

CONSENT FORM FOR USE OF DOG
DNA SAMPLE IN RESEARCH



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Dr Wilton at the University of NSW is collecting blood, tissue and buccal samples from dogs for the purposes of identification of genetic diseases in dogs. Development of DNA based tests for carriers of disease genes will allow breeding from lines known to carry the disease gene and then selection of disease-free progeny for future breeding without passing on the disease gene. DNA will be extracted from the samples and stored at UNSW. The major diseases under study are ataxia, cerebellar abiotrophy, in kelpies and ceroid lipofuscinosis (CL), collie eye anomaly (CEA) and Trapped Neutrophil Syndrome (TNS) in Border collies. The samples may be used in the study of other diseases if the research is extended in the future unless specific instructions are given to the contrary. All samples will be coded on arrival and in all subsequent work will only be identified by the codes. Further information about this research can be obtained by contacting Dr Wilton (see footer for contact details)

We cannot and do not guarantee or promise that you will receive any benefits from this study. Any information that is obtained in connection with this study and that can be identified with the sample will remain confidential, except where required by law or with your permission. We plan to discuss/publish information obtained in the study only in the form of group data, where no identification of the individual is possible. Individual disease test results will be provided to you when available. They will not be released without your permission.

If you agree to submitting a sample for this research under these conditions please fill in and sign the statement below and return it with the sample.

I,
(name)

of
(address)

agree to the use of the sample from

.....
(name of dog)

to be used in the research into genetic diseases in dogs as set out above.

I do not agree/ also agree* to the sample being used in studies other than those listed above.
(* delete one)

I declare that I am the owner of the dog or have authority from the owner to make this declaration on their behalf.

Signature

Date

Complaints concerning this research project may be directed to the Ethics Secretariat, University of New South Wales, Sydney 2052, Australia (phone +61 2 9385 4234, fax +61 2 9385 6648, e-mail ethics.sec@unsw.edu.au). Any complaint that you make will be treated in confidence and investigated, and you will be informed of the outcome.

Keep a copy of this form for your records. If at any time you wish to withdraw the sample from the study you are entitled to do so without precluding your future relations with UNSW. To withdraw from the study fill in the form below and send it in.

Keep a copy of this form for you records.

If at any time for any reason you wish to have your sample removed from the study you may do so by notifying us by fill in the following and send it to us.

Please keep this portion in case you would like to withdraw your sample from the study

REVOCATION OF CONSENT for REMOVING SAMPLE FROM STUDY

I hereby wish to WITHDRAW my consent to participate in the research on genetic diseases in dogs by Dr Wilton and understand that such withdrawal WILL NOT jeopardise any treatment by or my relationship with the University of New South Wales.

Signature

Date

Please PRINT name

Dog/Sample Name

The Revocation of Consent should be forwarded to:

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