Dutch veterinary professor Erik Teske has been announced as the recipient of the World Small Animal Veterinary Association’s (WSAVA’s) 2016 International Award for Scientific Achievement, presented annually to an individual judged to have made a significant contribution to the field of small animal veterinary medicine.

Associate Professor in Medical Oncology at the Department of Clinical Sciences of Companion Animals at the University of Utrecht and Professor in Medical Oncology at the Department of Clinical Sciences of Companion Animals and Horses at the University of Liége, Erik Teske will receive his Award at the 2016 WSAVA World Congress, which takes place from 27-30 September in Cartagena, Colombia. He will also give a special lecture entitled: ‘An Update on the Treatment of Lymphoma in Dogs and Cats,’ – one of a series of lectures by this year’s WSAVA Award winners.

Erik Teske graduated at from the University of Utrecht in 1981 and became a specialist in internal medicine in 1986. His areas of expertise include clinical cytology, epidemiology, and oncology – where non-Hodgkin lymphoma and prostate carcinoma in the dog have been the focus of his work. He has written more than 120 publications in refereed journals and contributed 16 book chapters, as well as to many other publications. He lectures widely and co-organizes a European School for Advanced Veterinary Studies course on internal medicine.
The first president of the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine, he has been president of the European Board of Veterinary Specialisation and is President of the Dutch Board of Veterinary Specialisation. He is double boarded in the ECVIM-CA in internal medicine and in clinical oncology.

Referring to the presentation of the Award, Professor Gad Baneth, Chair of the WSAVA’s Scientific Advisory commented: “Professor Teske has made a significant contribution to small animal veterinary medicine and influenced both the science and practice of internal small animal medicine around the world.”

The WSAVA is an umbrella organization focused on enhancing the clinical care of companion animals around the world. It represents 158,000 veterinarians globally through 96 member associations.

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