



Sutter Dog Genetics Lab - Consent for Blood Sample

Research Statement

We would like to obtain a sample of whole blood from your dog. The blood extraction is to be done by a licensed veterinarian or a veterinary technician experienced in canine phlebotomy. DNA extracted from the blood sample will help us better understand genetic issues related to canine health, including disease susceptibility, morphology and patterns of genetic diversity.

What are the risks involved with obtaining a blood sample?

Blood is extracted with a needle, typically from a vein in the foreleg, using standard sterile technique. The risks involved are minimal. They include slight pain or discomfort during the draw, a bruise caused by minor seeping of blood around the puncture and a small amount of blood loss. The chance of excessive blood loss is rare. The Sutter lab and its employees will not be liable for any damage or injury sustained by any person or persons or property as a result of the blood draw process. Compensation is not available in the unlikely event of physical harm to your dog resulting from the blood draw procedure.

Who will have access to the information and specimen?

Only the Sutter lab staff and their direct collaborators will have access to the information you provide and the DNA sample from your dog. No information or DNA will be shared with other members of your breed club or the AKC and its agents, unless and when you approve so in writing. Your dog will be identified in public talks and published studies only by a unique Sutter lab study ID number. Your dog's pedigree and AKC number, as well as your own contact information will be kept strictly confidential. It is understood that you will receive no individual results regarding your dog, no unused DNA will be returned to you, and that study participants have no claim on intellectual property or patents resulting from the use of your dog's DNA sample.

We would like to be allowed to contact you for follow up information about your dog or to report progress on our research. However, if you do not wish us to contact you again, simply "opt out" by marking this box: [ ] Please do not contact me again.

Dog Owner's Statement

I have read the information provided above and have had an opportunity to ask questions regarding the procedures involved. I am the owner or the agent for the owner of the dog described below and I have the authority to execute this release. My signature below indicates I voluntarily agree to give my dog's blood sample for this study.

Signature Today's Date Email

Print your name Phone ( )

Street Address City State Zip

Call Name Male [ ]

Dog's Registered Name Date of Birth Female [ ]

Breed Variety / Coat Color

Is there any black in the coat? Yes [ ] No [ ]

Registration Number Nose Color:

Has the Dog Ever Been Weight (pounds):

Diagnosed With a Disease? If so, what: Height at withers (inches):

Please Include or Email a 3-generation Pedigree. Thank you!

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