Hello!

Welcome to the 2021 ACVIM Forum! We are excited to have you join us virtually from wherever you are in the world. This year’s conference is really something special, with live sessions, exciting networking opportunities and industry connections all taking place within the virtual platform. While two years ago, none of us would have expected to attend the ACVIM Forum virtually, the disruption caused by COVID has created opportunities for us to discover new ways to come together. We are pleased to be able to bring you the educational content you love along with several new experiences in an interactive virtual environment.

On behalf of the ACVIM staff, volunteers and presenters, we thank you for participating and we hope you enjoy the 2021 ACVIM Forum!

Sincerely,

Ashley Boyle, DVM, DACVIM (LAIM)
ACVIM Forum Program Chair

Don’t miss these Wednesday events and activities!

- **Keynote Address:** "Hacking Darwin: Genetic Engineering and the Future of Life" by Dr. Jamie Metzl, PhD, JD. *Sponsored by Hill’s Pet Nutrition*
**Wednesday Networking Hour:** Choose from five interactive networking activities during today’s dedicated networking hour 2:30-3:30 pm MDT!

**Scavenger Hunt:** Put your treasure hunting and observation skills to the test and win big by participating in the virtual Scavenger Hunt!

**Trivia Night:** Join us tonight at 6:00 pm MDT for a game of trivia with prizes for first, second and third place as well as drawings throughout the game! *Sponsored by NVA Compassion-First*

**Get social with us!** Answer today’s question by commenting on our social media post for a chance to win a $100 gift card!

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**Take advantage of today’s Solutions Center and Career Fair visiting hours:**

10:00-10:30 am MDT | 12:20-1:30 pm MDT | 3:30-4:00 pm MDT

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**To get the most out of your experience:**

- **Build Your Agenda:** To add a session or activity to your personal agenda, simply select it then click the plus sign in the top right-hand corner. View your agenda at any time by clicking **My Agenda** under the Sessions tab. It is also accessible under your personal profile.

- **Track Your CE:** Attendees are responsible for tracking their live and on demand CE throughout the conference. Head to the **CE Info page** under the Resource Center for more information and to download the Live Session Tracking Log.

- **Network with Fellow Attendees:** There are so many ways to connect in the virtual platform, including the **Attendee Chat** discussion board and in the **Specialists Lounge**, *Sponsored by VCA Animal Hospitals!* Send a message to any attendee and schedule a meeting using options under the People tab.

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**Have questions?** Look through our **FAQs**, where we’ve compiled answers to many common questions about the ACVIM Forum program and the virtual platform. Still need help? Head to the **Help Desk**.

*You can find an archive of all eDaily and Registered Attendee Newsletter messages in the **News Hub**.*
Many new and not so new graduates seek structured mentorship. Some don’t pursue a traditional internship because they can limit geographic options and delay exposure to typical private practice caseloads in better paying positions.

The **VIN Virtual Veterinary Internship** is designed to offer guidance and structure without the need for relocation or a pay cut. Accessible worldwide, it allows veterinarians to pursue a rotating internship while employed in any practice.

The pilot program (July 2021) will include 10 core small animal disciplines and 6 electives to choose from. Rotations are supervised by board-certified specialists.

Through a structured curriculum, monthly seminars and focused mentorship, interns will deepen their knowledge and skills, network, and find their professional happy spot.

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