

## CAT FANCY Columnist Accepts Professorship

**Colorado State University says new position is the first of its kind.**

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Colorado State University has named CAT FANCY columnist Narda Robinson, DO, DVM, MS, to a position that the university says is the first of its kind.

The university announced Sept. 18 that CAT FANCY columnist Robinson's professorship of complementary and alternative medicine at Colorado State University's College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences is endowed.

The position focuses on researching complementary medicine for veterinary practice and alternative medicine application approaches proven to help improve the quality of life for animals with a variety of diseases, such as cancer.

The position will expand current services and research in complementary and alternative medicine presently underway at the Veterinary Medical Center, such as acupuncture and chiropractic care.

The position is funded by a \$3 million gift given in 2000 by Charles and Lucia Shipley of Auburndale, Mass., with \$600,000 of the funds establishing the endowment for the professorship.

Robinson's current research includes the impact of acupuncture on dogs with dry eyes, and she is developing the first complete, neuroanatomically accurate system of canine acupuncture point locations.