

Programme - 2nd European South-American Camelid Congress

Friday 5 September 2025

	8.30 – 9.00	Arrival & Registration at Churchill College, Cambridge	
	9.00	Opening	<i>Speaker</i>
Theme: Communication & Human-animal interaction Chair: Anne Kramer	9.15 – 10.00	Keynote 1: Getting your message across – Client communication	Christine Magrath
	10.00 – 10.30 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP1: Assessment tools in the field of human-alpaca interaction • SP2: Protein fractions as indicators of stress in alpacas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monika Budzyńska • Joanna Kapustka
	10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break & Poster exhibition	
Theme: Herd health Chair: Elly Po	11.00 – 11.45	Keynote 2: Herd health plans	Henrik Wagner
	11.45 – 12.30 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP3: Ultrasonographic measurement of muscle and subcutaneous fat thickness for objective assessment of body condition in alpacas • SP4: From pasture to protocol: Integrating camelids in an experimental animal facility • SP5: Fundamentals of Nutrition - Supplements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thomas Wittek • Ulrike Teichmann • Elly Po
	12.30 – 13.30	Lunch & Poster exhibition	
Theme: Skin Chair: Graham Duncanson Theme: Neurology Chair: Graham Duncanson	13.30 – 14.00 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP6: Fundamentals of Skin • SP7: Dermatological examination in South American camelids 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claire Whitehead • Eva-Maria Bartl
	14.00 – 14.45	Keynote 3: Neurology work-up from nose to tail	Anne Kramer
	14.45 – 15.30 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP8: Acute paraparesis and dysuria in a 2-month-old Alpaca cria • SP9: Origin and distribution of the brachial plexus of alpacas • SP10: Physical medicine in South American camelids - a useful method to improve therapy outcome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viktoria Balasopoulou • Johann Maierl (for N. Mutschler) • Kathleen Wittek
	15.30 – 16.00	Coffee break & Poster exhibition	
Theme: Post-mortem diagnosis Chair: Claire Whitehead	16.00 – 16.45	Keynote 4: Field post-mortem	Sonja Jeckel
	16.45 – 18.00 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP11: Retrospective analysis of necropsy findings in alpacas and llamas in Germany (2019-2023) • SP12: Cholangiocellular carcinoma in Swiss South American camelids: A case series • SP13: Surveillance and pathology in South American camelids in Great Britain • SP14: Nationwide survey on helminth infections in alpacas and worm control practices in Italy • SP15: Eimeria spp. infections in South American camelids bred in Switzerland 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa Ulrich • Carmen Luginbühl • David Jorge • Elisa Castaldo • Walter Basso

19.00 for 19.30: Congress dinner, Corpus Christi College
(please book separately)

Saturday 6 September 2025

	8.30 – 9.00	Registration at Churchill College, Cambridge	
Theme: Ophthalmology Chair: Henrik Wagner	9.00 – 9.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP16: Fundamentals of Ophthalmology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> David Williams
	9.30 – 10.00 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP17: Anatomy of the extraocular muscles of the alpaca SP18: An eye-opening case: South American camelids are new hosts for <i>Parafilaria bovicola</i> - Intraocular infection in an alpaca 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sophia Weis Carmen Luginbühl
Theme: Examination & clinical diagnosis Chair: Henrik Wagner	10.00 – 10.45	Keynote 5: Veterinary examination for breed registry, shows and pre-purchase examinations	Thomas Wittek
	10.45 – 11.15	Coffee break & Poster exhibition	
Theme: Examination & clinical diagnosis Chair: Fay Pooley	11.15 – 11.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP19: Fundamentals of Exam & Triage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elly Po
	11.30 – 12.15	Keynote 6: From Symptom to Diagnosis	Sonja Franz
	12.15 – 12.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP20: Frequent health problems of South American Camelids in Southern Germany – clinical signs and causes for presentation at a veterinary hospital 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katja Voigt
	12.30 – 13.30	Lunch & Poster exhibition	
Theme: Fleece & Reproduction Chair: Emily Hewett	13.30 – 14.15	Keynote 7: Fleece 101 for Vets	Mary-Jo Smith
	14.15 – 15.00	Keynote 8: Reproductive management & assessment of the male	Jane Vaughan
	15.00 – 15.30 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP 21: Fundamentals of Dystocia SP 22: Gamma globulin and total protein concentration as predictors of disease in neonatal crias in Belgium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Claire Whitehead Justine Clinquart
	15.30 – 16.00	Coffee break & Poster exhibition	
Theme: Therapeutics Chair: Karin Mueller	16.00 – 16.45 <i>15 mins each</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP23: Fundamentals of Sedation SP24: Anaesthesia in llamas and alpacas SP25: Fundamentals of Therapeutics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elly Po Cassandra Eibl
	16.45 – 17.30	Keynote 9: Emerging and exotic diseases & Clinical BTV experience	Claire Whitehead David Jorge & Henrik Wagner
Theme: Emerging diseases Chair: Karin Mueller	17.30 – 17.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP26: Discussion: Pan-European disease database & client education opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leads: David Jorge, Henrik Wagner, Graham Duncanson, Karin Mueller
	17.45 – 18.00	Close & Outlook next Congress	

Poster presentations

Poster ID	Title of Poster	Main presenter	Theme
AA1	Macro-anatomical study of the lumbosacral plexus in alpacas (<i>Vicugna pacos</i>)	Johann Maierl	Anaesthesia & analgesia
CP1	Does PCV correlate with subjective or objective assessment of alpaca mucous membrane colour?	Emily Hewett	Clinical pathology
CP2	Zinc chloride/sodium chloride solution superior to sucrose and zinc sulfate media in detecting <i>Eimeria</i> oocysts in camelid faeces	Agnes Dadak	Clinical pathology
CP3	Serum Amyloid A and Haptoglobin in South American Camelids	Anna-Linda Golob	Clinical pathology
HH1	Case report: Lesions of the oral mucosa caused by bristle millet seeds (<i>Setaria pumila</i>) in an alpaca herd in Switzerland	M. Gloor Arato	Herd health
HH2	Detection of ESKAPE bacteria in Faecal Samples of South American Camelids in Northern Italy	Laura Filippone Pavesi	Herd health
HH3	First survey and data collection of Hungarian Alpaca keeping	Viktória Láng	Herd health
IM1	Ultrasonography of the tympanic bulla in alpacas	Rainer Giebl	Internal medicine
IM2	Oleander poisoning in an alpaca herd: clinical, cardiac and postmortem findings	Camille Coene	Internal medicine
IM3	Systematic and Topographic Anatomy of the External and Middle Ear in alpacas	Johann Maierl	Internal medicine
OR1	Severe chronic osteomyelitis of the os ileum in an alpaca	Cassandra Eibl	Orthopaedics
PM1	Histological Characterization of the Alpaca (<i>Vicugna pacos</i>) Gastrointestinal Tract: Preliminary Observations of the Stomach	Johann Maierl	Post-mortem diagnosis
PM2	Necropsy findings among llamas and alpacas in Austria	Denise Thaller	Post-mortem diagnosis
ST1	Llama (<i>Lama glama</i>) cria with atresia ani, atresia urethrae, hypospadias, and spina dysraphia: diagnosis, and surgical management	Alec Van Hoever	Soft tissue Surgery