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**The American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (ACVIM) Announces  
The Robert W. Kirk Award for Professional Excellence Recipient, Dr. I.G. Joe Mayhew**

**Denver, CO (June 15, 2021)** – [The American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine](http://www.ACIVM.org) (ACVIM) announces Dr. I.G. Joe Mayhew, Professor Emeritus, Massey University, as the recipient of the 2021 [ACVIM Robert W. Kirk Award for Professional Excellence](#). This award is presented annually to an ACVIM Diplomate in recognition of outstanding achievements and dedicated service to the veterinary profession.

Joe Mayhew, BVSc, DipIOVC, PhD, DSc, FRCVS, DACVIM (LAIM & Neurology), DECVN, MANZCVS is a distinguished Diplomate of the ACVIM, achieving Board-certification in both large animal internal medicine and neurology. He is is a Fellow of the Royal College of Veterinary Medicine, a member of the European Society of Veterinary Neurology and a Diplomat of the European College of Veterinary Neurology.

Following clinical, research and teaching experience on staff at the University of Florida, Cambridge University and Edinburgh University, Dr. Mayhew is currently a Professor Emeritus in the School of Veterinary Sciences, Massey University, and is a private veterinary consultant in New Zealand. He has published widely in veterinary neurology, equine medicine and comparative neuropathology. His textbook “Large Animal Neurology” has been published as the 2nd edition in 2008 and the 3rd edition, co-authored with Rob MacKay, is due out in 2021.

“Humility, courtesy, politeness, honesty and an unflinching pursuit of the truth...these character traits are exactly what I would use to describe Joe Mayhew. He has made major contributions to the development of several generations of veterinary students, residents, clinicians, neurologists and practitioners. I can think of no one more deserving of this honor than Dr. Joe Mayhew.” Gary P. Carlson, BS, DVM, PhD, DACVIM (LAIM) and fellow nominator.

The ACVIM is proud to present Dr. Joe Mayhew with the 2021 ACVIM Robert W. Kirk Award for Professional Excellence. [View a video](#) honoring Dr. Mayhew’s accomplishments. Additionally, please join us in extending our gratitude and congratulatory thoughts by leaving a comment on his [KudoBoard](#). A user guide for how to post a comment is available [here](#) if needed.

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Based in Greenwood Village, Colorado, the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (ACVIM) is the certifying organization for veterinary specialists in cardiology, large animal internal medicine, neurology, oncology and small animal internal medicine. With more than 3,000 members, the ACVIM is dedicated to improving the lives of animals and people through the education, training and certification of specialists in veterinary internal medicine, discovery and dissemination of new medical knowledge and increasing public awareness of advances in veterinary medical care. [www.ACIVM.org](http://www.ACIVM.org)

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