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RUNWAY PUP

A dog sits on the catwalk before the presentation of designer Ronaldo Fraga's 2015 winter collection during Sao Paulo Fashion Week, on Nov. 5.
Nacho Doce / Reuters



President's Message

Dr. Deirdre Chiaramonte



I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as 2014 board president of our VMANYC organization. This journey has opened my eyes. I have Mark Peterson to thank for encouraging me to join the board years ago. I've enjoyed my time on the board, especially getting to meet many new and returning veterinarians of our growing membership, sponsors and speakers.

I would like to thank all our sponsors for their tremendous support of our organization. When they sponsor, we have the ability to meet them and learn about their innovations when we are not in the middle of a hectic workday. It also affords us the opportunity to learn from many well-regarded speakers. We could not do it without our generous sponsors!

We have had a productive year in veterinary medicine albeit a sad one as well. We lost co-workers, colleagues, mentors and friends. Hopefully we are able to recognize the plight of our profession and find support if and when we need it. We, as veterinarians, face a multitude of challenges today. We ride a continual wave of compassion and we need to take the time to care for our dedicated staff and ourselves.

Our motivation is to promote animal health, the human animal bond and public safety. We can best accomplish this by educating our members, enhancing public awareness of veterinary medicine and serving as proponents in governmental legislation. We have made progress this year with the passage of new laws, but we need to collectively remain focused on the next hurdles we face in veterinary medicine from local, state and national issues. We need members of our profession, new and old, to step up and assume leadership roles. We need voices and faces of our profession out in our communities.

Our greatest accomplishments this year were collaborating to incorporate animal dentistry within the New York Veterinary Practice Act and to pass the Veterinary Medicine Mobility Act. Congratulations to us.

I would like to say goodbye to my friend and current board member, the 2006 Veterinarian of the Year, Sandra van der Woerd. She has been a consistent, affable member and supporter of our executive board. We will miss her.

As my presidency comes to a close and I hand the reins over to Dr. Allan Bregman I would like to recognize the volunteer board for always giving what they can. They have families and busy practices – however they always carve out the time to dedicate to our professional organization. Likewise, Solutions Plus has helped the VMANYC stay progressively organized and informed.

Thank you all.

Respectfully,

Deirdre Chiaramonte, DVM, ACVIM, CCRT, CVA

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The Animal Medical Center's Continuing Education:

Register On Line at <http://www.amcny.org/pipseminars>

PARTNERS IN PRACTICE TUESDAY (7 TO 8:30PM) CLINICAL WORKSHOPS

DECEMBER 2: REHABILITATION SIMPLIFIED, PRESENTED BY DR. LEILANI ALVAREZ

PIP COMPREHENSIVE CONFERENCES—8AM TO 3PM

DECEMBER 14: Vaccines and Infectious Disease. Drs. Larry Glickman and Richard Goldstein.

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QUESTIONS? CONTACT DR. PHILIP FOX AT PHILIP.FOX@AMCNY.ORG OR CALL 212.329.8606

PIP VETERINARY TECHNICIAN LECTURES 6 TO 7PM, 6TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

DECEMBER 4: How to make great radiographs and influence people. Dr. Anthony Fischetti.



Wildlife photographer Amos Nachoum filmed the hair-raising moment a crocodile stole his GoPro camera while swimming in the Okavango Delta in Botswana. The confused crocodile swam away with Amos's camera after bumping into it underwater. The croc's sensors are along its jaws so as soon as anything touches it, it automatically snaps.

Picture: Amos Nachoum / Barcroft

News from Blue Pearl Veterinary Partners:

Continuing education lectures are free and open to all area veterinarians. There are also veterinary technician CE lectures which are open to all veterinary technicians and assistants. Registration is required and is done by contacting Dr. David Wohlstadter at david.wohlstadter@bluepearlvet.com. Dinner begins at 7 PM and the lectures start at 7:30 PM. BluePearl is approved as a New York State sponsor of CE for veterinarians and veterinary technicians. Unless otherwise noted, lectures are given in Brooklyn, Queens and Manhattan at the addresses listed below:

Manhattan
410 West 55th St
(Bet 9th and 10th Avenues)
New York, NY 10019

Queens
107-28 71st Rd
(Bet Austin St and Queens Blvd)
Forest Hills, NY 11375

Brooklyn
32 4th Ave
(at Pacific St)
Brooklyn, NY 11217

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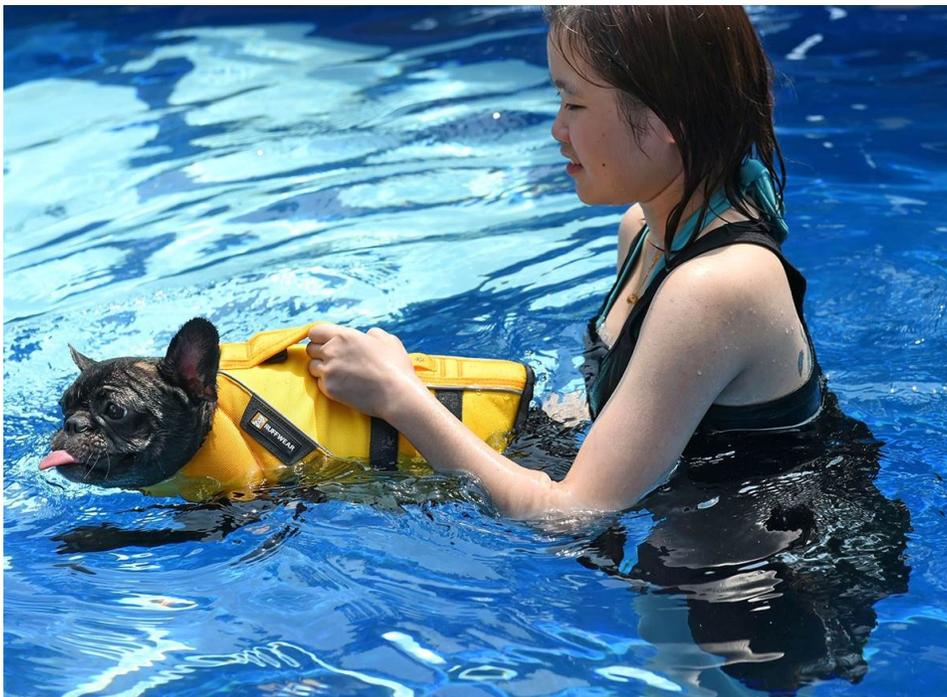
Controversies in feline cardiomyopathies: Classification, diagnosis and management (*for veterinarians*)

Speaker: Simon Dennis BVetMed, MVM, MRCVS, DECVIM—
Cardiology

December 9-Queens

December 11-Brooklyn

December 15-Manhattan



DOGGIE PADDLE

A staff member takes a dog for a swim in a bone-shaped pool at the Wagington luxury pet hotel in Singapore, on Nov. 4. Roslan Rahman / AFP - Getty Images

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Calendar of Events

Program Committee

Dr. Mark E. Peterson, Chairman , Dr. Deirdre Chiamonte, Dr, Sally Haddock

The schedule of the VMA of NYC Continuing Education meetings for the 2014 calendar year is listed below, including the speakers and topics. All meetings will be held at Ciatelli Associates, 505 Eighth Avenue (b/w 35th & 36th St) on the 20th floor, NYC. The meetings will start at 7 PM. Please bring photo ID with you to allow entry into the facility. **Members of the VMA of NYC are automatically registered to attend the meetings**, but guests need to be added to the attendance list in advance of each meeting date.

December 3, 2014

Speaker: Tammy Grubbs, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVAA
Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine
Topic: Anesthesiology/ Pain Management



January 7, 2015

Speaker: Todd Tams, DVM, DACVIM
Chief Medical Officer for VCA Antech, Los Angeles, CA
Topic: Gastrointestinal

February 4, 2015

Speaker: Rhett Nichols, DVM, DACVIM
Internal medicine and endocrine consultant, Antech Diagnostcs; Animal Endocrine Clinic, NYC
Topic: Atypical Cushings

March 11, 2015

Speaker: John Angus, DVM, DACVD. Animal Dermatology Clinic, Pasadena, CA
Topic: Dermatology

April 1, 2015

Speaker: Ned Kuehn, DVM, MS, DACVIM. Blue Pearl, MI.
Topic: Nasal Disease

May 6, 2015

Speaker: Eleanor Hawkins, DVM, DACVIM
North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine
Topic: Respiratory Disease

June 3, 2015

Speaker: Mike Lappin, DVM, PhD, DACVIM
Colorado State University College of Veterinary Medicine
Topic: Feline Infectious Diseases

Remember, our Continuing Education program is meant for our VMA of NYC members, so please do not ever hesitate to provide your input and suggestions for great speaker or timely topics to make our C.E. program the best it can be. I can always be contacted via email at mark@animalendocrine.com or feel free to call me in my office (212.362.2650) if you have any suggestions.



KITTY HELPER

Alaa, an ambulance driver, carries a cat in Masaken Hanano in Aleppo, on Sept. 24. Alaa buys about \$4 of meat everyday to feed about 150 abandoned cats in Masaken Hanano, a neighborhood in Aleppo that has been abandoned because of shelling from forces loyal to



HUNGRY HUNGRY HIPPO

A hippopotamus catches a pumpkin during Halloween celebrations in the Tiergarten Schoenbrunn zoo in Vienna, Austria, on Oct. 31.
Leonhard Foeger / Reuters

TORTOISE TIME

Tortoises eat their food from inside a pumpkin during Halloween celebrations at Madrid Zoo, on Oct. 31.
Andrea Comas / Reuters



ALL IN

An orangutan eats a pumpkin during Halloween celebration in Tiergarten Schoenbrunn zoo in Vienna, Austria, on Oct. 31.



News From the Web

STRAY DOG FOLLOWS ADVENTURE RACING TEAM THROUGH ECUADOR AND BACK TO SWEDEN

A Swedish team of four endurance athletes acquired a new member while racing in the Adventure Racing World Championship in Ecuador. Arthur, the name of the new member, was a stray dog who befriended the team after sharing a meatball.

Arthur joined the team on land and water, crossing the finish line with the team in 12th place.

He was adopted by one of the team members and was flown back to Sweden.

The full story can be found on the NPR website at;

<http://www.npr.org/blogs/thetwo-way/2014/11/25/366660090/dog-follows-athletes-through-mud-and-water-and-melts-hearts>



THE BEST COSTUMES FROM TOMPKINS SQUARE HALLOWEEN DOG PARADE Sai Mokhtari/Gothamist



See more online at gothamist.com/2014/10/26/photos_the_best_costumes_from_tompk.php#photo-1

Summary of Canine Leptospirosis Surveillance in New York City, 2011-2013

The New York City (NYC) Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) conducts active laboratory and passive veterinary surveillance for canine leptospirosis as a complement to human leptospirosis surveillance and to help identify clusters or outbreaks of disease.

This is a summary of the most recent surveillance findings from 2011-2013. Summaries for 2006-2008 are available in the Spring 2007, Fall 2008, and Spring 2009 issues of the Zoonotic and Vectorborne Public Health Newsletter: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/html/diseases/zoo-pub.shtml#3> and for 2009-2010 in the 2011 Veterinary Alert #2: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/zoo/11vet02.pdf>.

Surveillance Results

Reports from veterinarians and positive laboratory reports of *Leptospira* are investigated by interviewing the veterinarian for clinical information and dog owner for exposure information. Per the NYC canine leptospirosis case definition, developed for surveillance purposes only, a confirmed case has a clinically compatible presentation with a fourfold change between acute and convalescent titers, taken approximately 2 weeks apart, whereas a probable case has a single elevated titer.

In 2011-2013, 79 reports were investigated: most (n=63, 80%) were received from the laboratory. Veterinarians submitted 22 reports (28%), including 7 also reported by the laboratory, and one was identified by the owner of another case during investigation. Sixty-two dogs met the case definition (16 confirmed, 46 probable). The 17 remaining reports were not classified as cases due to recent vaccination (n=3), other illness (n=3), incompatible lab results (n=4), no symptoms (n=3), or residence outside NYC (n=4).

The majority of the 62 cases occurred in dogs living in Manhattan (n=29, 47%) and Brooklyn (n=17, 27%) (Table 1). There was an expected seasonal pattern, with most cases diagnosed between May and October (Graph 1). However, in 2011 cases peaked in December, possibly due to the mild winter. In 2012, 50% more cases were reported than the average of all previous years, half of which were diagnosed in August-September.

Case characteristics include 61% male, 60% neutered or spayed, and 41% small-breed dogs (<20 lbs.). The most commonly reported breeds were pit bulls (n=6, 10%), Chihuahuas (n=4, 7%), American Staffordshire terriers, and Shih Tzus (n=3, 5% each). The median age of cases was 3 years, ranging from 3 months to 13 years.

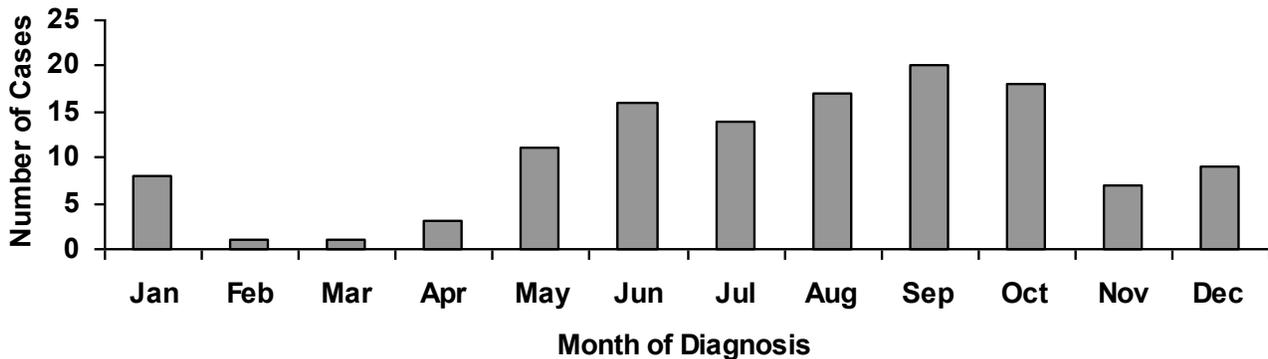
Most leptospirosis cases were hospitalized (n=52, 84%): the average hospital stay for dogs treated and released was 7.1 days (range 1-21 days). Eleven dogs (18%) died or were euthanized: the average length of hospitalization for fatal cases was 2.6 days (range 1-7 days). The most commonly reported symptoms were vomiting (76%), anorexia (66%), icterus (44%), lethargy (48%), diarrhea (29%), and polyuria/polydipsia (24%). Renal (79%) and liver failure (63%) were the most common complications.

Table 1. NYC Canine Leptospirosis Cases by Borough of Residence and Year, 2006*-2013

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Bronx	2	2	0	0	2	2	2	2	12
Brooklyn	2	4	6	4	3	8	5	4	35
Manhattan	4	6	2	5	6	8	13	9	45
Queens	1	3	0	4	1	0	4	1	14
Staten Island	0	1	0	4	1	0	3	1	10
Total	9	16	8	17	13	18	27	17	116

*Reporting began June 2006

Graph 1. NYC Canine Leptospirosis Cases by Month of Diagnosis, 2006*-2013



Exposures

Forty-nine (79%) dog owners were interviewed about their pet’s exposure to potential sources of leptospirosis in the 4-12 day incubation period prior to illness onset, including travel outside NYC, water sources, and *Leptospira* reservoir animal host species in the dog’s environment. The veterinarian provided partial exposure information for 5 cases (8%) whose owners could not be reached.

Among 54 dogs with a known travel history, the majority (n=43, 80%) did not travel and acquired their infection in NYC. Eight cases traveled outside NYC (to NY (n=4), NJ, CT, and PA (n=1 each, 1 unknown)) and were classified as travel-associated since the location of infection could not be definitively determined. The remainder of the analysis focuses on the 43 cases that acquired their infection in NYC.

Most (n=35, 81%) of the leptospirosis cases acquired in NYC were exposed to environments potentially contaminated by animals that can harbor leptospires. Dog owners observed rats and/or mice (n=28), raccoons (n=7), opossums (n=4), and a skunk either at home or where their dog was walked (4 cases exposed to >1 animal type). Four of these cases had direct contact with rats. Exposure to standing water, mostly puddles after rain, was reported in 2 cases and 13 cases were exposed to both animals and water (Table 2). Among the 6 cases with no identified exposures to water or animal reservoir hosts, one reported a sick dog on the same apartment building floor but this was not considered the likely source of leptospirosis infection. No clusters or outbreaks of leptospirosis were detected.

Table 2. NYC Leptospirosis Cases by Exposure Source, 2011-2013

Exposure Source	2011	2012	2013	Total
Animal	8	9	5	22
Animal and Water	4	5	4	13
Water	1	0	1	2
Unknown	1	5	0	6
Total	14	19	10	43

Leptospira Serovars

Leptospira serovars can help identify the animal reservoir host(s) responsible for infection and define the ecology of leptospirosis in NYC. Most cases had elevated titers to more than one serovar since cross-reactivity is common on the microscopic agglutination test (MAT), which is specific to the serogroup but not the serovar. Among cases for which a single serovar had the highest titer, the most common were *L. bratislava* (n=9, 32%), *L. grippityphosa* (n=8, 29%), and *L. icterohaemorrhagiae* (n=5, 18%).

The majority of NYC-acquired leptospirosis cases had the highest titers to *L. icterohaemorrhagiae* and/or *L. bratislava* (n=23, 54%); both serovars are associated with rodents (Table 3). Less than half of the remaining cases (n=10, 23%) were infected with *L. grippityphosa*, which is associated with raccoons, skunks, and opossums. To better assess whether animal exposures were consistent with the infecting serovar, the serovar(s) with the highest titer or highest change in titers was used to classify cases into a serovar group based on the primary animal host(s) (Table 3). Two cases diagnosed by PCR were excluded. Most cases were exposed to the animal species associated with the primary serovar: 91% of the dogs in Group 1 were exposed to rodents, and 60% of the dogs in Group 2 were exposed to raccoons or other wildlife.

Table 3. Serovar Group and Exposures of Locally-Acquired NYC Canine Leptospirosis Cases, 2011-2013

Serovar Group (Serovar(s) with highest titer)	Exposure				Total
	Rodents	Raccoons or other wildlife	Rodents and raccoons/other wildlife	No animal exposures	
Group 1 <i>L. icterohaemorrhagiae</i> and/or <i>L. bratislava</i> (Rodents)	20	0	1	2	23
Group 2 <i>L. grippityphosa</i> (Raccoons, skunks, opossums)	0	3	3	4	10
Group 3 Both <i>L. icterohaemorrhagiae</i> and/or <i>L. bratislava</i> and <i>L. grippityphosa</i>	1	1	0	0	2
Group 4 Other (4 <i>L. pomona</i> , 1 <i>L. autumnalis</i> , 1 <i>L. canicola</i>)	3	1	0	2	6
Total	24	5	4	8	41

Conclusions

Surveillance for canine leptospirosis is limited in that reports are collected from a single lab and asymptomatic cases are not captured. Based on our findings, leptospirosis appears to be uncommon in NYC dogs. *Leptospira* bacteria die within minutes of exposure to dry environments and outbreaks of leptospirosis tend to occur only in warm, moist environments. The cold winters of NYC likely limit the extent to which leptospires can survive in the environment, suggesting that most cases of leptospirosis are due to contact with an area or water source recently contaminated by an animal that is actively shedding leptospires. Infection most commonly occurs through contact with open wounds or mucous membranes with water, moist soil, or vegetation contaminated by the urine of infected animals. Swallowing contaminated water, direct contact with urine or tissues of infected animals, or inhalation of aerosolized contaminated fluids are other possible routes of transmission.

Human Leptospirosis Surveillance

Human leptospirosis is rarely diagnosed in NYC, with 0-3 cases reported annually. Three cases were reported in 2011, 2 cases in 2012, and 3 in 2013. The serotype was available for 5 cases, all of whom were positive for *L. icterohaemorrhagiae*; rodent exposures were identified for 3 of these cases, as is commonly seen among human cases. Although infected dogs theoretically pose a risk of transmission to people through contact with their urine, such direct transmission has been infrequently documented in the literature, and based on the past 10 years of surveillance data, infected dogs have not been identified as a source of human infection in NYC.

Prevention

If you are treating an animal you suspect may have leptospirosis, limit the number of staff members who have direct contact with the animal, its urine or its bedding. Post infection control signs for staff, remind owners to use appropriate caution when handling the dog's urine, vomit, or blood, and wash hands whenever there is any question of contact with these fluids. Use protective equipment or clothing, such as gloves and face shields, and minimize contact with urine, vomit, blood and contaminated materials to help prevent transmission. Contaminated porous and non-porous surfaces should be cleaned with routine disinfectants, soaps, or other household cleaning products. The *Leptospira* bacterium is susceptible to even low concentrations of these products.

Leptospirosis fact sheets are available on the NYC DOHMH website for veterinarians and dog owners:

http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/zoo/lepto_providers.pdf

http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/zoo/lepto_owners.pdf

Reportable Animal Diseases

As a reminder, the following diseases are reportable to DOHMH. Please use the Animal Disease Reporting Form, available at <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/zoo/zoo-disease-report-form.pdf>.

Upon laboratory diagnosis: leptospirosis, psittacosis, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, salmonellosis, tuberculosis, arboviral encephalitides

Upon suspicion: anthrax, brucellosis, rabies, tularemia, Q fever, glanders, monkeypox, plague, SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome), novel influenza (with pandemic potential)

Contact: Bureau of Communicable Disease Phone: 347-396-2600 Fax: 347-396-2753

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VETERINARIANS NEEDED

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FULL-TIME POSITION AND A PER DIEM position are available at Greenwich Village Animal Hospital. A position is available immediately for a New York licensed practitioner. The work week is five days, 40-45 hours/week. Experience is preferred but new graduates and interns will be considered. The candidate is expected to be able to perform the more routine surgeries, ie. spays, neuters, growth removals, etc. as well as oversee a great number of dental procedures. The pace is highly variable, with an approximately 75% canine to 25% feline breakdown. The owner of the hospital has special interest in laser-assisted surgery. Please have any potential candidates contact Dr. Tracy Sane at 212-691-1100 or 347-413-1482 or send resumes to fax 212-691-6991 or gvah504@gmail.com.

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RELIEF VETERINARIAN: Banfield Pet Hospital is currently hiring for a relief veterinarian to help cover several of our Long Island hospitals. We are looking at all availability but prefer a candidate available for a mix of weekend and weekday shifts. Compensation will be dependent upon experience. We see a diverse caseload and focus on teamwork, compassionate pet care, and thorough client education. To inquiry, please e-mail Zakrey Coon at Zakrey.coon@banfield.net or by calling 1-503-922-5444.

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