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**The Official Combined Bulletin of the European Society of Veterinary Clinical Pathology and  
the European College of Veterinary Clinical Pathologists**

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## **Notes from the Editor**

As you may have noticed, this is the first combined bulletin of ESVCP and ECVCP. Its objective is that all members can be kept informed on the activities, so intimately related, of both groups. The first ECVCP exam is currently being planned for next September 2004. Anyone wishing to inquire about their eligibility for subsequent examinations or to submit their candidature is invited to consult the pre-requisites. Format of the exam is also provided.

The topic of logos is hot! Members have expressed their views on whether there should be a combined or separate logo for ESVCP and ECVCP. ESVCP/ECVCP logoes have been designed. Many thanks to Saverio Paltrinieri who worked on several motifs presented at the Uppsala meeting. Members present at the business meeting had an opportunity to indicate their design preferences, and we should be able to inaugurate logos by the coming annual meeting.

Importantly, the program for the next official meeting of the ESVCP this September in Olsztyn, Poland, held with the ESVP is included at the end of the newsletter, and deadlines should be noted. Finally, as of this newsletter, editorial assistance has been provided by Florence Poitout. Many thanks, Florence!

Cordially, Anne Lanevschi-Pietersma

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## Message from the ESVCP President

Dear Colleagues,

We have a great conference season planned for you. Unfortunately, it takes place in the first two weeks of September so we have to choose carefully or be so lucky and attend both which would be wonderful!!

Our main congress will be in Olsztyn, Poland, in a brand new conference center at the University of Warmia and Mazury. The local organizers have been working very hard to make our joint meeting with ESVP a great success. They are Professors Jozef Szarek and Joanna Lipinska. We should help them achieve this goal by attending. All information is on the Polish web site which is being updated regularly: <http://www.uwm.edu.pl/esvp>

We invite you to check out the site and book accommodations online through the local organization. Fee information for ESVCP members is attached at the end of the newsletter. Registration fees should be paid to our treasurer Nick Carmichael through Paypal if possible.

Our second conference is in Barcelona with ECVIM and information for that congress is on their website. Abstract submission and registration can be done through their web site as in previous years.

We are holding our second annual case discussion sessions this year both in Barcelona and Olsztyn. Elizabeth Villiers and I hope to make a CD compilation of all the cases. We request that you send in cases to either of us before July 1, 2004. More information is to be found in an attachment at the end of this newsletter.

I am pleased to say that the new board of the ESVCP which is Carlo Masserdotti - vice president, Nick Carmichael - treasurer, Peter Graham - secretary and Josep Pastor and Stefano Comazzi - councillors (from ECVCP scientific committee) have been doing a fabulous job of making this a vibrant society and getting the two conferences under way.

We would like to say a special thank you to all who have agreed yet again to participate in giving talks. Also to Tibor Gaal for contacting many persons in Central Europe and not least in advising me on what we should eat and drink at our AGM !!

As you can see we now have a more efficient way of collecting your Euros. Anne Lanevschi has been producing a bigger and better newsletter amongst the myriad other things that she does.

Now it remains to ask you to attend one or both of the meetings and to send in the abstracts and cases so that we can continue to improve our continuing education and scientific programme. Until we meet in Barcelona and Olsztyn,

Best wishes,  
Joy

## Message from the ECVCP President

Dear Colleagues,

You will see from this lengthy newsletter with many contributions that all committees and subcommittees of the ECVCP have been very busy and productive! Thanks to all of them! Please contact the chairperson or consult the website if you have specific questions regarding the activities of these committees. Also many thanks to our editor, Anne Lanevschi!

**Some feedback from the EBVS** meeting of April 17-18<sup>th</sup> in Brussels. I delivered the annual report of 2003 ECVCP activities to the EBVS (see below). Our request for ECVCP diplomates to use the title “European Veterinary Specialist in Clinical Pathology” was approved by unanimous vote. Several other discussions are noteworthy: a) the EBVS discussed and re-affirmed their requirement that candidates taking an examination for board certification must first have at least 2 publications in peer-reviewed journals, and colleges not conforming to this were advised to do so; b) the EBVS will lobby more EU nations to now accept the EBVS system for veterinary specialization; the European Commission has indicated they will provide endorsement for this; c) ECVIM-CA received approval to form a third subspeciality, Oncology. Their training programme will require some rotation through Clinical Pathology as well as Pathology.

**Logos:** Thanks to the hard work of several persons, especially Zoe, we now have separate logos for the ECVCP and ESVCP (see newsletter). This will allow the Credentials Committee to now proceed with producing a Diplomate certificate. It will also allow production of certificates by other committees, such as the Lab Standards Committee.

**Nomination Committee:** First of all the nominations and elections for current officers of the ECVCP and ESVCP are completed and results announced within this newsletter. Chair: Maud Palm

**Credentials Committee:** Applications for Full and nominations for associate Diplomates have been reviewed and additional persons admitted to the college. Chair: Anne Provencher-Bolliger

**Science Committee:** The next annual meeting of the ESVCP and ECVCP has been planned and organised for Sept 15-17, in Olsztyn, Poland: the agenda is attached and can also be found on the ECVCP – ESVCP website. This is the first annual meeting with ECVP. Poland was chosen because this year 10 more countries from eastern Europe are being welcomed into the European Union. Again the meeting has an excellent continuing education session. For a second year, after Edinburgh, it has a section on Toxicologic Clinical Pathology, attracting support and sponsorship from the Pharmaceutical sector. The ESVCP is again hosting the clinical pathology section of the ECVIM meeting, this year being held separately from our meeting and in Barcelona. Chair: Joy Archer

**Examination Committee:** Many persons have been working hard on the exam which is expected to be given to 4 persons this year in Olsztyn, Poland, a couple of days before the ESVCP / ECVCP meeting. Chair: Saverio Paltrinieri

**Education Committee:** Reading materials have been identified and posted on the website, as well as continuing education requirements for diplomates. Chair: JP Braun

**Laboratory Standards Committee:** Criteria for certifying training laboratories for Clinical Pathology residents have been identified and published on the website. Chair: Kathy Freeman.

Best Regards, Peter

## Background on ESVCP

The European Society of Veterinary Clinical Pathology (ESVCP, <http://www.esvcp.org>) was formed in Sept 1998 for the promotion of this discipline, and out of the need for well educated clinical pathologists with certified experience for leading positions in commercial laboratories, industry, and veterinary schools. The Society is open to everybody, veterinarians and non-veterinarians alike, interested in one of the many areas of interest of Veterinary Clinical Pathology.

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**ESVCP Website:** For information on constitution, membership, past and coming meetings, or to consult documents submitted to EBVS concerning application for specialty status and more, please visit <http://www.esvcp.org>, which will be the permanent domain name.

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### Interested in accessing a veterinary clinical pathology discussion forum?

This LISTSERV mailing list provides ASVCP and ESVCP members with access to over 500 colleagues interested in discussing and finding information on topics involving veterinary clinical pathology.

To join the list, interested persons must request by writing an email to Mike Scott : [scott@dcpah.msu.edu](mailto:scott@dcpah.msu.edu), and include their full name, email address, and organisation in the body of the message.

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### ESVCP/ECVCP news:

**Elections for the ECVCP executive board have taken place throughout the fall of 2003. The following are the elected ECVCP board members for ECVCP:**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	Peter O'Brien
<b>VICE-PRESIDENT</b>	Corinne Fournel-Fleury
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Anne Provencher-Bollinger
<b>TREASURER</b>	Kathy Freeman
<b>COUNCILLORS</b>	Joy Archer and Jean-Pierre Braun

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### Clarification on ECVCP diplomate vs specialist title

The ECVCP can currently grant diplomate titles to eligible candidates. However, the ECVCP is required to separately request to have diplomates approved as specialists in order for the title European Veterinary Specialist in Clinical Pathology to be granted as well as the diplomate title. This request has been submitted for review at the upcoming yearly EBVS meeting (April 2004). Indeed it appears that in the way the EBVS works, there are two lists for each college: a list of diplomates and a list of specialists. For the ECVCP, diplomates are normally practicing specialists

and therefore would be eligible for both titles. Accordingly, honorary members or non-practicing diplomates could not use the specialist title.

## **What are “associate” ECVCP members?**

The EBVS has decided to include a new type of membership to the specialty colleges. This type of member is an "associate member" and the description is below:

### Associate Members of Colleges

(1) Scientists who have contributed significantly to research in veterinary medicine can become Associate Members of a College;

Admission criteria for Associate Members are defined by the Board of the College. These criteria have to ascertain that only scientists of international repute who are active in the field covered by the respective college are admitted as Associate Members.

(2) Associate Members are not conferred any diplomas and are not entitled to use the designation of Diplomate;

(3) Associate Members are encouraged to participate in the training of residents together with Diplomates of the respective College. Associate Members are not entitled to act as resident supervisors without a Diplomate responsible for the training programme;

(4) Associate Members are not allowed to hold office within the College or to vote at the Annual Business Meeting. They can be co-opted to College committees as advisors.

(5) Associate Members are encouraged to participate in scientific meetings and workshops organised by the College.

The Credential Committee has currently nominated 3 candidates for associate members. Associate members have been elected by ECVCP members (Feb 2004) after initial nomination by the Credential's Committee. Associate Diplomates nominated include: Dr George Lubas (Italy), Dr Andreas Moritz (Germany), and Dr Erik Teske (The Netherlands).

The Credential's Committee  
Anne (PB), Zoe and Peter (OB)

## **A report on the selection of the ESVCP-ECVCP logos**

- The need to establish a logo for the ESVCP and the ECVCP to use in all official documents of these organizations was discussed during the annual meeting of the society in Uppsala (September 2003). Initially it was suggested that the organizations should have a combined logo, however the matter remained open for further discussion until more specific proposals were made.
- Two members of the credentials committee (Anne Provencher-Bolliger and Zoe Polizopoulou) have volunteered to help by making contacts with various graphic artists in order to proceed according to the budget of 1000 Euros that the society had available for this issue.
- The graphic designer contacted by Zoe Polizopoulou agreed to prepare a proposal according to the aforementioned budget. More specifically and in order to save time and cover most possibilities, the artist would design both separate and combined logos for ECVCP-ESVCP,

which subsequently would be evaluated from all the ECVCP diplomates and a vote would be taken.

- The first draft designs were forwarded for evaluation to all ECVCP diplomates in January 2004. Two sets were produced: one with four proposals for a combined logo and one with three proposals for separate logos.
- During the initial exchange of opinions, a suggestion for using two separate logos as more appropriate was made by Harold Tvedten. This proposal was supported subsequently from many of the participants in this discussion.
- A final proposal was finally set for evaluation and voting. This proposal consisted of the particular and most popular set of separate logo designs that were modified according to some suggestions made by the participants in this discussion.
- The final proposal was forwarded again for voting to all ECVCP diplomates. A positive vote was received from 19 out of the 30 members. The remaining ones did not respond in any way (positively or negatively).
- According to these results it was decided to accept the aforementioned designs for official use in the ESVCP and the ECVCP.

Submitted by **Zoe Polizopoulou**

## **Minutes of the ESVCP Annual Business Meeting**

**Uppsala September 2, 2003.**

### **Minutes**

**ESVCP 5<sup>th</sup> annual business meeting, Uppsala, Sweden**

**September 3, 2003: 17:30-19:00**

Executive members present: Peter O'Brien (POB), Corinne Fournel Fleury (CFF), Anne Provencher Bolliger (APB), Kathy Freeman (KFF)

### **Agenda (POB)**

- 1) report ESVCP board
- 2) report Secretary
- 3) report Treasurer
- 4) report Communication Committee
- 5) report Science Committee

### **1) Report ESVCP Board**

POB: brief review of discussions during March extraordinary meeting and reasons for this meeting: address future of ESVCP, constitutional linkage of ESVCP-ECVCP; how to manage relationship between ESVCP and ECVCP so there is no competition. POB refers to abstract in ESVCP 03 proceedings with results and new constitution. After today's election, the executive board of the ESVCP will be composed by:

President: non elected / actual chair of the ECVCP's scientific committee

Vice president, treasurer and secretary: elected

Councillors: non elected / 2 other members of the ECVCP's scientific committee

Comments:

KFF: the ESVCP has to be careful in using the term clinical pathologist for non veterinarians and non medical laboratory technicians. POB was referring to the approach from ECCCCP which uses the term clinical pathologists even for non veterinarians. Suggestion from Mary Christopher to use the terminology "laboratory professionals" as per the ASVCP group.

All agreed that terminology has to be defined.

**2) Report Secretary**

APB: election for vice president, treasurer and secretary was done prior to meeting. Two candidates were proposed for each position. Votes counted prior to meeting with help of Dr Annette Lieb (non ESVCP member). Results as follows:

Elected vice president: Carlo Masserdotti (I)  
Elected secretary: Peter Graham (UK)  
Elected treasurer: Nick Carmichael (UK)  
Nominated president: Joy Archer (UK)  
Councillors: Stefano Comazzi (I)  
Josep Pastor (E)

**3) Report Treasurer**

KFF: update on finances. ECVCP account has 250 pounds in Lloyds bank account. ESVCP has 3500 pounds. Money will be used to pay the meeting fees. Some residual funds left in a bank in Germany. For upcoming year, fees will remain 100 euros per member, \$45.00 have to be paid from this for the journal subscription. 84 members to date.

Comments:

Peter Graham suggested that sponsors should be acknowledged. Joy Archer , new president, will make sure that sponsors are identified in new proceedings.

Stein Thorensen suggested that members should be able to pay for more than one year, for example for 2 to 3 years. KFF to indicate to new treasurer, Nick Carmichael.

KFF indicated that payment with credit cards should be come possible with Lloyds bank account. New treasurer should look into facilitating payments for Society and College as well.

**4) Report Communication Committee**

Anne Lanevski: newsletter always via email, always in word format. Email list to be updated between Anne and Treasurer. New ESVCP board should be announced on web site. Website needs to be updates, action AL with webmaster. Comment made to reserve the esvcp.org name. For College, remove details about email, address and phone numbers but keep list updated with names and countries and institution. APB to give list to AL.

Brochure to circulate to institutions with membership information. Will circulate to boards of ESVCP/ECVCP as well. Logo should be designed.

Mary Christopher gave a presentation about the Veterinary Clinical Pathology journal update about manuscripts submissions details. Explained how journal works and submissions are processed. Good increase of European manuscripts since 2000. ESVCP abstracts to be published in September issue. New section: QA and Instrumentation, Jean-Pierre Braun, section editor. Thanks to Karen Young, editorial board, reviewers and authors.

APB thanked Mary Christopher for her editorial on the creation of the ECVCP, published in a 2003 spring issue of the Veterinary Clinical Pathology journal.

POB recognized and self congratulated the whole society for the meeting success, the largest clinical pathology meeting in Europe so far. Many thanks to Joy Archer, Inger Lilliehook and Harold Tvedten and JP Braun for organizing. Thank you to Harold Tvedten for 1st case presentation session.

### **5) Report Science Committee**

Joy Archer: thanked all for participation. In the following week, ½ day session at the ESVP meeting in Dublin. Presentations from Harold Tvedten, Save Paltrinieri and Joy Archer.

**Decisions for 2004:** Meeting with ECVIM in Barcelona but only ½ day, or with ESVP in Poland.

**Decision for 2005:** Meeting with ECCP in Utrecht.

POB: ECCP asked to join ESVCP, and meet together in Utrecht. Look at this possible merger will be done during that meeting. Opportunity to mix vet and non vet laboratory professionals.

POB adjourned the meeting at 19:00

Minutes prepared by APB on September 29, 2003

## **ECVCP examination**

The examination committee is now preparing the first ECVCP examination. The first examination will be held in September 2004, associated with the annual meeting in Poland. Further information about the location and about the possible financial support for travel expenses for candidates will be provided to the candidates after the application deadline, which was this past March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004.

The pre-requisites to be admitted to sit the examination, the format of the examination and additional information about the examination are listed below. The education committee will provide the candidates a list of journals and textbooks to be used to prepare the examination.

A number of candidates that fulfilled the pre-requisites prior to March 1<sup>st</sup> 2004 have contacted the ECVCP credentials committee to sit the 2004 examination. Anyone seeking to sit the 2005 examination is invited to consult the pre-requisites below and contact the credentials committee for information about the application procedure. Anne Provencher-Bolliger that coordinates this committee can be reached at [acbolliger@bluewin.ch](mailto:acbolliger@bluewin.ch).

**The examination committee:** Saverio Paltrinieri, Corinne Fournel-Fleury, Peter Graham, Anne Lanevschi-Pietersma, Hugh Larkin, Peter O'Brien, Ilse Schwendenwein, Kerstin Thoren-Tolling, Harold Tvedten

### **1) Pre-requisites**

- a) Have a satisfactory ethical standing in relation to the practice of veterinary medicine
- b) Be qualified to practice veterinary medicine in Europe
- c) Be active in veterinary clinical pathology for at least 60% of your working week
- d) Be normally a resident in Europe or be significantly active in veterinary clinical pathology in Europe
- e) Have completed 1 year of post-graduate rotating internship or 2 years experience in clinical practice

- f) Have participated to a 3-year post-graduate training program directed by a ECVCP Diplomat OR to an “alternative” 4 year-training program approved by the ECVCP
- g) Be the first author of two original articles published or accepted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal (excluding short case report and review articles)

**2) Format of the examination**

- a) General Clinical Pathology: 60 multiple choice questions and 4 essay questions about the pathophysiology of clinical pathology changes and general principles of lab management.
- b) Clinical Biochemistry: 50 multiple choice questions and 4 cases discussed by essay.
- c) Haematology: 40 multiple choice questions, 20 questions on projected photomicrographs, and 10 haematology glass slides (description, morphologic and an etiologic diagnosis, or appropriate differential diagnosis with suggestions for additional diagnostic procedures)
- d) Cytology: 25 multiple choice questions, 25 questions on projected photomicrographs, and 15 cytology glass slides (description, morphologic and an etiologic diagnosis, or appropriate differential diagnosis with suggestions for additional diagnostic procedures)

**3) Further information:**

- a) The examination will be held in September of each year.
- b) The application must be received by March 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of the examination and is valid for only 1 year.
- c) For each part a grade of 60 percent or more is a passing mark.
- d) Candidates who pass all parts of the exam are certified as a "Veterinary Clinical Pathologist"; candidates who pass 2 or 3 parts retain credit for the parts passed for the next four years, provided a mark of more than 30% has been attained in the failed parts. Only two additional attempts to pass the failed parts are permitted within these next four years; candidates who fail 3 or 4 parts must reapply as new candidates
- e) The examination fee is 500 €(250 €for repeat candidates)

**ECVCP Diplomates as of Spring 2004**

Joy Archer	Queen's Veterinary School University of Cambridge, UK
Gad Baneth	School of Veterinary Medicine, Hebrew University, Israel
Jean-Pierre Braun	Veterinary School of Toulouse, France
Hege Brun-Hansen	Norwegian School of Veterinary Medicine, Norway
Jose Joaquin Ceron	Murcia Veterinary School, University of Murcia, Spain
Mary Christopher	University of California-Davis, USA
Frances Clemo	Pfizer Global Research and Development, UK
Stefano Comazzi	University of Milan, Italy
John Dunn	Axiom Veterinary Laboratories, UK
Corinne Fournel-Fleury	Veterinary School of Lyon, France
Kathy Freeman	Idexx Laboratories, United Kingdom, UK
Tibor Gaal	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Szent Istvan University, Hungary
Peter Graham	North Western Laboratories, UK
Jean Francois Guelfi	Veterinary School of Toulouse, France
Shimon Harrus	School of Veterinary Medicine, Hebrew University, Israel
Johannes Hirschberger	Universitaet Muenchen, Germany
Asger Jensen	Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Denmark
Bernt Jones	Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden

Anne Lanevschi	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Utrecht University, Netherlands
Hugh Larkin	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Dublin, Ireland
Inger Lilliehook	Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden
Jean-Pierre Magnol	Veterinary School of Lyon, France
Elsbeth Milne	University of Edinburgh, Royal School of Veterinary Medicine, UK
Peter O'Brien	Pfizer Global Research and Development, UK
Maud Palm	Astra Zeneca R&D, Sweden
Saverio Paltrinieri	University of Milan, Italy
Kostas Papasouliotis	University of Bristol, UK
Josep Pastor	Veterinary Faculty, University of Barcelona, Spain
Florence Poitout	Consultant, clinical pathology, USA
Zoe Polizopoulou	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Thessaloniki, Greece
Anne Provencher Bolliger	Novartis Pharma AG, Switzerland
Ilse Schwendenwein	University of Veterinary Sciences, Austria
Brigitte Siliart	Veterinary School of Nantes, France
Stein Istre Thoresen	Norwegian School of Veterinary Medicine, Norway
Kerstin Thoren-Tolling	Ross University, School of Veterinary Medicine, West Indies
Harold Tvedten	Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden
Peter Vajdovich	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Szent Istvan University, Hungary

**ESVCP- Membership Dues Notice**  
**Membership Year: January 1- December 31, 2004**

**Membership Fees**

- 100 Euros for regular members includes Veterinary Clinical Pathology journal subscription
- 80 Euros for ASVCP members, no journal subscription required since already paid for through ASVCP

**Renewal Deadline was: February 28th, 2004**

**Payment Options**

- For those that have not yet paid their dues, please be reminded to use the paypal invoice sent by email. Please register and pay through the [ESVCPPay@ntlworld.com](mailto:ESVCPPay@ntlworld.com) link with your credit card. Receipt for payment is sent by e-mail.
- For those members in countries where Paypal does not operate or where institutions do not accept these invoices, you will be **emailed** details of a new bank account into which electronic fund transfers should be made. The account details are given below. This system does not however generate automatic receipts and is more expensive for the Society.  
**Please note that when using this method of payment it is essential that the member's name is given in the payment details.** A number of payments using this method have been received which cannot be traced because the member's name is not given on the transfer document. Please state this first in the payment details field of the form.
- Cheques in UK pounds can be accepted but similarly are expensive for the Society to handle.

**Bank details:**

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Account name: European Society of Veterinary Clinical Pathology  
Account No: 1963022  
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**About Paypal**

All members should by now have received two emails from Paypal with the request to pay dues and a link to Paypal's site which accepts the credit card payment. This system for dues payment is being used this year for the first time. Paypal has the advantage of being able to accept multiple currencies, provides automatic receipts and significantly reduces administrative costs. It also provides a secure and convenient payment method using a credit card over the Internet. While the system has generally worked well there have been some teething problems. One of these is that some spam screening software systems block the Paypal emails carrying the invoice to the member.

If you have not received any emails from ESVCP regarding dues this year please contact the Treasurer urgently at [Nick-Carmichael@lineone.net](mailto:Nick-Carmichael@lineone.net).

If Paypal emails have been received but there has been a technical problem with the system it is best to follow the help system within Paypal. In most cases there is no need to open an enhanced Paypal account as the dues for the Society are less than the threshold for this type of account.

If you have any queries regarding membership payments please contact the Treasurer, Nick Carmichael, by email addresses or by mail (see above).

For this year journal subscriptions and membership will be discontinued where payment has not been received by April 2004.

**Membership Benefits**

Your membership in ESVCP comes with benefits, including:

- a quarterly international journal with peer-reviewed articles from the clinical pathology field
- a periodic newsletter
- discounted admission to European Clinical Pathology conference
- access to the ASVCP Listserve group as an online clinical pathology discussion forum for ESVCP and ASVCP
- quarterly newsletter from ECVIM

**Update your information and forward it to Nick Carmichael and Anne Lanevschi:**

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Dr Anne Lanevschi- Communications committee  
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**ESVCP/ECVCP  
6<sup>th</sup> annual meeting  
Olsztyn, Poland  
September 15 – 17, 2004**

**Continuing Education day**

Wednesday, September 15th

**Toxicologic clinical pathology**

Thursday, September 16th

**Second annual case discussion**

Friday, September 17th

***Meetings***

ECVCP AGM\* Wednesday, September 15th @ 17.00  
ECVCP (committees) Wednesday, September 15th @ lunch time

\*AGM=annual general meeting

ESVCP AGM Thursday, September 16th @ 17.10

ESVCP (executive) Thursday, September 16th @ lunch time

ESVCP/ECVCP wine and cheese reception

Thursday, September 16th @ 18.30

ESVP & ESVCP/ECVCP congress gala diner

Friday, September 17th @ 20.00

**ESVCP Continuing Education Day**

**Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**8.00 Registration**

**9.00 Welcome**

**9.05 Diagnosis of RBC parasites**

*Chair: S Thoreson, Norway*

H Brun-Hansen, Norway

**9.50 WBC parasites in dogs and cats**

S Harus, Israel

**10.30 Coffee & view posters**

**ESVCP meeting, Olsztyn, Wednesday, September 15th , cont'd**

- 11.00 Platelet activation : new ways to look at it** *Chair: N Carmichael, UK*  
A Moritz, Germany
- 11.50 Automated platelet analysis**  
J Pastor, Spain
- 12.30 Lunch**  
Meetings ECVCP committees
- 14.00 Body cavity fluids cytology** *Chair: S. Comazzi, Italy*  
P Vajdovich, Hungary
- 14.50 Use of fractional excretion tests**  
H Lefebvre, France
- 15.30 Tea & view posters**
- 16.00 Cytology** *Chair: I Lilliehook, Sweden*  
M Christopher, USA
- 17.00 ECVCP AGM**
- 18.00 Opening ceremony Congress ESVP/ESVCP**

**ESVCP-ECVCP Thursday, September 16th**

- 8.30 Plenary session***Co-chair: T Gaal, Hungary*  
ESVP speaker
- 9.10 Cytology and histology relationships in hepatic disease**  
D Meyer, USA
- 9.50 Clinical and diagnostic approaches to renal disease in dogs**  
R Lechowski, Poland
- 10.30 Coffee & view posters**
- 11.00 Title TBA** *Chair: J Archer, UK*  
J Kaneko, USA
- 12.00 Acute phase proteins in lab animals and farm animals**  
David Eckersall UK
- 12.30 Acute phase proteins in farm animals**  
T Niewold Netherlands
- 13.00 Lunch**  
Meeting ESVCP executive
- 14.30 to 17.20 Parallel sessions**

ESVCP meeting, Olsztyn, Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, cont'd

**Toxicological Clinical Pathology Session**

*Chair: A Provencher—Bolliger, Switzerland,*

**14.30 Application of clinical pathology in drug research**

JP Provost, France

**15.00 Toxicology studies in laboratory animals**

A Trief, Romania

**15.30 New developments in troponin assays**

P O'Brien, UK

**16.00 Tea & view posters**

**16.30 The canine as a model of lipid metabolism in toxicology studies**

D Meyer, USA

*Chair: M Palm, Sweden*

**14.30 Research abstracts, oral presentations**

*Chair: S Paltrinieri, Italy*

**14.30 Informatics and cytology reporting**

M Christopher USA

**15.00 Oral presentations**

**16.00 Tea & view posters**

**16.30 Abstracts, cont'd**

*Chair: I Schwendenwein, Austria*

**17.20 Stretch break**

**17.30 ESVCP AGM**

*ESVCP / ECVCP reception ( wine and cheese)*

**ESVCP/ECVCP Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**

**8.30 Plenary session** *Co-chair: M Christopher, USA*  
ESVP speaker

**9.10 Bone marrow cytology**

H Tvedten, Sweden

**9.50 Methods of analysis of apoptosis by flow and laser  
scanning cytometry**

E Urasinska, Poland

**10.30 Coffee/view posters**

*Chair: C Fournel-Fleury, France*

**11.00 Architectural patterns in cytology: correlation with histology**

C Masserdotti, Italy

**11.30 Internal organ cytology: a pre biopsy tool**

A Lanevski –Pietersma, Netherlands

**12.00 Canine malignant lymphoma: a morphological, immunological and epidemiological study of 608  
new cases**

C Fournel, France

**12.30 Lunch**

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**14.00 Case reviews and discussions**

*Chairs: K Freeman and E Villiers, UK*

**16.00 Tea & view posters**

**16.15 Continued case reviews and discussions**

*Chairs: Z Polizopolou, Greece and J Archer, UK*

**17.15 Oral presentations of best posters**

*Chair: J P Braun, France*

**18.30** Presentation of awards for best poster, oral research presentation and case presentation

**ESVCP/ECVCP congress wrap up**

**20.00 Congress gala dinner ESVP/ESVCP**

## Important Deadlines

### Olsztyn Poland

**May 21, 2004** Abstracts for oral and poster presentations

Please submit **ONLINE** to congress secretariat at [www.uwm.edu.pl/esvp](http://www.uwm.edu.pl/esvp)

Or by email [esvp@uwm.edu.pl](mailto:esvp@uwm.edu.pl)

Instructions for abstract submission and document format in Microsoft word are on the website

**May 31, 2004 EARLY** Congress registration

**June 1, 2004 LATE** registration fee begins

Whole Congress ESVCP/ECVCP: 15, 16 and 17 September

ESVCP member FULL programme ( including congress dinner and Gdansk trip) E 320

PART programme ( including dinner OR Gdansk trip) E 270

Scientific programme ONLY E 220

Scientific programme ONLY students /residents FREE

### Barcelona

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Oral and poster presenters **MUST REGISTER** for the entire congress

Reduced registration fee for presenters: E 150.

**PLEASE register through the congress web site**

**August 1, 2004** Congress registration

ESVCP pre congress day	8 September	Registration	E 100
		Residents	FREE
ESVCP Congress day	9 September	Registration	E 200
		1 day	
		Whole congress	
		Free communication	E 150
		ESVCP member	E 340
		Resident/intern/student	E 270

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**IMPORTANT : reservation and payment required by May 31, 2004**

**You MUST arrange it through the secretariat in Poland by the above deadline.**

**And PAY as directed on the web site**

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This is a resort town and accommodation is a problem. To ensure securing the rooms you want you **MUST** make reservations early and follow the instructions from the POLAND web site.

