Internal Medicine Request for Proposals

AKC Canine Health Foundation

2023 Request for Proposals (RFP)

Scope & Purpose

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) is pleased to announce a call for proposals investigating complex canine medical conditions, including degenerative processes and acute and chronic diseases. This funding opportunity supports studies of disease prevention, promotion of health, novel diagnostics, innovative treatments, improved care, and the pathologic and molecular basis of disease. Clinical, experimental, and translational topics are invited, and may include longitudinal studies, comparative analyses, patient-focused outcome studies, complex data sets, and mechanistic investigations. Proposals examining complex drivers of disease, such as autoimmunity, nutrition, obesity, chronic inflammation, or gene-environment interactions, are encouraged. Studies should promote the health of dogs through developing an understanding of disease progression, improving patient outcomes, advancing diagnostics, or ameliorating disease. The Foundation strongly values an emphasis on quality of life, health, longevity, and delayed disease progression. CHF recognizes the integral connections between dogs, humans, and the environment, and supports One Health and multidisciplinary team research approaches.

Research Focus Areas

Investigators are encouraged to submit proposals in any of the 23 Research Program Areas (https://www.akcchf.org/research/research-portfolio/program-area/), with the following prioritized research areas: blood disorders, cardiology, and hepatic diseases.

Available Funding

Both Acorn ($20,000 maximum including 8% maximum indirect costs) and Oak (over $20,000 including 8% maximum indirect costs) proposals will be accepted for review.

Application Deadline

The deadline for online applications is Thursday, September 7th, 2023 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.

Application guidelines can be found here (https://www.akcchf.org/assets/files/AKC-CHF-Research-Proposal-and-Application-thechecklist.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. The AKC Canine Health Foundation requires the use of these templates (https://www.akcchf.org/research/application-process/application-templates/) in submission of grant proposals and grant reporting by awardees.

Contact

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Please share this announcement with investigators seeking funding in this area of research.

Start a new Acorn Application (https://namo3.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fsupport.caninehealthfoundation.org%2Fsite%2FR%3Fi%3DSO3rRxN6AElfurn3IV2gqg&data=02%7C01%7Candrea.fiumefreddo%40akcchf.org%7C958de672301b41c93e0408d79eab501f%7Cdebe5af)

– studies up to $20,000 including 8% maximum indirect costs

Start a new Oak Application (https://namo3.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fsupport.caninehealthfoundation.org%2Fsite%2FR%3Fi%3DSO3rRxN6AElfurn3IV2gqg&data=02%7C01%7Candrea.fiumefreddo%40akcchf.org%7C958de672301b41c93e0408d79eab501f%7Cdebe5af)

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

Access Saved Applications (https://namo3.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fsupport.caninehealthfoundation.org%2Fsite%2FR%3Fi%3DSO3rRxN6AElfurn3IV2gqg&data=02%7C01%7Candrea.fiumefreddo%40akcchf.org%7C958de672301b41c93e0408d79eab501f%7Cdebe5af)

Research

Success Stories (https://www.akcchf.org/research/impact-stories)

Funded Research (https://www.akcchf.org/research/research-portfolio)

Participation Needed (https://www.akcchf.org/research/participate-in-research)

Application Process (https://www.akcchf.org/research/application-process)

Research Priorities (https://www.akcchf.org/research/research-priorities)

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

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.