

Lymph node tissue banking from dogs with lymphoma

Dr. Angela McCleary-Wheeler and Dr. Kelly Hume of the Cornell University Hospital for Animals Oncology department, along with the Cornell Veterinary Biobank Tissue Archive and other researchers across the Cornell campus, are conducting research on canine lymphoma. Progress had been slow to improve therapies and outcomes for dogs diagnosed with lymphoma. To try to accelerate our understanding of this cancer in dogs and identify novel therapies to improve survival, we are collecting lymph node tissue from dogs diagnosed with lymphoma that have not yet begun therapy for their cancer. The tissue collected will be used for current studies as well as proposed and future research endeavors to identify ways to improve disease detection, prognosis, and treatment options for dogs with lymphoma.

CRITERIA REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION: Dogs recently diagnosed with lymphoma that possess an enlarged peripheral lymph node, are feeling well, are in substage "a" and have not yet begun therapy.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA: Dogs who are very ill from their disease.

CLIENT COMPENSATION: This procedure is available to qualified dogs at no cost to their owner. Fully funded staging and lymph node removal is provided. This includes chest x-rays, abdominal ultrasound, bone marrow aspirate and flow cytometry on the lymph node.

OWNER FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: Owners are responsible for the cost of any subsequent visits and therapy. Any tests or procedures not related to the study will be the responsibility of the owner. (Example: chemotherapy)

EXPECTATIONS FOR THE DAY: Total expectation for diagnostics and surgery is two days. We also would like to be able to obtain follow-up information about your dog. Please note that enrollment in this tissue banking study does not prohibit your dog from enrolling in another canine lymphoma-related trial offered at Cornell, as long as all other inclusion criteria are met for that particular study. If treatment is elected, subsequent visits may be necessary.



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