

Calling all Scottie Owners!

Scottie Samples Needed for Atypical Cushings Study

Great news! We are closer than ever to finally getting some answers to the mystery of elevated liver enzymes in Scotties.

Dr. Kurt Zimmerman is almost at the finish line in his epic, 9-year study of atypical Cushings in our breed! He has identified 3 genes that are expressed in a uniquely different manner in our Scotties. What he now needs to complete the last phase of the DNA analysis are blood samples from at least 100 Scotties with normal ALP and 100 with increased values. Please read the requirements below and ask your veterinarian to collect your Scottie's sample for Dr. Zimmerman!

Who is Eligible:

- Scottish Terriers (unregistered okay), intact or spayed/neutered.
- All Scotties with normal ALP or elevated ALP are eligible.
- Must be between the ages of 4 years and under 11 years.
- Must not be receiving oral or topical glucocorticoids or anti-seizure medications within the past 3 months (e.g., prednisone, phenobarbital).

How to Participate:

- Review and download the Participation Packet at STCA website for Group 1 or Group 2 dogs. (Instructions and sample types are different, so make sure you are looking at correct packet.)
- Cut out the Shipping Label included in the packet
- Complete the Check List & Consent Form
- Complete the appropriate packet Sample Information Form
- Make an appointment with your veterinarian
- Bring this notice and appropriate packet to your veterinarian
- Collect sample types as described in packets
- Ask if your veterinarian is willing to ship the samples and paperwork for you following the checklist in the appropriate packet. Or you can simply follow instructions for shipping via USPS Priority.

Questions?

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