



## Feline Stomatitis

### Latest Concepts on Diagnosis and Treatment

**Dr. Steven Holmstrom, DVM, Dipl AVDC**

**Stomatitis**, in clinical use, describes wide-spread oral inflammation beyond gingivitis and periodontitis, extending into the mucosal tissues. The syndrome in cats is frustrating and can be difficult to manage. Here is an opportunity to learn helpful information and tips from an internationally-known veterinary dental expert, friend and colleague.

Dr. Steve Holmstrom practices at the Animal Dental Clinic in San Carlos, California. He is a 1972 veterinary graduate of the University of Missouri where he has been honored to receive the College of Veterinary Medicine Alumnus of the Year Award.

Amidst his busy schedule, he has found time to consult for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Ames Research Center, University of California at Berkeley's Office of Lab Animal Care, Stanford University Department of Lab Animal Care, Long Marine Lab, Moss Landing Marine Lab, Monterey Bay Aquarium plus numerous pharmaceutical and dental companies.



Dr. Holmstrom is a Past President of the American Veterinary Dental College (AVDC), Academy of Veterinary Dentistry and American Veterinary Dental Society (AVDS), is the current Treasurer of AVDC and is a Board member of the Peter Emily International Veterinary Dental Foundation. He has written numerous articles and publications including a textbook on veterinary dental techniques now in its third edition and published in four languages as well as one for technicians. He speaks frequently at national and international veterinary meetings. Space prohibits extolling additional, well-deserved accolades.

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6:30pm for drinks, 7:00pm for dinner and program.

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## Epidemiology Corner

Charlene Edinboro, DVM, PhD

It's that time of year: while you and your clinic staff and owners may have the flu, our patients may become sick as well. One cat in Wisconsin has been found with H1N1 so far this season:

<http://www.catchchannel.com/news/2011/02/16/wisconsin-cat-tests-positive-for-h1n1.aspx>. For updated information about zoonotic diseases, including H1N1, check out the AVMA site:

<http://www.avma.org/avmacollections/zu/default.asp>.

Have you heard the warnings from researchers at UC Davis and the CA Department of Health that we not sleep with our pets?

<http://www.aolnews.com/2011/01/20/letting-sleeping-dogs-lie-in-your-bed-can-kill-you/> and

<http://consumer.healthday.com/Article.asp?AID=649011>. Here's a response with tips for safe interactions with pets at home:

[http://www.mlive.com/living/grand-rapids/index.ssf/2011/01/report\\_about\\_health\\_risk\\_of\\_sh.html](http://www.mlive.com/living/grand-rapids/index.ssf/2011/01/report_about_health_risk_of_sh.html).

The FDA has issued a warning about the danger of xylitol ingestion by dogs and ferrets:

<http://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/NewsEvents/CVMUpdates/ucm244076.htm>. This sugar-free sweetener is on the list of the top 10 toxic compounds for 2010 as compiled by the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center:

<http://www.aspc.org/pet-care/poison-control/top-10-pet-poisons-of-the-year.aspx>.

Behaviorists in the UK have studied why cats roll:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/education/2011/feb/07/cat-mating-behaviour-improbable-research>. The AAFP-AAHA Feline Life Stage Guidelines may answer more pressing questions for your practice:

<http://www.aahanet.org/PublicDocuments/FelineLifeStageGuidelines.pdf>. You can also find canine and feline vaccination guidelines on the AAHA and AAFP websites, respectively.

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