

# **Veterinary Evidence**

Thank you for your interest in applying for the role of Editor-in-chief of Veterinary Evidence.

The Veterinary Evidence team is looking for its next Editor-in-chief to build upon the journal's achievements and to further establish and promote Veterinary Evidence as a high-quality, international, peer-reviewed journal.

The individual will be responsible for the content of the journal and its editorial strategy, and will possess a clear vision for achieving the overall aim of making the journal a go-to-resource for evidence-based veterinary medicine (EBVM).

The Editor-in-chief will work closely with, and be supported by, the editorial office based at RCVS Knowledge.

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#### Who we are

#### **RCVS Knowledge**

At RCVS Knowledge, our mission is to advance the quality of veterinary care for the benefit of animals, the public, and society. We are the charity partner of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS), and provide tools, resources and education to the professions. The charity's primary aim is to advance the use of evidence-based veterinary medicine (EBVM) in veterinary practice and to champion the use of an evidence-based approach to veterinary care. To help achieve this, and to fill a recognised gap in evidencebased veterinary medicine, RCVS Knowledge created the Veterinary Evidence journal.

#### rcvsknowledge.org

#### Veterinary Evidence

*Veterinary Evidence (VE)* is an online, open access, peer-reviewed journal owned and published by RCVS Knowledge. It aims to enhance the quality of care provided to patients by providing veterinary surgeons, veterinary nurses and paraprofessionals with access to the best available evidence-based content to inform their decision making. *VE* achieves this by publishing its own version of critically appraised topics (CATs), called Knowledge Summaries. Knowledge Summaries answer a specific and focused clinical query by appraising the best available evidence.

All content submitted to VE undergoes a rigorous peer-review process, and is published open access immediately upon publication. Therefore, the veterinary profession has unrestricted access to the evidence; professionals can read, share and build upon the work that VE publishes, and use it to change or reinforce their decision making.

veterinaryevidence.org

#### Job description

It is the role of the Editor-in-chief to oversee the strategic development of the journal, as well as to act as an ambassador for the journal. The Editor-in-chief has the final decision-making responsibility for the acceptance or rejection of all papers submitted to the journal. They must also adhere to and ensure that ethical standards are upheld throughout the entire publication process.

The post will be for an initial term of three years, with the option of renewal. The Editor-in-chief will be supported by the editorial office and will work closely with the Managing Editor, and Production and Editorial Assistant.

The Editor-in-chief is entitled to expenses to cover attendance at annual Editorial Board meetings, as well as an annual travel allowance to fund attendance at meetings where the journal will be promoted. They will also receive training in editorial processes and the online submission system.

Since launch in 2016, Veterinary Evidence has gone from strength to strength.

#### LAUNCH... SINCE



peer reviewed Knowledge Summaries, Articles, Editorials, and Podcasts have been published

### CONTENT



more content was published in 2019 than 2018 Veterinary Evidence published the most papers in 2019 than any other year so far



more papers were submitted in 2019 than 2018 Veterinary Evidence received its highest

number of submissions in 2019 to date

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### Author feedback



of authors would **submit** to us again and would recommend our content to a colleague or peer

### Users

Veterinary Evidence is read in over 150 countries...





and helps guide around 3000 users to the evidence per month

Our easy to digest audio overviews have already amassed over 30,778 downloads across 91 episodes.



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#### The Veterinary Evidence journal launched

2016

### 2017



#### Audio Summaries

In the same year we introduced Audio Summaries – easy to digest audio overviews of content that highlight a paper's clinical findings. This additional resource allows practitioners to make better, and quicker, evidence-based decisions on-the-go!

#### CAB Abstracts

VE is successfully indexed in CAB Abstracts, the leading applied life sciences database for veterinary content. Meaning that content published in VE has become even more accessible and far reaching.



## 2018



### DOAJ

VE successfully fulfilled the strict entry criteria to be listed in The Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ). Not only was VE accepted into the directory, but in recognition of its publishing standards, adherence to best practice and high level of openness, DOAJ awarded VE the DOAJ Seal - one of just eight veterinary journals in the UK to receive this mark of certification.

#### 2019

#### Altmetric

A feature that scored highly in our feedback surveys was for increased metrics at the article level (citations, downloads, shares, views). So in 2019 VE implemented Altmetrics. Altmetric data can provide valuable insight on how published content is being used and shared around the world.



#### 2020

#### New Editor-in-chief joins the Veterinary Evidence journal

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- how you heard about the position
- the reasons for your interest in the role
- a vision for the future of *Veterinary Evidence* and how to realise it
- an opinion on how the journal is currently promoted and marketed, and suggestions for attracting new authors and increasing its readership both nationally and internationally
- an outline of how the demands of this role would fit with existing commitments
- any other comments you feel are relevant

Please email your application to the Managing Editor, Bridget Sheppard: bridget@rcvsknowledge.org

**Closing date:** Midnight, 6<sup>th</sup> July 2020