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## **MORRIS ANIMAL FOUNDATION TO FUND ABOUT 120 ANIMAL HEALTH STUDIES IN 2008; SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AND LISTING AVAILABLE**

**Nonprofit commits \$10 million for research to improve health and welfare of companion animals and wildlife**

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**Denver/Sept. 25, 2007:** Morris Animal Foundation has committed to funding more than \$4.6 million in traditional animal health studies for 2008 alone and ongoing support of \$10 million for these studies as they continue over the next three years. Descriptions of the approximately 120 studies are listed in MAF's 2008 health study sponsorship booklet. Animal lovers, both individuals and groups, are invited to sponsor or co-sponsor a study with a total gift of \$3,000 or more per study. The complete listing of 2008 studies and their descriptions is available at [www.MorrisAnimalFoundation.org](http://www.MorrisAnimalFoundation.org), or request a printed booklet by calling (800) 243-2345.

MAF is funding studies at nearly 50 of the world's most elite veterinary colleges, zoological institutions and scientific research centers. In addition to key facts on MAF, the sponsorship booklet details **43 canine health studies**, including many crucial health and welfare issues such as behavior, cancer, heart disease, influenza, and epilepsy. Likewise, **17 feline health research studies** cover asthma, cancer, kidney diseases and obesity. The selection of **11 equine studies** includes research on foal diseases, laminitis, pain management and osteoarthritis. The directory also covers **five health studies** related to gastrointestinal disorders, nutrition, pain management and reproduction in **llamas and alpacas**.

Beyond companion animal health studies, MAF will fund **36 wildlife health studies** covering health concerns of mountain gorillas, elephants, wild cats, foxes, wolves, fish, birds, marine life, and more. MAF is the world's largest private source of funding for wildlife health research.

In addition to traditional studies, 30 Veterinary Student Scholars are conducting short-term health study projects at universities worldwide. The MAF-supported program is designed to help fill a critical need for training the next generation of veterinary scientists. Veterinary Student Scholars are given the opportunity to work with a mentor on research projects early in their careers, allowing them to consider a career in veterinary research. These projects are also available for sponsorship in 2008 and are listed on the MAF Web site.

**About Morris Animal Foundation:** Morris Animal Foundation, established in 1948, is dedicated to funding research that protects, treats and cures companion animals and wildlife. MAF has been at the forefront of funding breakthrough research studies benefiting animals in some 100 countries, spanning all seven continents on earth. MAF has its headquarters in Denver,

Colorado. The Foundation has funded nearly 1,400 humane animal health studies with funds totaling more than \$51 million. One hundred percent of annual, unrestricted contributions support animal health studies, not administration or the cost of fund raising. For more information, call (800) 243-2345, or visit [www.MorrisAnimalFoundation.org](http://www.MorrisAnimalFoundation.org).