



Hands-On Anesthesia Workshops and Wet Labs

INSTRUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

Nancy Brock DVM, DACVAA

Dr. Nancy Brock, originally from Montreal, obtained her DVM degree from the Ontario Veterinary College at the University of Guelph in 1982. She completed a residency in anesthesia and critical care at the University of California, Davis in 1988. In 1995, she became certified as a veterinary anesthesia specialist and is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Anesthesiologists.

As part of her anesthesia referral practice, Dr. Brock provides veterinarians and their nursing staff with anesthesia assistance and expertise. This assistance comes in the form of telephone consultation, tele-consulting and the training of veterinarians and technicians in advanced anesthesia techniques.

Dr. Brock is a contributor to Veterinary Information Network.

She is also the author of an on-line quick reference anesthesia publication entitled [Veterinary Anesthesia Update](#) for small animal practitioners.

Kris Kruse DVM, DACVAA

We'd like to welcome Dr. Kris Kruse to Nancy Brock Vet Services. Dr. Kruse will be providing consultation services alongside Dr. Brock, expanding our availability and reducing wait times for service.

Dr. Kruse received her DVM from Oregon State University in 1984. She spent a year in mixed animal practice in Seattle, WA before her residency in anesthesia at North Carolina State University. She completed her residency at NC State and was board certified as a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Anesthesia and Analgesia in 1989. Dr. Kruse remained at NC State as an NIH Postdoctoral Fellow and completed her PhD in pulmonary physiology in 1992. She joined the faculty at the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine in 1992 and remained there as a tenured faculty member until 2006.

Since 2006 Dr. Kruse has been extensively involved in anesthesia for advanced veterinary imaging (MRI) and most recently as the anesthesiologist in charge of developing the anesthesia service for Sage Veterinary Centers, a large San Francisco Bay Area based group of specialty veterinary practices.

Given her experience in private practice along with numerous years of teaching and training veterinarians, veterinary students, and technicians, Dr. Kruse understands the challenges faced by private practice veterinarians. She recognizes the numerous opportunities to take advantage of the clinical anesthesia environment for in-hospital teaching and training in anesthesia and analgesia. She is also ready to assist practitioners in using advanced anesthesia service as a means of attracting and retaining clients.

Dr. Kruse has authored numerous original research papers and book chapters, has lectured locally and nationally on anesthesia and analgesia, and is an ongoing teacher and consultant on the Veterinary Information Network and other platforms.

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Stefania Grasso DVM, DACVAA

Dr. Stefania Grasso graduated from the University of Perugia, Italy in 2009. She worked at the University of Maisons-Alfort, Paris before completing residency training in anesthesia and analgesia at Purdue University, USA in 2012. She became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Anesthesia and Analgesia in 2015. She joined the anesthesia department at the University of Montreal as a clinical instructor where she supervised interns and residents while giving lectures to students.

Dr. Grasso currently practices in Ottawa as anesthesiologist within the neurology/neurosurgery referral service “theVSCAN” where she supervises all the anesthetics for advanced imaging (MRI, CT) and surgical procedures. She also established a mobile anesthesia service for the veterinary community of the Ottawa/Gatineau area to help practitioners to deliver safe anesthesia and improve pain management through clinic visits, training and continuing education.

Kristine Torske DVM, DVSc

Dr. Kristine Torske received her DVM from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine in 1991. Following graduation she completed an internship in Large Animal Medicine, Surgery and Theriogenology at the Atlantic Veterinary College. Following two years of mixed practice in Alberta and Manitoba, she completed a clinical residency and Doctor of Veterinary Science (DVSc) in Veterinary Anesthesiology at the Ontario Veterinary College.

She lives in rural Manitoba where she is active in small animal private practice and provides veterinary anesthesia referral and consulting.

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