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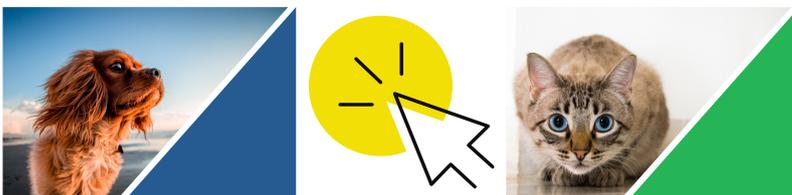
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Grab a cuppa, some snacks and join us for an overview of mammary pathology in small animals. Mammary neoplasia is very common in dogs and cats. The diagnosis is confirmed by histopathology and is important for determining treatment and prognosis. In this session we will look at how to approach diagnosing mammary masses using cytology and histology and what to expect from your pathology report. We will speak about classification and the use of grading for mammary tumours in dogs and cats, as well as discussing some of the more recent helpful prognostic indicators. We will also touch upon mammary tumours in small mammals. The session is aimed at veterinary practitioners, nurses, new graduates and clinical stage veterinary students.

Learning Objectives:

- Most common mammary tumours in dogs and cats
- Is there any value in a fine needle aspirate?
- The best way to submit a biopsy
- Classification and grading of mammary tumours in dogs and cats
- Useful prognostic indicators
- Mammary tumours in small mammals

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About the author

Sandra is a graduate of Aberdeen and Glasgow Universities, gaining a BSc in agriculture with honours in animal science in 1991 and her veterinary degree in 1995. She moved from working in mixed practice in 1997 to take up a residency in veterinary pathology at Edinburgh University, latterly lecturing in reproductive pathology. After 5 years in industry, where she gained her FRCPath, Sandra joined Nationwide Laboratories in May 2006. In 2011 Sandra was appointed to the Royal College of Pathologists board of examiners in the speciality of small domestic animals. She enjoys teaching and mentoring and is an active STEM ambassador. Sandra works with surgical biopsies and fine needle aspirates. She can advise on all aspects of histopathology in a wide range of species.