









### Afternoon Workshop

## Dealing with Aggression in Dogs

Medicine and Life Sciences

香港城市大學 City University of Hong Kong

in collaboration with Cornell University

When a dog shows aggression to its owner, TV shows or magazines may tell those owners to "get into the dominant position" or "to dominate your dog". They tell the owners that dominating the dog can make the dog more submissive and less aggressive. This dominance-submissive theory is quite outdated and nowadays, we do not encourage this in order to convince the dog to change the its behavior. In this interactive workshop, we will discuss how to interpret canine language and how to manage canine aggression. Dogs are not trying to dominate humans but they want to communicate with us. We need to educate owners as to how to understand canine language and how to reduce their aggression in their household.

#### **Evening Seminar**

### Psychopharmacology and treating anxiety in animals

For treating anxiety disorders, such as separation anxiety, thunderstorm phobia, generalized anxiety, we provide environmental modification, behavior modification to reduce their stress and anxiety but for severe cases, we may advocate the use of psychoactive medication as one of our treatment tools. Serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SRI) have been utilized for more than 20 years successfully. Current therapy may include using other anti-depressive and anti-anxiety medication.

In this talk, Dr. Irimajiri will discuss and review medical treatment used in the behaviour field and how to use medication to help you be successful in treating anxiety cases and even aggressive cases.

# **Speaker: Dr. Mami Irimajiri**, *BVSc, Ph.D. Dipl. ACVB*

Dr. Irimajiri graduated from Nippon Veterinary and Life Science University and obtained BVSc and obtained her veterinary license from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery in Japan. After working as a small animal clinician in Tokyo, she received her PhD about canine compulsive disorders from Purdue University, USA and then completed her animal behavior residency training at the University of Georgia. Dr. Irimajiri is also a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists. Dr. Irimajiri joined Japan Hills-Colgate in 2017.





### DATE & TIME

23 August 2019, Friday

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Workshop: HKD380

Afternoon Workshop: 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm Evening Seminar: 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm (light dinner available at 7pm)

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CityU School of Continuing and Professional Education United Centre, 8/F, 95 Queensway, Admiralty, Hong Kong Room UR3 (Afternoon Workshop) / Lecture Theatre (Evening Seminar)

### REGISTRATION

https://www.cityu.edu.hk/jcc/links/20190823CPE.asp

Seminar: HKD280 Workshop & Seminar: HKD550

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