Preface

Canine and Feline Respiratory Medicine

Respiratory medicine remains an underdeveloped field in veterinary medicine. Clinical cases involving the upper and lower airways, lung, and pleural cavity can be challenging to investigate and often require either emergency intervention or long-term management.

This issue of *Veterinary Clinics of North America: Small Animal Practice* brings together a group of talented, practicing veterinarians from academic institutions that has extensive clinical experience in managing cases involving the respiratory tract. Authors share their knowledge with the reader and provide a review of the literature on topics ranging from the newly recognized feline sinonasal aspergillosis to common diseases such as feline asthma, laryngeal paralysis, and canine chronic bronchitis. Each author offers the reader the insight gained from clinical successes and failures in well-written and nicely illustrated articles.

I am ever so grateful to the authors for their devotion to the task set forth and am certain that readers will greatly appreciate the diagnostic and treatment recommendations. Patients and clients will also benefit from the expertise offered by these brilliant clinicians.

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