

# Open Veterinary Clinical Trial: LYMPH NODE TISSUE BANKING FROM DOGS WITH LYMPHOMA



**Purpose:** Dr. Angela McCleary-Wheeler of the Cornell University Hospital for Animals Oncology department, along with the Cornell Veterinary Biobank Tissue Archive and other researchers across the Cornell campus, is 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 have not yet begun therapy.

**Exclusion criteria:** Dogs who have begun therapy or who have received steroids within two weeks of enrollment. Dogs who are very ill from their disease may also be excluded.

**Client Compensation:** The study will provide \$1,000 to your final bill to cover anesthesia, surgical removal of the lymph node, and full pathology evaluation of the removed lymph node. In addition, a 20% discount will be applied to your final bill for your dog's initial staging and surgery visit. This discount only applies to the initial visit(s) required for completion of staging of the disease (diagnostic tests to determine the extent and type of lymphoma in your dog's body).

**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.

**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.

**Enrollment period:** Open

## PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

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