

## WikiVet Newsletter

Dear subscriber,

This is the fifth edition of the WikiVet newsletter. WikiVet's calendar is filling up, there are upcoming workshops in Nottingham in the UK and in Budapest in Hungary this Summer. The new Spanish site has been launched and we've reached a milestone of 10,000 registered users!

### So, what's new on WikiVet?

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<ul> <li>In other languages</li> </ul>
Español

WikiVet has now launched it's own Spanish sister site. Users may notice on some pages the inclusion of a link on the left side of the screen - this will take you to the equivalent page on the Spanish site. Content is currently being translated and moved onto the Spanish site!

If you would like to get involved in the translation of content, <u>contact the Spanish Editor</u> or <u>read more</u> about the Spanish translation.



#### New learning resources: Histology tutorials

Links to content in Spanish

Many new resources are being linked into WikiVet. This is an ongoing process, here are some examples!

These <u>Histology tutorials</u> have been repurposed from teaching material and made available via WikiVet. They contain many great images from different tissue types and body systems, and feature integrated questions and answers.

If you have some teaching resources like these that you would like to make available via WikiVet, why not <u>contact the WikiVet team</u>?

## **WikiVet Events**



## Vet2011 World Conference on Veterinary Education, 13-15th May 2011 in Lyon, France

Nick Short, WikiVet Coordinator and Dr Prisca Noble are attending the Vet2011 World Conference on Veterinary Education in Lyons this weekend. This conference is to mark the 250th anniversary of the veterinary profession. Nick and Prisca hope to meet educational leaders from international vet schools and update them on developments with WikiVet; if you see them why not stop them and say 'Bonjour'?

Read more about the Conference on the Vet2011 website.

#### Educational Symposium, 12-14th July 2011 in Nottingham, UK



WikiVet is attending the 2nd Annual Veterinary Educational Symposium, being held at Nottingham University School of Veterinary Medicine and Science in July. WikiVet will host a <u>full day of workshops</u> on Tuesday 12th July before the main event. This day-long workshop will cover educational theory and history of WikiVet and would be suitable for staff and students from vet schools who are looking to involve their schools. The afternoon will be geared towards authoring of content under expert guidance from members of the WikiVet team.

You can find out all about the Symposium, including details of how to book or submit abstracts, on their <u>website</u>.

#### NOVICE Summer School, 25-26th August 2011 in Budapest, Hungary



WikiVet is taking part in the <u>NOVICE summer school</u> in Budapest, Hungary in August. WikiVet will be hosting workshops that look at ways of using WikiVet in a vet school curriculum, as well as giving practical training for authors.

You can find out more on the NOVICE Summerschool website.

## Who's involved in WikiVet?



#### Gemma Gaitskell-Phillips, Spanish Coordinator

Gemma graduated from the Royal Veterinary College in 2010. She lives in Spain and is fluent in Spanish. She is WikiVet's Spanish coordinator and is responsible for overseeing <u>translation of content</u> from the English WikiVet site to the Spanish site.

Gemma has used WikiVet as a student, so her insight into the student mind and curriculum is great to have in the team. Gemma has also been helping with the **OVAL Project**.

See other members of the WikiVet team.

# Higher Education Academy Subject Centre for Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine



MEDEV is the subject centre for Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine in the Higher Education Academy. The Higher Education Academy was established in the UK in 2004, it is a government funded organisation that seeks to improve the quality of learning in UK higher education.

MEDEV have played an instrumental part in WikiVet since it's inception. <u>Gillian Brown</u> from MEDEV has and remains an active member of the WikiVet steering group.

## **Users on WikiVet**

WikiVet is constantly growing, and we are pleased to announce that we have gone over the 10,000 mark! We now have over 10,150 registered users!



We have more Veterinary Schools registering with us, some of which have created pages and been added to our <u>Vet Schools map</u>. In the past month pages have been created for <u>Vitebsk State Academy of Veterinary Medicine</u> in Belarus, and <u>Ecole Nationale Veterinaire d'Alfort</u> in France.

If you'd like to create a page for your vet school, why not <u>contact us</u>, we can help you set it up. We'll then link your page to the map so others can see where you are. You could even be our next featured school!

## How you can get involved



#### Attend some of our Workshops

There a lots of WikiVet workshops happening this Summer, what better way to get involved than to meet the WikiVet team and learn how to author content, incorporate WikiVet in your teaching and learning and even suggest ways to improve the site?

If you would like your school to host a WikiVet workshop or just want to find our more about WikiVet, why not <u>contact us</u>?



### Join our Facebook or NOVICE groups

The WikiVet team are always keen to hear from you, and really want to know what you think of WikiVet. These two groups give you the opportunity to get involved in discussions about WikiVet content, to find out more about how WikiVet works and to help shape the WikiVet of the future. Why not 'like' our <u>Facebook page</u>, or <u>register</u> for NOVICE! New discussion groups have been set up to discuss the incorporation of more videos and virtual patients into WikiVet. Join up to read more!