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Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

Certified Canine Rehabilitation Practitioner

Diplomate, American Academy of Pain Management

Certified Myofascial Trigger Point Therapist



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Professional Experience

President/Owner

An-Clin, Inc. The Woodlands, TX

Animal Clinics of The Woodlands – 1995 to present

www.animalclinicsofthewoodlands.com

Center for Veterinary Pain Management and Rehabilitation – 2004 to present

www.vetrehabcenter.com

Partner

Equine Veterinary Associates, Conroe, TX – 1983 to 1992

Associate Veterinarian

All Animal Veterinary Services, Conroe, TX – 1979 to 1983

Education

Texas A&M University - College of Veterinary Medicine

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine – 1979

Texas A&M University

Bachelor of Science – 1977

Advanced Certification of Competency

Certified Myofascial Trigger Point Therapist – 2009

A certification program on myofascial pain and trigger point dry needling offered by Myopain Seminars of Bethesda, Maryland for physicians and physical therapists. The program, referred to as the Janet Travell, MD Seminar Series, is a multipart (110 Hours of instruction) program culminating with a written and practical examination.

Diplomate, American Academy of Pain Management – 2009

A certification program offered to health professionals, including veterinarians, which establishes evidence of a level of knowledge concerning the management of pain. The American Academy of Pain Management offers the program.

Certified Canine Rehabilitation Practitioner - 2004

Completion of a comprehensive program in canine physical rehabilitation that is offered by the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine and Northeast Seminars.

Licensure

Texas – 1979. License number: 4598

Honors and Awards

Mark Francis Fellow - Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine
Special recognition for supporting the College of Veterinary Medicine

Professional Affiliations

- Montgomery County Veterinary Medical Association
- Texas Veterinary Medical Association
- American Veterinary Medical Association
- International Academy of Veterinary Pain Management
- American Academy of Pain Management
- International Myopain Society
- American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians

Educational Affiliations

- Certified Canine Rehabilitation Practitioner (University of Tennessee) - approved externship site
- Certified Canine Rehabilitation Therapist and Certified Canine Rehabilitation Assistant (Canine Rehabilitation Institute) – approved externship site

- Faculty member – Myopain Seminars, Bethesda, MD. Canine Trigger Point Therapy Program. www.myopainseminars.com. In 2012 Myopain Seminar offered the first canine trigger point course
- Associate Editor – Rehabilitation and Pain Management. Veterinary Information Network

Publications

1. Egger CM, Love L, Doherty T (editors). **Pain Management in Veterinary Practice**. Chapter 14. *Myofascial Pain Syndrome in Dogs*. Pages 161-170. Wiley-Blackwell 2013
2. Topics in Companion Animals – May 2014. *Introduction to Myofascial Trigger Points in Dogs*

Abstract

In dogs muscles make up 44% to 57% of total body weight and can serve as source of both pain and dysfunction when myofascial trigger points are present. However, rarely is muscle mentioned as a generator of pain in dogs, and even mentioned less is muscle dysfunction. The veterinary practitioner with interest in pain management, rehabilitation, orthopedics, and/or sports medicine must be familiar with the characteristics, etiology, and precipitating factors of myofascial trigger points. Additionally, the development of examination and treatment skill is needed to effectively manage myofascial trigger points in dogs.

3. Fingerroth J, Thomas B (editors). **Advances in Intervertebral Disc Disease in Dogs and Cats**. *Physical Rehabilitation of the Paralyzed Patient*. Wiley-Blackwell 2014 (currently in publication)

Lectures/Labs – 2010 to Present

1. American College of Veterinary Surgeons – Annual Conference 2013 – *Treatment of Myofascial Trigger Points-Evidence and Clinical Based Approach*. San Antonio, TX. October 2013
2. American College of Veterinary Surgeons – Annual Conference 2013 – *Muscle Pain in the Canine Athlete, Orthopedic and Neurologic Patient*. San Antonio, TX. October 2013
3. American College of Veterinary Surgeons – Annual Conference 2013 – *Muscle “The Orphan Organ”*. San Antonio, TX. October 2013
4. Myopain Seminars – *Introduction to Canine Myofascial Trigger Points – The Woodlands, TX*. October 2013
5. Northeast Seminars – Small Animal Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Symposium - *Dry Needling in Small Animal Practice – Boston, MA*. May 2013
6. American Animal Hospital Association – Annual Conference 2013 – *Canine Trigger Point Seminar – Phoenix, AZ*. March 2013.
7. Myopain Seminars – *Introduction to Canine Myofascial Trigger Points – The Woodlands, TX*. February 2013
8. Myopain Seminars – *Introduction to Canine Myofascial Trigger Points – The Woodlands, TX*. October 2012
9. Myopain Seminars – *Introduction to Canine Myofascial Trigger Points – The Woodlands, TX*. February 2012
10. *Rehabilitation of the Thoracolumbar Spinal Cord Injury Patient*. Buffalo Area Veterinary Technicians. Buffalo New York. November 2011
11. *Myofascial Pain*. Buffalo Academy of Veterinary Medicine. Buffalo, New York. November 2011
12. *Practitioner’s Roundtable Discussion on Osteoarthritis*. Sponsored by Novartis Animal Health. Webster, TX. October 2011
13. *Practitioner’s Roundtable Discussion on Osteoarthritis*. Sponsored by Novartis Animal Health. The Woodlands, TX. August 2011
14. *Myofascial Trigger Point Examination and Therapy*. Thera-Paw, Inc. Practical Approaches to Rehabilitative Medicine: Advance Techniques in Physical Therapies. Florham Park, NJ. April 2011
15. *Multimodal Management of Osteoarthritis*. Valley Veterinary Medical Association, McAllen, TX, February 2011

16. *Myofascial Trigger Point Wet Lab*. Student Chapter – International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management, Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine, The Woodlands, TX, January 2011
17. *Myofascial Pain in Dogs*. Capital Area Veterinary Medical Association, Austin, TX, January 2011
18. *Myofascial Pain in Dogs*. Student Chapter – International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management, Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine, November 2010
19. *Myofascial Pain in Dogs*. Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, October 2010
20. *Chronic Pain*. Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, October 2010
21. *The Myofascial Examination*. Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, October 2010
22. *The Multimodal Management of Osteoarthritis*. Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin, October 2010
23. *Adipose Derived Mesenchymal Stem Cells in Clinical Practice*. International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management – Central Veterinary Conference, Kansas City, KS, August 2010
24. *Myofascial Pain in Dogs*. International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management – Central Veterinary Conference, Kansas City, KS, August 2010
25. *Management of Myofascial Pain in the Rehabilitation Patient*. International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management – Central Veterinary Conference, Kansas City, KS, August 2010
26. *Pain Management Seminar – Chronic Pain, Myofascial Pain and Myofascial Examination*. East Texas Veterinary Medical Association and North East Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Mineola, TX, August 2010
27. *Chronic Pain*. Bluebonnet Veterinary Medical Association, Brenham, TX, June 2010
28. *Multimodal Management of Osteoarthritis*. VCA Animal Emergency Hospital Southeast, Continuing education conference. Houston, TX, May 2010
29. *The Management of Chronic Pain*. Capital Area Veterinary Medical Association, Austin, TX, April 2010
30. *Biomedical Acupuncture*. Student Chapter American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association, Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine, April 2010
31. *Perioperative Pain Management and Rehabilitation*. Annual Veterinary Technician Symposium – Lone Star College, Tomball, TX, March 2010

32. *Rehabilitation of the Thoracolumbar Spinal Cord Injury Patient.* Annual Veterinary Technician Symposium – Lone Star College, Tomball, TX, March 2010
33. *Perioperative Pain Management and Rehabilitation.* Texas Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting, College Station, TX, March 2010
34. *Rehabilitation of the Thoracolumbar Spinal Cord Injury Patient.* Texas Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting, College Station, TX, March 2010
35. *Myofascial Pain in Dogs.* Texas Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting, College Station, TX, March 2010
36. *Veterinary Physiatrics.* East Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Tyler, TX, February 2010

Leadership Roles

President – Montgomery County Veterinary Medical Association, Montgomery County, TX, 1984

Committee Chairman – Practice Management Committee – Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Austin, TX, 2004-2007

Committee Member – Integrative Therapies Committee, Legislative Committee and Continuing Education Committee – Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Austin, TX, 2004 to present

Board of Directors – Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Austin, TX, 2006 to 2013

Executive Committee – Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Austin, TX, 2013 to present

Integrative Medicine Task Force – Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Austin, TX, 2007

Task Force appointed by the President of the TVMA to establish positions regarding integrative therapies for the association. TVMA position on these modalities had been requested by the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

Committee Chairman – Credentialing Committee, International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management, 2008 to present

Committee Member – Examination Committee, International Veterinary Academy of Pain Management, 2008