Professor Trim received nominations from Professors Kathy Clarke and Ron Jones, both of whom spoke of a career of notable successes and profound influence.

On graduation from the University of Liverpool she undertook anaesthesia training at the University of Cambridge, attaining the Diploma in Veterinary Anaesthesia from the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (London). Upon moving to North America, Cynthia became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Anesthesiology (ACVA) and subsequently a founding Diplomate of the European College of Veterinary Anaesthesia (as it was then in 1998). As a College we therefore owe Professor Trim a great deal of gratitude for advancing our speciality.

Cynthia worked at various academic establishments in North America, but the majority of her time was spent at the University of Georgia, where she became Professor of Anaesthesiology in a joint appointment between the Large Animal Department and Physiology, recognising the part physiology plays in anaesthesia. She remained in this post until 2008, when she retired from full time work; then she was employed part time until 2012. In this role she undertook all the usual duties of teaching and clinical work (lots of on-call colic surgeries), but also carried out a great deal of research, publishing many papers in referred journals of international standing, and she gave numerous teaching presentations at both national and international meetings.

Professor Trim has received awards for teaching excellence from The University of Missouri (1980), outstanding service from The University of Georgia in 1992, and in 2003 received the Josiah Meigs Award for Excellence in Teaching. In total, 11 anaesthesia residents and 16 interns have benefitted from Cynthia's guidance over the years, plus many more from other disciplines.

Cynthia was President of the American College of Veterinary Anesthesiology in 1985. In recognition of her work throughout veterinary anaesthesia, in 2018 the College presented her with their Career Achievement Award.

Professor Jones writes 'In view of her considerable achievements and significant contribution to veterinary anaesthesia I consider that Professor Trim would be a worthy recipient of the Morpheus Award'.

Professor Clarke adds 'Cynthia has made major contributions to European Anaesthesia, a significant one of these being her position as Co-Editor in Chief of 'Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia'. She took on this position in 2012, and during her tenure has guided the journal through a change in publisher and two changes in European Editors whilst maintaining its standard and visibility'.

Cynthia joins the company of a number of ECVAA diplomates who have been recognised for their achievements in the world of veterinary anaesthesia, and we are delighted to celebrate her success.