

2024 Active Dog Wellness Request for Proposals



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Scope

Dogs who are active and fit live longer, healthier lives. The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) is pleased to announce a call for proposals supporting the health of dogs through investigations promoting their physical activity and healthy aging. This call supports the well-being and performance of **all dogs**. Studies may focus on dogs involved in specific activities, such as canine athletes participating in performance and companion sports or working dogs. Proposals fostering evidence-based medicine are strongly encouraged. Projects may encompass basic science, translational, clinical, epidemiological, or outcomes-based research. Areas of interest include:

- Explorations of how physical activity is associated with health
- Injury prevention
- Obesity management and weight loss
- Interventions to increase physical activity
- Musculoskeletal rehabilitation
- Muscle strengthening
- Devices and alternative modalities
- Wound healing and tissue regeneration
- Pain prevention, detection, and management
- Acute and chronic injury
- Treatment of chronic inflammation
- Osteoarthritis

Being physically active is one of the most important correlates of health. The Foundation promotes the health of all dogs and strongly values maintaining health, delaying disease progression, improving quality of life, and extending longevity. CHF recognizes the integral connections between dogs, humans, and the environment and supports multidisciplinary and One Health approaches to accelerate progress through collaborative research.

Research Focus Area

Investigative researchers may submit proposals in any of the 23 Research Program Areas (<https://www.akcchf.org/research/research-portfolio/program-area/>); however, we particularly emphasize preventive and early intervention in canine medicine and health, specifically through the **Musculoskeletal Conditions & Disease** (<https://www.akcchf.org/research/research-portfolio/program-area/musculoskeletal-active-grants.html>) and **General Canine Health** (<https://www.akcchf.org/research/research-portfolio/program-area/general-canine-health-grants.html>) research program areas.

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Project Budget

Both Acorn (\$30,000 maximum including 8% maximum indirect costs) and Oak (\$30,000+ including 8% maximum indirect costs) grant proposals that can be completed within the budget will be accepted for review.

Project Period

Canine Health
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Since the nature and scope of proposed projects vary, the duration of awards also varies.

Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria

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Application guidelines can be found [here](https://www.akcchf.org/assets/files/AKC-CHF-Research-Proposal-and-Application-Checklist.pdf) (<https://www.akcchf.org/assets/files/AKC-CHF-Research-Proposal-and-Application-Checklist.pdf>). Carefully review all requirements and instructions, as applications that do not comply may be declined or delayed. Ensure required application elements are complete prior to online submission. All work must strictly adhere to the Foundation's **Humane Use of Animals Policy** (<https://www.akcchf.org/assets/files/Humane-Use-of-Animals-Policy.pdf>) and **eligibility requirements** (<https://www.akcchf.org/research/application-process/funding-eligibility/>). While not required, applicants are strongly encouraged to fully address the suggested prompts provided in blue font in the application template.

Application Deadline

The deadline for online applications is Thursday, August 8th, 2024, at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.

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Contact



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ACORN: For studies up to \$30,000 including 8% maximum indirect costs

OAK: For studies >\$30,000 including 8% maximum indirect costs

START ACORN APPLICATION (<https://us.grantrequest.com/application.aspx?sid=1120&fid=35081>)

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Help Future Generations of Dogs

Participate in canine health research by providing samples or by enrolling in a clinical trial. Samples are needed from healthy dogs and dogs affected by specific diseases.

[LEARN HOW TO HELP \(HTTP://WWW.AKCCHF.ORG/RESEARCH/PARTICIPATE-IN-RESEARCH/\)](http://www.akcchf.org/research/participate-in-research/)

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- For Your Dog's Health (<http://www.akcchf.org/canine-health/your-dogs-health/for-your-dogs-health.html>)
- Canine Cancer (<http://www.akcchf.org/canine-health/top-health-concerns/canine-cancer/>)
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