

Morris Animal Foundation Funds Cat Health Studies

The foundation is helping to fund approximately 35 studies dedicated to the health of companion animals.

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Some of the feline health conditions being studied include heart disease, kidney disease and oral cancer. The Morris Animal Foundation will fund more than 200 new, continuing and veterinary-student scholar studies for 2009-10. All studies are available for study sponsorship. Sponsorships start at \$3,000 and are critical to ensuring future research, according to the nonprofit organization. About 35 new studies are dedicated to companion animals.

Cat studies include; "New Radiation Therapy for Oral Cancer," by Dr. Susan LaRue at Colorado State University "Comparing Drugs that Prevent Blood Clots," by Dr. Daniel Hogan at Purdue University "Evaluating Beta Blockers to Treat Heart Disease," by Dr. Teresa DeFrancesco at North Carolina State University "Identifying Risk Factors for Heart Disease," by Dr. Philip Fox at Animal Medical Center "Determining Cause of Kidney Disease," by Dr. Susan Bailey at Colorado State University "Testing a New Way to Detect Early Kidney Disease," by Dr. Lauren Trepanier at the University of Wisconsin

For a full list of studies or more information about sponsorship, visit the group's website.