

## Detailed Program Description for ACVD Website

1. Program name and location: Dermatology Residency Training Program, *Veterinary Dermatology & Ear Referral Medical Clinic, 14823 108 Avenue, Surrey BC, V3R 1W2, Canada.*

2. Is the program currently on ACVD Probation? 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? NA

3. Mentor(s):

a. Name: Jangi Bajwa

1. Years in ACVD: 9 years

2. Years as Mentor: NA

b. Name: Andrea Lam

1. Years in ACVD: 14 years

2. Years as Mentor: 4 years

4. Specific requirements for applying to the program: Be a graduate from an AVMA or CVMA approved veterinary school/college, or a graduate from an accredited and recognized school from another country.

1. Have completed a one-year small animal medical/surgery rotating internship, or comparable practice equivalency.
2. Be licensed to practice veterinary medicine in Canada and in the province of British Columbia (or be eligible to sit for the veterinary licensing examination in British Columbia).
3. Be a member of the CVMA or equivalent National Veterinary Medical Association.
4. Be of satisfactory moral and ethical character including, but not limited to, being honest and truthful, not be habitually intoxicated or addicted to drugs, and not have been convicted of cruelty to animals.
5. Fulfill any additional dermatology residency candidate requirements as specified by the ACVD Education Committee. A complete list of requirements may be found on the American College of Veterinary Dermatology website ([www.acvd.org](http://www.acvd.org)).

6. Length of residency in years: 3 years

7. Is a Master's degree or PhD required? If so, which? No

8. When the residency was first offered? To be offered after program approval

a. Has it been continuous since then? NA

b. If not continual what years was the residency offered? NA

9. How many residents have been accepted into the program since inception? NA

a. How many of these have become board certified dermatologists? NA

10. What is the average annual dermatology caseload for the institution over the past 5 years? 1000 cases per year

10. What is the average total caseload seen the entire residency?  
3300 cases (average cases annually multiplied by the number of years of residency)

11. On average, how many new patients, rechecks and consults does the program see per year? (actual numbers of cases)

- a. New cases 300
- b. Rechecks 800
- c. Consults 15

12. On average, what percentage of the program's cases are dogs and cats?

- a. Dogs 84%
- b. Cats 16%

13. On average, how many exotic, equine and farm animal cases does the program see per year?

- a. Exotics NA
- b. Equine NA
- c. Farm animals NA

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: 100%

Second year: 70-80%

Third year: 50-70%

*(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 in person within one hour of being called.)*

15. Does the program have access to other specialists? If so, please list: Yes. With in the Greater Vancouver area, the resident has access to board certified clinicians in Anesthesiology, Dentistry, Emergency/Critical Care, Internal medicine, Neurology, Oncology, Ophthalmology, Radiology, and Surgery.
16. Please describe your library access: Office library, ACVD library, VIN library
17. Does the program have statistical support for their residents' research projects? Yes, UBC statistics.
18. Does the program have direct access to any basic science or clinical science laboratories that the resident can use for research proposes? If yes, please describe the types of laboratories available and interactions that the resident may have with them. No
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: at least weekly resident case rounds with the preceptor(s) to discuss challenging or unique cases the resident encountered during case work ups.
  - b. Journal club: weekly (1 hour) with at least one of the preceptors throughout the entire residency. One to three articles will be reviewed during each session. Journal articles will be chosen by the resident with oversight provided by the mentors. Primary focus will be on reviewing *Veterinary Dermatology* (current issue as well as past five years) with additional articles chosen from the list of journals provided in the ACVD exam reference guide. Older, "classic" articles particularly in the area of Structure and Function will also be evaluated throughout the course of the residency.
  - c. Histopathology training: resident will receive substantial training in dermatohistopathology at the light microscopic level during the course of the residency. This will be provided through multiple formats, including in-person visit(s) with either Dr Locke, or Dr. Myers, or both. Dermatopathology rounds will be held once monthly (1 hour sessions); the resident will be required to attend these rounds during both on and off clinic time for all three years of the program. These rounds will be organized and attended by one of the dermatopathologists (Dr. Locke or Dr. Myers) and/or one or both mentoring dermatologists (Drs. Bajwa and Lam).

d. Basic science learning rounds: held at least twice monthly (2 hours each session, total 4 hours) with either one or both preceptors. Prior to these rounds sessions, directed readings will be assigned along with study guide questions to allow for better understanding of material. Textbooks on the ACVD exam reference guide will be included for review. Textbooks to be reviewed in their entirety include the most current editions of Muller and Kirk's Small Animal Dermatology, Skin Diseases of the Dog and Cat (Gross et al.), and Cellular and Molecular Immunology (Abbas). Structure and function learning rounds will additionally cover pertinent sections of Fitzpatrick's Dermatology in General Medicine. Other textbooks to be covered will include, but are not limited to, relevant sections from: Infectious Diseases of the Dog and Cat (Greene), Canine and Feline Endocrinology and Reproduction (Feldman), Equine Dermatology (Scott), Manual of Equine Dermatology (Pascoe), Textbook of Veterinary Internal Medicine (Ettinger), Large Animal Dermatology (Scott), Small Animal Clinical Oncology (Withrow and MacEwen's), Canine and Feline Skin Cytology (Albanese), Colour Atlas of Surgical Pathology of the Dog and Cat (Yager and Wilcock), Small Animal Ear Diseases (Gotthelf), Veterinary Immunology (Tizard), Small Animal Dermatology - A Colour Atlas and Therapeutic Guide (Hnilica and Patterson) and Parasitology for veterinarians (Georgi).

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)

- a. Salaried position.
- b. Vacation: 2 weeks per year.
- c. Extended Health and dental insurance.
- d. CE allowance.
- e. Additional benefits include annual dues for College of Veterinarians of British Columbia (CVBC) and expenses related to attendance at NAVDF or equivalent.
- f. Contact Person: Jangi Bajwa

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: 15

24. Average number of days a resident will spend on non-clinical pursuits per month (not including Sundays or holidays): 6

25. Does the resident have to take general medicine emergency duty? No

If so how often: NA

26. Does the resident take Dermatology emergency duty? No

If so how often: NA

27. Is time allotted for externships in other subspecialties or at other dermatology practices? If so explain: Yes, histopathology training with histopathology educators on the program is planned to be part of the program, and short externships will be planned. In addition, if mentors determine need for additional training in internal medicine or other specialities, externships in specific subjects will be recommended based on candidate strengths and weaknesses. Additionally, time off clinics can be allotted for externships upon request and initiative from the resident, and will be approved on a case per case basis.

28. How much time is allotted off clinics for board preparation? Program will be complete in July 2027, thus providing adequate board preparation time for the resident based on current ACVD boards examination schedule.

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? Participate in and develop teaching skills through instruction of senior veterinary students, as well as visiting veterinarians and registered veterinary technicians (including students) who spend time periodically shadowing the dermatology service. Participation in phone/e-mail consultations with referring veterinarians. Involvement in updating and producing educational material related to veterinary dermatology including client handouts, blog posts (for pet owners and veterinarians), providing CE for local veterinarians and RVTs, contributing to promotional events for veterinary dermatology practice. Preparation of articles for general practice publication such as veterinary medicine, clinicians brief etc, is also encouraged.

31. How many residents has the program had over the past 10 years? 0
32. How many/what percentage of the above residents (question 31) passed credentials on the:
- a. First submission? NA
  - 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? NA
  - 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? NA
  - 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 university? If yes, how often? NA
36. Please list the papers published by your last 5 residents. NA
37. Names of your last 5 residents and whether they are willing to be contacted by potential residents: NA