

Q&A with Professor Bruno Pypendop, regular contributor to *Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia*

Prof. Pypendop has chosen to publish a number of research papers in *Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia*, thanks to the journal's efficient review process and rapid online publication after acceptance.

Thanks for speaking with us. What's your position and area of research?

I am Professor of Veterinary Anaesthesiology, and I'm based at the University of California. My research focuses on the clinical pharmacology of anaesthetic and analgesic agents, with an emphasis on cats.

Tell me about the most recent paper you've published in *Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia*.

In our [paper published in September 2018](#), we looked at whether the anaesthetic alfaxalone would tend to accumulate in cats when administered by intravenous infusion, and if the expected duration of effects would depend on the duration of infusion.

Our answer was that yes, recovery time from alfaxalone anaesthesia in cats can be predicted by the duration of infusion. For large decreases in plasma concentration, as seem necessary for full recovery from alfaxalone anaesthesia, the duration of infusion has a much larger effect on the expected duration of effect.

What made you decide to publish this research in *Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia*?

Not only does my research match the scope of the journal, but I presume that individuals interested in veterinary anaesthesia studies – such as the studies I conduct – read it.

Because this journal is part of Elsevier's large group of journals, it's more widely available than some more niche veterinary journals. I also know that the review process is fairly efficient, and I like that the manuscript is made available to readers shortly after acceptance.

Can you tell me a bit more about the review and publication processes, and why it works well for you?

I think the review process was fair and of reasonable duration. Once recommended for acceptance, the editors minimise delays in editing the manuscript.

What has the response to your article been like?

It may not have directly helped me have a specific impact or reach new findings, but I did not expect this. Overall, I think that as part of a body of work, my articles – many of which have been published in this journal – have definitely helped me develop new collaborations.