WBC). Cancun, Mexico. May 20th to 24th, 2024 (<https://wbcMexico2024.com/>).
- Regional National Mastitis Council Meeting (NMC). Ghent, Belgium. Aug. 12th to 14th, 2024.
- Lameness in Ruminants. Venice, Italy. Sept. 16th to 20th 2024 (lamenessinruminants2024.com).

Deadline for Diplomate recertification changed!

Every practicing Diplomate is due for credentials recertification in a five-years interval. The deadline for credentials submission is **November 1st of each year**. This change was implemented to allow sufficient time for the Credentials Committee to handle incomplete dossiers requiring revisions. If you are unsure in which year you are due for recertification, please log-on to our website and your personal dashboard on the website (visible after having logged in) will display the date of your next recertification. Submissions of credential dossiers are only accepted electronically through the database.

Information

Message from the New President

"Dear Diplomates and Residents,
Last week we had our AGM and celebrated our 20th anniversary during the European Buiatrics Congress in Berlin. It was great that so many of you attended the AGM and celebrated together!

At this AGM I also took over the presidency of our college. I am honored but see this most of all as a responsibility and hope I can manage to cope with all upcoming challenges as was done in the past. With this, I would also like to thank the Past-President Walter Grünberg and the out-going Susana Astiz Blanco for their tremendous work." Daniela Klein-Jöbstl

European Buiatrics Congress (EBC) and ECBHM Jubilee Symposium

The European Buiatrics Congress and ECBHM Jubilee Symposium took place in Berlin from Aug. 24th to 26th, 2023. This meeting was organized by the German Veterinary Medical Association, the German Buiatrics Association and the ECBHM. It attracted over 600 delegates from approximately 40 countries. The scientific program included 9 keynote addresses, 70 oral presentations and over 120 posters. The ECBHM organized a round table discussing "the biggest challenge in cattle practice: How to recruit and retain the next generation of veterinarians". This event was moderated by Wolfgang Heuwieser and included 8 panelists coming from various countries across Europe. It covered different farm practice structures, academia and the dairy farmers perspective. As in previous years, the ECBHM was present at the industry exhibit with its new booth.

This event provided an excellent opportunity to celebrate the 20th anniversary of our college as a veterinary specialty college certified by the EBVS. Hundred diplomates and residents were present at the Jubilee Dinner, which took place at the congress venue immediately following our AGM. Pictures of the event will be available on our website soon.

Resident workshop 2023 in Hanover, Germany

This year's resident workshop entitled "non-reproductive ultrasonography" took place at the Clinic for cattle of the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover on Aug. 21st and 22nd. A group of 26 ECBHM residents from across Europe spent two days practicing and developing their ultrasound skills on cows and calves as well as on cadaver specimens, rotating through different stations. The workshop included a welcome BBQ as well as dinner evening, providing excellent opportunities for our residents to network.

The event was hosted by the ECBHM and, as usual, was free of charge for our residents. The workshop was only possible thanks to the generous support of the clinic for Cattle in Hannover who unhesitatingly provided us with facilities, personnel and equipment. Thanks also to Veticon for making ultrasound equipment available for this workshop.

Residents' Awards

The ECBHM-awards for the best scientific communications, presented at the EBC 2023 in Berlin by our residents were awarded to:

- Best oral communication: Lucie Dutheil, "Description of a new point mutation in ITGB7 affecting life expectancy in

Holstein dairy cattle".

- Best poster: Laurens Chantillon, "Lifetime prognosis and factors associated with survival in cases of cattle with intussusception"

Honourable mentions:

- Second best oral communications: Jaka Jakob Hodnik "Utility of narrow-band UV-B irradiation limited to robot milking time for vitamin D supplementation in lactating Holstein Friesian cows". Lennart Golbeck, "Iron supplementation at the time of colostrum feeding affects the γ -globulin fraction in healthy Holstein Friesian calves".
- Second best poster: Gonçalo Pereira, "Use of a cow-side ionised calcium meter on the day of calving for the diagnosis and management of subclinical hypocalcemia in postpartum dairy cows".

Thanks to all participants for your very good work, the marks were very tight! We congratulate all of you with your achievements! And we would like also to thank all our diplomate-reviewers for helping us to objectively assess the residents' work." Patrícia Simões.

Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases (CRWAD)

"Dear Diplomates and Residents,
For over 100 years, CRWAD has featured cutting-edge research on animal health and disease, population health, and translational medicine in North America. CRWAD is the annual meeting for the American Association of Veterinary Immunologists (AAVI), American College of Veterinary Microbiology (ACVM), Association for Veterinary Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine (AVEPM). In 2024, CRWAD will feature lectures from world-renowned featured speakers in addition to showcasing over 400 research presentations made by scientific experts and scientists in training from around the world.

I think it's a very good opportunity to see new developments in US animal health research, and it's an especially friendly environment for grad students to present their work. Furthermore, CRWAD organizing committee would like to have more **participation from European scientists!** Oral presentation submission deadline is Oct 1st, 2023. For more information, please visit the CRWAD website at: <https://crwad.org/>". Edouard Timsit.