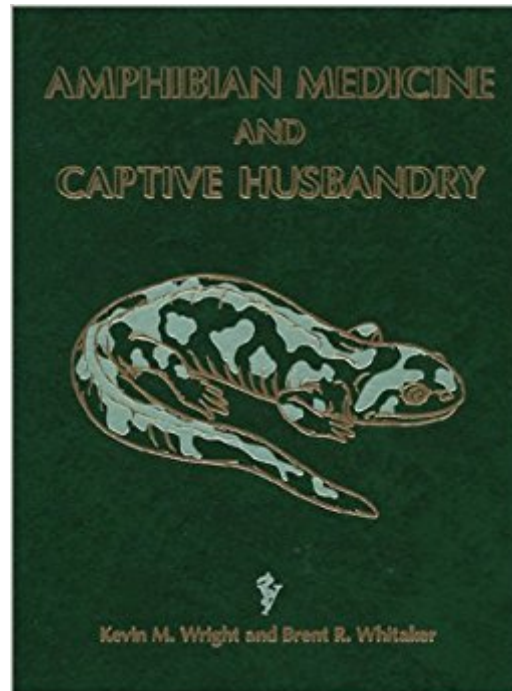




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# Amphibian Medicine And Captive Husbandry



## Synopsis

This work is designed to introduce veterinary practitioners to the diagnosis and treatment of disease in captive amphibians. It covers various aspects of amphibian captive husbandry and propagation while providing the reader with a foundation on which to evaluate a given husbandry routine. The diagnosis of disease in amphibians by the application of basic clinicopathologic techniques is discussed, and infectious, metabolic, nutritional, neoplastic and idiopathic disorders of amphibians are also covered.

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## Customer Reviews

A tremendous book. It is written in a jargon that I, as an amateur, can understand with a little effort. I did not expect a single book with such a title to be very complete, but It does seem to touch on every aspect of Amphibian Medicine and Captive Husbandry. Sometimes in great depth. It certainly is more than an introduction and I cannot imagine this book not being on every amphibian caretakers reference shelf. It really is a must "must have" book. Living in Peru, I am primarily interested in raising poison dart frogs and tree frogs. The book will be invaluable.

I have several exotic amphibians I took in as rescues, but my vet specializes in household mammals and reptiles. This reference book has been helpful to us, working as a team, on recognizing the things that go wrong. It is often more helpful to research illnesses (once diagnosed) on the internet to see if there are more recent discoveries in treatment, however - amphibian

medicine really being in its infancy as a science.

A really superb source of all one needs to care for amphibians. I highly recommend this and am very glad I found it.

A must book for any enthusiasts or veterinarian. It is the first serious book on amphibians medicine. It also covers some interesting chapters on captive care and rearing.

Kevin Wright and Brent Whitaker's *Amphibian Medicine And Captive Husbandry* is a comprehensive, in-depth, scholarly reference manual designed to introduce and assist veterinary practitioners in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases in captive amphibians. However, it also serves as an invaluable, core addition to the library of any herpetologist, breeder or pet owner of an amphibian, for it extensively covers numerous details of the care, feeding, and reproduction of captive amphibians, as well as disease diagnosis, basic clinical techniques for treatment. The many diseases discussed include sicknesses that are infectious, metabolic, nutritional, neoplastic, and idiopathic. 243 color pictures, 317 black and white pictures, and 54 tables greatly enhance the meticulous and highly precise text of this exhaustively complete reference. An invaluable title for veterinarians and/or owners of amphibians.

Hello, I am Dr. Kevin Wright, co-editor of *Amphibian Medicine and Captive Husbandry*. Given the global decline of amphibian populations noted at the end of the 20th century, Dr. Whitaker and I designed *Amphibian Medicine and Captive Husbandry* to introduce the diagnosis and treatment of disease in amphibians to a wide range of audiences. Although our primary intent was to provide a practical but thorough text for the veterinary clinician, we believe this book will be an essential part of any biologist's library; the topics covered range from amphibian captive husbandry and propagation to the diagnosis of disease in amphibians by the application of basic clinicopathologic techniques. Topics are arranged by etiology. The pathology section is highly detailed and provides the only overview of amphibian pathology published. Recognizing that the understanding of veterinary medicine is facilitated by illustrations, *Amphibian Medicine and Captive Husbandry* includes 243 color pictures, 317 black and white figures, and 54 tables. We highly recommend this book to any individual, institution or organization that works with captive or wild amphibians: veterinary clinicians, comparative pathologists, veterinary students, herpetologists, herpetoculturists, zoos, aquariums, biomedical research facilities, and libraries. ABOUT THE EDITORS: Kevin M.

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This book gives a solid, evidence based, grounding in amphibian medicine, supplemented with the experience of some exceptional exotic and zoo animal practitioners. I recommend this book highly to anyone considering working with these amazing animals.

This text is an excellent resource for zoo animal vets or small animal vets that are presented with amphibians. The book is very factual in nature, but the authors also offer their own clinical experience. Because there is a dearth of veterinary information on the treatment of amphibians, this is a welcome addition to the veterinary literature

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