

ACCM news

The Asian College of Conservation Medicine



The objective of ACCM

1. To advance scientific progress in conservation medicine in Asian countries
2. To certify Asian experts as specialists in conservation medicine through comprehensive examination.
3. To encourage younger people of next generation for conservation medicine in Asia
4. To sustain activity of ASZWM meeting in Asian countries through organizing annual meeting.



The first examination for ACCM

Dear colleagues,

Asian College of Conservation Medicine (ACCM) is a specialist organization authorized by Asian Society of Zoo and Wildlife Medicine. ACCM grant certification as the diplomate of conservation medicine. ACCM will conduct the first examination in Singapore during the 6th Asian Meeting on Zoo and Wildlife Medicine/Conservation (examination fee: USD 30).

The examination in this year will be designed only for veterinarians and ACCM will expand specialty fields such as wildlife management and wildlife biology in future. The examination shall be taken in English only; the use of a dictionary (English-candidates' native language) during the written examination and an interpreter during oral examination are permitted.

Candidates wishing to take ACCM examination must meet the requirements of the Asian College of Conservation Medicine Diploma Certification Exam Eligibility Rules (Scored a total of at least 700 points) as follow,

ITEMS	SCORE	REMARKS
Years as a participant in ASZWM meetings	At least 5 years: 50 points	5 years is the minimum requirement
Wildlife and zoo-related experience ^{*1}	At least 5 years: 50 points	5 years is the minimum requirement
Wildlife medicine-related theses, etc. ^{*2}	Lead author/corresponding author: 10 points/pub. Co-author: 5 points/pub. (100 points max.)	3 publications is the minimum requirement (1 on the proceedings of an ASZWM meeting)
Presentations at ASZWM meetings or workshops	Lead author: 10 points/pres. Co-author: 5 points/pres. (100 points max.)	2 presentations is the minimum requirement (including joint presentations), including equivalent workshops
ASZWM contribution	50 points max.	1) Board of ASZWM (30 points) 2) Committee member of in ASZWM meeting (20 points)
Wildlife Conservation Medicine-related social contributions	50 points max.	1) Board of JSZWM, KSZWM etc.
Doctoral degree Other diploma; JCZWM	50 points per degree or diploma (100 points max.)	Theme related to animals or environment
Written examination	200 points	^{*4,5} Exam coverage
Oral examination	200 points	^{*4,5} Exam coverage
Recommendation from initial core members	100 points	
Total of at least 70% points		

^{*1}: Years of work experience as a veterinarian subsequent to acquisition of a veterinary license (excluding experience as a student or other prior experience)

^{*2,3}: To be determined by the Steering Committee (Exam Committee) from 2013

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*4: Exam coverage

1) THE MERCK VETERINARY MANUAL (<http://www.merckmanuals.com/vet/index.html>)

(1) Exotic and Laboratory Animals

(http://www.merckmanuals.com/vet/exotic_and_laboratory_animals.html)

(2) Management and Nutrition, Nutrition: Exotic and Zoo Animals

(http://www.merckmanuals.com/vet/management_and_nutrition/nutrition_exotic_and_zoo_animals/overview_of_nutrition_exotic_and_zoo_animals.html)

(3) Zoonoses (<http://www.merckmanuals.com/vet/zoonoses.html>)

2) Pathology slide conference of Workshop/meeting on Asian Zoo and wildlife medicine (see abstracts of 2008–2011 Workshop/meeting and visit <http://140.112.96.83:82/ASZWM/>)

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