

## Detailed Program Description for ACVD Website (2021)

1. Program name and location:

**Animal Dermatology Clinic  
12317 Old LaGrange Road  
Louisville, KY 40245  
(502) 240-0947**

2. Is the program currently on ACVD Probation? **NO** If yes, please describe the reasons for probation, what is being done to correct them and when the program is scheduled to be off probation?

3. Mentor(s): **2**

- a. Name: **Joya Griffin, DVM, DACVD (Primary Program Mentor)**

1. Years in ACVD: **11**
2. Years as Mentor: **4**

- b. Name: **Joel Griffies, DVM, DACVD**

1. Years in ACVD: **17**
2. Years as Mentor: **9**

4. Specific requirements for applying to the program: **This is a Formalized residency program**

**The purpose of this residency program will be to provide the resident with in-depth training in the basic and applied sciences of veterinary dermatology such that he/she develops a comprehensive knowledge of the dermatologic conditions of domestic animals.**

**The candidate meets the general qualifications for ACVD residency training**

1. **Be a graduate of an approved veterinary college.**
2. **Have completed a one-year internship or satisfactory practice equivalency.**
3. **Be approved to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Kentucky.**
4. **Be a member of a national veterinary medical association (i.e. AVMA).**
5. **Be of satisfactory moral and ethical character including but not restricted to being honest and truthful, not be habitually intoxicated or addicted to drugs, and not to have been convicted of cruelty to animals.**

### **Objectives:**

- A. **To fulfill the requirements of an individualized residency program as set forth by the American College of Veterinary Dermatology.**

- B. To provide in-depth basic and applied science training in veterinary dermatology**
- C. To conduct original research in the field of veterinary dermatology**
- D. To meet a portion of the requirements of the ACVD Credentials and Education Committee**

5. Length of residency in years: **3**
6. Is a Master's degree or PhD required? **NO** If so, which\_\_\_\_\_
7. When the residency was first offered? **2013**  
Has it been continuous since then? **NO**  
If not continual what years was the residency offered? **2013 to 2016**
8. How many residents have been accepted into the program since inception? **1**  
How many of these have become board certified dermatologists? **1**
9. What is the average annual dermatology caseload for the institution over the past 5 years? **2402/ year** cases per year.
10. What is the average total caseload seen the entire residency? **7200 total** cases (average cases annually times the number of years of residency)
11. On average, how many new patients, rechecks and consults does the program see per year? (give these in actual numbers of cases)
  - a. New cases **632**
  - b. Rechecks **1770**
  - c. Consults **4 phone consults per day**
12. On average, what percentage of the program's cases are dogs and cats?  
Dogs **70%** cats **27%**
13. On average, how many exotic, equine and farm animal cases does the program see per year? Exotics **0** Equine **2-3%** Farm animals **1%**
14. What percentage of time is the mentor in clinics with the resident while the resident is seeing cases during the resident's first year: **90%**, second: **80%** and third: **80%**  
*(This means that the mentor is either physically seeing patients with the resident or can be contacted by phone and available to see the case within one hour of being called.)*
15. Does the program have access to other specialists? Yes, the clinic works cooperatively with Blue Pearl facility in Louisville  
If so, please list: **The BluePearl multi-discipline facility includes**

**emergency, surgery, cardiology, internal medicine, ophthalmology, and clinical pathology**

- a. **Surgery: Dr. Ceclia Winthrop, board eligible surgeon**
- b. **Cardiology: Dr. Sarah Bell, DACVIM, Cardiology**
- c. **Internal medicine: Dr. Forrest Cummings, DACVIM**
- d. **Ophthalmology: Dr. Erica Tolar, DACVO**
- e. **Clinical Pathology: Dr. Kate Baker, DACVP (clinical pathology)**

16. Please describe your library access: **In house library and ACVD online library and Western University College of Veterinary Medicine library.**

17. Does the program have statistical support for their residents' research projects? **Not in house, however we have access to a statistician through the University of Georgia, Kennesaw State University and another private statistician that Animal Dermatology Group has been working with for the past 10 years.**

18. Does the program have direct access to any basic science or clinical science laboratories that the resident can use for research proposes? **Animal Dermatology Group has worked with a few different external labs both in the US and Canada for resident research projects. These continue to be options for future residents.**

If yes, please describe the types of laboratories available and interactions that the resident may have with them. **Our current Indiana Associate, Curtis Plowgian, recently completed research projections in conjunction with Dr. Joe Blondeau's lab in Canada. Animal Dermatology Group, Inc. funded travel to Dr. Blondeau's lab to perform these studies.**

19. How often do the residents and mentors have the following rounds?  
*(For each type of rounds, please list how often they are held, how long each session is, and a detailed description of how they are conducted.)*

a. Case rounds: **Weekly**

b. Journal club:

- 1. **Through Animal Dermatology Group: 1 ½ hours once a month at the Resident Training Day meetings. 1 ½ hours per month at the Resident Review and an additional hour once monthly will be provided for review and self-directed reading of additional journal articles pulled and assigned by the resident or diplomate in charge of the journal club review at the time.**

**The resident will either travel to the meeting or attend utilizing a live video conferencing program.**

- c. **Histopathology training: 2 hours weekly locally at the University of Louisville (40 weeks) in Year 1. 4 hours monthly (10 months) in Years 2 and 3; Animal Dermatology Group has also developed an online video library for our residents with Hi Def microscope video of histopath slides with narration of the cases after initial views. Residents view these and write up their own description before viewing the descriptions.**
  - d. **Basic science learning rounds: 4 hours once monthly at Animal Dermatology Group Resident Training Day. Attendance is split between being there in person or attending/participating via live GoToMeeting web conferencing**
20. Resident's benefits: (Please give a general list of benefits and then whom a potential candidate should contact to get more specific information on salary and benefit packages) **See company administrator for details. Julia Moon at [jmoon@adcmg.com](mailto:jmoon@adcmg.com)**
21. Does the program allow the resident to attend the NAVDF (North American Veterinary Dermatology Forum) meeting annually? **YES**
22. Does the program pay for the resident to attend the NAVDF meeting annually? **YES**
23. Average number of days a resident will spend on clinics per month: **18 days per month**
24. Average number of days a resident will spend on non-clinical pursuits per month (not including Sundays or holidays): **4**
25. Does the resident have to take general medicine emergency duty? **NO** If so how often:
26. Does the resident take Dermatology emergency duty? **NO**  
If so how often:
27. Is time allotted for externships in other subspecialties or at other dermatology practices? **YES** If so explain: **Resident is encouraged to utilize up to 2 weeks for an externship in the third year of the residency.**
28. How much time is allotted off clinics for board preparation? **If the resident is to remain with ADC, the resident's study time off begins six (6) weeks prior to the ACVD Board Exam. For the First three (3) weeks, the resident**

**will have clinical duties Two (2) days per week. For the Second three (3) weeks, the resident will be off clinical duties.**

29. How much time is allotted to carry out a research project (grant writing, data collection, paper preparation) during the residency (please report in number of weeks)? **12 weeks**

30. What are the other responsibilities/duties of the resident? **At Animal Dermatology monthly Resident Training Days, individual Residents are expected to present assigned topics including Power Point and notes to the Animal Dermatology Group mentors every 3-4 months during the residency. The resident is also responsible for presenting educational seminars to the technical staff or local veterinary, technician or groomer groups twice yearly.**

31. How many residents has the program had over the past 10 years? **1**

32. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed credentials on the

- a. First submission **1 (100%)**
- b. Second submission **NA**
- c. Third submission or more **NA**
- d. Never passed credentials **NA**

33. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) sat boards for the first time

- a. The year they finished their residency **1 (100%)**
- b. One year after finishing their residency **NA**
- c. Two or more years after finishing **NA**
- d. They never took boards **NA**

34. How many / what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed the board exam on their

- a. First time taking the exam **1 (100%)**
- b. Second time taking the exam **NA**
- c. Third time or more taking the exam **NA**
- d. Never passed **NA**

35. Is your residency program reviewed by an outside committee at your practice?  
**YES** If yes how often? **Annually**

36. Please list the papers published by your last 5 residents.

**Milley C, Dryden M, Rosenkrantz W, Griffin J, Reeder C. Comparison of parasitic mite retrieval methods in population of community cats. J Feline Medicine Surgery. 2017 Jun: 19 (6) 657-664.**

**37. Names of your last 5 residents and whether they are willing to be contacted by potential residents: This practice has only completed training of one resident in the last 5 years and can be contacted.**

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