

Topic/Title (Norwegian) Halejaging/spinning og sammenheng med lateralisering og frykt hos hund

Topic/Title (English) Tail chasing/spinning and associations with lateralization and fear in dogs



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Summary

Tail chasing is a compulsory behaviour potentially caused by multiple factors, with genetics and environmental factors, hormones and neurological disorders involved, with a potential learning in the process. This behaviour is regarded as a stereotypic behaviour, part of OCD syndrome in dogs. The thesis can focus on association with tail length, fear and paw use (“handedness”, as a measure of asymmetry) in dogs. The study may include (depending on the level, 15/30/60 ECTS) watching videos from Youtube, live observations of paw use in a first-step test and survey.

Subject area (keywords) dog, stereotype behaviour, problem behaviour, lateralisation

Language thesis (Norwegian and/or English) Norwegian or English

Bachelor or Master thesis: any level, work adjusted to level

Credits: 15/30/60 ETCS

Project/company: independent

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