

Intervet supports ECVIM-CA and ESVE

Boxmeer, October 6, 2006 – Intervet presented two awards during ECVIM-CA annual congress and ESVE meeting, as part of its annual sponsorship program to encourage research in the fields of veterinary internal medicine and veterinary endocrinology.

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This year's ECVIM-CA (European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine – Companion Animals) congress was held in Amsterdam, The Netherlands from September 14 to 16, 2006. Once again, this congress was remarkably successful in terms of participation, growing dramatically in size: in 1999 there were around 250 delegates and this year delegate numbers were around 650.

Intervet has been a main sponsor of the ECVIM-CA congress since 1999. As the 3rd largest animal health company in the world, Intervet holds a leading position in veterinary specialty pharmaceutical products, such as VASOTOP® and KARSIVAN® (also known as VIVITONIN®). As part of the congress sponsorship, Intervet also awards annual prize for the best abstract or poster presented at ECVIM-CA by an author under 35 years old.

Intervet has been the sponsor of the ESVE since its inception in 2001. As the 3rd largest animal health company in the world, Intervet holds a leading position in veterinary endocrine products, such as CANINSULIN® (also known as VETSULIN®) and INCURIN®. As part of this sponsorship, Intervet also awards annual prize for the best abstract presented at ESVE by an author under 35 years old.

This year's winner of the ECVIM-CA congress award was Dr Inge Tarnow from The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Frederiksberg, Denmark for an abstract on Haemostatic biomarkers in canine chronic congestive heart failure. This year's winner of the ESVE award was Dr Annemarie Voorbij from the University of Utrecht in The Netherlands for an abstract on Genetic causes of pituitary dwarfism in German shepherd dogs. The winners were presented with their respective award certificates and a prize of € 1000 during the ECVIM-CA congress gala dinner, in the Wintertuin of the Grand Hotel Krasnapolsky in Amsterdam on Friday, September 13 and during the closing ceremony of the ESVE meeting at the Hotel Novotel in Amsterdam, on Sunday, September 15.

Intervet is proud to be associated with the ECVIM-CA congress and with ESVE and looks forward to continue helping young talented researchers as part of its dedication to supporting companion animal internal medicine and endocrinology.

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Note for the editor

Intervet, a business unit of Akzo Nobel, based in Boxmeer, the Netherlands, with sales of EUR 1,094 million in 2005, is dedicated to research and development, production and marketing of innovative animal health products. Intervet's product range for use in livestock, companion animals, poultry and fish includes vaccines, antiparasitics, anti-infectives, endocrine products and other pharmaceutical specialties. Intervet operates globally with its own marketing organizations. The company currently employs around 5,000 people.

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