

# Zoetis Education – WVC 2026

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## Sunday, February 15, 2026

### Symposia:

**Navigating the Journey: A PAWS-port to Evidence-Based OA Care:**

9:00 - 9:50 AM

**Balancing Act: Managing Feline CKD with Chronic Pain (Case-Based/Interactive)**

Sheillah Robertson, BVMS (Hons), CertVA, PHD, DACVAA, DACAW, DECAWBM (AWSL), FRCVS

Wendy Simpson, DVM

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

10:00 - 10:50 AM

**Different Dogs, Different Paths: Insights into Personalized OA Pain Management**

Mikayla Mayland, DVM, DACVS

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

11:00 - 11:50 AM

**Gate to Gait: Ortho Exam Tips that Go the Distance**

Duncan Lascelles, BSc, BVSc, PhD, FRCVS, CertVA, DSAS(ST), DECVS, DACVS

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

11:12:10 - 1:00 PM (Includes Meal)

**Cleared for Takeoff: Pearls and Pitfalls in the OA Pain Journey**

Walter Brown, RVT(g), VTS(ECC)

Ross Palmer, DVM, MS, DACVS

Emily King, DVM

Tamara Grubb, DVM, PhD, DACVAA

Location: Oceanside A, Level 2

### Symposia:

**It's all Skin and Games: Until Someone's in a Cone!**

3:00 - 3:50 PM

**MythBusters Live – Fact or Fiction?**

Ashley Bourgeois, DVM, DACVD

Julia Miller, DVM, DACVD

Jay Chrisman, DVM

Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

4:00 - 4:50 PM

**Would You Rather – Derm Edition**

Ashley Bourgeois, DVM, DACVD

Julia Miller, DVM, DACVD

Jay Chrisman, DVM

Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

5:00 - 5:50 PM

**Boss Level Derm – Tips, Tools, Tricks and Quick Wins**

Ashley Bourgeois, DVM, DACVD

Julia Miller, DVM, DACVD

Jay Chrisman, DVM

Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

## Monday, February 16, 2026

### Symposia:

**Clues in the Exam Room: Unraveling Mysteries During “Routine” Visits:**

8:00 - 8:50 AM

**FeLV and FIV Diagnostic Conundrums**

Natalie L. Marks, DVM, CVJ

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

10:00 - 10:50 AM

**The Preventive Exam With a Plot Twist: A Case-Based Journey Uncovering a Hidden Infectious Disease**

Ben Stading, DVM, MPH, PhD

Eric Morissette, BSc, DVM, Diplomate ACVP (Clinical Pathology)

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

11:00 - 11:50 AM

**The Case of the Concealed Culprit: A Diagnosis in Disguise**

Mason Reichard, MS, PhD

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

## Monday, February 16, 2026 (Cont.)

### OA Pain Masterclass

9:15 - 9:40 AM

**Staying (OA) Strong in a Tough World**

Tracey Deiss, DVM

Courtney Pierce, DVM, MBA

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

9:45 - 10:10 AM

**Strong Starts: Maximizing Kitty Minutes & Leveraging VPC relationships**

Wendy Simpson, DVM

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

10:15 - 10:40 AM

**Strong Solutions: Screening, Diagnosing, and Managing Feline Osteoarthritis**

Ralph C. Harvey, DVM, MS, Diplomate ACVAA

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

10:45 - 11:10 AM

**Strong Interventions: OA is a Disease of Young Dogs**

Patrick Flynn, DVM, MS, CCFP

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

11:15 - 11:40 AM

**Strong Strategies for Managing Late-Stage Osteoarthritis Pain and Complex Cases**

Mikayla Mayland, DVM, DACVS

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

### Parasitology Masterclass

11:45 - 12:10 PM

**Insights from Head-to-Head Trials on Heartworm Resistance**

Chris Adolph, DVM, MS, DACVM (Parasit)

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

12:15 - 12:40 PM

**Shaping the Road Ahead: Evidence from Heartworm Surveillance Studies**

Chris Adolph, DVM, MS, DACVM (Parasit)

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

12:45 - 1:10 PM

**Feline Lyme Disease Updates: Essential Insights for the Veterinary Health Team**

Mason Reichard, MS, PhD

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

1:15 - 1:40 PM

**Decoding Feline Heartworm Disease**

Amber Whittle, DVM, CVA

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

1:45 - 2:10 PM

**Fighting the Vector: The Role of Mosquitoes in the Transmission of Heartworm Disease**

Chris Adolph, DVM, MS, DACVM (Parasit)

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

11:12:10 - 1:00 PM (Includes Meal)

**JAK Inhibitors: A Goldilocks Tale of Selectivity, Safety & Real-World Use**

Jennifer Schissler, MS, DACVD

Location: Oceanside A, Level 2

### Dermatology Masterclass

2:15 - 2:40 PM

**Dermatology Skin in the Game Masterclass: A Call to Action**

Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

2:45 - 3:10 PM

**Dermatology Skin in the Game Masterclass: Clarity Through Cytology**

Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

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**Dermatology Skin in the Game Masterclass: First Response: Calming the Acute Crisis**

Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

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Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

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**Dermatology Skin in the Game Masterclass: Talk the Talk: Communicating Through the Itch**

Ali Diesel, DVM, DACVD

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

## Tuesday, February 17, 2026

7:00 - 7:50 AM (Includes Meal)

**Fast Answers, Better Access: AI Cytology for Skin Masses and Lymph Nodes (Includes Meal)**

Sue Ettinger, DVM, DACVIM (Oncology)

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

### Symposia:

**One Health Immunotherapy: An Innovative Journey from Human to Animal Patient Care**

8:00 - 8:50 AM

**Getting Up to Speed on Immunotherapy Innovations in Human and Animal Medicine**

Scott Knauer

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

10:00 - 10:50 AM

**Mobilizing the Immune System Against Cancer: Lessons from Human Medicine for Pets**

Andi Flory, DVM, DACVIM (ONCOLOGY)

Wendy Levin, MD, MS

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

11:00 - 11:50 AM

**The Latest in Pain Immunotherapy in Human and Veterinary Medicine**

Mikayla Mayland, DVM, DACVS

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

### Diagnostics Masterclass

9:15 - 9:40 AM

**Knowing Your CBCs: Unlocking Hematology Interpretation (RBCs)**

Austin Viall, DVM, MS, DACVP (Clinical Pathology)

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Austin Viall, DVM, MS, DACVP (Clinical Pathology)

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**Keys to Accessible Cytology Screening - How AI is Bridging the Gap**

Eric Morissette, BSc, DVM, Diplomate ACVP (Clinical Pathology)

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**AI as Your Diagnostic Partner: The Key to Practice Efficiency**

Eric Morissette, BSc, DVM, Diplomate ACVP (Clinical Pathology)

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**Unlocking Molecular Diagnostics: The keys to Practical Use of PCR**

Nicole Aulik, PhD

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

## Tuesday, February 17, 2026 (Cont.)

### Business Masterclass

11:45 AM - 12:10 PM

**Master Your Inventory: Streamline & Save**

Shannon B. Sura, DVM, MBA, CVPM

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

12:15 - 12:40 PM

**Mastering Forward Booking: Boost Your Efficiency**

Shannon B. Sura, DVM, MBA, CVPM

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12:45 - 1:10 PM

**From Insights to Action: Building Veterinary Teams That Thrive**

John Younker, DVM

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

11:12:10 - 1:00 PM (Includes Meal)

**Expert Roundtable: Tackling Diagnostic and Therapeutic Dilemmas in Heartworm Disease (Includes Meal)**

Lindsay Starkey, DVM, PhD DACVM (Parasit)

Andy Moorhead, DVM, PhD DACVM (Parasit)

Location: Oceanside A, Level 2

### Purr-fect Your Practice Masterclass

1:15 - 1:40 PM

**Integrating Cat Friendly Handling (Not Wrangling!) into Your Practice**

Natalie L. Marks, DVM, CVJ

Location: Exhibit Hall, WVC Central

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**Choosing Sedation or Anesthesia in the Feline Outpatient**

Natalie L. Marks, DVM, CVJ

Ralph C. Harvey, DVM, MS, Diplomate ACVAA

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**Dermatologic Conundrums in Feline Medicine**

Natalie L. Marks, DVM, CVJ

Jenny Schissler, DVM, MS, Diplomate ACVD

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**Setting Up Your Practice and Feline Patients For Long Term Success**

Natalie L. Marks, DVM, CVJ

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### Feline Masterclass

3:15 - 3:40 PM

**What's New With FeLV and FIV?**

Natalie L. Marks, DVM, CVJ

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**Hot Takes in Feline Parasitology: Expert Insights with a Parasitology Pro**

Lindsay Starkey, DVM, PhD DACVM (Parasit)

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**Elevate the Every Day: Actionable and EZ Cat Care Tweaks for Furr-midable Results**

Wendy Simpson, DVM

Tracey Deiss, DVM

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## Wednesday, February 18, 2026

7:00 - 7:50 AM (Includes Meal)

**Am I Grumpy or Do I Hurt: Understanding Behavior to Diagnose OA (Includes Meal)**

Margaret Gruen, DVM, DACVB

Location: Lagoon I, Level 2

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*Jennifer Schissler, MS, DACVD*  
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*Ralph C. Harvey, DVM, MS, Diplomate ACVAA*  
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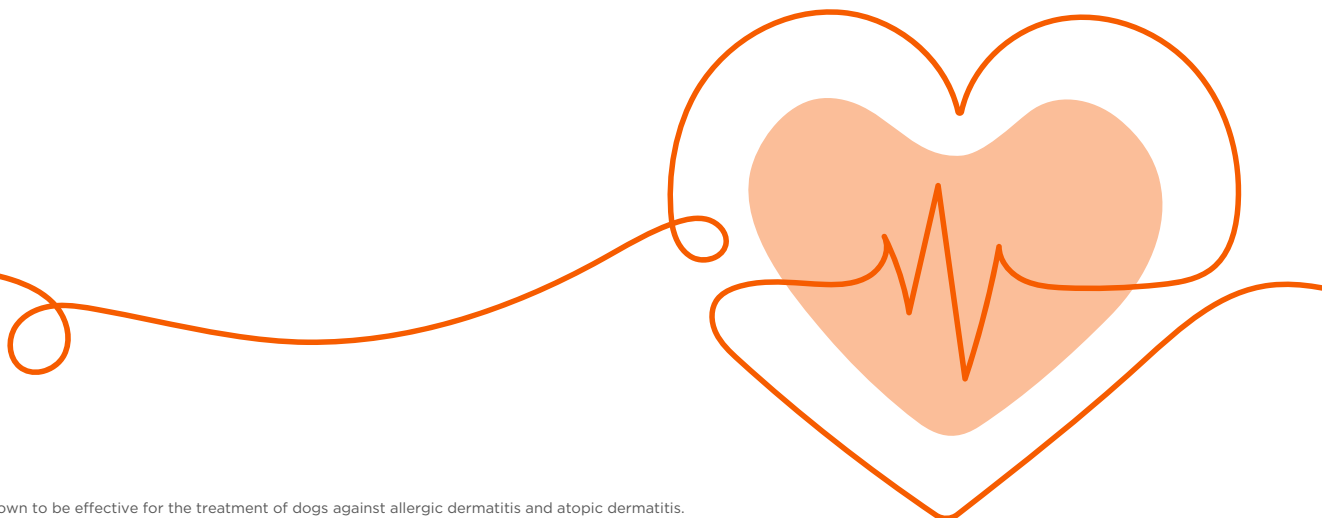
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