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ACADEMY IN Exotic, Zoo and Wildlife Animals

2024-2025



Academy Director:

Dr. Dario d'Ovidio

DVM, MSc, Spec. PACS, Dott. Ric., Dipl. ECZM (Small Mammal)



Lessons will be held in English

Organized by:



44 HOURS ONLINE LESSONS ON-DEMAND

100+ HOURS FACE-TO-FACE TEACHING

**OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING IN
PRESTIGIOUS STRUCTURES**

**IN-PROGRESS ASSESSMENT TEST AND FINAL
EXAM**



Academy Description

The purpose of this Academy is to provide participants a comprehensive knowledge of zoological medicine and surgery. The Academy 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.

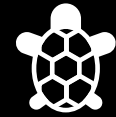
The Academy will be divided in **five sessions** focused on the main taxa (amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals). Each part will consist of an intensive training programs including **online on-demand lectures, in-presence lessons, interactive clinical cases and wet-labs**.

Self-assessment tests are scheduled between modules and also a final examination.

Upon completion of the Academy, students will be given the opportunity to carry out an **optional internship period at prestigious structures**.



ONLINE ON-DEMAND
LESSONS



TO IMPROVE THE
TECNIQUE MANY
HOURS WILL BE
DEDICATED TO
PRACTICAL WET LABS



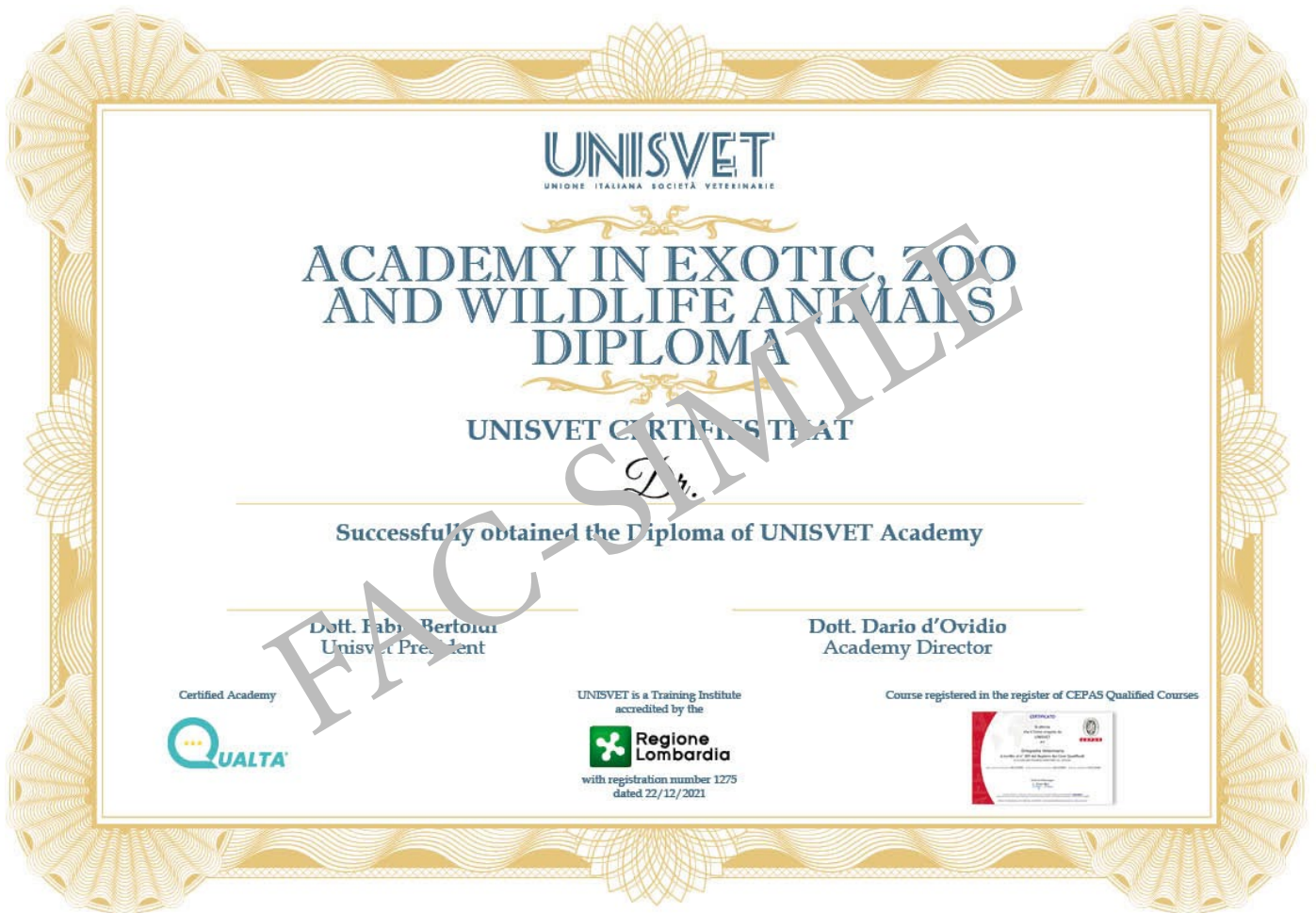
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150
SPC credits
Only for Italian Vets

Unisvet Academy Diploma

AT THE END OF THIS ACADEMY, PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE THE
UNISVET DIPLOMA IN
**"ACADEMY IN EXOTIC, ZOO, WILDLIFE ANIMALS
2024-2025"**



Program

Module 1

Rabbit medicine and surgery

Module 4

Reptile medicine and surgery

Module 2

Rodent and Ferret

Module 5

Zoo and Wild Animal Medicine and Surgery

Module 3

Avian medicine and surgery

In-progress assessment test and final exam

In-progress assessment tests will be online and must be done one after viewing the online lessons for each module and one after the in-presence lessons. They will be composed by multiple choice questions.

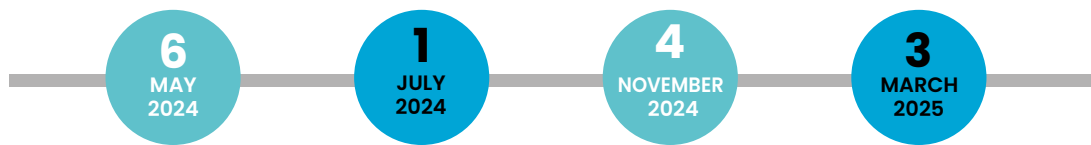
The final exam will be in presence and it will be composed by both multiple choice and essay questions.

*After passing the final exam, participants will receive the “**Unisvet Exotic, Zoo and Wildlife animals Academy 2024-2025 Diploma**”*

Calendar

ON-DEMAND LESSONS RELEASE DATES:

Lessons will be available on-demand 24H in your private area. It's mandatory to complete all the video-lessons before the beginning of the in-presence lessons for each module.



IN-PRESENCE LESSONS DATES:

MODULE 1

24-26 JUNE 2024

MODULE 2 - ONLINE LIVE ON ZOOM

9-12 SEPTEMBER 2024

MODULE 3

16-18 DECEMBER 2024

MODULE 4

7-10 APRIL 2025

MODULE 5

8-12 SEPTEMBER 2025

**IN-PRESENCE LESSONS
WILL TAKE PLACE AT:**

UNISVET EVENT VENUE
Via Salvator Rosa 14
20156 MILAN

Academy Director



Dr. Dario D'Ovidio

DVM, MSc, Spec. PACS, Dott. Ric., Dipl. ECZM (Small Mammal)

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.

Speakers



**Dr.
Chai Norin**

DMV, MSc, PhD, Dipl.
ECZM (Zoo Health
Management)

Norin graduated from the Ecole Nationale Vétérinaire d'Alfort, in 1994. In 1995, he completed two Master of Science, one in «Tropical animal pathology» and one in "Tropical Animal Production". In 1996, he finished his doctoral degree in Veterinary Medicine on "Ecology and Ethology of the Leopard (*Panthera pardus*)". Meanwhile, he started his career with the position of director of the National Park of Manda (Chad) from 1995 to 1996. In 1997, he entered the National Museum of Natural History (France) as a research Engineer and as the deputy director of the Parc de la Haute Touche (zoological park in center of France). In 2000, he moved back to Paris as a field vet in the Menagerie du Jardin des Plantes. In 2008, he was awarded his second doctoral degree (PhD) on Amphibian medicine. In 2013 he became a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine in Zoo Health Management. From 2005 until September 2020, he had been the head veterinarian and the deputy director of the Ménagerie. He quite his position in October 2020 to follow his own personal projects. Norin is the founder and president of Yaboumba, a NGO working in Conservation and humanitarian projects. He is regularly asked for expertise on wildlife medical cases and conservation projects around the world. He has published numerous articles in veterinary journals, national magazines, and given more than hundred lectures in national and international congresses. He has recently build with his NGO a wildlife rescue center in Sumatra.



**Dr.
Donnelly M. Thomas**

BVSc, DVetPath, Dipl.
ECZM (Small Mammal)
Dipl. ABVP (Exotic
Companion Mammals),
Dipl. ACLAM

Dr. 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. Besides 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 in the Zoological Companion Animal Medicine service. Tom is currently working 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 a consultant on the Veterinary Information Network (VIN) and is the author of over 200 scientific and clinical publications, including chapters in "Ferrets, Rabbits and Rodents: Clinical Medicine Surgery" and is the co-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.
Graf-Wernick Morena**

DVM, Dipl. ECZM
(Avian)



**Dr.
Huynh Minh**

DVM, MRCVS, Dipl. ECZM
(Avian), Dipl. ACZM



**Dr.
Jekl Vladimír**

DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECZM
(Small Mammal
Medicine and
Surgery)



**Prof.
Knotek Zdenek**

DVM, Ph.D, Dip ECZM
(Herpetological Medicine
and Surgery)

Morena Graf-Wernick is the owner and managing director of Exoticvet GMBH, in Jona, Switzerland. She graduated in 2006, from the faculty of Ludwigs-Maximilians-Universität of 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 in 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.

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 in avian subspecialty since 2014 and currently supervising the first avian residency in France. He is also boarded from the American college of zoological medicine since 2017 through experiential path.

Vladimír Jekl graduated from the University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences (VETUNI Brno) in Brno, Czech Republic (2002). He received his doctorate (Ph.D.) in exotic companion mammal dentistry in 2006. He practices exclusively medicine of exotic animals and has been a European Recognised Specialist in Zoological Medicine (Small mammal medicine and surgery) since 2009. In 2016, he received the title of Associate professor at VETUNI Brno, where he now works in the Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacy. Since 2017, he has been co-owner of Jekl & Hauptman Veterinary Clinic – Focused on Exotic Companion Mammals, a clinic that specializes exclusively in exotic companion mammals. He has lectured extensively in Europe and also in the USA and China, and has published more than 450 articles (55 scientific articles) in regional and international journals and books, including chapters in the BSAVA manuals; Ferrets, Rabbits, and Rodents Clinical Medicine and Surgery, 4th ed.; Practical Veterinary Dental Radiography; BSAVA Manual of Rodents and ferrets; BSAVA Manual of Rabbit Surgery, Dentistry and Imaging and he is editor of the VCNA Exotic Animal Practise issues – Respiratory Medicine and Reproductive Medicine. He is the main tutor for the ESAVS course – dentistry: Small Mammals, and the co-tutor of Exotic Pets – Small Mammal: Imaging and Medicine. His current areas of specialization are dental disease, internal medicine, diagnostic imaging, and soft tissue surgery in small mammals.

Sid Knotek is the Head of Avian and Exotic Animal Clinic, University of Veterinary and Pharmaceutical Sciences Brno, and adjunct professor on Department of Veterinary Clinical Science, Purdue University (IN, USA). Sid is an active diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine, member of ARAV, a past-president of EAZWV and a president of the Czech Association of Zoo and Wildlife Veterinarians (CAZWV). As a visiting professor Sid has lectures and practical training at universities abroad (Budapest, Copenhagen, Kosice, Ljubljana, Porto, Lisbon, Villa Real, Utrecht, Vienna, Warsaw, Cracow, Wroclaw, Purdue, Sydney and Denpasar (Indonesia). His current focus involves medicine and surgery in reptiles, small mammals and birds. Sid supervised Summer School for Exotic Medicine and Surgery (2004 – 2019). Currently he supervises 4 ESAVS courses in Europe (since 2005) and China (since 2015).



**Dr.
Mayer Joerg**

DMV, MS, Dipl. ECZM,
Dipl. ABVP, Dipl.
ACZM

Dr. Joerg Mayer grew up in Germany where he received his primary education. He went to Budapest to study veterinary medicine shortly after the “iron curtain” fell. During his studies he was fortunate to be able to work with veterinarians in South Africa and Namibia for 6 months. He always had a strong interest in exotic animal medicine. After he received his doctoral degree from the University of Budapest, he went to the USA for an internship in ‘Zoological Medicine and Surgery’ at the Roger Williams Park Zoo in Providence, RI. At the end of the internship he was part of a research team to study wild tree kangaroos in the rainforest of Papua New Guinea for 3 months. After this exciting experience, he went to the Royal veterinary College in London to study for his Masters of Science degree in wild animal health. The masters project which focused on lead toxicity in the common loon, brought him to the Tufts Wildlife Clinic in the USA. There he was hired to serve as a clinical associate professor and as the head of the clinical service for exotic animals. After 10 years at Tufts University he moved to Athens, Georgia in 2010. He currently is a Full Professor in Zoological Medicine at UGA.

He lectures regularly at large national and international conferences on all aspects of exotic animal medicine including Honey Bee Medicine. Dr. Mayer qualified with the first batch of specialists in Exotic Companion Mammals as a Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners, in addition he is also a Diplomate of the American and the European College of Zoological Medicine. 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.

Dr. Mayer published many scientific articles, book chapters some of which have been translated into French, Spanish and Portuguese. His latest book the “Veterinary Clinical advisor for birds and exotic pets” was published in early 2013 and contains over 750 page. 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.
Pignon Charly**

DVM, DIPL. ECZM
(Small Mammals)

Charly Pignon was graduated in 2005 from Alfort National Veterinary School (France) and did his veterinary thesis on a wildlife conservation project in Cambodia. Then he worked in the wildlife rescue center in Alfort and worked in Paris Zoo (la Ménagerie du Jardin des Plantes). In 2009, Charly Pignon completed an Exotic Medicine Internship at Tufts University and when he came back to France he created the Exotic Medicine Service in Alfort National Veterinary School. Charly Pignon is a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Small mammals), a board member of Yaboumba (French association for continuing education in exotic and wild animals) and immediate past president of the Association of Exotic Mammal Veterinarian, member of the executive committee of the ECZM. His current field of research are ear surgeries and orthopedic surgeries in small mammals, and blood transfusion in ferrets.



**Prof.
Schoemaker Nico**

DVM, PhD, Dip. ECZM–Small
mammal, Avian, Dipl.
ABVP–avian



**Dr.
Sós Endre**

DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECZM (Zoo
Health Management)



**Dr.
Van Zeeland Yvonne**

DVM, MVR, PhD, Dip. ECZM–
Avian, Small mammal

Nico Schoemaker 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.

Endre graduated at the University of Veterinary Science in Budapest in 1995 and immediately started as a zoo veterinarian in the same year at the Budapest Zoo and Botanical Garden, where he is currently the Director of Veterinary Services and Conservation. Together with his team they are the official veterinarians in numerous current and former Life Plus conservation programs, dealing with the Hungarian meadow viper, Imperial Eagle and endangered rodents of Hungary. He is also involved in the conservation medicine of other high profile species, such as the Przewalski's horse, Eurasian otter and the Eurasian beaver. He is one of the vet advisors in the Elephant TAG, Przewalski's horse EEP and Red panda EEP. Currently, he is the President of the EAZWV (European Association of Zoo and Wildlife Veterinarians) and the Vice-Chairman of the Hungarian Association of Zoo and Wildlife Veterinarians (EAZWV Hungarian Section). He owns a DESMAN (Diploma on Endangered Species Management, issued by the University of Canterbury, Kent and completed in Durrell Wildlife Preservation Trust), and has the titles of a Hungarian Specialist in Companion Animal Medicine and a Hungarian Specialist in Exotic Animal Medicine. He completed his PhD in Great Bustard medicine and became a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Zoo Health Management) in 2012.

Aside from his veterinary tasks, Endre is actively involved in zoological decisions and management at the Budapest Zoo since 2000, he is the official mentor of Belgrade Zoo, Serbia and Sibiu Zoo, Romania. He is also actively involved in teaching at the University of Veterinary Science, Budapest, where he is a Honorary Assistant Professor.

Yvonne Van Zeeland 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.

Important Information

SURGICAL/DENTAL KIT

Please note that for the proper conduct of the practical lesson, you need to take a surgical/dental kit with you.

The kit must include:

- **ADSON TISSUE FORCEPS**

PINZA ADSON-BROWN 12CM

- **OLSEN-HEGAR NEEDLE HOLDER**

PORTAGHI-FORB HEGAR-OLSEN 14CM

- **MAYO STILLE SCISSORS CURVED**

FORBICE MAYO STILLE CV 15CM

- **METZENBAUM SCISSORS**

FORBICE METZENBAUM DT 14,5CM

- **HARTMAN MOSQUITO FORCEPS STRAIGHT AND CURVED 12,5 CM**

PINZA HALST. MOSQUITO DRITTA E CURVA 12,5 CM

- **KNIFE HANDLE #3**

MANICO BISTURI N.3

- **BACKHAUS CLAMPS**

PINZA BACKHAUS 9CM

- **SMALL/MEDIUM REACH CHEEK DILATOR**

DILATORE GUANCE SMALL / MEDIO

- **STANDARD RABBIT MOUTH GAG**

APRIBOCCA A VITE PER RODITORI

- **CROSSLEY LUXATOR FOR INCISOR TEETH**

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- **CROSSLEY LUXATOR FOR CHEEK TEETH**

LUSSATORE PER MOLARI

- **CURVED SPATULA**

SPATOLA DENTALE RODITORI E CONIGLI

- **MATHIEU NEEDLE HOLDER**

PORTAGHI MATHIEU 14CM

- **SMALL EXTRACTION FORCEPS FOR CHEEK TEETH**

PINZA ESTRAZIONE MOLARI

- **OTOSCOPE**

OTOSCOPIO

- **STETHOSCOPE**

STETOSCOPIO

- **PEN LIGHT**

Program

Module 1

Rabbit medicine and surgery

On-demand lessons

Lessons available from 6th May 2024

The pet rabbit: basic anatomy, physiology and behavior	J. Mayer
Housing and nutrition	J. Mayer
Physical examination and clinical procedures	J. Mayer
Clinical pathology	J. Mayer
Gastrointestinal disorders	J. Mayer
Respiratory and cardiovascular diseases	J. Mayer
Neurologic and Musculoskeletal diseases	J. Mayer
Main infectious diseases	J. Mayer
Ophthalmologic diseases	J. Mayer
Behavioral problems	J. Mayer

In-person lessons

Monday 24th June 2024

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Registration procedures & Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 09:30	Introduction	D. D'ovidio
09:30 – 10:30	Uro-genital disorders	D. D'ovidio
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:00 – 12:00	Dermatologic diseases	D. D'ovidio
12:00 – 13:00	Anesthesia: equipment and preanesthetic examination	D. D'ovidio
13:00 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 15:30	Preanesthetics, induction, intubation maintenance and monitoring of anesthesia	D. D'ovidio
15:30 – 16:30	Loco-regional anesthesia and analgesic treatment	D. D'ovidio
16:30 – 17:30	Practical session: Examination and clinical procedures	

Tuesday 25th June 2024

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Basics of radiology, radiology of the head and miscellaneous	C. Pignon
10:00 – 11:00	Advanced diagnostic imaging with special focus on the head	C. Pignon
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Basic principles of surgery	C. Pignon
12:30 – 13:30	Surgery of the male reproductive tract	C. Pignon
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 17:30	Practical session: Radiology and Dentistry Lab	C. Pignon

Wednesday 26th June 2024

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Surgery of the female reproductive tract	C. Pignon
10:00 – 11:00	Surgery of the urinary tract	C. Pignon
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Miscellaneous surgical techniques	C. Pignon
12:30 – 13:30	Surgical treatment of odontogenic abscesses	C. Pignon
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 17:30	Practical session: Surgery Lab	C. Pignon



Program

Module 2

Rodent and Ferret

Online Live lessons

Lessons will be held on Zoom platform

Monday 9th September 2024

Rodent

08:30 – 09:00 *Zoom in time*

09:00 – 10:00 The pet rodents: taxonomy, basic anatomy, physiology and behaviour T. M. Donnelly

10:00 – 11:00 Housing and nutrition T. M. Donnelly

11:00 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30 – 12:30 Physical examination and clinical procedures T. M. Donnelly

12:30 – 13:30 Uro-genital disorders D. D'Ovidio

13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch*

14:30 – 15:30 Dermatologic diseases D. D'Ovidio

15:30 – 16:30 Clinical pathology T. M. Donnelly

16:30 – 17:30 Ophthalmologic diseases T. M. Donnelly

Tuesday 10th September 2024

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Zoom in time</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Gastrointestinal disorders	T. M. Donnelly
10:00 – 11:00	Respiratory and cardiovascular diseases	T. M. Donnelly
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Neurologic and Musculoskeletal diseases	V. Jekl
12:30 – 13:30	Rodent anesthesia	V. Jekl
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30–15:30	Rodent dentistry I	V. Jekl
15:30–16:30	Rodent dentistry II	V. Jekl
16:30–17:30	Rodent surgery	V. Jekl

Wednesday 11th September 2024

Ferret

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Zoom in time</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	The pet ferret: Basic anatomy, physiology and behavior	N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland
10:00 – 11:00	Housing and nutrition	N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Physical examination and clinical procedures	N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland
12:30 – 13:30	Clinical Pathology	N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30–15:30	Gastrointestinal disorders	N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland
15:30–16:30	Neoplastic diseases	N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland
16:30–17:30	Cardiovascular diseases	N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

Thursday 12th September 2024

08:30 – 09:00 *Zoom in time*

09:00 – 10:00 Respiratory diseases N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

10:00 – 11:00 Endocrine diseases N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

11:00 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30 – 12:30 Dermatologic diseases N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

12:30 – 13:30 Uro-genital disorders N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch*

14:30–15:30 Neurologic and Musculoskeletal diseases N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland

15:30–16:30 Clinical cases N. J Schoemaker, Y. Van Zeeland



Program

Module 3

Avian medicine and surgery

On-demand lessons

Lessons available from 4th November 2024

Avian anatomy, physiology and behaviour	M. Huynh
Housing and nutrition	M. Huynh
The avian consultation	M. Graf-Wernick
Avian respiratory diseases, pathology and update	M. Huynh
Avian neurologic diseases, pathology and update	M. Graf-Wernick
Avian reproductive diseases, pathology and update	M. Huynh
Avian digestive diseases, pathology and update	M. Graf-Wernick
Clinical techniques	M. Graf-Wernick
Hematology and biochemistry	M. Graf-Wernick
Avian Ophthalmology	M. Graf-Wernick
Cytology in avian medicine	M. Huynh

In-person lessons

Monday 16th December 2024

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Registration procedures & Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Equipment and principles of avian surgery	M. Graf-Wernick
10:00 – 11:00	Surgery of gastro-intestinal tract	M. Graf-Wernick
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Surgery of respiratory and reproductive system	M. Huynh
12:30 – 13:30	Orthopedic surgery	M. Graf-Wernick
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 17:30	Surgery workshop	

Tuesday 17th December 2024

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Avian diagnostic imaging, equipment and positioning techniques	M. Graf-Wernick
10:00 – 11:00	Avian cardiology	M. Graf-Wernick
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Diagnostic imaging of the coelom, vertebral column and limbs	M. Huynh
12:30 – 13:30	Interactive clinical cases in radiology	M. Huynh
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 17.30	Clinical pathology workshop	

Wednesday 18th December 2024

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Current therapy in avian medicine	M. Huynh
10:00 – 11:00	Preanesthetic medication, induction, intubation, maintenance and monitoring	M. Graf-Wernick
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Locoregional anesthesia and analgesia	M. Huynh
12:30 – 13:30	Endoscopy in avian medicine	M. Graf-Wernick
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 17.30	Endoscopy workshop	



Program

Module 4

Reptile medicine and surgery

On-demand lessons

Lessons available from 3rd March 2025

Taxonomy and anatomy	Z. Knotek
Physiology	Z. Knotek
Housing management	Z. Knotek
Nutrition	Z. Knotek
Hematology	Z. Knotek
Radiology and CT	Z. Knotek
Ultrasonography	Z. Knotek

In-person lessons

Sunday 7th April 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Registration procedures & Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Physical exam	Z. Knotek
10:00 – 11:00	Clinical pathology	Z. Knotek
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Interactive cases: Hematology and biochemistry	Z. Knotek
12:30 – 13:30	Interactive cases: Diagnostic imaging	Z. Knotek
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 16:00	Practical session: Anatomy	Z. Knotek
16:00 – 17:30	Practical session: Handling and physical examination	Z. Knotek

Monday 8th April 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 09:30	Infectious diseases: bacterial, viral and fungal	Z. Knotek
09:30 – 10:30	<i>Parasitic diseases</i>	Z. Knotek
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:00 – 12:00	Shell diseases and repair	Z. Knotek
12:00 – 12:45	Analgesia and Anaesthesia I	Z. Knotek
12:45 – 13:30	Analgesia and Anaesthesia II	Z. Knotek
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 17:30	Practical session: Anesthesia	

Tuesday 9th April 2025

08:30 – 09:00 *Welcome coffee*

09:00 – 10:00 Clinical procedures Z. Knotek

10:00 – 11:00 Metabolic and non infectious diseases Z. Knotek

11:00 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30 – 12:30 Rigid endoscopy Z. Knotek

12:30 – 13:30 Flexible endoscopy Z. Knotek

13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch*

14:30 – 17:30 Practical session: Endoscopy

Wednesday 10th April 2025

08:30 – 09:00 *Welcome coffee*

09:00 – 10:00 Introduction to reptile surgery Z. Knotek

10:00 – 11:00 Non reproductive surgery Z. Knotek

11:00 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30 – 13:30 Reproductive surgery Z. Knotek

13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch*

14:30 – 17:30 Practical session: Surgery and Shell repair

Programma

Modulo 5

Zoo and Wild Animal Medicine and Surgery

In-person lessons

Monday 8th September 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Registration procedures & Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Principles of zoo health management	Dr. N. Chai, Dr. E. Sos
10:00 – 11:00	Zoo mammal and bird management	Dr. E. Sos
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Zoo reptile and amphibians management	Dr. N. Chai
12:30 – 13:30	Capture and anesthesia of wildlife	Dr. N. Chai
13:00 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 15:30	Capture and anesthesia of zoo mammals and birds	Dr. E. Sos
15:30 – 16:30	Capture and anesthesia of reptiles and amphibians	Dr. N. Chai

Tuesday 9th September 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Bird medicine 1	Dr. E. Sos
10:00 – 11:00	Bird medicine 2	Dr. E. Sos
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Reptile Medicine 1	Dr. N. Chai
12:30 – 13:30	Reptile Medicine 2	Dr. E. Sos
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 15:30	Amphibian Medicine 1	Dr. N. Chai
15:30 – 16:30	Amphibian Medicine 2	Dr. N. Chai

Wednesday 10th September 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Marsupial Medicine	Dr. N. Chai
10:00 – 11:00	Primate Medicine 1	Dr. N. Chai
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Primate Medicine 2	Dr. N. Chai
12:30 – 13:30	Carnivore Medicine 1	Dr. E. Sos
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 15:30	Carnivore Medicine 2	Dr. N. Chai
15:30 – 16:30	Hedgehogs and gliders	Dr. D. d'Ovidio

Thursday 11th September 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Elephant Medicine	Dr. E. Sos
10:00 – 11:00	Rhino Medicine	Dr. E. Sos
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30 – 12:30	Giraffes Medicine	Dr. E. Sos
12:30 – 13:30	Wild bovids Medicine 1	Dr. N. Chai
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 15:30	Wild bovids Medicine 2	Dr. N. Chai
15:30 – 16:30	Wild equids Medicine	Dr. E. Sos

Friday 12th September 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome coffee</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Endoscopy in Zoo and Wild Animals	Dr. N. Chai
10:00 – 11:00	Imaging in Zoo and Wild Animals	Dr. N. Chai, Dr. E. Sos
11:00 – 13:30	Final Exam	
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30 – 16:30	Darting session/Zoo visiting	



Information

ACADEMY FEE: € 6.000 + VAT

within 24/05/2024 unless SOLD OUT

LATE REGISTRATION: € 6.500 + VAT

within 10/06/2024 unless SOLD OUT

THIS ACADEMY HAS A LIMITED NUMBER: MAX 32 PARTICIPANTS

IN-PRESENCE LESSONS WILL TAKE PLACE AT:

UNISVET EVENT VENUE

Via Salvator Rosa 14, Milano

THE REGISTRATION ENTITLES TO:

- Participation to the Academy
- On-demand lessons
- Technical material for practical sessions (Surgical/Dental kit NOT included)
- *Unisvet Exotic, Zoo, Wildlife animals Academy 2024-2025 Diploma*
- N. 150 SPC Credits - Only for Italian Vets
- Coffee break, Light Lunch



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REGISTRATION METHODS

Registrations on our website www.unisvet.it on the webpage dedicated to the event.

Only Unisvet members can register for the course (Unisvet membership is free).

- Registrations will close on the date indicated above, unless the maximum number of participants is reached before this deadline (SOLD OUT)
- In no case the registration fee will be refunded, not even a partial amount of it, except in case of cancellation of the course by Unisvet
- In the event that the participant, after having paid the registration fee, can no longer attend the course, he will still have to pay the entire contribution fee and the sums already paid cannot be refunded.

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