

Melissa Bourgeois, DVM, PhD, DACVM (virology, immunology)

Melissa Bourgeois graduated from the University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine in 2007 with a DVM, and in 2010 with a PhD in veterinary medicine, focusing on gene expression in the equine host following West Nile virus infection. From 2010-2012 Dr. Bourgeois served as an associate service fellow at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention conducting research into methods to combat highly pathogenic avian influenza. Dr. Bourgeois became a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists (ACVM) in virology (2011) and immunology (2013). From 2012-2015, Dr. Bourgeois worked for Merck Animal Health as a technical services manager serving the Atlanta region. From July 2015 to August 2018, Dr. Bourgeois worked for Merck Animal Health as a senior drug safety specialist. From September 2018 until the present, Dr. Bourgeois has worked as an Associate Director, Professional Services for Merck Animal Health. In addition, from 2015 until the present, Dr. Bourgeois practices locum and part time at local clinics. Dr. Bourgeois lives in the Atlanta area with her husband, two year old son, two cats, and a horse. In her free time, Dr. Bourgeois enjoys hiking, backpacking, and riding dressage.