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Dr. Kapatkin received her B.S. in Animal Science in 1978 from Purdue University and her D.V.M. from GAUF in the Philippines in 1981. Her internship and surgical residency were at The Animal Medical Center (AMC) in New York from 1985-1990 after 4 years of general practice. She spent 6 additional years at the AMC as a staff orthopedic surgeon, then spent 8 years at the University of Pennsylvania as an Assistant and then Associate Professor in Orthopedic Surgery and has been at University of California, Davis since 2004 as an Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery. Dr. Kapatkin received her MS in 2006 from University of California, Davis while on faculty. She is a member of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons, on the board of regents for the college and her research interests are clinical trials using kinetics and kinematics leading to evidence based medical knowledge.

Dr. Kapatkin is married to Dr. Bob Poppenga, a veterinary toxicologist Professor at the University of California, Davis. They have an 8 and an 11 year-old Chinese daughter sparking some of their interest and devotion to China. Dr. Kapatkin enjoys time with her family (including her pets), traveling, meeting new people and running.