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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

In May 2015 I graduated from Veterinary Medicine at Warsaw University of Life Sciences (WULS-SGGW) in Warsaw, Poland. Since then I have been working at various Small Animal Practices and at the same time I started my doctoral studies at Small Animal Reproduction Lab at Veterinary Faculty, WULS in September 2015 and finished them in September 2020. Since September 2019 I work as a scientific-didactic assistant at the Department of Small Animal Diseases, Veterinary Faculty, WULS, Warsaw, Poland. Since February 2021 I work also as an academic teacher at Applied Animal Psychology of Faculty of Psychology, University of Warsaw, in Warsaw, Poland. I have been also working as a translator of professional veterinary articles from English to Polish for Veterinary after Diploma journal (Weterynaria po Dyplomie). In November 2021 I obtain the title of polish national specialist of dogs and cat diseases after graduating from the post-graduate studies in Dogs and Cats Diseases. Since October 2019 I am an ECAR resident. Since June 2022 I am a member of EVSSAR board. My field of interest are small animal reproduction, small animal obstetrics, and internal diseases.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Feb 2021 – Present, academic teacher at Applied Animal Psychology, Faculty of Psychology, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland

Duties: lectures and practical classes of veterinary propaedeutic

Sep 2019 – Present, Scientific-didactic assistant at the Department of Small Animal Diseases, Veterinary Faculty WULS and PhD candidate

Duties: internal medicine, emergency medicine, taking care of in-patients, assisting in procedures, soft tissue surgery, natural delivery assistance, trans-cervical insemination, semen evaluation, estrus monitoring, vaginal cytology, ultrasound examination of reproductive tract, teaching Small Animal Reproduction to students from Polish and English Division.

2018 – Present, translation of professional veterinary articles from English to Polish for Veterinary after Diploma journal (Weterynaria po Dyplomie)

Jun 2015 – Present, Associate Veterinarian at various Small Animal Practices in Warsaw

Duties: internal medicine, emergency medicine, taking care of in-patients, assisting in procedures, minor soft tissues surgery, microscopic examination, semen evaluation, estrus monitoring, vaginal cytology.

EDUCATION

Sept 2017- Sept 2020- Post-graduate studies in Dogs and Cats Diseases at WULS-SGGW,, graduated in Nov 2021 – **National Specialist of Dogs and Cats Dieases.**

Sept 2015 – Sept 2020, Doctoral Studies at Warsaw University (WULS- SGGW)

I started Doctoral Studies first in Veterinary Clinical Sciences and since September 2016 in Integrated Doctoral Studies of Scientific Consortium 'Healthy Animal – Safe Food'.

Doctoral thesis title is: 'Evaluation of the usefulness of CA 15-3 and CEA biomarkers in the diagnosis of mammary tumors in bitches'.

Sept 2009 – May 2005, Studies at Veterinary Medicine Faculty of Warsaw University of Life Sciences (WULS SGGW), awarded: Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

INTERNSHIPS

March 2022 Erasmus staff mobility for teaching, Politecnica de Valencia, Valencia, Spain

October 2021 Erasmus staff mobility for teaching, Universidad de Cordoba, Cordoba, Spain

September 2021 Erasmus staff mobility for teaching, Univerisdad Autonoma de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain

September 2021 Erasmus staff mobility for teaching, Politecnica de Valencia, Valencia, Spain

July 2021 Internship at the Department of Animal Medicine and Surgery, Veterinary Faculty, Univerisdad Autonoma de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain

March 2019 Internship in Small Animal Reproduction at CERCA (Ecole Veterinaire d' Alfort, Maison- Alfort, France)

Sept 2013 – Jun 2014 Erasmus exchange at Autonomic University of Barcelona, Spain

May 2015 – Jun 2019 Erasmus practice at Small Autonomic University of Barcelona, Spain

Jul 2010- Sept 2010 Erasmus practice at Universidad Politecnica de Valencia, Spain

SKILLS

team work, leadership skills, lab techniques, creativity, time management, analytical skills, presentation skills, stress management, business orientation, positive attitude to work, flexibility, working in international team, driving license in cars

LANGUAGES

Polish – native

English – highly proficient (CAE)

Spanish – highly proficient (DELE C1)

German - very good command

French – good command

Catalan –working knowledge (Certificate A2)

CPD AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Conferences and Courses:

Dec 2015 – Laboratory Animal Management at PolLASA, Warsaw, Poland

Oct 2015 - XI Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, Wroclaw, Poland

Sept 2016 - 20th ESDAR Conference, Lisbon, Portugal

Oct 2016 – XII Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, Wroclaw, Poland

Oct 2016- XXIV International Small Animal Veterinary Medicine Conference of PSAWA, Lodz, Poland

Sept 2017 - 21st EDSAR Conference, Bern, Switzerland

Sept 2017 – EVSSAR Course, part 1, Wroclaw, Poland

Oct 2017 – XXV International Small Animal Veterinary Medicine Conference of PSAWA, Lodz, Poland

Oct 2017 – XIII Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, Wrocław, Poland
June 2018 – 21st EVSSAR Congress, Venice, Italy
June 2018 – Veterinary Conference: Small Animals Reproduction, Olsztyn, Poland
July 2018 – Training of innovative didactic skills, Warsaw, Poland
Sept 2018 – 22nd ESDAR Conference, Cordoba, Spain
Oct 2018 – EVSSAR Course, part 2, Hannover, Germany
Oct 2018 – XIV Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, Wrocław, Poland
Oct 2018 – Etovet Congress: Disorders of cat behavior, Warsaw, Poland
Nov 2018- XXVI International Small Animal Veterinary Medicine Conference of PSAWA, Lodz, Poland
Mar 2019 – XI Congress Academy After Diploma Veterinary, Warsaw, Poland
June 2019- 22nd EVSSAR Congress, Berlin, Germany
Oct 2019 - XV Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, Wrocław, Poland
Sept 2020- ESSAVS Ultrasound Course II, Warsaw, Poland
06.2021 – 23 EVSSAR Congress, Venice Italy
06.2022- International Symposium on Canine and Feline Reproduction, Milan, Italy.
09.2023 – organization of ESAR Nantes, France.
09.2023 – lecturing at Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain.
10.2023 – lecture at the Conference Forvet in Łódź.
11.2023- teaching at EVSSAR Course part 1 – Wrocław
11.2023 – lecture at the conference XVII Congress: Problems in Small Animal Reproduction, Wrocław
03.2024 – lectures at Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain
04.2024- lecturing at Small Animal Reproduction Course in Helsinki, Finland

Membership:

Jun 2015 – Present, Member of Warsaw Veterinary Chamber

Aug 2018 – Present, Member of EVSSAR

Post-graduate studies:

Sept 2017 – Sept 2020 Post-graduate studies in Dogs and Cats Diseases at WULS-SGGW, graduation with the title of Specialist in Dogs and Cats Diseases.

PUBLICATIONS

Papers:

1. Dolka, I., Czopowicz, M., Stopka, D, Wotkowska A., **Kaszak I**, Sapieryński R. Risk factor analysis and clinicopathological characteristics of female dogs with mammary tumours from a single-center retrospective study in Poland. *Sci Rep* **14**, 5569 (2024).
2. Domrazek K, **Kaszak I**, Kanafa S, Sacharczuk M, Jurka P. The influence of *Mycoplasma* species on human and canine semen quality: a review. *Asian J Androl.* 2023 Jan-Feb;25(1):29-37. doi: 10.4103/aja2021124.
3. Kanafa S, Domrazek K, Dąbrowski R, Soler L, **Kaszak I**, Witkowska-Piłaszewicz O, Dolka I, Jurka P. Relationships between haptoglobin and inter-alpha trypsin inhibitor heavy chain 4 levels in local and peripheral blood and systemic inflammatory response syndrome in bitches with pyometra. *Acta Vet Hung.* 2023 Dec 13;71(3-4):174-182. doi: 10.1556/004.2023.00852
4. **Kaszak, I**; Witkowska-Piłaszewicz, O.; Domrazek, K.; Jurka, P. The Novel Diagnostic Techniques and Biomarkers of Canine Mammary Tumors. *Vet. Sci.* **2022**, *9*, 526.
<https://doi.org/10.3390/vetsci9100526>

5. **Ilona Kaszak.** Dlaczego suka nie zachodzi w ciążę? Magazyn weterynaryjny, Nr. 01, 2022.
6. **Ilona Kaszak.** Spojrzenie polskiej lekarki weterynarii. Weterynaria po dyplomie, Nr 03, 2022.
7. Kinga Domrazek, **Ilona Kaszak**, Szymon Kanafa, Mariusz Sacharczuk, Piotr Jurka. The influence of Mycoplasma species on human and canine semen quality: a review. Asian J Androl. 2022 Mar 4. doi: 10.4103/aja2021124.
8. Jurka Piotr, **Kaszak Ilona**, Domrazek Kinga: Obecność mykoplazm w układzie rozrodczym psa-aktualne informacje, Magazyn Weterynaryjny, ISSN:1230-4425, E-ISSN:2449-9609, 2021, s. 64-68
9. **Kaszak, I.**; Witkowska-Piłaszewicz, O.; Niewiadomska, Z.; Dworecka-Kaszak, B.; Ngosa Toka, F.; Jurka, P. Role of Cadherins in Cancer—A Review. *Int. J. Mol. Sci.* **2020**, *21*, 7624.
10. B. Dworecka-Kaszak, I. Dąbrowska, K.Gregorczyk, M. Biegańska, A. Degórski, **I. Kaszak**, M. Sacharczuk, F. Toka. *Malassezia* yeast –the role in canine atopic dermatitis. Animal Science Papers and Reports, 2020, *in press*.
11. **Ilona Kaszak**, Kamil Kacprzak, Szymon Kanafa, Bożena Dworecka-Kaszak, Andrzej Max, Piotr Jurka. Prophylactic castration of dogs and cats – is that right?, Magazyn Weterynaryjny 2019; 9:12-17.
12. Olga Witkowska Piłaszewicz, **Ilona Kaszak**, Magdalena Żmigrodzka, Anna Winnicka, Mariusz Sacharczuk, Jarosław Szczepaniak, Anna Cwińska. Equine atypical moypathy – a review. Animal Science Papers and Reports, 2019,37:233-242.
13. **Ilona Kaszak**, Anna Ruszczak, Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, Magdalena Król, Piotr Jurka. **Current biomarkers of canine mammary tumors.** *Acta Veterinaria Scandinavica*, 2018:60-66.
14. **I. Kaszak**, A. Ruszczak, S. Kanafa, O. Witkowska – Piłaszewicz, M. Sacharczuk, P. Jurka. New insights of canine mastitis – a review. Animal Science Papers and Reports, 2018:36;33-44.
15. **I. Kaszak**, O. Witkowska- Piłaszewicz, A. Ruszczak, M. Rzewuska, B. Dworecka- Kaszak. Balanitis and balanopostitis in dogs. Magazyn weterynaryjny, 2017:10; 12-16.
16. **Ilona Kaszak**, Szymon Kanafa, Anna Ruszczak, Mariusz Sacharczuk, Piotr Jurka. Different mammary tumors, ovarian cysts, uterocervical stump inflammation in hysterectomized bitch. Animal Science and Papers, 2016:34;399-406.
17. Bożena Dworecka-Kaszak, Iwona Dąbrowska, **Ilona Kaszak**. Mycobiome – as a friendly cross-talk between fungal colonizers and their host. Annals of parasitology 2016, 62(3) 175-184,
18. Dawid Jańczak, Anna Ruszczak, **Ilona Kaszak**, Elżbieta Gołąb, Karolina Barszcz. Clinical aspects of demodecosis in veterinary and human medicine. Medycyna Weterynaryjna,2017: 73,265-271.
19. S. Kanafa, A. Ruszczak, K. Kacprzak, **I. Kaszak**, P. Jurka. Selected emergencies of bitches' reproductive system. Magazyn Weterynaryjny, Zeszyt edukacyjny – stany nagłe. 2017.
20. Bożena Kaszak, **Ilona Kaszak**. 2016. Will treating the skin infections also cure 'hot spot' changes in atopic dogs? Magazyn Weterynaryjny, 4/2016.
21. **Ilona Kaszak**, Anna Gruk-Jurka, Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, Piotr Jurka, Izabela Dolka, Atypical case of fibroadenomatosis in a 7-years-old queen. Weterynaria w Praktyce,2016;14.
22. **Ilona Kaszak**, Marta Planellas, Bożena Dworecka-Kaszak. 2015. Pine processionary caterpillar, *Thaumetopoea pityocampa*, Denis and Schiffermüller, 1775 contact as a health risk for dogs. Annals of parasitology 61(3), 159-163.
23. **Ilona Kaszak**, Marta Planellas, Bożena Dworecka-Kaszak. 2015. Canine leishmaniosis - an emerging disease. Annals of parasitology. 61(2), 69-76.

Short communications:

1. **Kaszak I**, Domrazek K, Witkowska-Piłaszewicz O, Rivera del Alamo, Jurka P. Persistent heat in a 1,5-year-old Shiba-inu. 25th Annual ESDAR Conference, Thessaloniki, Greece, 2022.
2. Kinga Domrazek, **Ilona Kaszak**, Izabella Dolka, Maria Montserrat Rivera del Alamo, Piotr Jurka. Rare complications of ovarian remnant syndrome in a bitch . 25th Annual ESDAR Conference, Thessaloniki, Greece, 2022.
3. **Kaszak I**, Domrazek K, Dolka I, Jurka P . Clinical use of canine mammary tumors biomarkers . 2022 ISCFR and EVSSAR Congress, Milan, Italy, June, 2022

4. **Kaszak Ilona**, Domrazek Kinga, Dolka Izabella, Jurka Piotr. Clinical use of canine mammary gland tumors biomarkers. 9th Quadrennial ISCFR and the 24th EVSSAR Congress in Milano, Italy, 30 June – 2 July, 2022.
5. **I. Kaszak**, K. Domrazek, O. Witkowska- Piłaszewicz, A. Dobrzyński, P. Jurka. Preliminary study on the occurrence of mammary gland tumors in bitches in Poland. 19th International Congress on Animal Reproduction, Bologna (Italy), 26th-30th June 2022
6. **I. Kaszak**, K. Domrazek, A. Dobrzyński, I. Dolka, M. Świtoński, P. Jurka. Rare congenital disorders of reproductive tract in the bitch. 19th International Congress on Animal Reproduction, Bologna (Italy), 26th-30th June 2022
7. **I. Kaszak**, K. Domrazek, A. Dobrzyński, I. Dolka, P. Jurka, M.M. Rivera Del Alamo. Dysuria as a symptom of atypical localization of a vaginal tumor. 19th International Congress on Animal Reproduction, Bologna (Italy), 26th-30th June 2022
8. **I. Kaszak**, K. Kacprzak, I. Dolka, P. Jurka. Aktualne dane dotyczące występowania nowotworów gruczołu sutkowego u suk w Polsce. Poster, XV Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2019, Wrocław, Poland.
9. **I. Kaszak**, M. Czopowicz, Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, Izabella Dolka, Piotr Jurka. Determination of CEA and CA 15-3 biomarkers in blood of bitches with mammary gland tumors and in healthy bitches. Poster, XV Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2019, Wrocław, Poland.
10. **I. Kaszak**, B. Degórska, M. Ostrzeszewicz, J. Bonecka, I. Dolka, R. Lechowski, P. Jurka. Rare complication after laparotomic ovariectomy in a bitch – a case report. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 3): 94.
11. **I. Kaszak**, S. Kanafa, K. Kacprzak, B. Dworecka Kaszak, I. Dolka, P. Jurka. Vaginal tumor together with ovarian cysts, uterine tumor, cystic endometrial hyperplasia, and mammary gland tumor in 14-years old bitch. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):105.
12. **I. Kaszak**, S. Kanafa, K. Kacprzak, A. Duszewska, J. Sterna, P. Jurka. Fetal bones in the caudal vagina of a bitch 14-months post-spaying. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):83.
13. **I. Kaszak**, M. Czopowicz, S. Kanafa, K. Kacprzak, I. Dolka, P. Jurka. Comparison of CEA and CA 15-3 levels in serum of the bitches with mammary tumors and in healthy ones. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):53.
14. **I. Kaszak**, S. Kanafa, K. Kacprzak, B. Dworecka Kaszak, I. Dolka, P. Jurka. Anastrozole treatment of idiopathic hyperestrogenism in a 5 year-old castrated male dog. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):5
15. S. Kanafa, E. Napiórkowska, K. Kacprzak, **I. Kaszak**, P. Jurka. Leukemoid reaction in bitches with pyometra. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):89.
16. K. Kacprzak, S. Kanafa, **I. Kaszak**, P. Jurka. The concentration of IL-2 in peripheral and uterine blood of bitches with pyometra. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):78.
17. S. Kanafa, K. Kacprzak, **I. Kaszak**, J. Sterna, A. Duszewska, P. Jurka. The concentration of IL-6 in peripheral and uterine blood in bitches with pyometra. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):79.
18. S. Kanafa, K. Kacprzak, **I. Kaszak**, P. Jurka. The use of doxycycline for Mycoplasma treatment in early pregnancy in dogs- a preliminary study. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2019;54 (Suppl 2):79.
19. Szymon Kanafa, Lourdes Soler, Kamil Kacprzak, **Ilona Kaszak**, Olga Witkowska Piłaszewicz, Anna Cywińska, Michał Czopowicz, Matilde Pineiro, Piotr Jurka. Assessment of CRP concentration in peripheral and uterine blood in bitches with pyometra. Poster, XIV Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2018 Wrocław, Poland.
20. Szymon Kanafa, Lourdes Soler, Kamil Kacprzak, **Ilona Kaszak**, Olga Witkowska Piłaszewicz, Anna Cywińska, Michał Czopowicz, Matilde Pineiro, Piotr Jurka. Assessment of haptoglobin concentration in peripheral and uterine blood of bitches with pyometra. Poster, XIV Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2018, Wrocław, Poland.
21. **Ilona Kaszak**, Anna Ruszczak, Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, Izabella Dolka, Piotr Jurka. Preliminary evaluation of clinical usefulness of Ca 15-3 biomarker in serum of bitches with mammary tumor. Poster, XIV Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2018, Wrocław, Poland.
22. I. Dolka, K. Wojciechowska, **I. Kaszak**, P. Jurka. Mammary fibrosarcoma in a female dog with ovarian remnant syndrome. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2018;53 (Suppl 2):125.
23. Bałdyga-Kacprzak P, Kacprzak K, **Kaszak I.** Dolka I., Sterna J., Duszewska A., Jurka P. Giant vaginal cyst in female sphinx cat. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2018;53 (Suppl 2):107.
24. K Kacprzak, S Kanafa, A. Ruszczak, **I Kaszak**, P Bałdyga-Kacprzak, P Jurka. Castration influence on rat thyroxine level. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2018;53 (Suppl 2):149.

25. Jurka P., Ruszczak A., **Kaszak I.**, Kacprzak K., Dolka I., Duszewska A. Effective prevention of pseudopregnancy. *Reprod Domest Anim*, 2018;53 (Suppl 2):149.
26. **Kaszak I.**, Kacprzak K., S. Kanafa, Dolka I., Duszewska A., Jurka P. EPC and fibroadenomatosis in a 4,5 months old Sphinx queen. *Reprod Domest Anim*, 2018;53 (Suppl 2):150.
27. A. Ruszczak, **I. Kaszak**, E. Michałowska, I. Dolka, A. Dobrzyński, K. Kacprzak, P. Jurka. Cystic endometrial hyperplasia (CEH) of uterine mucosa in a pregnant queen – a case report. *Reprod Domest Anim*, 2018;53 (Suppl 2):189.
28. **Ilona Kaszak**, Anna Ruszczak, Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, Izabella Dolka, Piotr Jurka. Preliminary evaluation of CA 15-3 (MUC 1) expression in serum of bitches with mammary tumors by Western Blot. Poster, EVSSAR Congress, 2018, Venice, Italy.
29. Kamil Kacprzak, Lourdes Soler, Szymon Kanafa, **Ilona Kaszak**, Olga Witkowska- Piłaszewicz, Anna Cywińska, Michał Czopowicz, Matilde Pineiro, Piotr Jurka. The concentration of inter-alpha-trypsin inhibitor heavy chain 4 in peripheral and uterine blood in bitches with pyometra. Poster, EVSSAR Congress, 2018, Venice, Italy.
30. Szymon Kanafa, Lourdes Soler, Kamil Kacprzak, **Ilona Kaszak**, Olga Witkowska Piłaszewicz, Anna Cywińska, Michał Czopowicz, Matilde Pineiro, Piotr Jurka. The concentration of Haptoglobin in peripheral and uterine blood in bitches with pyometra. Poster, EVSSAR Congress, 2018, Venice, Italy.
31. **I. Kaszak**. A. Ruszczak, O. Witkowska- Piłaszewicz, I. Dolka, J. Olszewski, P. Jurka. Preliminary evaluation of CA 15-3 biomarker in different histopathological types of canine mammary tumors. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2018; 53 (Suppl: 1):20.
32. Z. Surowiec, J. Wróblewska, I. Dolka, **I. Kaszak**, P. Jurka. Unusual hormonal profile in fibroadenomatosis in a tomcat. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2018; 53 (Suppl: 1):38.
33. **Kaszak I.**, Witkowska-Piłaszewicz O., Ruszczak A., Jurka P. A case of canine leishmaniosis in Poland. Oral presentation, The second International Parasitological Symposium "Modern problems of general and special parasitology", 2017, Petersburg, Russia.
34. O. Witkowska-Piłaszewicz, **I. Kaszak**, A. Cywińska. Horse Bebesiosis: the case report. Oral presentation, The second International Parasitological Symposium "Modern problems of general and special parasitology", 2017, Petersburg, Russia.
35. Olga Witkowska-Piłaszewicz, **Ilona Kaszak**, Jarosław Szczepaniak, Routine blood tests in the monitoring of performance capacity in Arabian race horses. Oral presentation, ELLS Scientific Student Conference, 2017, Copenhagen, Denmark.
36. P. Jurka, S. Kanafa, M. Sobczak- Filipiak, **I. Kaszak**. Causes of death among puppies and kittens as well as young dogs and cats. Oral presentation, XIII Congress - Problems in small animal reproduction, 2017, Wrocław, Poland.
37. **I. Kaszak**, J. Olszewski, I. Dolka, P. Jurka, Preliminary evaluation of CA 15-3 (MUC 1) biomarker expression in mammary tumors in bitches. Poster, XIII Congress - Problems in small animal reproduction, 2017, Wrocław, Poland.
38. **Ilona Kaszak**, Anna Ruszczak, Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, Olga Witkowska Piłaszewicz, Maria Grześ. Preliminary study on biomarkers of canine mammary tumors. *Reprod Domestic Anim* 2017; 52 (Suppl 3):99.
39. Kamil Kacprzak, Szymon Kanafa, Anna Ruszczak, Ilona Kaszak, Piotr Jurka. Castration influence on male and female rat body weight. *Reprod Domestic Anim* 2017; 52 (Suppl 3):99.
40. Olga Witkowska- Piłaszewicz, **Ilona Kaszak**, Magdalena Żmigrodzka, Alicja Miśkiewicz, Anna Cywińska. Unilateral cryptorchidism in a dog: the case report. *Reprod Domestic Anim* 2017; 52 (Suppl 3):142.
41. Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, **Ilona Kaszak**, Jan Frymus, Marek Galanty, Piotr Jurka. Surgical removal of follicular cysts during pregnancy in the bitch: a case report. *Reprod Domestic Anim* 2017; 52 (Suppl 3):99.
42. Piotr Jurka, Kamil Kacprzak, Szymon Kanafa, Anna Ruszczak, **Ilona Kaszak**, Rafał Sapieryński. Sarcoma in newborn puppy, preliminary study. *Reprod Domestic Anim* 2017; 52 (Suppl 3):98.
43. **Ilona Kaszak**. Preliminary evaluation of CA 15-3 and CEA in selected mammary tumors o bitches. Summer school of KNOW, 2017, Olsztyn, Poland.
44. O. Witkowska Piłaszewicz, A. Miśkiewicz, **I. Kaszak**, J. Szczepaniak, A. Cywińska. Hematological and blood biochemical changes in the monitoring of performance capacity in Arabian race horses. 3rd International Scientific Conference of Veterinary Medicine, 2017, Warsaw, Poland.
45. **I. Kaszak**, S. Kanafa, I. Dolka, B. Degórska, M. Kalwas, P. Jurka. SIPS, uterine rupture, peritonitis, ovarian cyst in 4-year old bitch – a case report. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2016;51 (Suppl 2):103.

46. A. Ruszczak, **I. Kaszak**, K. Kacprzak, S. Kanafa, P. Jurka. Miasthenia gravis in the kitten – a rare congenital disease. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2016;51 (Suppl 2):135.
47. R. Sapieryński, J. Bonecka, **I. Kaszak**, M. mikuła, P. Bogorodzki, P. Jurka. Prevalence and diagnosis of hydrocephalus and hydronephrosis in kittens. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2016;51 (Suppl 2):138.
48. J. Bonecka, A. Grodzka, B. Degórska, M. Kalwas- Śliwińska, **I. Kaszak**, P. Jurka. Endometritis in pregnant Degu. *Reprod Domestic Anim*, 2016;51 (Suppl 2):77.
49. **I. Kaszak**, S. Kanafa, A. Ruszczak, I. Dolka, P. Jurka. Niedostateczne obkurczanie miejsc po łożyskach (SIPS), pęknięcie macicy, zapalenie otrzewnej oraz torbiel jajnika u 4- letniej suki w miesiąc po porodzie- przypadek kliniczny, poster, XII Congress - Problems in small animal reproduction, 2016, Wrocław, Poland.
50. A. Ruszczak, **I. Kaszak**, K. Kacprzak, S. Kanafa, P. Jurka. Miasthenia gravis u kocięcia – rzadka choroba wrodzona. Poster, XII Congress - Problems in small animal reproduction, 2016, Wrocław, Poland.
51. **I. Kaszak**, I. Dolka, S. Kanafa, A Ruszczak, K. Kacprzak, P. Jurka. An influence of prolonged treatment with medroxyprogesterone acetate on feline reproductive system. Oral presentation and poster, Polish Society of Veterinary Sciences Conference, 2016, Lublin, Poland.
52. B. Dworecka-Kaszak, **I. Kaszak**, I. Dąbrowska. Canine atopic dermatitis as response to *Malassezia*. Poster, Polish Society of Veterinary Sciences Conference, 2016, Lublin, Poland.
53. S. Kanafa, M. Skowron, **I. Kaszak**, A. Ruszczak, K. Kacprzak, I. Dolka, P. Jurka. Ziarniszczyk (Granulosa cell tumor) u 2-letniej kotki. Poster, Polish Society of Veterinary Sciences Conference 2016, Lublin, Poland.
54. **Iłona Kaszak**, Anna Gruk–Jurka, Izabela Dolka, Szymon Kanafa, Kamil Kacprzak, Piotr Jurka, Nietypowy przypadek włókniakogruczolaka u 7-letniej nieciążarnej kotki. Poster, XI Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2015, Wrocław, Poland.
55. Anna Ruszczak, Joanna Bonecka, Jarek Orzeł, Kamil Kacprzak, Marlena Wełniak- Kamińska, **Iłona Kaszak**, Piotr Jurka. Wstępne badania grasicy u nowonarodzonych szczeniąt techniką MRI. Poster, XI Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2015, Wrocław, Poland.
56. Marek Galanty, Piotr Trębacz, Piotr Jurka, Aleksandra Tomkowicz, Jan Frymus, **Iłona Kaszak**. Zespolenie wrotno-oboczne jako powikłanie pokastracyjne u suki. Poster, XI Congress: Problems in small animal reproduction, 2015, Wrocław, Poland.

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SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS

2022 – becoming EVSSAR board member

2021 – running a webinar entitled: "The basics of laboratory diagnostics in dog reproduction"

2021 - running a webinar entitled: "Infectious diseases in dogs and cats reproduction – diagnostics and treatment"

2018 - Translation of a veterinary book "Geriatría canina y felina" by Cervantes Sala S. from Spanish to Polish

2017 - Award for the poster presentation: **I. Kaszak** et al., 'Preliminary evaluation of CA 15-3 biomarker in different histopathological types of canine mammary tumors' at 13th Wrocław Small Animal Reproduction Congress

2016 – Oral Presentation at the Conference of Polish Society of Veterinary Sciences, **I. Kaszak** et al., 'An influence of prolonged treatment with medroxyprogesterone acetate on feline reproductive system'.

HOBBIES

Pole dance, fitness, bachata, Carlos Ruiz Zafon books, Spanish Netflix Original Series, chow chows, learning languages.