

# August 5<sup>th</sup> - 8:30AM 'till 4:45PM Tempe DoubleTree • 2100 S. Priest Dr. • Tempe, AZ 85282

- 8:30 AM BREAKFAST & SIGN-IN
- 9:45 AM INTRODUCTIONS
  - Chris Monarski, DACVS-SA, MD
- 10:00 AM GASTROINTESTINAL ENDOSCOPY
  - Clinical indications, benefits & pitfalls
  - Melissa Moyer, DVM, DACVIM
- 11:00 AM BREAK
- 11:15 AM FELINE ASTHMA
  - Phil Padrid, DVM
- 12:15 PM LUNCH
- 1:00 PM STRESS & SELF-CARE
  - Rob Best, CVPM VCA Regional Trainer Director
- 2:30 PM BREAK

- 2:45 PM DOGS & CATS BEHAVING
  - INAPPROPRIATELY WORK UP & TREATMENT IN PRIVATE PRACTICE
    - Kelly Moffat, DVM, DACVB
- 3:45 PM UPDATES & CURRENT LITERATURE FOR ORAL PAIN MANAGEMENT UPDATES & CURRENT LITERATURE FOR OA MANAGEMENT
  - Roman Savicky, DVM, DACVS SA
- 4:45 PM MEETING ADJOURNED

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## VCA Animal Referral & Emergency Center of Arizona





# **SPEAKER BIOS**



# CHRISTOPHER MONARSKI, MEDICAL DIRECTOR DACVS-SA SURGERY

Dr. Christopher Monarski completed his surgical residency in Arizona at VCA ARECA, and has been helping to advance veterinary medicine in our community through his residency-related teaching

and research projects. However, his unique qualifications also include 2 years as an associate vet and 1 year as a responsible veterinarian at general practices prior to seeking advanced training. His previous work experience gives him an excellent perspective when dealing with clients. His primary research interest is currently in pain management of orthopedic patients, clearly demonstrating his commitment to his patients.

He has special interest in minimally invasive procedures such as arthroscopy, tracheal and urethral stenting and laparoscopy. Dr. Monarski is a 2001 graduate of Texas A&M University, College of Veterinary Medicine. He also completed a small animal surgical internship at VCA ARECA. He enjoys all aspects of orthopedics and soft tissue surgery and is committed to high quality, compassionate medicine in combination with proactive client education.

2015 Dr. Monarski passed the National Boards to become a Diplomate, American College of Veterinary Surgeons - Small Animal



#### ROMAN SAVICKY DVM, DACVS-SA SURGERY

Roman Savicky, DVM, DACVS-SA is excited to be home in Arizona practicing state-of-the-art veterinary surgery. He especially enjoys minimally invasive techniques such as arthroscopy, laparoscopy, thora-

coscopy, and even minimally invasive fracture repair. His areas of particular interest and expertise include orthopedics, soft tissue surgery, and neurosurgery. A product of Arizona State University, Dr. Savicky attended veterinary school at Colorado State University. He then completed an internship (Michigan Veterinary Specialists), surgical internship (Gulf Coast Veterinary Specialists) and a surgical residency at VCA All-Care Animal Referral and Emergency Center in Fountain Valley California. Prior to his Arizona homecoming, Dr. Savicky's practice was located in Long Island, NY.



## KELLY MOFFAT

**DVM, DACVB** Dr. Kelly Moffat was born in Phoenix and moved to livestock property in Gilbert when she was just 6 years old. She quickly accumulated a menagerie of pets, spending the majority of her time raising and

showing dairy goats. After high school, she attended Arizona State University and a year at University of Arizona, and graduated in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. She then attended Colorado State University, graduating with her doctorate in Veterinary Medicine in 1993. She stayed on at CSU to complete an intensive yearlong small animal medicine and surgery internship. Dr. Moffat joined Mesa Veterinary Hospital in 1994 and practiced small animal medicine for 4 years before deciding to join a residency program in veterinary behavior. While continuing her general job duties as a small animal veterinarian, she worked with her mentor, Dr. Gary Landsberg (from Toronto, Ontario) to complete her course work and case requirements for her residency and passed her certifying exam in 2004. That same year the hospital joined the VCA family, changing the name to VCA Mesa Animal Hospital, and Dr. Moffat became the Medical Director. Due to her interest in the human-animal bond and internal medicine, Dr. Moffat continues to see general

practice cases, perform dentals and some small surgeries in addition to her specialty behavior consults. Dr. Moffat is an avid proponent of Low Stress and Fear Free handling in the veterinary clinic and promotes this in everyday cases at Mesa Animal Hospital. Dr. Moffat lectures to the new veterinary medical school at Midwestern University as well as lectures nationally at veterinary conferences. She is a member of the American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior, the American Veterinary Medical Association, and American Animal Hospital Association.



#### MELISSA MOYER DVM, DACVIM INTERNAL MEDICINE

Dr. Melissa Moyer is professionally interested in the large variety of challenging cases seen in Internal Medicine. She particularly enjoys the areas of feline medicine, infectious and immune mediated diseases,

as well as endocrine diseases.

Dr. Moyer completed her undergraduate education at Yale University, completed a MS degree in Wildlife Ecology at the University of Florida in 2004, then graduated from veterinary school at the University of Florida in 2008. She then went on to complete a one year small animal rotating internship at North Carolina State University. Following her passion for internal medicine she completed a 3-year residency program at Texas A&M University in 2012, participating in both the Feline and the Canine Internal Medicine Services as well as being actively involved in teaching 4th year veterinary students.



### PHIL PADRID

### DVM, DIRECTOR OF SPECIALTY SERVICES

Dr. Padrid graduated from veterinary school at Cornell University in 1985. He completed a Residency in Small Animal Medicine at UC-Davis School of Veterinary Medicine in 1988, and continued as a

Fellow in Pulmonary and Critical Care medicine at UC-Davis School of Medicine in 1990. From 1990-2000 Dr. Padrid served as an Associate Professor of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine. Since 2000 Phil has additionally been Associate Professor of Small Animal Medicine (adj) at the Ohio State University.

Dr. Padrid moved in 2007 to New Mexico to become the Regional Medical Director for the VCA hospitals in the southwest. He is currently the Medical Director for Specialty Services at VCA VCAHRC and he is the Regional Medical Director and Regional Vice President for VCA Specialty Hospitals in New Mexico, Arizona, Texas and San Diego. He lives in Corrales with his wife Roxi, their three pugs, a mastiff, a Siamese cat and a horse.



### ROB BEST

CVPM, REGIONAL TRAINING DIRECTOR, VCA

Educated in Organizational Communication and Business, Rob has been in the VCA family since 2009, and is their first Regional Training Director. With over 15 years experience in coaching and devel-

oping professional teams & their leaders, his presentation and training content is becoming a standard for VCA's best practices.

Rob enjoys surfing, paddle boarding, running, biking, hiking, or really any simplepleasure found in an athletic, outdoor adventure! And always by his side is his son, Preston, a spry 14-year-old Weimaraner.

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