Infectious Disease & One Health Request for Proposals

AKC Canine Health Foundation

2023 Request for Proposals (RFP)

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) is pleased to announce a call for proposals to develop novel and effective ways to prevent, treat, and cure infectious diseases in dogs. This funding opportunity supports research investigating canine infectious disease and prevention and treatment strategies focused on improved patient outcomes. The Foundation recognizes the importance of emerging disease threats, vector-borne diseases, and the integral connections among humans, animals, and the environment in a One Health approach.

Proposals may address any of the following topics, but are not limited to:

- Identification and characterization of emerging infectious diseases in dogs, including risks in social settings
- Development of novel diagnostic tools for rapid, accurate detection of infection
- Investigation of disease transmission, including One Health approaches
- Development of effective prevention and treatment strategies, including vector-borne pathogens, transmission cycles, pathogen resistance, vaccines, biological therapies (e.g., immunotherapy), and improved therapeutic protocols
- Investigation of the interplay between microbiota and infectious disease, including issues of susceptibility and resistance
- Association, mechanisms, and risks of infections with chronic conditions
- Surveillance and epidemiological studies, including those addressing public health, newly-emerging vector-borne diseases, at-risk populations of dogs, and the influence of human practices on infectious disease in dogs (e.g., pet/human travel; pet import; the impact of COVID-19 on disease management and veterinary care).

Proposals accepted through this RFP include the following CHF topics (research program areas): **Tick-borne Disease** and **Immunology & Infectious Disease**. Proposals that fall under a research program area other than the aforementioned areas will NOT be accepted for scientific review at this time.

**DEADLINE:**

The deadline for online applications is Thursday, July 20th, 2023 at 11:59 PM Eastern. Both Acorn ($20,000 maximum including 8% maximum indirect costs) and Oak ($20,000+ including 8% maximum indirect costs) grant proposals that can be completed within the budget will be accepted for review.

**ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION PROCESS:**
Application guidelines can be found here (https://www.akcchf.org/assets/files/AKC-CHF-Research-Proposal-and-Application-Checklist.pdf) to help ensure all required elements of each application are complete prior to online submission. All work completed under this funding 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/).

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Administrative and scientific inquiries should be directed to Programs Staff at chfgrants@akcchf.org or the following contact listed below.

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Please forward this announcement to other researchers seeking funding in this area of research.

Start a new Acorn Application (https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fsupport.caninehealthfoundation.org%2Fsite%2FR%3Fi%3DNEbM5LEdFctyZjZCCBtDMA&data=02%7C01%7Candrea.fiumefreddo%40akcchf.org%7C958de672301be4ac0879eb50f%7Cdebe5afe05c34264a4c038ab
– studies up to $20,000 including 8% maximum indirect costs

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– for this RFP, studies >$20,000 including 8% maximum indirect costs

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Previously awarded CHF grants and active research in these areas can be found here: Tick-borne Disease (http://www.akcchf.org/research/research-portfolio/program-area/tick-borne-disease-grants.html) and Immunology and Infectious Disease (http://www.akcchf.org/research/research-portfolio/program-area/immunology-active-grants.html).

Research

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Grant Review (http://www.akcchf.org/research/application-process/grant-review/)

Help Future Generations of Dogs

Participate in canine health research by providing samples or 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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