

WikiVet Newsletter

Dear reader,

This is the eighth edition of the WikiVet newsletter; we hope you didn't miss the August one too much. Our team were on holiday and one got married, we hope you've all had a good summer (or winter if you're in the Southern hemisphere!).

The new academic year will be starting soon for many students and staff at vet schools around the globe. As ever the WikiVet team are working hard to bring you more online high-quality, expert-reviewed articles and learning resources to make your learning easier.

In this edition we find out what the WikiVet team has been up to at the first ever NOVICE Summerschool in Budapest, we find out about WikiVet in the German media and congratulate the team behind an award-winning resource on WikiVet. We're also reaching out to students at vet schools in the hope that you'll be able to help us spread the word!

So, what's new on WikiVet?

Reviewed pages as part of the OVAL Project



If you're a follower of our <u>Facebook page</u> or <u>Twitter feed</u>, you may well have noticed that a lot of pages are being expert reviewed at the moment. We've been sharing pages with you that have been reviewed; we hope you've found this useful. If you liked the page, you can share the link in our Facebook group with your friends - <u>see how</u>.

These pages have been compiled from CABI datasheets by veterinary graduates who have rewritten them into a WikiVet-friendly format. Only the pages that have been fully reviewed are currently linked to the <u>OVAL Project</u> page, more will be reviewed and linked so watch this space!

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WikiVet are recruiting student ambassadors!



Would you like to become a part of the WikiVet team? We're looking for enthusiastic, motivated students to help us spread the word about WikiVet to your schools. We're looking to recruit one student from every vet school that we have registered with us.

If you're interested in representing your school and helping us to increase the involvement of your school in WikiVet, please email <u>wikimaster@wikivet.net</u> and explain why you think you would be ideally suited to help us. You can find out more about the position <u>here</u>.

WikiVet team were at the NOVICE Summerschool



The WikiVet team ran a workshop at the <u>NOVICE Summerschool</u> in Budapest, Hungary on Friday 26th August. There was a focus on the best way for WikiVet to increase it's membership in Veterinary schools outside of the UK. As a result of that workshop WikiVet are now <u>recruiting student ambassadors</u>.

The WikiVet team will be hosting an online Virtual Classroom on Tuesday 11th October as a follow up to the workshop at the Summerschool; this is open to all NOVICE members. More information about the online session can be found <u>here</u>; if you're not already a member of NOVICE and would like to join then you can <u>register here</u>. Once you've registered you can join the meeting by joining the

NOVICE ICT Education group.

Learning resource in WikiVet wins top prize!



The "Testing the functional integrity of ocular reflexes" simulation that is featured in WikiVet has won the 2011 Jorum's Learning and Teaching competition. The resource made it into the final 6, and after a public vote was announced the overall winner at the ALT-C conference in Leeds, UK on Wednesday 7th September.

You can <u>read more</u> about the story on the RVC's website, or <u>view the resource</u>. Like all learning resources and articles in WikiVet, this award-winning resource is **freely available** for use in your educational institutions. If you have a learning resource that you would like to integrate into WikiVet and make available to thousands of vets and students worldwide, please contact us at <u>wikimaster@wikivet.net</u>

WikiVet gets a mention in German veterinary journal



An article about WikiVet appeared in the September issue of VETimpulse. This publication is a newspaper that is sent out every two weeks to around 15,000 subscribers, including all the Vet schools in Germany. We've seen a rise in numbers of registrations of Vets from Germany incidentally...

You can view a copy of the article here

Users on WikiVet



WikiVet registrations are still increasing, we now have over 11,900 registered users.

If you'd like to create a page for your vet school and have it featured on our <u>Vet</u> <u>Schools map</u>, 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.

How you can get involved



Pop-Quiz: What's your diagnosis?

This image shows the gross appearance of feathers from a young cockatoo that died following a short clinical illness. What is the morphological diagnosis?

This case has been provided by <u>Manson Publishing</u> as part of the <u>OVAL project</u> and is taken from the Avian Medicine <u>guestions</u>.



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The WikiVet team are always keen to hear from you, and really want to know what you think of WikiVet. We want you to keep up to date with developments and have plenty of opportunities 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 Facebook page, register for NOVICE or follow us on Twitter!