



Prof Kirberger is reeds 25 jaar lank verbonde aan die Afdeling Beelddiagnostiek van die Departement Geselskapsdier Kliniese Studies in die Fakulteit Veeartsenykunde. In 2007 ontvang hy die Universiteit se Toekenning vir Uitnemende Akademiese Presteerders en in 2009 die Suid-Afrikaanse Veeartsenykundige Vereniging se Presidensiële Toekenning vir voortreflike bydraes tot veeartsenykundige beelddiagnostiek in Suid-Afrika.

Prof Kirberger is 'n Diplomaat van die European College of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging en het ook van 2006 tot 2008 op dié liggaam se eksamenkomitee gedien. Een van die hoogtepunte van sy loopbaan was toe hy verantwoordelik was vir die reëlings vir die 2003-kongres van die International Veterinary Radiology Association in Suid-Afrika. Nog 'n hoogtepunt was toe die European College of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging die spesialis-opleidingsprogram vir veeartsenykundige radiologie van die Onderstepoort Veterinêre Akademiese Hospitaal erken het.

In 'n hospitaalomgewing is daar min tyd beskikbaar vir navorsing, en die alternatief is dikwels om aandag te skenk aan prospektiewe kliniese studies. Die onderwerp van een so 'n studie was *Spirocercose*, 'n studie wat nou al die afgelope vyf jaar aan die gang is. Prof Kirberger is die senior of mede-outeur van ses artikels wat oor hierdie werk gepubliseer is. Prof Kirberger is tans die organiseerder van 'n multidisiplinêre trauma studie in die Onderstepoort Veterinêre Akademiese Hospitaal. Die studie ontvang intensiewe befondsing van die NNS. Prof Kirberger het 'n B2-gradering van die NNS.

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Prof Kirberger has been in the Diagnostic Imaging Section of the Department of Companion Animal Clinical Sciences for 25 years. In 2007 he received an UP Outstanding Academic Achiever award and in 2009 the South African Veterinary Association President's award for outstanding contributions to veterinary diagnostic imaging in South Africa.

Prof Kirberger is a Diplomat of the European College of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging and also served on that body's examination committee from 2006 to 2008. One of the highlights of his career was to organise the 2003 International Veterinary Radiology Association congress in South Africa. Another highlight was to have the Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital's specialist radiologist training program recognised by the European College of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging.

When working in a hospital environment there is little time for research and the recipe is often utilising prospective clinical trials. One of these is the *Spirocercosis* trial which has been running for the past five years with Prof Kirberger being senior or co-author of six published articles arising from this project. Currently Prof Kirberger is the organiser of a multidisciplinary trauma study in the Onderstepoort Veterinary Academic Hospital which is funded with NRF incentive funding. Prof Kirberger is a B2-rated NRF researcher.

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Prof Kirberger o bile ka Lekaleng la Tšhomišo ya Theknolotši go Lebelela ka gare ga Mmele la Lefapha la Thutamahlale a Tlhokomelommogo le Phekolo ya Malwetši a Diphoofole mengwaga e 25. Ka 2007 o amogetše sefoka sa Moatlegi yo a Atlegilego go Fetiša wa Seakatemiki gomme ka 2009 a amogela sefoka sa Mopresidente wa Mokgatlo wa Bongaka bja Diphoofole wa Afrika-Borwa ka go tšea karolo ka bothakga theknolotšing ya go lebelela ka gare ga mmele wa phoofole ka Afrika-Borwa.

Prof Kirberger ke Modiplomate wa Kholetšhe ya Theknolotši ya Bongaka bja go Lebelela ka gare ga Mmele ya Bongaka bja Diphoofole ya Yuropa gape o ile a ba komiting ya mokgatlo woo wa ditlahlobo go tloga ka 2006 go fihla ka 2008. Ye nngwe ya dintlhakgolo tša mošomo wa gagwe e bile go rulaganya pitšo ya Mokgatlo wa Boditšhabatšhaba wa Radiolotši ya Bongaka bja Diphoofole ka Afrika-Borwa. Ye nngwe ntlhakgolo e bile go dira gore lenaneo la tlhahlo yeo e ikgethilego ya boradiolotši ya Sepetlele sa Boakatemiki sa Diphoofole sa Onderstepoort se lemogwe ke Kholetšhe ya Theknolotši ya Bongaka bja go Lebelela ka gare ga Mmele, ya Bongaka bja Diphoofole ya Yuropa.

Ge o šoma ka tikologong ya sepetlele o na le nako e nnyane go ka dira dinyakišišo gomme tharollo e ba go šomiša diteko tšeo di letetšwego tša tekolo le pheko ya malwetši. Ye nngwe ya tšona ke teko ya *Spirocercosis* yeo e lego gare e tšwelapele go tloga mengwageng e mehlano yeo e fetilego, le Prof Kirberger e le mongwadimogolo goba mongwadimogolo wa diathikele tšeo di phatlaladišwego mo mengwageng e se mekae yeo e fetilego. Gabjale Prof Kirberger ke morulaganyi wa thuto ya go akaretša makala a mantši a dithuto a khuduego e soro ya maikutlo ka Sepetleleng sa Akatemiki sa Bongaka bja Diphoofole sa Onderstepoort ya go thušwa ka mašeleng a tlhohleletšo ke NRF. Prof Kirberger ke monyakišiši wa maemo a B2 go NRF.