

The present edition of the IJVM offers some interesting articles which should be of interest to a broad scope of veterinarians. Of the articles published in this edition six were either written by Israeli authors or pertain to the area of the Mediterranean basin region.

I will itemize: The case report by Dr. Nadav Merchavi is an interesting “Jewish” article describing a case occurring during the Passover holidays of an esophageal obstruction in a dog as a result of a Matzah ball. Unfortunately the outcome was grave but the information important for other veterinarians from a prophylactic aspect.

The article by Dr. Yoav Demari and his group, is very informative dealing with multidrug resistance in Israel among dogs. The fact that they found that prior corticosteroid treatment did not affect the range of drug resistance is interesting. Prof. Danny Elad and his group have also written concerning multidrug resistance in Israel and found that some puppies imported from Thailand to Israel have been found to carry multidrug *Staphylococcus pseudintermedius*. This is an important finding which needs follow-up by the veterinary regulatory authorities in Israel. Still in the field of microbiology, Prof. Aslantas describes antimicrobial resistance in *Escherichia coli* in broilers in Turkey. The subject of antimicrobial resistance is of paramount importance both to animal and human health and I am pleased to be able to present these three articles in this field.

The case report from Drs. Sigal Klainbart and Danny Ohad is interesting and a rare cardiological condition in a dog written by two prominent Israeli veterinarians.

The article by Dr. Yazlik on Rumination and Physical activity in cows and his group used equipment “Data Flow II” manufactured in Israel by SCR Engineers, Netanya, Israel, for the purpose of monitoring cows for milk parameters and related factors. Proudly, Israel’s high-tech is again contributing to veterinary medicine.

I am happy to announce the inclusion of Dr. Shirley Furmanski as a member of the editorial board of the Journal. Dr. Furmanski is a Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners in the Canine and Feline Practice category. She has contributed to the journal in the past both as an author and a referee. Welcome and wishing you all the best, I look forward to working together.

Enjoy the articles and wishing all our readers a Happy Jewish New Year.

Sincerely

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