

Companion animal studies

This volume has been published from a workshop held by the Society for Companion Animal Studies (SCAS), which brought together researchers and potential researchers from differing technical backgrounds. It should be remembered that not all research is carried out in Universities or Research Institutes where experience and support exists for the aspiring worker. In some cases – and this is especially true in companion animal studies – prospective investigators, coming from non-scientific or perhaps clinical or professional backgrounds, discover an issue that clearly needs to be researched and wish to pursue this research themselves.

The booklet gives a number of short accounts of research projects on companion animals. As for the workshop, the publication is split into sections covering: Attitudes to Companion Animals, Ongoing Projects, Applied Research and, Sources of Funding. It provides a snapshot of a wide range of companion animal research, a short list of recommended texts and many practical tips and suggestions which will be particularly useful to those intending to start their first research programme.

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