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Advanced TPLO Small Dogs

Wednesday, 6 July, 09:00-18:30 (full day)

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Species: Small Animal

Course type: Wet lab

Course description: TPLO is an excellent treatment choice for small dogs with cranial cruciate ligament rupture, because of their high level of activity and the steep tibial plateau slope. Furthermore, many small dogs may benefit of TPLO Internal Brace because of the high degree of preoperative laxity. This course includes lectures and laboratories to teach the participants the theory and surgical technique of TPLO in small dogs. The lectures will focus on selection criteria, preoperative planning, pitfalls and tips on how to prevent complications. The practical labs will allow the attendant to perform TPLO and TPLO Internal brace (combination with extra-articular stabilization technique) in cadavers. Participants should have experience with TPLO in large breed dogs (3.5mm plates).

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Lecturers: Peter Böttcher, Dr.med.vet. ECVS
Philipp Schmierer, Dr. med. vet. ECVS
Laura Cuddy, DECVS

Number of participants: min. 10, max. 20

Participation fee (€) until 12 May 2022
Diplomates and non-members € 520, ECVS Residents € 390
from 13 May 2022
Diplomates and non-members € 620, ECVS Residents € 465

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09:00-09:15	Welcome
09:15-10:15	Didactic session: Etiology, diagnosis and treatment decision making in small dogs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of CCL rupture in small dogs• Clinical and radiographic diagnosis• TPLO vs extra-articular: decision making
10:15-10:45	Didactic session: TPLO surgical technique in small dogs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Differences between large and small breed dogs• Pitfalls and how to prevent them
10:45-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-13:30	Lab session: TPLO in small dogs (plastic bones and cadavers)
13:30-14:30	Lunch
14:30-15:00	Didactic session: TPLO Internal Brace in small dogs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indications• Surgical techniques
15:00-17:00	Lab session: TPLO Internal Brace
17:15-17:45	Coffee break
17:45-18:30	Didactic session: Postoperative radiographic evaluation

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