Speaker Biography

Professor David Church  BVSc PhD MACVSc MRCVS

David obtained his veterinary degree from The University of Sydney and after graduation and a short spell in practice he was appointed as a small animal clinical instructor at The University of Sydney and then enrolled in a PhD programme in the Faculty of Medicine looking at various aspects of the pathophysiology of diabetes mellitus.

After completing his PhD, David was appointed as a member of faculty in small animal medicine at The University of Sydney rising to become Hospital Director of The University Veterinary Centre.

In 2001 David was appointed Chair of Small Animal Studies at the Royal Veterinary College and head of the newly formed Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. Over the next 8 years the department grew to be one of the largest and most successful clinical departments in the world with substantial research grant funding and an outstanding reputation for clinical excellence.

David's current research interests include insulin resistance states in diabetes mellitus and the use of ‘big data’ from general practice for managing animal health and welfare.

David is the author of over 150 scientific articles, numerous book chapters, is joint editor of the highly successful textbook “Small Animal Clinical Pharmacology” now in its second edition and the soon to be released textbook entitled “Logical Approach to Clinical Problem Solving.”

He has had an ongoing interest in relevant continuing education for practitioners and in particular the value of the problem-oriented approach to small animal medicine.