

An Introduction to WikiVet



What is WikiVet?

WikiVet is a global learning resource for the veterinary profession from students to clinicians. It has been designed as a veterinary equivalent to Wikipedia and provides a comprehensive online knowledge base covering the entire veterinary curriculum. It was launched in October 2008 as a collaborative effort initially comprising four UK veterinary schools (Cambridge, Edinburgh, Nottingham and the Royal Veterinary College). The content of the site is peer-reviewed by veterinary experts and access is restricted to the veterinary community to ensure quality and relevance. It therefore provides an ideal reference and revision source for veterinary students at all stages of their studies wherever they are in the world.

How do you access WikiVet?

The web address is: www.wikivet.net. You can view the WikiVet section pages and some sample content without registering, but most content is restricted to the veterinary community and requires you to register. Follow the prompts on screen to apply for a free WikiVet login. Your username and password will be required every time you log in.

Welcome page

Once you have logged in the following welcome page will appear:

The screenshot shows the WikiVet Main Page interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for 'page', 'discussion', 'view source', 'history', and 'watch'. The user is logged in as 'RVC1' with links for 'my talk', 'my preferences', 'my watchlist', 'my contributions', and 'log out'. The main heading is 'Main Page'.

Welcome to WikiVet,
A collaborative initiative between the UK Vetschools to develop a comprehensive on-line veterinary knowledge base.
2,065 articles.

Content

- WikiPath**
Covers the undergraduate veterinary pathology curriculum.
- WikiBugs**
Information about veterinary bacteriology, virology and parasitology.
- Wiki Anatomy and Physiology**
Information about veterinary anatomy, histology and physiology.
- WikiBlood**
Information about the components of blood and associated immunological diseases.
- WikiNormals**
Information about a species breeds and their normal haematology, biochemistry and physiological parameters.
- WikiClinical**
Clinical resources (under development).

Other resources

- WikiVPH**
Information about Veterinary Public Health.
- WikiDrugs**
Information about Pharmacology and Therapeutics.
- WikiWords**
A working glossary for Wiki editors.
- e-learning Resources**
Access to a range of on-line courses, videos and images.
- Veterinary Education**
For veterinary educators to collaborate and share expertise.
- About WikiVet**
More about who is involved in the WikiVet project.
- WikiMap**
Please try using our interactive map to find other users and add your own location.

WikiNews

10th August 2009 - RCVS Trust Funded Workshop in Nottingham
A WikiVet workshop involving students and staff from 4 UK vetschools was held at Nottingham vet schools to plan the development of multiple choice questions to complement the Wiki content. This initiative has been funded by the RCVS Trust. [More details](#)

New Section - WikiDrugs
A new interactive content map has been added to the Wiki Drugs section. This provides a visual overview of the content of the section and the interlinks between different pages. It is also possible to use the map to jump to any part of the section just by clicking on the relevant icon. [Click here to access the Content Map](#)

The left sidebar contains sections for 'search', 'contents' (with a list of content categories), 'learning' (with links to Clinical Cases, Flash Cards, and Sandpit), 'navigation' (with links to WikiVet home, Recent changes, Random page, and Help), and 'toolbox' (with links to What links here, Related changes, Upload file, Special pages, Printable version, and Permanent link).

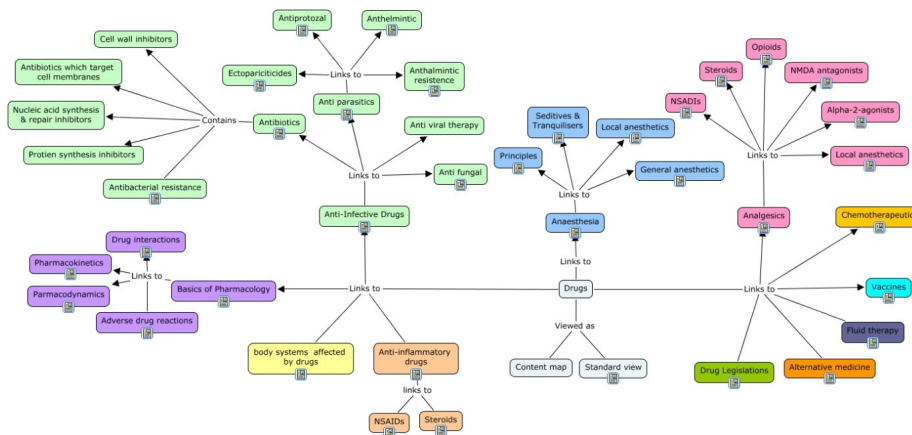
What you can find on WikiVet

WikiVet is divided into numerous sections, including:

- **WikiPath** (veterinary pathology)
- **WikiBugs** (bacteriology, virology, parasitology)
- **WikiAnatomy and Physiology** (veterinary anatomy and physiology)
- **WikiBlood** (veterinary immunology)
- **WikiNormals** (normal parameters for a wide range of species)
- **WikiClinical** (signalment, description, diagnosis, treatment and prognosis)
- **WikiVPH** (veterinary public health)
- **WikiDrugs** (veterinary pharmacology)
- **WikiWords** (glossary of veterinary terms)
- **WikiTest** (database of over 500 MCQs with detailed feedback)
- **e-Learning Resources** (online videos, images and powerpoints)

Content-Maps (c-Map)

To help find your way around the WikiVet site, there are innovative content maps for major sections which provide a summary of the structure and quick links to specific pages. An example of a content map for WikiDrugs is shown below.



The WikiVet site is a dynamic interface and is still under construction. If you would like to contribute to the content please refer to the 'help'. If you have any comments or suggestions please contact the WikiVet team at wikimaster@wikivet.net.