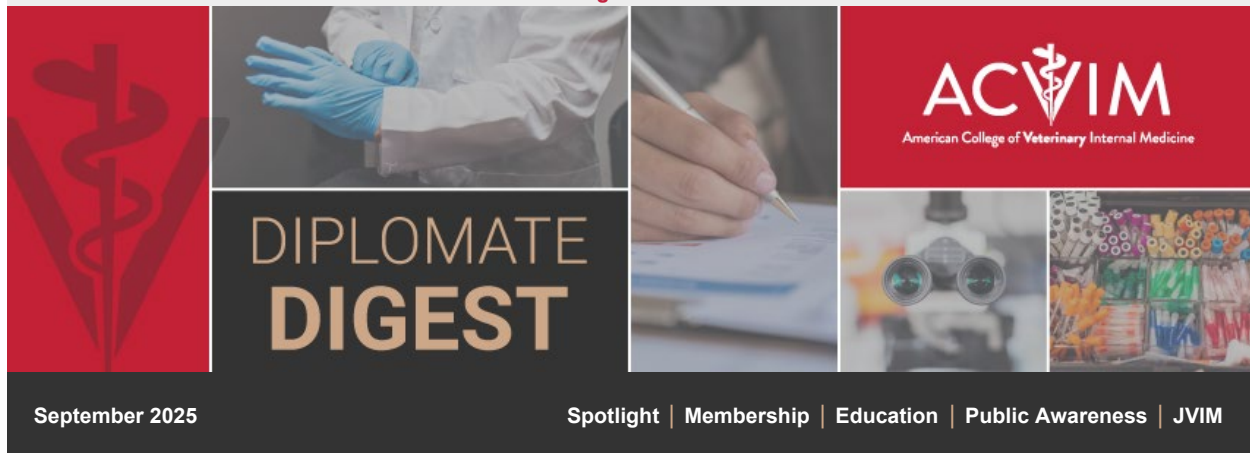


Monthly news and updates for ACVIM Diplomates.

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Nominate an exceptional Diplomate for the 2026 Recognition Awards

Submissions due December 31

The call for nominations for the **2026**

Recognition Awards is now open!

These distinguished honors include the Robert W. Kirk Award for Professional Excellence, the Lee & Inge Pyle Service Award, the Specialty Lifetime Achievement Award, and the William R. Fenner Early Career Award for Outstanding

Service. Esteemed 2026 awardees will be honored during the 2026 ACVIM Forum in Seattle, Washington. **GET STARTED**

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NEXT WEEK:

Certification Town Hall

Monday, September
22, 1:30-3:00 pm MT

Join the Certification Council and ACVIM staff for a virtual discussion of all things certification.

**ADD TO
CALENDAR**

New Member Spotlight: Flavia Vaduva

MS, DVM, MBA, DACVIM (Nutrition)

"I wanted to pursue nutrition specifically because I think it is a field that affects every single pet and is a crucial component of pet health. It also plays a significant and important role in the human-animal bond and I wanted to be a part of supporting that bond through nutrition care."

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**Encourage your
SAIM residents to
take advantage of
this FREE program!**

Enroll by September 26,
2025

Royal Canin is once again
supporting active ACVIM
SAIM Candidates (1st–3rd
year) through the 2025–
2026 Resident Support
Program.

- Access exclusive resident
webinars plus Royal Canin's
educational resources (live
webinars, podcasts, and on-
demand courses).

- **Stipends:** \$500 for 1st–
2nd year residents; \$1,000
toward the ACVIM Specialty
Exam fee for 3rd year
residents.

- **Eligibility:** Must be an
active ACVIM SAIM
Candidate in an approved
residency training program
(years 1-3). Stipend
requests due by October 1,
2026.

ENROLL NOW

**Members in the News: Katherine
Skorupski, DVM, DACVIM (Oncology)**

Dr. Katherine Skorupski and
her team at UC Davis School
of Veterinary Medicine tested a
first-of-its-kind STAT3-targeting
drug that successfully
controlled disease in cats with
oral squamous cell carcinoma,
one of the most aggressive
feline cancers, offering new hope for pets and advancing
translational cancer research with implications for human
medicine. **READ MORE >>**



**Pathways to Competency Task
Force approved by Board**

The Board of Regents has approved the creation of the
“Pathways to Competency Task Force,” which is
charged with developing a common competency-based
training and assessment framework with relevance to all
ACVIM specialties. The goal is to create a shared, user-
friendly roadmap that promotes educational growth
across the entire duration of specialty training that will
benefit both Candidates, instructors, training institutions,
and the ACVIM. The common framework will be the
basis for each specialty to develop specialty-specific
milestones that demonstrate a Candidate's ability to
integrate competencies into practice. The task force will
be chaired by Dr. Jane Sykes and will include
representatives from each specialty. If you're interested
in participating, submit your volunteer application during
the upcoming volunteer recruitment opening Thursday,
September 18!

Veterinary Nutrition: Past, Present and Future

October 9-10, 2025 | Live, Virtual and On Demand



On-demand content is still available for the #2025ACVIMForum!

Couldn't make it to Louisville or want to revisit your favorite sessions? Now's your chance to experience the cutting-edge education and insights from the 2025 ACVIM Forum - anytime, anywhere. With on-demand access, you can **explore sessions across specialties**, earn CE credit, and learn at your own pace. But don't wait, access is only available through October 31, 2025!

REGISTER NOW >>



New on-demand courses: Take your leadership and mentorship skills to the next level!

The newest additions to the Elevate Your Core Professional Skills series, **Elevate Your Leadership** and **Elevate Your Mentorship** feature expert knowledge from ACVIM Forum sessions enriched with interactive elements that spark reflection and support immediate application in practice.

START LEARNING >>

★ **Elevate Your Leadership: Empowering Teams, Challenging Expectations, Impact of Caring for Ill Patients, Increasing Retention**

Considerations for Clinical Implementation of Immunotherapy in Veterinary Oncology

December 12 | Live, Virtual
& On Demand | 8 CE

Sponsored by **Merck Animal
Health**

This one-day course will explore CAR T-cell therapies, checkpoint inhibitors, and other advances shaping cancer care. Join leading experts for keynotes, panels, and Q&A designed to help oncologists apply immunotherapy in practice.

**Registration opens
September 17!**

LEARN MORE

★ **Elevate Your Mentorship: Role of Mentorship, Cognitive Load Theory, Feedback and Intellectual Bullying**

Bridging ECC and Internal Medicine: Advanced Knowledge for Urgent Patient Care



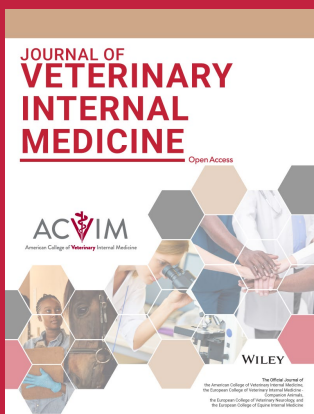
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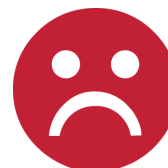
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