

BIOGRAPHY for Dr. DAVID E. CLARKE

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After graduating from the University of Queensland in Veterinary Science in 1989, David worked in general practice for six years while completing an external pathway residency at the Dallas Dental Animal Hospital in Dallas, TX, USA with Dr Bob Wiggs. David is, by examination, a Diplomate of the American Veterinary Dental College, a Fellow of the American Academy of Veterinary Dentistry and a Member of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists (Veterinary Dentistry), as well as, a registered specialist in veterinary dentistry in Victoria, Australia.

David runs a specialist referral veterinary dental practice in Melbourne, as well as holding the positions of Adjunct Associate Lecturer, Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences, Faculty of Veterinary Science, Massey University, New Zealand and Consultant, Veterinary Dentist at Taronga and Western Plains Zoo, NSW, Australia.

David is currently President of the Australian Veterinary Dental Society, was on the Board of Directors of the American Veterinary Dental Society, 1995-2000, as well as holding the position of Secretary from 1996-2000.

David has spoken extensively both locally and overseas and has published in both local and international journals. His clinical interests include: oral health in the domestic pet population, in particular the reduction of plaque using dietary means; pain and antibiotics usage with respect to dentistry; and teaching of veterinary students with respect to general clinical practice. His research interests include: odontoclast resorptive lesions in felines; genetic dental diseases; and oral biology and dental disease in Australian marsupials and chiroptera.