



Research to protect, treat and cure animals.

## Morris Animal Foundation: Creating a Healthier Tomorrow for Animals

Morris Animal Foundation helps animals enjoy longer, healthier lives. The nonprofit organization advances health and welfare research that protects, treats and cures companion animals, horses and wildlife worldwide.

The Foundation was established in 1948 by Dr. Mark L. Morris Sr., a visionary veterinarian who believed there was a need for a foundation that solely addressed the health and welfare of animals. Today, Morris Animal Foundation is a world leader in advancing veterinary research to protect, treat and cure animals. The Foundation has been at the forefront of funding health breakthroughs that have helped animals on every continent on earth.

Foundation funding supports more than 200 research projects each year at more than 60 of the world's most respected research institutions, colleges of veterinary medicine and zoos. Since its inception, the Foundation has funded more than 1,600 humane animal health studies.

### Highlights of successes

- By funding more than 120 canine cancer studies, Morris Animal Foundation has tackled the No. 1 killer of dogs and has helped veterinarians better detect and treat the disease. Our Canine Cancer Campaign is a global effort to prevent, treat and cure cancer.
- Foundation funding has supported the development of many vaccines, including the first parvovirus vaccine, which has saved the lives of thousands of dogs.
- Foundation-funded studies helped lead to the first vaccine for feline leukemia and identified a better diet for managing diabetes.
- The Happy Healthy Cat Campaign funds feline health research that addresses the most serious diseases in cats and improves the health of cats in shelters so they can be adopted.
- Foundation-funded studies provided important information that was used to develop the equine genome. The Equine Consortium for Genetic Research developed genetic tools that are helping scientists identify the causes of inherited diseases.
- Multiple studies have improved pain management and nutrition for companion birds, dogs, cats and horses.
- The Mountain Gorilla Veterinary Project, first established by the Foundation in 1986, is one of only a few conservation programs in the world to provide care and treatment to an endangered species in its natural habitat.
- Wildlife studies have led to assisted reproduction protocols, better nutrition and disease-transmission information for a multitude of endangered species, including cheetahs, frogs, pandas, elephants and sea otters.

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