

# UNISVET

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## EXECUTIVE MASTER IN EXOTIC, ZOO AND WILD ANIMAL

MEDICINE and SURGERY

MILAN, ITALY

**2017/19**

### SPEAKERS

Dr. Dario d'Ovidio, DMV, MS, PhD, Dip. ECZM

Dr. Joerg Mayer, DMV, MS, Dip. ECZM, Dip. ABVP, Dip. ACZM

Dr. Vittorio Capello, DMV, Dip. ECZM, Dip. ABVP

Dr. Thomas M. Donnelly, BVS, Dip. ECZM, Dip. ABVP, Dip. ACLAM

Dr. Nico J. Schoemaker, DMV, Dip. ECZM, Dip. ABVP - Dr. Yvonne Van Zeeland, DMV, Dip. ECZM

Dr. Minh Huynh, DMV, Dip. ECZM - Dr. Morena Wernick, DMV, Dip. ECZM

Dr. Paolo Selleri, DMV, Dip. ECZM - Dr. Nicola Di Girolamo, DMV, Dip. ECZM

Dr. Lionel Schilliger, DMV, Dip. ACZM, Dip. ABVP - Dr. Norin Chai, DMV, PhD, Dip. ECZM

Dr. Endre Sos, DVM, Dip. ECZM

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH



**VENUE**

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF VETERINARIAN

## EXECUTIVE MASTER IN EXOTIC, ZOO AND WILD ANIMAL MEDICINE and SURGERY

The purpose of this master course is to provide participants a comprehensive knowledge of zoological medicine and surgery. The course will cover all aspects of clinical anatomy, physiology and pathology of exotic, wild and zoo animals as well as the methods used for examination, diagnosis and treatment of their diseases. The most advanced diagnostic techniques, including endoscopy, and the up-to-date knowledge on the medical and surgical treatments, including minimal invasive surgery, will be covered. The course will be divided in five sessions focused on the main *taxa* (amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals). Each part will consist of five days of intensive training programs including lectures, interactive clinical cases and wetlabs.

**Dr. Dario d'Ovidio** - DMV, MS, PhD, Dip. ECZM - Scientific Director

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WEEK 1 - NOVEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> - DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2017

WEEK 2 - JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup> - FEBRUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2018

WEEK 3 - JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup> - 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

WEEK 4 - NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> - 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

WEEK 5 - JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> - 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

## SPEAKERS

**Dr. Vittorio Capello**, DMV, Dip. ECZM (Small Mammal)

Dip. ABVP (Exotic Companion Mammals)

Clinica Veterinaria S. Siro, Clinica Veterinaria Gran Sasso, Milan, Italy

**Dr. Norin Chai**, DMV, PhD, Dip. ECZM (Zoo Health Management)

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**Dr. Nicola Di Girolamo**, DMV, Dip. ECZM (Herpetology)

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ECZM (Herpetology)

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**Dr. Endre Sos**, DVM, Dip. ECZM (Zoo Health Management)

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**Dr. Yvonne Van Zeeland**, Dip. ECZM (Avian) e poi Dip. ECZM

(Small Mammal) Utrecht University, Utrecht, The Netherlands

**Dr. Morena Wernick**, DMV, Dip. ECZM (Avian)

ExoticVet GmbH, Jona, Switzerland






## **WEEK 1 - RABBIT MEDICINE and SURGERY**

### **NOVEMBER, 27<sup>TH</sup> - DECEMBER, 1<sup>ST</sup> 2017**

Speakers: V. Capello, D. d'Ovidio, J. Mayer

#### **Day 1 - MONDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**


Speakers: D. d'Ovidio, J. Mayer



TIME	LECTURE
08.30 - 09.00	Registration
09.00 - 10.00	Introduction and aims of the course
10.00 - 11.00	The pet rabbit: basic anatomy, physiology and behavior
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Housing and nutrition
12.30 - 13.30	Physical examination and clinical procedures
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Clinical pathology
16.00 - 17.00	Practical session (Examination and clinical procedures)

#### **Day 2 - TUESDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

Speakers: D. d'Ovidio, J. Mayer



TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Gastrointestinal disorders
10.00 - 11.00	Respiratory and cardiovascular diseases
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Uro-genital disorders
12.30 - 13.30	Dermatologic diseases
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Neurologic and Musculoskeletal diseases
16.00 - 17.00	Main infectious diseases

#### **Day 3 - WEDNESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

Speakers: D. d'Ovidio, J. Mayer

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Ophthalmologic diseases
10.00 - 11.00	Behavioral problems
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Anesthesia: equipment and preanesthetic examination
12.30 - 13.30	Preanesthetics, induction, intubation maintenance and monitoring of anesthesia
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Loco-regional anesthesia and analgesic treatment
16.00 - 17.00	Practical session (anesthesia)

## Day 4 - THURSDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017

Speaker: V. Capello

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Basics of radiology, radiology of the head and miscellaneous
10.00 - 11.00	Advanced diagnostic imaging with special focus on the head
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.00	Basic principles of surgery
12.00 - 13.00	Surgery of the male reproductive tract
13.00 - 14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
14.30 - 16.00	Practical session - Radiology and dentistry Lab
16.00 - 16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.30 - 18.00	Practical session (continued)

## Day 5 - FRIDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2017

Speakers: V. Capello

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 09.45	Surgery of the female reproductive tract
09.45 - 10.30	Surgery of the urinary tract
10.30 - 11.00	Miscellaneous surgical techniques
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 13.00	Surgical treatment of odontogenic abscesses
13.00 - 14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
14.30 - 16.00	Practical session - Surgery Lab
16.00 - 16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.30 - 18.00	Practical session (continued)



**WEEK 2 - RODENT and FERRET  
MEDICINE and SURGERY  
JANUARY, 29<sup>TH</sup> - FEBRUARY, 2<sup>ND</sup> 2018**

Speakers: T.M. Donnelly, D. d'Ovidio,  
N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

**Day 1 - MONDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018**

Speakers: N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	The pet ferret: Basic anatomy, physiology and behavior
10.00 - 11.00	Housing and nutrition
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Physical examination and clinical procedures
12.30 - 13.30	Clinical Pathology
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Gastrointestinal disorders
16.00 - 17.00	Neoplastic diseases
17.00 - 18.00	Interactive clinical cases

**Day 2 - TUESDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018**

Speakers: N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Cardiovascular diseases
10.00 - 11.00	Respiratory diseases
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Endocrine diseases
12.30 - 13.30	Dermatologic diseases
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Uro-genital disorders
16.00 - 17.00	Neurologic and Musculoskeletal diseases
17.00 - 18.00	Interactive clinical cases

**Day 3 - WEDNESDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2018**

Speakers: T. M. Donnelly, D. d'Ovidio

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	The pet rodents: taxonomy, basic anatomy, physiology and behaviour
10.00 - 11.00	Housing and nutrition
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Physical examination and clinical procedures
12.30 - 13.30	Clinical pathology
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Gastrointestinal disorders
16.00 - 17.00	Interactive clinical cases

## Day 4 - THURSDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2018

Speakers: T. M. Donnelly, D. d'Ovidio

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Respiratory and cardiovascular diseases
10.00 - 11.00	Uro-genital disorders
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Dermatologic diseases
12.30 - 13.30	Neurologic and Musculoskeletal diseases
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Ophthalmologic diseases

## Day 5 - FRIDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2018

Speakers: E. Mancinelli, D. d'Ovidio

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Rodent anesthesia
10.00 - 11.00	Rodent dentistry I
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Rodent dentistry II
12.30 - 13.30	Rodent surgery
13.30 - 14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
14.30 - 17.00	Practical session



## **WEEK 3 - AVIAN MEDICINE AND SURGERY**

### **JUNE, 25<sup>TH</sup> - 29<sup>TH</sup> 2018**

Speakers: M. Huynh, M. Wernick

#### **Day 1 - MONDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018**

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Avian anatomy, physiology and behaviour
10.00 - 11.00	Housing and nutrition
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	The avian consultation
12.30 - 13.30	Avian respiratory diseases, pathology and update
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Avian neurologic diseases, pathology and update
16.00 - 17.00	Avian reproductive diseases, pathology and update

#### **Day 2 - TUESDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018**

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Avian digestive diseases, pathology and update
10.00 - 11.00	Clinical techniques
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Hematology and biochemistry
12.30 - 13.30	Cytology
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 17.00	Clinical pathology workshop

#### **Day 3 - WEDNESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018**

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Equipment and principles of avian surgery
10.00 - 11.00	Surgery of gastro-intestinal tract
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Surgery of respiratory and reproductive system
12.30 - 13.30	Orthopedic surgery
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 18.00	Surgery workshop





## Day 4 - THURSDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Ophthalmology
10.00 - 11.00	Avian diagnostic imaging, equipment and positioning techniques
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Diagnostic imaging of the vertebral column and limbs
12.30 - 13.30	Diagnostic imaging of the coelom
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 17.00	Interactive clinical cases in radiology

## Day 5 - FRIDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Current therapy in avian medicine
10.00 - 11.00	Preanesthetic medication, induction, intubation, maintenance and monitoring
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Locoregional anesthesia and analgesia
12.30 - 13.30	Endoscopy
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 18.00	Endoscopy workshop



## WEEK 4 - REPTILE MEDICINE AND SURGERY NOVEMBER, 5<sup>TH</sup> - 9<sup>TH</sup> 2018

Speakers: N. Di Girolamo, L. Schilliger, P. Selleri

### Day 1 - MONDAY, 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 09.40	Taxonomy and anatomy - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
09.40 - 10.00	Physiology - <i>P. Selleri</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Housing management - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Nutrition - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
12.30 - 13.30	Physical exam - <i>P. Selleri</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Practical session: Anatomy
16.00 - 17.00	Practical session: Handling and physical examination

### Day 2 - TUESDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Hematology - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Clinical pathology - <i>N. Di Girolamo</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Radiology and CT - <i>N. Di Girolamo</i>
12.30 - 13.30	Ultrasonography - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Interactive cases: Hematology and biochemistry <i>L. Schilliger</i>
16.00 - 17.00	Interactive cases: Diagnostic imaging - <i>N. Di Girolamo</i>

### Day 3 - WEDNESDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Clinical procedures - <i>N. Di Girolamo</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Metabolic and non infectious diseases - <i>N. Di Girolamo</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 13.00	Rigid endoscopy - <i>P. Selleri</i>
13.00 - 13.30	Flexible endoscopy - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 17.00	Practical session: Endoscopy and anesthesia

## Day 4 - THURSDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Introduction to reptile surgery - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Non reproductive surgery - <i>P. Selleri</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 13.30	Reproductive surgery - <i>N. Di Girolamo</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 17.00	Practical session: Surgery

## Day 5 - FRIDAY, 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 09.30	Infectious diseases: bacterial, viral and fungal <i>P. Selleri</i>
09.30 - 10.30	Parasitic diseases - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
10.30 - 11.00	Shell diseases and repair - <i>P. Selleri</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.15	Analgesia and Anaesthesia I - <i>L. Schilliger</i>
12.15 - 13.30	Analgesia and Anaesthesia II - <i>N. Di Girolamo</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 17.00	Practical session: Shell repair



# WEEK 5 - ZOO AND WILD ANIMAL MEDICINE AND SURGERY

JANUARY, 21<sup>ST</sup> - 25<sup>TH</sup> 2019

Speakers: N. Chai, D. d'Ovidio, E. Sos

## Day 1 - MONDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2019

Speakers: N. Chai, E. Sos

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Principles of zoo health management - <i>N. Chai, E. Sos</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Zoo mammal and bird management - <i>E. Sos</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Zoo reptile and amphibians management - <i>N. Chai</i>
12.30 - 13.30	Capture and anesthesia of wildlife - <i>N. Chai</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Capture and anesthesia of zoo mammals and birds - <i>E. Sos</i>
16.00 - 17.00	Capture and anesthesia of reptiles and amphibians - <i>N. Chai</i>

## Day 2 - TUESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2019

Speakers: N. Chai, D. d'Ovidio, E. Sos

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Bird medicine 1 - <i>E. Sos</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Bird medicine 2 - <i>E. Sos</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Reptile Medicine 1 - <i>N. Chai</i>
12.30 - 13.30	Reptile Medicine 2 - <i>E. Sos</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Amphibian Medicine 1 - <i>N. Chai</i>
16.00 - 17.00	Amphibian Medicine 2 - <i>N. Chai</i>

## Day 3 - WEDNESDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2019

Speakers: N. Chai, E. Sos

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Marsupial Medicine - <i>N. Chai</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Primate Medicine 1 - <i>N. Chai</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Primate Medicine 2 - <i>N. Chai</i>
12.30 - 13.30	Carnivore Medicine 1 - <i>E. Sos</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Carnivore Medicine 2 - <i>N. Chai</i>
16.00 - 17.00	Hedgehogs and gliders - <i>D. d'Ovidio</i>

## Day 4 - THURSDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019

Speakers: N. Chai, E. Sos

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Elephant Medicine - <i>E. Sos</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Rhino Medicine - <i>E. Sos</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 12.30	Giraffes Medicine - <i>E. Sos</i>
12.30 - 13.30	Wild bovids Medicine 1 - <i>N. Chai</i>
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 16.00	Wild bovids Medicine 2 - <i>N. Chai</i>
16.00 - 17.00	Wild equids Medicine - <i>E. Sos</i>

## Day 5 - FRIDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019

Speakers: N. Chai, E. Sos

TIME	LECTURE
09.00 - 10.00	Endoscopy in Zoo and Wild Animals - <i>N. Chai</i>
10.00 - 11.00	Imaging in Zoo and Wild Animals - <i>N. Chai, E. Sos</i>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 - 13.30	Final Exam
13.30 - 15.00	<i>Lunch</i>
15.00 - 17.00	Darting session



### **Dr. Vittorio Capello**

Dr. Vittorio Capello graduated in 1989 from the School of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Milano, Italy. He has practiced exotic animal medicine exclusively since 1996, and provides professional services for two veterinary clinics in Milano. Dr. Capello's focus is the medicine and surgery of exotic companion mammals.

Dr. Capello has lectured, published and taught exotic animal courses and practical laboratories throughout Italy, US, and other parts of the world. He is author of the Rabbit and Rodent Dentistry Handbook and the Clinical Radiology of Exotic Companion Mammals and has both written and served as guest editor for numerous publications. He served as board member and president elect for the Association of Exotic Mammal Veterinarians (AEMV). Dr. Capello is a founding Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Small Mammal), and Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners (Exotic Companion Mammals). He has been the recipient of the Oxbow award in 2010.



### **Dr. Norin Chai**

Dr. Chai, a graduate from the Ecole Nationale Vétérinaire d'Alfort, is the deputy director of the Zoo Ménagerie du Jardin des Plantes, National Museum of Natural History in Paris.

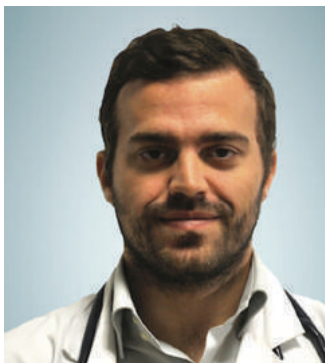
Dr. Chai has two Master of Science in tropical animal medicine, a PhD in Amphibian medicine and is Dipl. ECZM (Zoo Health Management) with more than 20 year experience in zoo and wildlife medicine and conservation. He is also the CEO of a veterinary publishing house, president of a NGO, and president of a public official diagnostic laboratory. Dr. Chai is regularly asked for expertise on wildlife medical cases and conservation projects around the world.

He has published numerous articles in veterinary indexed journals, national magazines, and given more than a hundred lectures in national and international congresses.



## **Dr. Nicola Di Girolamo**

Nicola di Girolamo is a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Herpetology). He works as a clinician at the Clinic for Exotic Animals in Rome and is the founder of EBMVet, a study group on Evidence-based medicine. He completed a Master of Science in evidence-based healthcare at the university of Oxford and a PhD at the University of Bologna. He serves as an associate editor of BMC Veterinary Research, and as a methodologist reviewer for veterinary journals. He has over one hundred publications including peer-reviewed journals and conferences. He loves surfing and playing chess.



## **Dr. Thomas M. Donnelly**

Received degrees in veterinary medicine and pathology from the University of Sydney, Australia and then moved to The Rockefeller University, New York to study comparative medicine and pathology, becoming a Diplomate of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine. In addition to providing biomedical research services to universities and pharmaceutical companies, Tom also enjoys seeing exotic pets and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners and the European College of Zoological Medicine. He was a member of the Avian & Exotic Pet Services at Animal Medical Center in New York and has an Adjunct Faculty appointment at Tufts Veterinary School in Massachusetts where he saw exotic pets. At present, Tom is taking an extended sabbatical at the French National Veterinary School of Alfort where he is a research professor and co-service head of the Exotic Animal Service. He is the author of over 200 scientific and clinical publications, including chapters in "Ferrets, Rabbits and Rodents: Clinical Medicine Surgery" and editor of "Veterinary Clinical Advisor: Birds and Exotic Pets." Tom is allergic to most mammals. Although his veterinary medicine career and allergies collide, he is fortunate in finding the challenges and diversity of working with researchers, exotic pets and their often equally unusual owners constantly gratifying.



### **Dr. Dario d'Ovidio**

Dario is a referral veterinarian for exotic pets in Naples, Italy and head of the exotic pet service at the Clinica Veterinaria Specialistica VETLAN in Battipaglia, Italy. He graduated in 2003, *summa cum laude*, from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Naples Federico II. In 2004 he received his master's degree in wildlife conservation and in 2008 completed a 3-year degree (SpecPACS) in the pathology of avian, rabbit and wild species. In 2012 he was awarded his doctoral degree (PhD) from the University of Naples Federico II, where he is a visiting professor in avian and exotic animal medicine and surgery. In 2013 he became a Diplomat of the European College of Zoological Medicine in Small Mammals. He is the author of many clinical and research articles, and chapters on exotic pets.

Dario is a frequent speaker at both national and international conferences on exotics and enjoys sharing his knowledge with colleagues.



### **Dr. Minh Huynh**

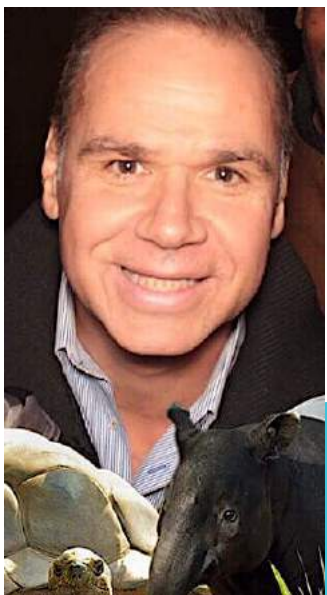
Minh Huynh is the head of exotic department at Fregis hospital center (a referral practice in the south of Paris) and part time consultant at the National Vetschool. He did his residency at Great Western Referrals in England under the supervision of Neil Forbes. He is boarded from the European College of Zoological Medicine (Avian) since 2014 and is currently supervising the first avian residency in France.





## Dr. Lionel Schilliger

Dr Lionel Schilliger graduated from the french National Veterinary School of Nantes (Oniris) in 1989 and has been working with dogs, cats and reptiles ever since. He certified in canine and feline nutrition in 1992 (E.N.V.A), in clinical hematology and biochemistry of small companion animals in 1998 (E.N.V.T), and in canine and feline internal medicine in 2011 (Vet Agro Sup). He is a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (ECZM - Herpetology) and a Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners (ABVP - Reptile and Amphibian Practice). He is also a representative member of his country in the International Committee of the Association of Reptilian and Amphibian Veterinarians (ARAV). Lionel Schilliger works as a private practitioner in Paris and at the National Veterinary School of Maisons-Alfort.



## Dr. Joerg Mayer

Dr. Joerg Mayer grew up in Germany where he received his primary education. He graduated and received his doctoral degree from the University of Budapest/Hungary. After completing an internship in 'Zoological Medicine and Surgery' at the Roger Williams Park Zoo in Providence, USA, he went to the Royal Veterinary College in London, England to study for his Master of Science degree in Wild Animal Health. Then he moved to USA, where he was hired to serve as a Clinical Associate Professor at Tufts University. After 10 years he moved to Athens, Georgia in 2010 to take the job of Associate Professor in Zoological Medicine at UGA. Dr. Mayer is a Diplomate of both the American and the European College of Zoological Medicine, in addition he is also a Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners. He served as the president of the Association of Exotic Mammal Veterinarians from 2010-2012. Since 2012 he is also an International Fulbright Specialist in Zoological Medicine. He lectures regularly at large national and international conferences on all aspects of exotic animal medicine and published many scientific articles, and book chapters. In 2013 he received the Exotic Speaker of the Year Award by the NAVC. In 2016 he received the Oxbow/AEMV Exotic Mammal Health Award, an annual award to recognize excellence and innovation in the field of exotic mammal health.



### **Dr. Nico J. Schoemaker**

Nico Schoemaker (DVM, PhD, Dip. ECZM-Small mammal, Avian, Dipl. ABVP-avian) graduated from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of Utrecht University in 1994. This was directly followed by an internship in companion animal medicine, residency in avian medicine and PhD on hyperadrenocorticism in ferrets. Aside from the recognition as a European specialist in Small mammal medicine, Nico also holds a European diploma in Avian Medicine, and is recognized as an avian specialist in the USA. Nico is currently employed at the Division of Zoological Medicine in Utrecht, where he devotes his time to teaching, research and patient care of small mammals and birds.



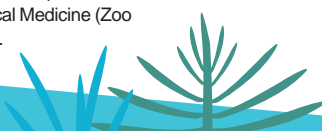
### **Dr. Paolo Selleri**

Paolo Selleri is a diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Small Mammal and Herpetology) and is the head of the Clinica per Animali Esotici, an exotic-only animal hospital site in Rome. Paolo frequented world-class veterinary structures, courses and conferences. After completion of his PhD thesis on reptile renal diseases, Paolo worked as a clinical professor in the Universities of Padua, Naples and Teramo, transmitting his passion for herpetological medicine to undergraduate students. Beyond daily clinical activity, Paolo strongly supported the application of evidence-based standards for exotic animal medicine in Italy: he is the past-president of the Italian society for exotic animals, and is coauthor of several books and papers.



### **Dr. Endre Sos**

Dr. Sós graduated at the University of Veterinary Science in Budapest in 1995 and started his career as a zoo veterinarian in the same year. He became the Head of the Veterinary and Conservation Department in 2003 and till date he is in the same position. He and his team are the official veterinarians in numerous Life Plus conservation programs, dealing with the Hungarian Meadow Viper, Imperial Eagle and endangered or vulnerable rodents of Hungary. Furthermore, he is acting as a general curator at the Budapest Zoo, he is the current Chairman of the Hungarian Association of Zoo and Wildlife Veterinarians (EAZWV Hungarian Section) and the veterinary advisor in the red panda EEP and the Elephant TAG. He owns a DESMAN (Diploma on Endangered Species Management, issued by the University of Canterbury, Kent and completed in Durrell Wildlife Preservation Trust), he is a Hungarian Specialist in Companion Animal Medicine and a Hungarian Specialist in Exotic Animal Medicine. He completed a PhD in Great Bustard medicine and is a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Zoo Health Management) since 2012.



### **Dr. Yvonne Van Zeeland**

Yvonne van Zeeland (DVM, MVR, PhD, Dip. ECZM-Avian, Small mammal) graduated with merit from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of Utrecht University in 2004. Having worked briefly in private practice, she returned to Utrecht in 2005 to complete an internship in companion animal medicine, residency in avian medicine and PhD on feather damaging behavior in grey parrots. Aside from her recognition as a European specialist in Avian Medicine, Yvonne became de facto recognized in Small mammal medicine, and certified as a parrot behavior consultant. Yvonne is currently employed at the Division of Zoological Medicine in Utrecht, where she devotes her time to teaching, research and patient care of birds and small mammals.



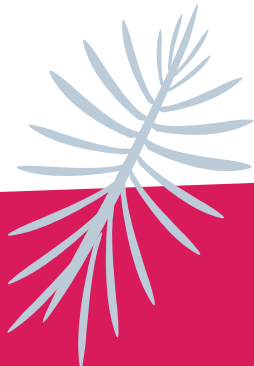
### **Dr. Morena Wernick**

Morena Wernick is the owner and managing director of exoticvet gmbh, in Jona, Switzerland. She graduated in 2006, from the Faculty of Ludwigs-Maximilians-Universitat, Munich, Germany.

In 2008 she completed a 15-month rotating internship at the clinic for small animal medicine at the university of berne, Switzerland. In 2009 she started her residency in avian medicine and surgery at the clinic for zoo animals, exotic pets and wildlife, Zurich, Switzerland and became a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Avian) in 2012.

Morena has completed externships in The United States of America, The United Arab Emirates and in Italy.

She is an active member of the European Committee of the Association of Avian Veterinarians (EAAV), where she serves as treasurer.



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