

## Pet Health Studies Get Funding

**Morris Animal Foundation commits \$13 million to pet health studies for cats, dogs and other species.**

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The Morris Animal Foundation has committed to funding more than 200 animal health studies in 2010, with support for those studies totaling \$13 million over the next three years.

The 24 feline health studies will research asthma, cancer, gastrointestinal problems, heart disease, kidney disease, pain management and urinary problems. The foundation's Happy Healthy Cat Campaign will also fund a fellowship and three studies that look at transmission of upper respiratory infection in shelter cats. In addition, the campaign will support a major genetics project to be launched in 2010.

The more than 50 canine health studies will research blood and eye disorders, infectious diseases, orthopedic problems, pain management, early retirement of guide dogs and urinary problems. The foundation's Canine Cancer Campaign will also fund a number of cancer studies focusing on prevention and treatment.

Other research will include studies designed to improve the lives of captive and wild animals, including wild cats and others.