Registration Information

Course fees: $900 (U.S. funds only) Registration received after September 1, 2008 will be assessed a $50 late registration fee. Registration includes conference instruction, notes, lunch and refreshments. Registration is open on a first-come, first-served basis and is limited to 12 people.

The Ohio State University reserves the right to cancel this program if a minimum of 10 registrations are not received by September 26, 2008. In case of cancellation, participants will be notified and will be refunded for the full registration fee.

You may cancel your conference registration at any time prior to September 26, 2008, and receive an 80 percent refund of the course fee. There will be no refunds for cancellations received after September 26, 2008. There are no refunds for no shows.

For further information or to register, please see our web site at www.vet.osu.edu/ce or contact:

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Course Description

Participants will learn the principles and techniques of laparoscopic surgery in this hands-on lab course. After presentations and a live demonstration of a single-port laparoscopic-assisted canine ovariohysterectomy, participants will have the opportunity to perform the procedure themselves on shelter dogs, who will then be adopted out.

Course Instructors

Dr. Ray Cox
Dr. Jim Hailey
Dr. Markee Kuschel

Accommodation Information

Hotel accommodations can be made at:

Hilton Garden Inn Columbus-University Area
3232 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, Ohio
(614) 263-7200 or 1-877-STAY-HGI

Be sure to mention you are with the “Vet Surgery” group to receive the discounted group rate. A complimentary shuttle will be provided by Ohio State, which will transport attendees to and from the course. It will depart from and return to the Hilton Garden Inn.
Saturday, October 18, 2008

8:30 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00 Preparatory Presentations
Topics Include: Principles of laparoscopic surgery, veterinary applications (including ovariohysterectomy, cryptorchidectomy, gastropexy, and biopsies) and techniques, and care and use of laparoscopic equipment.

12:00 Lunch

1:30 Hands-On Laboratory
After watching a live demonstration of a single-port laparoscopic-assisted canine ovariohysterectomy, attendees will work in pairs to perform this procedure themselves on shelter dogs. An operating scope will be used that contains an instrument channel, allowing many procedures (e.g. OHE, cryptorchidectomy, biopsies) to be done through a single 11 mm incision without the need for a surgical assistant to operate the camera. The equipment is very user-friendly and space efficient. Depending on needs of available dogs, additional procedures such as laparoscopic cryptorchidectomy, gastropexy, cystotomy, and/or biopsies may be demonstrated by instructors and/or performed by participants. (Dogs used for this course come from animal shelters and will be returned to shelters for adoption).

5:30 Adjourn

7:00 p.m. Dinner sponsored by BioVision

Sunday, October 19, 2008

7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:00 Morning Discussion
“Laparoscopic Economics & Implementing Laparoscopy in Practice”

9:00 Hands-On Laboratory
Attendees work in pairs to perform a second laparoscopic-assisted canine ovariohysterectomy.

1:00 Brunch
Question and Answer Wrap-up session

2:00 Adjourn

Registration Form

Laparoscopic Surgery
(Limited to 12 attendees)

Course Fee:
☐ $900 (Before September 1, 2008)
☐ $950 (After September 1, 2008)

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