



# PrideVeterinaryCentre

*Specialist Referrals*



  
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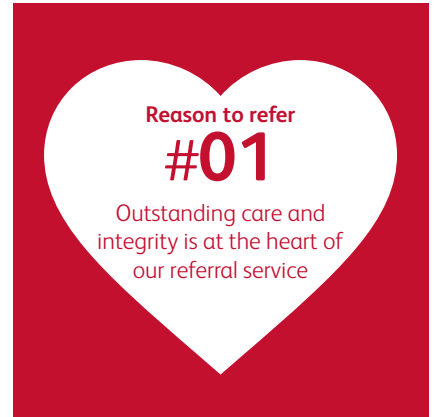
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# Our Referral Services



Reason to refer

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Outstanding care and integrity is at the heart of our referral service

Pride Veterinary Centre is a state-of-the-art Small Animal Referral Hospital conveniently located at Pride Park in Derby. This exciting development provides us with the space to house the specialist staff and equipment necessary for a multidisciplinary referral service.

The facilities include discipline-specific consulting rooms, five large operating theatres, spacious wards including intensive care, digital radiography, fluoroscopy, CT, MRI, an endoscopy suite, a cardiology suite, a chemotherapy treatment room, a radioactive iodine ward, a hydrotherapy pool and even a spacious conference room.

As a Clinical Associate Practice of Nottingham Vet School, a number of their highly qualified clinicians work in our hospital. Together we provide a diplomate led referral service in a range of disciplines.

We offer a holistic approach to the care of your referred cases. We have qualified hydrotherapists and physiotherapists, clinical nutritionists, animal behaviourists and nurses specially trained to manage chronic diseases.

We aim to make referring easy with our experienced referral receptionists and approachable clinicians who are happy to discuss cases and give advice. We will give you regular updates on your referred case and full support after the case is returned to your care. We are keen that you feel involved in your referred cases as much as possible, so you are welcome to accompany patients to the hospital and spend time with the team involved in managing the case.

We also offer regular Clinical Clubs and CPD evenings. These give you an opportunity to meet our team and have a look at the hospital facilities as well as being an informal way of keeping up-to-date, learning new skills, picking up practical tips and most importantly discussing difficult cases. They also help us to understand how best to tailor our referral services to your needs. You don't need to attend CPD or follow a case to visit the hospital, just give us a call and come and meet the team!

## Our facilities and equipment

- 1.5T MRI
- 16 slice CT
- Rehabilitation suite including hydrotherapy pool and treadmill
- Intensive care ward
- Radioiodine treatment suite
- Separate referral reception area
- Fluoroscopy
- Ultrasonography
- Digital radiography
- Dedicated exotics ward
- Full range of Karl Storz rigid and flexible endoscopes
- Chemotherapy suite
- Cardiology suite

## Our Disciplines

- Anaesthesia and Analgesia
- Cardiology
- Dermatology
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Exotics
- Internal Medicine
- Interventional Radiology and Endoscopy
- Neurology/Neurosurgery
- Oncology
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Physiotherapy and Hydrotherapy
- Radioiodine Treatment
- Soft Tissue Surgery
- Spinal Surgery





# Anaesthesia and Analgesia

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We accept referrals at  
any time, day or night,  
365 days a year

The Anaesthesia and Analgesia team works closely with and provides support for all other disciplines in the hospital. The service is led by specialist anaesthetists with the assistance of our highly trained and experienced nursing team.

Many of the complex conditions and procedures performed in a specialist hospital benefit from the care of a specialist anaesthetist in order to achieve the best possible outcome for the patient.

The Anaesthesia service works with a team of experienced theatre nurses. We use an extensive range of monitoring equipment and facilities for the delivery of safer anaesthesia. For example, all anaesthetic stations are equipped with multi-parameter monitors, and patients are closely monitored throughout anaesthesia and into recovery.

Advanced monitoring techniques, such as invasive arterial blood pressure monitoring and blood gas analysis, are employed where the patient would benefit. Our aim is to make the process of sedation, anaesthesia and recovery as safe as possible. All patients will be assessed and given the best possible anaesthesia and analgesia plan for their particular condition.

The Anaesthesia service also assists in the care of critically ill patients. For patients requiring intensive care, we collaborate with specialists from other departments to provide the best possible care around the clock.

An Anaesthesia and Pain Management advice service is available to referring vets on email [referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk](mailto:referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk)

## Meet the team

**Ana del Alamo Foster**

MS DipACVAA MRCVS

**Sanne Melis**

MVB DipECVAA MRCVS

**Sayaka Okushima**

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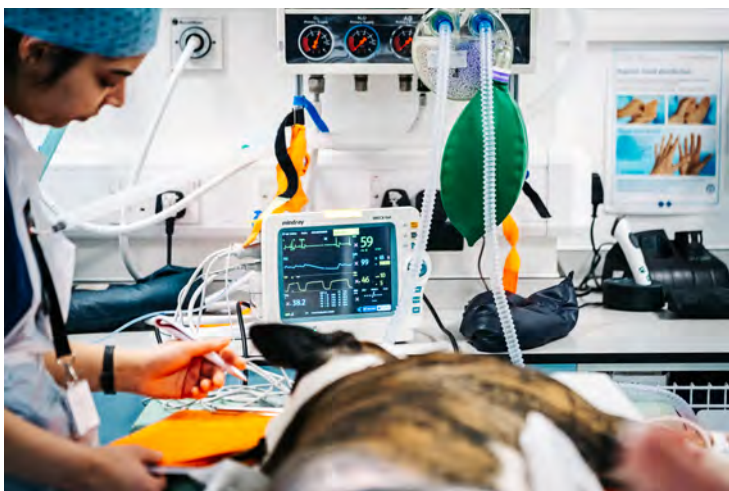
**Hayley Ronaldson**

BSc(Hons) BVetMed MVetMed MRCVS

**Rita Mocci**

DVM MRCVS





## Anaesthesia & Analgesia services provided

### Monitors

- Multi-parameter monitors at all anaesthesia stations
- Warming devices at all stations

### Basic monitoring

- Capnography
- Pulse oximetry
- ECG
- Oesophageal temperature
- Oesophageal stethoscope
- Oscillometric and Doppler blood pressure

### Advanced monitoring

- Agent monitoring
- Direct blood pressure monitoring: arterial, central venous and portal pressures
- Neuromuscular function monitoring (TOF monitoring)

### MRI compatible multi-parameter monitoring

- Pulse oximetry
- Capnography
- ECG
- Oscillometric blood pressure
- Oesophageal stethoscope

### Warming devices

- Heat and moisture exchanger filters
- Fluid warming
- Hot dogs, Bair Huggers and incubator

### Analgesia

- Epidural or spinal anaesthesia
- Perineural anaesthesia with electrolocation or ultrasound guided
- Continuous/constant rate infusions
- Wound diffusion/soaker catheters
- Access to unconventional analgesic drugs

### Ventilation

- Mechanical Ventilation: time, volume or pressure cycled
- PEEP
- Arterial blood gas analysis

### Other

- Central venous line placement
- Isoflurane/sevoflurane
- Total Intravenous Anaesthesia (TIVA)
- Neuromuscular blockade
- Tracheostomy, pharyngostomy and armoured endotracheal tube placement

# Dermatology



As dermatology cases often require long-term management and support, we work closely with the referring vet and pet owner to achieve not only early diagnosis and immediate relief of clinical signs but also to achieve long term control of the disease, balancing suitable therapy with minimum side-effects.

Adequate time is provided to ensure that the history from both referring clinician and client is thoroughly evaluated. A written report to the referring clinician will follow each visit with ongoing telephone support between visits provided. Great communication is the key!

The Dermatology referral service works closely with colleagues from Internal Medicine, Diagnostic Imaging and Soft Tissue Surgery. With our superb MRI and CT imaging facilities, combined with a Karl Storz video-endoscope, we can fully investigate and treat all types of ear disease.

Our well-equipped on-site laboratory with specifically trained technicians provides rapid results for haematology, biochemistry and microscopic examination of samples (cytology, parasitology) as well as carrying out bacterial and fungal cultures.

Should you wish to discuss a case to see if referral is suitable or for free advice, please telephone Paul or email [referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk](mailto:referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk)

Reason to refer

**#09**

Outstanding communication;  
ensuring you and your client  
are always involved  
and informed

**Meet the team**

**Rocío García Fonticoba**

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## Investigations and treatment

### Allergies, chronic pruritus, chronic and recurrent pyoderma

- In-house microscopy, bacterial and fungal culture
- Skin biopsy
- Intradermal skin testing
- Allergen specific immunotherapy
- Dietary investigation and hypoallergenic diet trials

### Alopecia

- Microscopic evaluation of skin and hair samples
- Skin biopsy

### Autoimmune skin disease

- Skin biopsy and cytology of lesions
- Working with Internal Medicine

### Disorders of keratinisation and pigmentation

#### Foot and Nail disease (including interdigital 'cysts')

- In-house microscopy, bacterial and fungal culture
- Skin biopsy

#### Endocrine skin disease

- Working with Internal Medicine and Diagnostic Imaging

#### Ear disease

- Video-otoscopy, myringotomy, biopsy
- Medical management of otitis externa and media (including Pseudomonas otitis)
- Digital radiography, CT, MRI
- BAER hearing testing
- Soft tissue surgery (polyp removal, LWR, VCA, TECA)



# Diagnostic Imaging



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Our sophisticated on-site imaging equipment includes a 1.5T MRI and 16 slice CT

The Diagnostic Imaging team is based in the Imaging Suite containing MRI, CT, digital radiography, fluoroscopy and ultrasound. There are a number of high resolution screens for examining images in the Viewing Room and throughout the hospital. The team works closely with the other referral services to help manage cases, diagnosing and localising disease and monitoring the response to treatment.

## Fluoroscopy

**Fluoroscopy Unit High definition  
GE Fluorostar 7900**

Fluoroscopy is used both in and out of theatre allowing 'real time imaging' and is particularly useful in the evaluation of swallowing disorders and assisting in surgical placement of implants in fracture repair or portosystemic shunt surgery. It is also used for advanced cardiology techniques, such as balloon catheterisation to correct pulmonic stenosis.

## Ultrasonography

**GE Vivid 7 and Logiq S7 ultrasound machines**

These ultrasound machines both offer high resolution images with colour Doppler to enable evaluation of the heart and blood flow in other tissues. They are frequently used in the investigation of cardiac, thoracic and abdominal disease and also allow guided biopsy of pathological structures. The Vivid 7 machine has 4D capability, allowing 3D images of the entire heart to be captured in real time.

## Digital Radiography

**DR Digital Radiography (GE Definium 5000)**

Digital Radiography uses the most up-to-date digital technology to produce high quality, detailed radiographs, from the smallest to the largest animal or body region. The reduced processing time and ability to alter the image after capture dramatically reduces the length of the procedure and the need to repeat exposures. The digital images are immediately available on screens in the Viewing Room and throughout the hospital.



## Meet the Team

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**Carlo Anselmi**  
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Radiographer

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Radiographer

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BSc (Hons) Diagnostic Radiography  
Radiographer



## MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging)

MRI produces high resolution 3D images. It uses a strong magnetic field which causes re-alignment of protons in tissues. When the magnetic field is released, protons return to their resting state at varying rates, emitting radiofrequency radiation which is collected by the receiver coil and converted to the MR Image. Our high-field scanner has a wide range of coils allowing optimal choice for each examination. We mainly use MRI for investigation of neurological diseases (brain and spinal disorders).

### We offer:

- High field 1.5 Tesla MRI scanner allowing rapid and high quality image acquisition.
- Referral for specific system imaging or used as part of our integrated surgical and medical referral service.
- Highly trained, advanced imaging staff.

### Applications include:

- Imaging of the central nervous system (CNS), MRI being the modality of choice with excellent contrast resolution. Many subtle changes are visible in the brain and spinal cord which cannot be seen with CT.
- Imaging of the nasal cavity: MRI gives additional information in some cases of nasal neoplasia.
- Imaging of the aural canals: An alternative to CT in this region, MRI also allows evaluation of

the middle and inner ear, and of the facial and vestibulocochlear nerves.

- Imaging of joints including the shoulder and pelvis: MRI enables assessment of soft tissue structures within the shoulder which may not be visualised with arthroscopy.
- Abdominal imaging. MRI gives excellent soft tissue contrast and may be better than ultrasonography for abdominal imaging of obese, large dogs.

## CT (Computed Tomography)

CT provides high resolution 3D radiographic images. It is particularly useful for investigating nasal disease, head and spinal injuries, often detecting pathology which is not apparent on conventional radiographs. It is the modality of choice for the detection of pulmonary metastases and when used with contrast agents it allows precise localisation of vascular anomalies, such as portosystemic shunts.

### 16 slice GE BrightSpeed Elite CT scanner

This state-of-the-art, CT system allows acquisitions of up to 16 slices per rotation with speed, sub-millimeter resolution and effective dose optimisation, therefore enabling us to perform extremely rapid imaging in dogs and cats of all sizes.

### We offer:

- High performance equipment
- Revolutionary CT scanning and excellent patient safety
- Rapid image acquisition requiring shorter anaesthesia time
- Highly trained, advanced imaging staff

### Applications include:

- CNS – CT is often used in trauma situations assessing the brain and spinal cord as well as fractures, and may be performed in comatose patients without necessitating general anaesthesia due to rapid image acquisition time.
- Nasal cavities and sinuses: As well as showing fine detail in the nasal chambers, brain involvement can be assessed and concurrent thoracic CT allows evaluation of metastatic disease.
- Thorax – CT gives excellent resolution in lung imaging, particularly in evaluation of metastatic disease often detecting pathology which is not apparent on conventional radiographs. Pleural, mediastinal and thoracic wall lesions are also readily assessed.
- Orthopaedics – Uses include fracture repair planning, evaluation of elbow disease and angular limb deformities. CT can give complementary information to MRI in some skull and vertebral abnormalities.
- Cancer detection and staging.



# Exotic Pets Service



Our Referral Exotics Service offers a full medical and surgical care of all exotic pet species. The Exotics Service at Pride Veterinary Centre has dedicated and fully equipped facilities exclusive for exotic patients to guarantee the best management of complex cases. Our well-equipped on-site laboratory with specifically trained technicians provides rapid results for haematology, biochemistry and microscopic examination of samples (cytology, parasitology) as well as carrying out bacterial and fungal cultures.

## Small Mammals

- Ferret
- Rabbit
- Guinea Pig
- Chinchilla
- Degu
- Sugar glider
- African hedgehog
- Gerbil
- Rats
- Mice
- Hamsters
- Others

## Birds

- Psittacine
- Passerines
- Birds of prey
- Others

## Reptiles

- Tortoises
- Terrapin
- Lizards
- Snakes
- Others

## Amphibians

- Frogs
- Newts
- Others

## Arthropods

- Snails
- Spiders
- Insects
- Others

## Fish

Reason to refer

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Ongoing support  
for your clients,  
should they need it

## Meet the team

### Sara Dias

DVM MSc DipABVP(ECM)  
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## Investigations and treatments

### Medicine

- Dentistry
- Gastroenterology, hepatic and pancreatic disorders
- Endocrinology
- Respiratory diseases (upper and lower respiratory tract)
- Urinary and Reproductive tract disorders
- Cardiology
- Dermatology
- Neurology
- Oncology, Haematology, Immunology

### Surgery

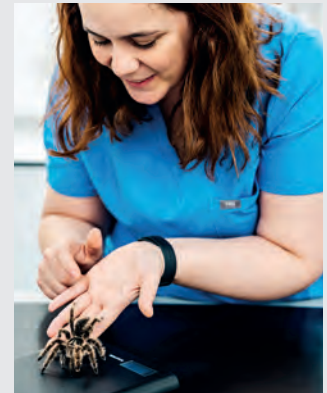
- Dentistry
- Soft tissue
- Orthopaedics
- Ophthalmology

### Diagnostic imaging

- Digital radiography
- Fluoroscopy
- Ultrasonography
- Endoscopy
- CT
- MRI

### On-site Laboratory

- Haematology
- Biochemistry
- Parasitology
- Cytology
- Cultures
- Others





# Internal Medicine

The Internal Medicine team manages complex medical conditions. We deal with diseases and disorders involving multiple organ systems such as the gastrointestinal tract and pancreas, the liver, the respiratory system, the endocrine system (hormones), the kidneys and urinary tract and the blood and circulatory system. As Internal Medicine specialists we act as detectives solving medical puzzles. We are in an optimal position to do this at Pride Veterinary Centre due to our state of the art facilities and equipment available for diagnostic investigations and hospitalisation.

The Internal Medicine team work closely with clinicians from our other disciplines to provide an integrated, diverse and flexible clinical service. They enjoy the benefit of high quality diagnostic facilities including digital radiography, fluoroscopy, high resolution ultrasonography, MRI, CT and a full range of Karl Storz rigid and flexible video-endoscopes enabling them to investigate a wide range of clinical problems.

There is a well-equipped on-site laboratory with specifically trained staff allowing rapid results for haematology, clotting, biochemistry, endocrinology, cytology and bacterial culture. We are also fortunate to have highly qualified nursing staff and a dedicated veterinary surgeon and nurse out of hours team to closely monitor inpatients throughout the day and night.

The team offers a particular expertise in Feline Internal Medicine. Sick cats tend to bring with them a unique set of problems with respect to handling, diagnosis and treatment. At Pride Veterinary Centre we provide a truly 'feline friendly' service encompassing highly qualified clinicians, compassionate cat-friendly nursing care and specialist equipment. We provide a comprehensive and integrated clinical service with a 'feline-orientated' approach applied throughout all disciplines. Our Feline Internal Medicine service is run by Dr Charlotte Dye who has a special interest in feline medicine and who holds the RCVS Diploma in this discipline.

An Internal Medicine email advice service is available to referring vets on [referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk](mailto:referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk) or phone **01332 548911**

Reason to refer

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We offer a truly multidisciplinary service, with specialist teams all under one roof, working together to deliver the very best outcome

## Meet the team

### Marc Dhumeaux

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### Charlotte Dye

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### Camilla Piazza

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Resident in Veterinary Internal Medicine



## Investigations and treatment

### Gastroenterology, hepatic and pancreatic disorders

- Digital radiography, fluoroscopy, CT, MRI
- Ultrasonography and ultrasound-guided aspiration/biopsy
- Upper and lower gastrointestinal endoscopy, biopsy, foreign body retrieval

### Endocrinology

- Advanced serological testing and interpretation
- Digital radiography, CT, MRI
- Ultrasonography and ultrasound-guided aspiration/biopsy
- Radioiodine treatment of hyperthyroid cats

### Respiratory disease (upper and lower respiratory tract)

- Arterial blood gas analysis
- Digital radiography, ultrasonography, CT, MRI
- Dynamic airway fluoroscopy
- Rhinoscopy
- Bronchoscopy, bronchoalveolar lavage, foreign body retrieval

### Urinary tract disorders

- Digital radiography (including contrast studies), CT, MRI
- Ultrasonography and ultrasound-guided aspiration/biopsy
- Cystoscopy (flexible and rigid)
- Endoscopic urethral collagen injection
- Assessment of glomerular filtration rate (GFR)

### Oncology, Haematology, Immunology

- Diagnosis and staging (radiography, ultrasonography, CT, MRI)
- Joint taps
- CSF tap
- Bone marrow aspiration and biopsy
- Chemotherapy (dedicated Chemotherapy Suite)
- Palliative care

### Interventional radiology

- Tracheal, ureteral, urethral stents
- Intra-arterial chemoembolisation
- Subcutaneous ureteral bypass (SUB) placement
- Percutaneous transjugular coil embolisation of intrahepatic shunts (PTCE)
- Minimally invasive bladder stone removal



# Neurology and Neurosurgery

The neurology and neurosurgery service provides care for any conditions associated with the neurological or neuromuscular system. Our highly qualified Neurology / Neurosurgery service has experience in all aspects of small animal neurology.

Cutting-edge technology includes 7-day a week availability of the on-site 1.5 T MRI and 16 slice CT. Detailed and rapid information about the nervous system allows us to decide on the best and most appropriate treatment for each individual patient.

Medical neurology presents in a variety of clinical signs including seizures, abnormal mentation, cranial nerve deficits or weakness. Neurology specialist examination provides differentiation between central and peripheral lesions and is the base for choosing the appropriate diagnostic tool. This may include MRI investigations or cerebrospinal fluid tap where necessary for central lesions or specialised examination of the neuromuscular system with our high-tech electrodiagnostic equipment for peripheral lesions.

All types of advanced neuro-surgical treatment of the brain and the spine are offered by our neurology / neurosurgery specialist team. Brain diseases such as hydrocephalus and brain tumour treated surgically can have a superb

outcome. Complicated spinal conditions such as caudal cervical spondylomyelopathy (Wobblers syndrome), fracture repair, subarachnoid cyst or tumour resection are treated commonly and effectively at the Pride Veterinary Centre. Our specialist assessment provides information and discussion on the best treatment for the referred pet.

Rehabilitation is particularly important in our recumbent patients, and this is achieved by our on-site hydrotherapy suite and specialist rehabilitation team. Highly experienced nursing staff and veterinary surgeons provide close monitoring 24/7.

We have a highly specialised electrodiagnostic equipment integrating multiple operations including Brainstem Auditory Evoked Response (BAER), Hearing Test, Electroretinogram (ERG), Electromyography (EMG), Motor Nerve Conduction Velocity (MNCV) and the Electroencephalogram (EEG) with video-recording facility.

Reason to refer

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We welcome and evaluate feedback so that we can continuously improve our services for both you and your clients

## Meet the team

### Neurology/Neurosurgery team

#### Annette Wessmann

DrMedVet DipECVN PGCertAcPrac  
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#### Juan J Minguez

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#### Beatrice Carletti

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#### Patricia Alvarez Fernandez

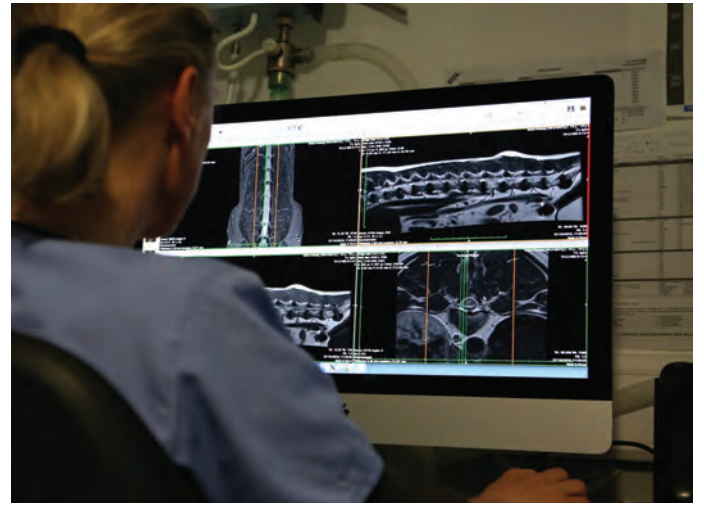
DVM MRCVS

#### Emma Suiter

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MRCVS  
*ECVN Resident*

**PrideVeterinaryCentre**  
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## Investigations and treatment

### Brain

- Seizures
- Inflammatory and infectious conditions
- Tumour management including tumour resection and chemotherapy
- Stroke and head trauma management
- Metabolic and degenerative brain disease
- EEG – to identify if it is a seizure, if the seizure medication works, to identify if a patient is brain-dead to consider stopping life-support

### Neuromuscular disease

- Medical work up of neuromuscular disease
- Specialised electrodiagnostic work-up including electromyography, nerve conduction velocity, repetitive nerve stimulation
- Nerve and muscle biopsies
- Choice of diagnostic tests for specific neuromuscular diseases

### Spine / Spinal Cord

- Vascular conditions (e.g. FCE)
- Inflammatory and infectious conditions
- Tumour management including tumour resection and chemotherapy
- Degenerative conditions (e.g. degenerative myelopathy)

### Surgical neurological disease

- Brain surgery e.g. for hydrocephalus or brain tumour resection
- Variety of spinal surgery e.g. for disc herniation, fracture repair and stabilisation, tumour and subarachnoid cyst resection

### Specialised rehabilitation

- ACPAT-accredited physiotherapist
- Neurology nurses trained in rehabilitation
- Underwater treadmill and Hydrotherapy pool

## Rehabilitation of Neurology/ Neurosurgery patients



Our dedicated neurology / neurosurgery service offers a free advice service including interpretations of radiographs or diagnostic tests independent from referral. A Neurology email advice service is available to referring vets on [referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk](mailto:referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk) or please phone 01332 548911 to speak directly with the specialist.

# Oncology



The oncology team see patients diagnosed with neoplastic diseases of all kinds for investigation and further management. Each patient is different, and a lot of care is taken to listen to the owner and involve them closely in all the decisions regarding their pet's care. We perform diagnostic and staging procedures, such as CT, MRI or ultrasound scans, with ultrasound-guided biopsies and fine needle aspirate samples as required. Some patients require endoscopy or rhinoscopy to assess them fully. A number of patients will have a diagnosis prior to arrival, and extensive diagnostic tests are not required for every patient.

The beauty of the medical and surgical oncology teams at Pride, is that they work closely as a team to plan the best approach for each patient. Even different patients with the same disease can require a different approach due to disease features, patient health status, owner wishes and finances. A tailor-made approach is formulated for each patient and discussed with the clients in detail to ensure that client wishes are taken into consideration, with costs and any impact on quality of life being considered. Oncology patients commonly require a multimodality approach, which can involve any combination of surgery, interventional radiology procedures such as intra-arterial chemotherapy or chemoembolisation, conventional or metronomic chemotherapy, plus or minus organising referral for radiotherapy.

Stents and/or SUB placement is required in some patients, especially those with urinary tract tumours, and can restore quality of life and markedly extend survival in these patients. Oncology patients have the best chance of a good outcome when a planned approach is taken from the beginning, where full staging and assessment is taken place prior to surgery, and a considered approach is taken to surgical margins. Some patients benefit from neo-adjuvant chemotherapy prior to surgery. Referral of patients prior to surgical intervention taking place for difficult cases has a far higher chance of success than referral following an inadequate surgery, as repeat surgery requires there to be a margin around the entire surgical scar. >>

Reason to refer

**#08**

Our services are specialist-led. We have a large team of Diploma holders offering a wealth of knowledge and expertise

## Meet the team

### Frances Taylor

BVSc DipECVIM-CA (Oncology)  
MRCVS

The oncology team at Pride Veterinary Centre is very experienced at managing chemotherapy patients, and has excellent facilities for these patients, including a dedicated kennel room, a chemotherapy suite, a fume hood for preparing chemotherapy drugs, and dedicated oncology staff. Oncology is managed as a discipline in its own right, rather than being simply as an extension of the internal medicine service, and the service is headed by an experienced European and RCVS specialist in this field. Successful treatment of chemotherapy patients involves management of drug toxicity, patient wellbeing and client expectations, as well as treating the disease. Having a pet that is undergoing chemotherapy is emotionally stressful and requires a sympathetic approach with clients.

Palliative care is used to help to manage and improve quality of life in terminal patients, regardless of the type of treatment that they are receiving. It is used alongside conventional anti-cancer therapies, such as chemotherapy, and it can be used alone for patients that are not suitable for conventional anti-cancer therapies. We focus on quality of life of the patient, providing analgesia where needed, and using medical management to improve patient wellbeing. We also provide owner support and counselling regarding patient management and decisions surrounding euthanasia, if appropriate.



## Investigations and treatments

### Oncology, Haematology, Immunology

- Diagnosis and staging (radiography, ultrasonography, CT, MRI, endoscopy, biopsy)
- Imaging-guided biopsy techniques
- Joint taps
- CSF tap
- Bone marrow aspiration and biopsy
- Chemotherapy (dedicated Chemotherapy Suite)
- Palliative cares

### Interventional Radiology

- Tracheal, hepatobiliary, ureteral, and urethral stents
- Subcutaneous ureteral bypass (SUB) placement
- Intra-arterial chemotherapy and chemoembolisation
- Digital radiography, fluoroscopy, CT, MRI
- Ultrasonography and ultrasound-guided aspiration and biopsy
- Upper and lower gastrointestinal endoscopy and biopsy

### Endocrinology

- Advanced serological testing and interpretation
- Digital radiography, CT, MRI, ultrasound scan
- Ultrasonography and ultrasound-guided aspiration/biopsy
- Radioiodine treatment of hyperthyroid cats



### Respiratory disease (upper and lower respiratory tract)

- Arterial blood gas analysis
- Digital radiography, ultrasonography, CT, MRI
- Dynamic airway fluoroscopy
- Rhinoscopy
- Bronchoscopy, bronchoalveolar lavage, foreign body retrieval

### Urinary Tract Disorders

- Digital radiography (including contrast studies), CT, MRI
- Ultrasonography and ultrasound-guided aspiration/biopsy
- Cystoscopy (flexible and rigid)
- Endoscopic urethral collagen injection
- Assessment of glomerular filtration rate (GFR)





# Ophthalmology

The ophthalmology service at Pride Veterinary Centre aims to provide a prompt and efficient referral service for a wide range of medical and surgical ocular conditions in small animals.

In addition, the presence of on-site specialists in Internal Medicine, Cardiology, Dermatology, Soft Tissue Surgery, Neurology and Diagnostic Imaging gives the benefit of a comprehensive approach to most conditions involving the eye.

The Ophthalmology Service at Pride Veterinary Centre has dedicated and fully equipped facilities for both ophthalmology consultations and surgery.

An Ophthalmology email advice service is available to referring vets – please email us at [referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk](mailto:referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk) or phone to speak to one of the ophthalmologists directly.

Sue Manning is a BVA/KC/ISDS eye panellist.

Owners wishing to make an appointment for an eye test under the scheme may contact us direct.

Reason to refer

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We take referrals by email, phone, fax and online, all by the same referral admin team.

## Meet the team

### Sue Manning

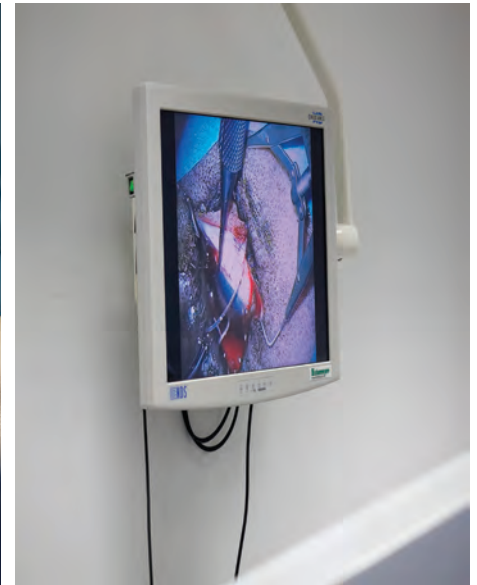
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### Pedro Malho

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### Stephanie Veitch

DVM MRCVS



## Investigations and treatment

### Complete ophthalmic examinations

- Slit lamp biomicroscopy
- Direct and indirect ophthalmoscopy
- Tonometry
- Gonioscopy

### Diagnostic imaging

- Ocular ultrasonography
- CT, MRI

### Electroretinography

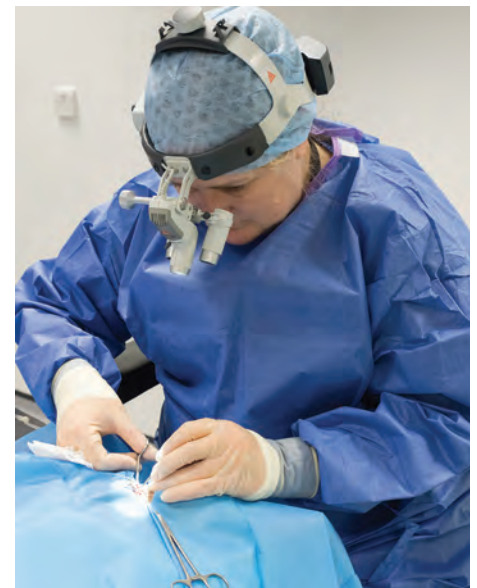
### Extraocular surgical procedures

- Cryosurgery
- Parotid duct transposition
- Lacrimal punctal surgery
- Third eyelid surgery

- Nictitans gland replacement ('cherry eye')
- Scroll cartilage correction
- Blepharoplastic / eyelid reconstructive surgery
- Corneal surgery (for perforations, lacerations, foreign bodies, sequestra and corneal ulcers) using a variety of grafting techniques as indicated

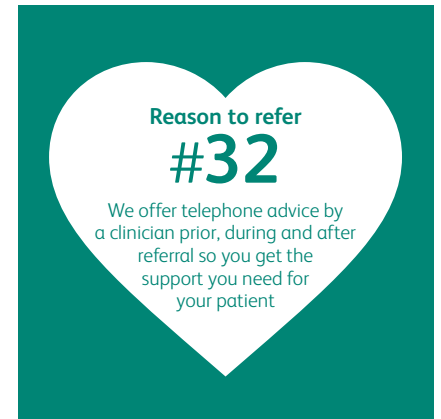
### Intraocular surgical procedures

- Intracapsular lens extraction or phacolextomy for lens luxation
- Cataract surgery by phacoemulsification with intraocular lens replacement
- Adjunctive automated vitrectomy and intraocular cautery if needed
- Placement of a gonio-implant for cases of glaucoma





# Orthopaedic Surgery



Orthopaedic patients at Pride Veterinary Centre are treated by a dedicated team of clinicians and support staff and can be sure of receiving the highest possible standards of care. Within the hospital we have specialists in many disciplines ensuring the best possible decisions can be made for each case.

We prioritise animal welfare offering 24 hour intensive care under continuous veterinary supervision. Our wards are also staffed day and night with Vets and Nurses, ensuring patients are nursed back to health as soon as possible.

Orthopaedic surgery is performed in dedicated theatres with highly trained nursing staff. State-of-the-art facilities such as fluoroscopy, CT and MRI allow technical and complex procedures to be undertaken.

We believe that the best outcome is achieved through appropriate care in the post-operative period. Our in-house physiotherapy and hydrotherapy service works closely with the Orthopaedic Surgeons ensuring return to function is maximised for every orthopaedic patient.

While offering the highest standards, we recognise the importance of keeping our services affordable. We offer procedures with a fixed price ensuring transparency for our clients.

We will review radiographs on an informal basis and these can be sent or emailed to us at any time at [referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk](mailto:referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk)



For complex cases we are happy to discuss costs before referral. Should you wish to discuss a case, whether new or ongoing, we would be delighted to help.

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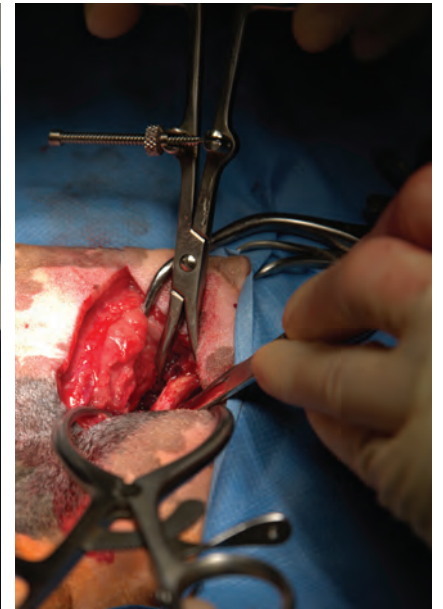
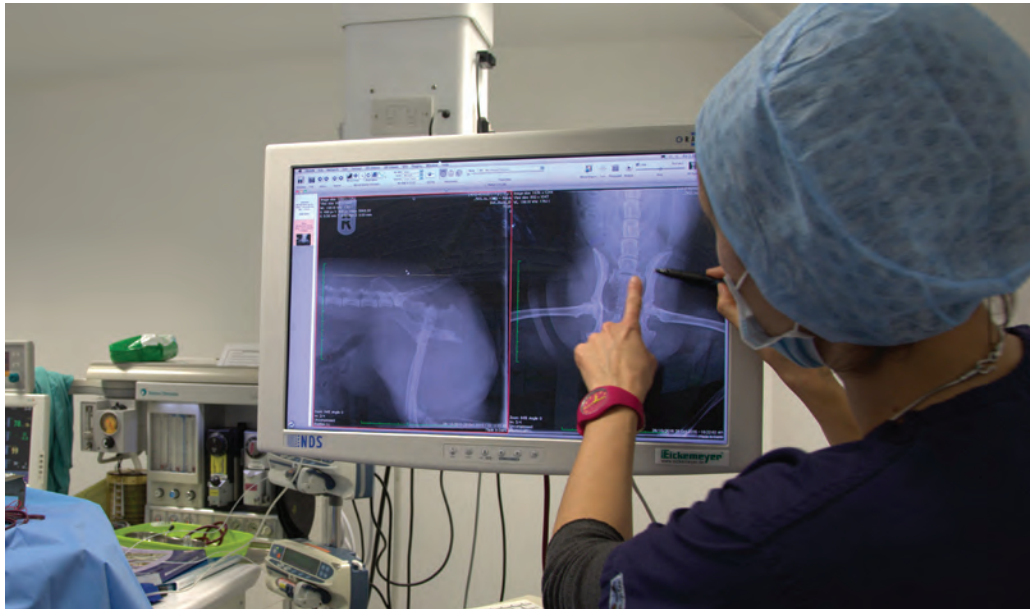
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## Investigations and treatment

### Lameness investigation

- Digital radiography and fluoroscopy
- 1.5T MRI and 16 slice CT scanner
- Electromyography
- Musculoskeletal ultrasonography
- Force plate gait analysis

### Traumatology

- Veterinary care provided 24 hours a day in intensive care
- In-house specialists in anaesthesia, neurology and soft tissue surgery to complement orthopaedic care
- Wide range of fracture repair systems available

### Joint disease

- Diagnostic and surgical arthroscopy
- Multimodal approach to joint disease including surgery, pain management, rehabilitation, physiotherapy and stem cell therapy

### Surgical Procedures

- TPLO
- Hip Replacements
- Arthrodesis
- Fracture Stabilisations

### Physiotherapy and Hydrotherapy

- ACPAT qualified physiotherapist
- Hydrotherapy pool and treadmill
- Extracorporeal shockwave therapy and laser therapy

## Rehabilitation of Orthopaedic Surgery patients



# Soft Tissue Surgery



Our highly qualified Surgery Team have considerable experience in all aspects of small animal surgery. They work closely with colleagues from Internal Medicine and Diagnostic Imaging to efficiently manage cases. Accurate diagnosis and localisation of disease is provided by our excellent imaging facilities, including digital radiography, intraoperative radiography, fluoroscopy, CT and MRI.

The facilities at Pride Veterinary Centre include five operating theatres and excellent post-operative care in our dedicated intensive care ward, where patients are monitored throughout the day and night with the hospital having a dedicated out of hours veterinary surgeon and nursing team.

For soft tissue surgery, we take referrals for complex wound reconstruction, mandibulectomies and maxillectomies and for a wide range of thoracic and abdominal procedures such as lung lobectomy, foreign body removal, extra-hepatic portosystemic shunts, urological surgeries and herniorrhaphies. We also take referrals for oncological excisions, which are often done in conjunction with medical colleagues when adjunctive chemotherapy is required.

We also have anaesthesia specialists, highly qualified and experienced nursing staff and a dedicated veterinary surgeon and nurse out-of-hours team to closely monitor inpatients throughout the day and night.

Working in conjunction with imaging specialists, the team offer a free Radiograph Reporting Service. Please send your images by email to [referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk](mailto:referrals@prideveterinarycentre.co.uk) (preferably in DICOM rather than JPEG format) or by post. Please also send relevant clinical notes and laboratory results. A surgery email advice service is available to referring vets on the same address or please phone to speak to one of the team directly.

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## Reason to refer

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We have a dedicated referrals client care team, ensuring your client feels at ease when they visit us



## Investigations and treatment

### Imaging

- Digital radiography, intraoperative fluoroscopy
- CT, MRI
- Ultrasonography

### Oncological reconstruction

- Skin graft
- Skin flaps
- Maxillectomy/Mandibulectomy

### Trauma management – head and neck

- TECA and bulla osteotomy
- Thyroidectomy, parathyroidectomy
- Salivary mucocoele
- Nasofrontal aspergillosis
- Maxillectomy, mandibulectomy

### Upper respiratory tract

- Brachycephalic airway syndrome
- Laryngeal paralysis
- Tracheostomy

### Thoracic

- Thoracotomy
- Lung lobectomy
- Pericardiectomy
- PDA ligation
- Vascular ring anomalies
- Oesophageal foreign body

### Abdominal

- Hiatal hernia
- Liver lobectomy
- Biliary diversion
- Portosystemic shunt
- Subtotal colectomy
- Peritonitis
- Gastric outflow disorders
- Internal hepatic portosystemic shunt coil ablation

### Urogenital

- Nephrectomy and renal biopsy
- Ectopic ureter
- Bladder
- Urethrostomy
- Urinary incontinence investigation and surgery

### Laparoscopy

- Ovariectomy
- Liver/pancreas/kidney biopsy

### Thoracoscopy

- Pericardiectomy
- Lung/Pleural biopsy
- Pyothorax resection

To find out more about our referral services and to discuss how we can help support your veterinary care call **01332 548911** or visit **[prideveterinarycentre.co.uk/referrals](http://prideveterinarycentre.co.uk/referrals)**

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