



March 7, 2018

Greetings!

We are thrilled to announce that registration is open for our 6th International Symposium on Non-Surgical Contraceptive Methods of Pet Population Control. Be sure to register now to get the early bird rates (available now through April 15th). We can't wait to see you there!



We've also had several papers published recently and we want to be sure to share them with you. Read on for more on this and other exciting updates since our last eNewsletter!

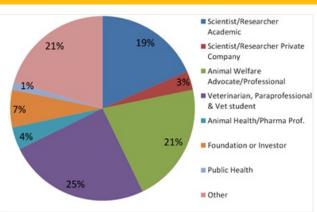
Sincerely,

Jana Brijs

Joyce Briggs, President

Registration for our 6th Symposium Now Open!

Join us at our 6th International Symposium on Non-Surgical Contraceptive Methods of Pet Population Control! The event will take place July 22-24, 2018 in Boston, MA, US. Registration is now open, with early bird rates available until April 15th. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind opportunity to hear from over 40 speakers and to join nearly 200 attendees from around the globe. Scientists, academics, veterinarians, animal welfare advocates, students and more will come together to learn about the latest in the field of non-surgical contraception, and to network with one another. Join us by clicking here to register!



Make-up of 2013 Symposium Attendees

Attention Students!

We value the future leaders in this field and encourage graduate and veterinary students to apply to our 6th International Symposium Student Contest! Three students will receive free registration, travel, and lodging in Boston to attend the Symposium. The application deadline is April 20th. More information on the contest is available here. We are also offering discounted registration for students (\$199 for the entire conference, \$129 for Monday, and \$109 for Tuesday).

Write on! New Publications

It's been a busy few months for academic papers! February brought the publication of a <u>scientific manuscript</u> on our study of the GonaCon contraceptive vaccine for free-roaming cats, and potential explanations for the study's results (more info on the study is <u>here</u>). Another <u>publication</u> from ACC&D focuses on a very different but no less important topic: ethical considerations for field studies and interventions targeting dogs and cats. This publication follows our <u>Think Tank</u> and <u>flagship initiative</u> on ethical decision-making in innovation for animal welfare. And last but certainly not least, we're pleased to share publication of <u>this article</u> discussing the ethics of non-surgical fertility control, one of whose authors, Peter Sandøe, was a

key member of our Think Tank.

Veterinary Innovation Summit and New England Federation of Humane Societies Annual Conference - We'll be at both!



ACC&D's Valerie Benka exhibiting at a conference

Petfinder.com Co-founder and ACC&D Board member Betsy Banks Saul will join me at the <u>Veterinary Innovation Summit</u> (April 6-8), a conference focused on the ways that ideas, technologies, organizations, and individuals are advancing the future of the veterinary medicine. And Director of Programs Valerie Benka will be exhibiting at the <u>New England Federation of Humane Societies</u> annual conference (April 7-9). If you'll be at either conference, please come say "hi"!

An Excuse to go Shopping

Did you know that your Amazon purchases can benefit ACC&D?
All you need to do is purchase items through AmazonSmile
(smile.amazon.com) and select ACC&D as your charity of choice!
Even better: Amazon is tripling the donation amount to 1.5% when customers make their first eligible smile.amazon.com purchase March 12-31. What a great opportunity to increase ACC&D's AmazonSmile donations while getting the items you need!



Upcoming Urban Deer Fertility Control Workshop



No, ACC&D hasn't expanded our scope to include deer! However, we value potential opportunities for overlap and learning across species, and we thus want to share news of a workshop hosted by our friend the Botstiber Institute for Wildlife Fertility Control. On May 2nd, 2018, in Tarrytown, NY, US, the Botstiber Institute will host and sponsor a workshop with presentations from professionals on urban deer management planning, immunocontraception research, surgical sterilization project planning, and federal and state regulations. Attendees will learn how to advocate for, develop, and implement non-lethal deer management programs in their own communities.

For more information on how to register please email Monique Principi at mprincipi@botstiber.org.

Please click <u>here</u> to make a donation to support our work!