



**Morris Animal Foundation
and the
Collie Health Foundation
REQUEST FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS (RFP) IN
COLLIE HEALTH**

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Deadline: February 12, 2010 by 11:59 pm EST

Morris Animal Foundation (MAF), established in 1948, is an animal health foundation that provides funding for research designed to protect, treat and cure animals. This year the Foundation is funding more than 200 health studies for animals around the world. In addition to those studies funded through our traditional grant process, we occasionally receive funds from individual donors, foundations or corporations to address specific issues of interest.

The Collie Health Foundation (CHF) has pledged funding for one or more studies that address a significant health issue in collies. Identified topics of interest include gastric dilatation and volvulus (GDV or bloat), seizures, autoimmune skin disorders and lymphoma. The CHF is particularly interested in bloat. Funds from the CHF would allow for studies to be considered for up to two years in duration and up to \$50,000/year.

All proposals should consider the following:

- a. Research proposals should be hypothesis driven and show promise for identifying new detection, treatment and/or prevention strategies for a significant health issue in collies.
- b. Projects should demonstrate integration and synergy of knowledge and resources. Consider past research and use that as a baseline so as to avoid redundancy.
- c. Projects should include a training component to introduce veterinary students, graduate students and/or veterinarians to animal health/welfare research.
- d. Novel approaches and the use of interdisciplinary teams are encouraged.
- e. Measurements for defining positive outcomes will be required.
- f. All funded proposals must meet MAF's Health Study Policy (http://www.morrisanimalfoundation.org/pdf/Health_Study_Policy.pdf).

Application Instructions:

1. Follow the link below to MAF's online application form and full proposal guidelines. Be sure to follow the guidelines for the Collie Health Foundation Proposal.
2. Complete the online application form, attach the full proposal, and submit them to MAF by **11:59 pm EST on February 12, 2010**.

To start a **NEW** online application, click the link below. You will be taken to MAF's Collie Health Foundation Request for Proposals online application form (you will need to set up an account unless you already have one).

NEW online application: https://www.GrantRequest.com/SID_945?SA=SNA&FID=35025

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To **CONTINUE** (modify/change) an **EXISTING** (in process) online application, click the link below:

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