

CURRICULUM VITAE
Susan C. Hodge, DVM, Diplomat ACVS-SA

Specialist Certification:

February 2013 Completed American College of Veterinary Surgeons Board Certification

Post-Veterinary Education:

Date	Institution
July 2007 – July 2010	Michigan Veterinary Specialists Southfield, MI 48034 Small Animal Surgical Residency – 3 year program
July 2006 – June 2007	Veterinary Specialty Center Indianapolis, IN 46280 Small Animal Surgical Internship – 1 yr. surgical internship
June 2005 – June 2007	Michigan Veterinary Specialists Southfield, Michigan Small Animal Rotating Internship - 1 yr. rotating internship

Education:

Date	Institution	Degree
Fall 1997 - June 2002	The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Columbus, Ohio	DVM
Fall 1992 - March 1997	University of Minnesota College of Agriculture – Twin Cities, Minnesota Major: Science in Agriculture with an emphasis on Animal Science	B.S.

Professional Experience:

July 2012 – current Greater Cincinnati Veterinary Specialists (GCVS) – Surgeon

- Primary surgical care – soft tissue, orthopedic, & neurologic surgeries
- Organization of surgical service – in-house paperwork, surgery checklists, referral letters, client communication (discharge instructions), estimate creation, updated pricelist
- Surgery department management – policies, standards of care, emergency drug sheets, expectations, and monthly meeting of own staff for problem solving and problem prevention.
- Technical staff training – Hire and train own surgical team, compiling handouts for continuing education of staff, and aide in training of new Emergency Technicians for surgical assistance of Emergency doctors.
- On call assistance for Emergency Service – help with surgeries as needed, phone consultations, radiograph reviews, updating Emergency surgical equipment and care of instruments, and other areas as needed.

March 2012 – June 2012 Dayton Emergency Veterinary Clinic (DEVK) – planned surgical addition to hospital. Buyout.
Worked as ER doctor for 2 months of time.

March 2011 – Dec 2011 Medical Director at VCA TAAH

July 2010 – Dec 2011 Small Animal Surgeon, Board Eligible

VCA Hospital – Tennessee Avenue Animal Hospital (TAAH)

Hospital closed surgical practice – lay off

- Primary surgical care – soft tissue, orthopedic, & neurologic surgeries
- Organization of surgical service – in-house paperwork, surgery checklists, referral letters, client communication (take home instructions), estimate creation
- Hospital policies – organization of charting for managing hospitalized cases (flow sheets), emergency drug sheets
- Technical staff training – organizing, compiling handouts, and give lectures to staff on technical duties including ECG, fluid therapy, radiographs, etc; set up overnight care for hospital.
- Marketing – initiate communication with referring doctors, mailings created, lectures for referral doctors, clinic visits, and availability for consultations.
- Assisted manager – employee issues, hospital policy, doctor oversight, and client complaints.
- Controlled substance management – organizes, order, and keep track of all hospital controlled substances.

July 2007 – July 2010

Small Animal Surgical Resident
Michigan Veterinary Specialists (MVS),
Southfield, MI.

- Performing advanced orthopedic and soft tissue surgical procedures
- Primary case management
- Lecturing on a variety of topics to veterinarians
- Completion of a research project manuscript which was published in JAAHA
- This residency has prepared the resident to sit the board-certification examination
- Primary on call duties for surgical emergencies
- Management and organization of Spay Day program
- Organization of procedures lab for training interns in emergency techniques/skills

July 2006 – June 2007

Surgical Intern
Veterinary Specialty Center, Indianapolis, IN.

- Primary surgical assistant for surgical cases
- Managed hospitalized cases with surgeons and resident including pain management, wound or bandage care, and directed rehabilitation
- Fielded client questions and concerns 24 hours a day
- Arranged emergency surgeries overnight & on weekends
- Surgery journal club participation, weekly case presentations, and current journal review
- Assisted with resident research
- Multiple publication submission

June 2005 – July 2006

Staff Doctor/Intern
Michigan Veterinary Specialists (MVS),
Southfield, MI.

- Rotations with specialists: Surgery, Internal medicine, Oncology, Ophthalmology, Neurology, Dermatology, and Cardiology.
- Primary Emergency coverage
- Daily rounds including journal readings, case reviews, topic lectures by specialists
- Community service opportunities including surgical experience with Spay Day Program
- Four formal lectures given including 2 case presentations & 2 literature reviews
- Pursued research interests and publications

July 2002 – June 2005 Associate Veterinarian
Annehurst Veterinary Hospital,
Westerville, OH.
Dr. Mark Harris

- Annual health exams, vaccinations, routine surgeries
- Sick animal appointments – diagnostics, stabilization, and management
- Management of hospitalized cases – transfers from other doctors daily plus own cases.
- Preparation for referrals to OSU and Med. Vet
- Primary Emergency work – evening, overnights, weekends & holidays
- Adoption program – Veterinarian in charge of hospital care
- Satellite clinic management
- Mentoring of new doctors

June 1997 – June 2002 Veterinary Assistant
Annehurst Veterinary Hospital,
Westerville, OH.
Dr. Mark Harris

- Assist doctors with emergency visits, daily client exams, surgeries, and diagnostics
- Release post-operative patients
- Fill prescriptions, enter charges and payments for clients, & review estimates
- Client communication with lab results and emergency questions
- Overnight care of hospitalized patients
- Continued to work during Veterinary school - Performed surgeries on adoptable strays once finished first year of Veterinary school under the guidance of owning Veterinarian

Publications:

- **Hodge, S**, Degner, D, Walshaw, R, & Teunissen, B. Vascularized Ulnar Bone Grafts for Limb-Sparing Surgery for the Treatment of Distal Radial Osteosarcoma. JAAHA 2011; 47 (2): 98-111. (Residency publication)
- Boudreau, B, **Hodge, S**. & Alsup, A. Fracture of the Ulnar Carpal Bone. Vet Forum 2009; 26 (1); 30-35.
- **Hodge, S**. Animals Matter: Michigan Veterinary Specialists Newsletter. Uroabdomen 2007; Elbow dysplasia 2008. Laryngeal paralysis 2009.

- Wehrenberg, A, Elkins, AD, & **Hodge, S.** Temporary Tracheotomy Followed by Permanent Tracheotomy. Vet Forum 2008; 25 (1): 52-55.
- **Hodge, S,** Elkins, AD, Blevins, WE, & Wehrenberg, A. What Is Your Diagnosis? JAVMA 2007; 231 (8): 1203 – 1204.
- **Hodge, S,** Elkins, AD, & Wehrenberg, A. Disappearing Joints. Vet Forum 2007; 24 (7): 64 – 69.
- **Hodge, S,** Elkins, AD, & Wehrenberg, A. Neurologic Versus Orthopedic Disease - What's the Cause of Lameness? Vet Forum 2007; 24 (5): pages.
- Wehrenberg, A, Elkins, AD, & **Hodge, S.** Hip Dysplasia. Vet Forum 2007; 24 (1): 42- 45.
- Wehrenberg, A, Elkins, AD, & **Hodge, S.** Juvenile Orthopedics: Osteochondrosis in Dogs. Vet Forum 2006; 23(11): 28- 31.
- **Hodge, S,** Degner D. A Novel Bandaging Method. Clinician's Brief 2006; 10 (4): 7-9.
- **Castner, Susan.** Common Poisonous Plants (Spring 1998) and The Senior Patient (Fall 1999). Whiskers & Tails.
- **Castner, Susan M.** Finasteride in the Male Dog: A Dose Response Study. University of Minnesota, March, 1997.
- Kamolpatana, K., Johnston, S.D., & **Castner, S.** Serum testosterone & dihydrotestosterone concentrations following finasteride treatment in the male dog. Satellite Meeting on Reproduction in Dogs and Other Carnivores, 13th ICAR; Sidney, Australia, July 5, 1996.

Presentations:

10/24/07 & 1/14/09 & 8/20/09	Neurologic vs. orthopedic examinations (MVS)
1/22/08	Limb Sparing Surgery (MVS)
3/21/08	Treatment for Hip Dysplasia (MVS)
3/26/08 & 1/28/09 & 9/15/09	Lower Urinary Surgeries (MVS)
6/25/08 & 6/24/09	Triage Lecture (MVS)
7/9/08 & 7/1/09	Hemoabdomen (MVS)
4/23/08 & 7/30/08	Anesthesia & Pain Management (MVS)
4/23/09	Orthopedic vs. Neurologic lecture at Northeastern Michigan Association meeting
9/8/09	Skin tension & skin stretching lecture (MVS) – Board Prep Lecture
10/8/09	Poster presentation at ACVS - Vascularized Ulnar Bone Grafts for Limb-Sparing Surgery for the Treatment of Distal Radial Osteosarcoma
12/1/09	Eyelid & Footpad reconstruction (MVS) – Board Prep lecture
12/15/09	AA & Congenital spinal diseases (MVS) – Board Prep lecture
9/21/10	CVTA (Cincinnati Veterinary Technician's Association (TAAH) - Osteosarcoma & Limb sparing surgery

11/11	Northern Kentucky Assn meeting & Northern Cincinnati meeting – IVDD lecture
11/15/11	CVTA – Managing IVDD: Surgical, Medical, & rehabilitation options
5/29/13	Antech Diagnostics hosting event: Short Cuts: Practical Tips and Techniques for Surgery
3/11/15	Northern Kentucky Veterinary Technician Association (NKVTA) entitled The Art of Radiographic Positioning.