Dear Canine Health Supporter:

We are delighted to provide you with an update on the latest achievements at the AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) in our 2022 Annual Report. Your steadfast commitment to healthy dogs continues to drive the success of our vital work, and we are deeply grateful for your unwavering dedication.

In 2022, the support of passionate dog enthusiasts like you was instrumental in CHF continuing to achieve its mission. During 2022, CHF awarded 54 grants spanning 18 distinct research programs, including the critically important areas of oncology, cardiology, tick-borne disease, and epilepsy.

Achieving excellence through our work is one of our highest priorities. Our ability to identify and support the best canine health research comes from our strategic planning, rigorous analysis, and expert review. This vigilant effort ensures that we fund the very best science with the highest likelihood of benefiting dogs, maximizing the impact of your contributions.

We want to express our deepest gratitude to you for making this work possible. Your dedication to healthy dogs drives our effort. Through your support, every breakthrough holds the potential for us to enjoy longer, happier, and healthier lives with the dogs we love.

Looking forward, CHF remains steadfast in our commitment to our mission to prevent, treat and cure canine disease.

On behalf of CHF and dogs, thank you. We can only do this important work with you.

J. Charles Garvin, MD, FACS
Chairman of the Board

Stephanie Montgomery, DVM, PhD, DACVP
Chief Executive Officer
Mission
*The Foundation is dedicated to advancing the health of all dogs and their owners by funding scientific research and supporting the dissemination of health information to prevent, treat and cure canine disease.*

Vision
*Our vision is to address the health needs of all dogs across their entire lifetime by focusing on all aspects of their physical, mental, and social well-being. We embrace the One Health model as a critical tool to achieving our vision.*

Who We Are

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### 2022 Scientific Review Committee

The CHF Scientific Review Committee provides scientific and clinical oversight in identifying the most impactful studies to improve canine health. The committee’s expert recommendations are utilized by the CHF Board of Directors in determining how to best distribute available grant funds. CHF deeply appreciates the dedication and instrumental role that these individuals have in carrying out CHF’s mission.

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Our Partners

Embodying their motto “Your Pet, Our Passion”©, Purina has invested more than $14.6 million in CHF over the past 27 years to promote canine health research. The Purina Parent Club Partnership Program supports CHF-funded research and Purina sponsors CHF’s biennial National Parent Club Canine Health Conference, which showcases discoveries made possible by CHF-funded research to breeders, dog lovers, and veterinary professionals. Purina also provides the opportunity to memorialize and honor dogs, people, and organizations with a personalized brick paver benefiting CHF on the Walk of Champions or Path of Honor at the Purina Event Center in Gray Summit, Missouri. To learn more, visit akcchf.org/bricks. CHF appreciates Purina’s strong commitment to canine health and recognizes the important role that Purina has in enriching the lives of countless dogs and their owners.
Investments in Research

CHF is the largest nonprofit organization in the world dedicated to canine health research thanks to the support of passionate dog lovers and organizations committed to advancing canine health. Backed by CHF’s generous donors, the Foundation pushes ahead funding cutting-edge research focused on the shared goal of preventing, treating, and working toward cures for canine diseases.

To ensure the highest standards of research, CHF engages highly qualified and esteemed volunteers who play a crucial role in rigorously reviewing grant applications. The CHF Scientific Review Committee is a diverse team of veterinarians, scientists, physicians, and experts in canine health responsible for overseeing the funding and stewardship of the grant selection process. For proposals exceeding $20,000, applications also are examined by peer reviewer experts in the field of study.

Your support is instrumental in making this work possible. By investing in CHF-funded research, you are part of a community supporting exceptional research which has a profound impact on the health and well-being of all dogs. The work that CHF funds today will benefit dogs for generations to come. By supporting at the sponsor level, you receive real-time updates on the progress of the research before publication. Regardless of your support level, your investment in CHF makes top-tier canine health research possible. Thank you for being part of this important journey to improve canine health!

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<th>Research Program Area</th>
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<td>Epilepsy</td>
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<td>Reproductive Conditions and Disease</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$3,403,397</strong></td>
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CHF uses a mission-based approach to invest in projects addressing three critical goals, demonstrating our commitment to Prevent, Treat and Cure canine disease.

**Prevent**

CHF aims to understand the origins of canine illness and develop strategies to prevent disease in dogs. This may involve studying genetic factors that predispose certain breeds to specific diseases or investigating environmental factors that contribute to canine health conditions. By identifying the drivers of disease, we can work towards promoting health.

**Treat**

CHF has a strong focus on science to improve and develop new therapies that are safe and effective. This includes advanced diagnostic tools such as improved imaging techniques to enable early and accurate disease detection, efforts to develop new medications, surgical techniques, and other treatments. Improved and new treatments lessen the disease burden and promote the dog’s return to health and well-being.

**Cure**

The most successful outcome for CHF is to ultimately find cures and eradicate canine disease. The benefits of a new cure reach beyond an individual dog, as they change health outcomes for dogs for generations to come.
**Spotlight on Prevent**

**Grant 03090: Leishmaniasis in Imported Dogs**
Principal Investigator: Katie Clow, DVM, PhD; University of Guelph
Total Grant Amount: $47,937

The growing practice of importing dogs to North America has inadvertently led to the introduction and spread of disease, including the parasite *Leishmania spp*. Canine leishmaniasis is transmitted by small biting sand flies and can infect the skin or internal organs. To help understand the risk for local spread of the parasite, this project examines the prevalence of *Leishmania spp.* infection in imported dogs, identifies lifestyle and medical risk factors associated with infection, and evaluates the risk of dog-to-dog transmission. With the potential to affect both dogs and humans, this is an important emerging disease and One Health study.

**Spotlight on Treat**

**Grant 03011: A GD3 Nano-scaled Liposomal Cancer Vaccine Clinical Trial for Canine Hemangiosarcoma**
Principal Investigators: Rowan Milner, BVSc, MMedVet, PhD; Keijiro Shiomitsu, DVM; and Sandra Bechtel, DVM; University of Florida
Total Grant Amount: $156,065

Hemangiosarcoma is a devastating, highly fatal cancer that commonly affects dogs of all sizes and breeds. This aggressive cancer of blood vessels often appears suddenly, even in seemingly healthy dogs, and can be a sudden, life-threatening emergency. Since this cancer is uncommon in people, minimal medical research is conducted on it. Unfortunately, there has not been much progress in improving survival rates for dogs with hemangiosarcoma in the last three decades. This project investigates a unique “vaccine” that specifically targets a molecule called GD3 that is present in hemangiosarcoma cancer cells. This approach is similar to vaccines that have been successful in treating other cancers in dogs like melanoma and osteosarcoma. The hope is that a hemangiosarcoma GD3 vaccine can help dogs fight the cancer and increase survival.

**Grant 03118: MicroRNAs as Novel Fluid Biomarkers of Rabies in Naturally Infected Dogs**
Principal Investigator: Darryn Knobel, BVSc; Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine
Total Grant Amount: $56,022

Globally, rabies remains an important but neglected disease in humans and dogs for which there is currently no cure. Around 60,000 people and seven million dogs die from rabies each year. This research will provide proof of concept of the use of microRNAs (miRNAs) in the blood as novel diagnostic biomarkers for rabies in dogs. If successful, it will open new avenues for the development of novel diagnostic assays for the early diagnosis of rabies in dogs and humans.
Outcomes of CHF-Supported Projects

CHF-funded investigators publish their discoveries as scientific articles that are rigorously reviewed by peer experts before publication. Through peer-reviewed publications, CHF-funded research outcomes are accessible to a broad audience, including our generous donors, dedicated researchers, compassionate veterinarians, devoted breeders, and the ever-growing community of dog enthusiasts. Sharing CHF’s research outcomes benefits dogs, as it is a powerful platform to improve veterinary care through earlier diagnoses, new treatments, and a more intricate understanding of disease progression.

In 2022, CHF-funded investigators published an impressive 47 new peer-reviewed articles in renowned scientific and veterinary journals. That is a new publication of CHF-funded outcomes almost every week in 2022, made possible through the generous support of dog enthusiasts like you!

55% of the scientific articles associated with CHF-funding in 2022 were published in the top 21% of journals ranked according to relative scientific impact. We are very proud of these outcomes, as each publication represents a step towards achieving our vision and the indelible mark that CHF has left on advancing the health of all dogs.

Prevent

MEGAESOPHAGUS
The combination of a genetic mutation and sex can predict a German Shepherd Dog’s risk of being affected by congenital idiopathic megaesophagus with 75% accuracy.
02709 | PLOS Genetics
March 2022

WORKING DOG DECONTAMINATION
Commonly used veterinary cleansers are a better choice for removing contaminants from the coats of working dogs because they are just as effective as FEMA-recommended dish soap, plus they provide the added benefit of antimicrobial activity.
02847-A | Journal of Veterinary Behavior
August 2022

LYMPHOMA
In the Golden Retriever, cancerous B cells show a distinct epigenetic methylation pattern compared to normal B cells and may provide clues as to how healthy B cells transform into cancer.
01918 | Epigenetics
July 2022

Treat

ATOPIC DERMATITIS
Measuring cell signaling proteins may be useful to monitor disease progression in dogs with atopic dermatitis.
02653-A | Veterinary Dermatology
February 2022

COMPLETE SURGICAL REMOVAL OF TUMORS
Optical coherence tomography is a novel technology used to detect tumor tissue and could be a promising modality used in real-time during surgery to assist the surgeon in determining if tumor edges have been completely removed.
02758 | Veterinary and Comparative Oncology
June 2022

BONE CANCER
Histotripsy, a non-thermal ultrasound technique, appears to be a well-tolerated and effective treatment for canine bone cancer and is a promising, non-invasive treatment for primary and metastatic bone tumors in dogs.
02773 | IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering
July 2022

Treat (Continued)

EPILEPSY
The blood profile of dogs receiving dietary medium-chain triglyceride supplementation to improve seizure control was studied to understand the lipid, amino acid, and ketone metabolism in these patients and how this dietary supplement may provide neuroprotective benefits to epileptic dogs.
02252 | Frontiers in Veterinary Science
October 2022

Cure

UTERINE INFECTION (PYOMETRA)
Different-sized lipid droplets were found in cells lining the healthy and infected canine uterus, and likely play a role in the development of pyometra, or uterine infection.
02669-A | BMC Veterinary Research
June 2022
AKC CHF Clinician-Scientist Fellowship Program

The AKC Canine Health Foundation Clinician-Scientist Fellowship Program encourages and supports the next generation of canine health researchers. Students are selected based on their interest and potential for pursuing a career in canine health research. Through these fellowships, the AKC Canine Health Foundation’s mission to prevent, treat and cure canine disease will endure for years to come. To learn more, or to support this program, visit akcchf.org/clinsci.

Class of 2023

Matthew Berry, DVM (CHF Grant 03151-E)
Mentor: Timothy Fan, DVM, PhD, DACVIM; University of Illinois

Dr. Berry is a veterinary medical oncology resident and doctoral candidate at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine. He is studying the effects of combining a known cancer cell apoptosis inducer with radiation therapy as treatment for a variety of canine cancers. Dr. Berry hopes to remain in academia to treat patients, conduct translational research, foster the research interests of his students, and teach veterinary oncology.

This fellowship is generously sponsored in part by the Westie Foundation of America.

Nolan Chalifoux, DVM (CHF Grant 03154-E)
Mentor: Erica Reineke, VMD, DACVECC; University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Chalifoux is an emergency and critical care resident at the University of Pennsylvania Ryan Veterinary Hospital and a Master of Science and Translational Research candidate at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. He is studying hemodialysis and hemoperfusion treatments to be used as advanced decontamination procedures for emergency treatment of muscle relaxant toxicity in dogs. Dr. Chalifoux plans to pursue clinical and translational research to benefit veterinary and human patients.

This fellowship is generously sponsored by owners Carolyn and Gary Koch along with breeders Kristy and Kevin Ratliff in honor of “Rumble,” GCHP Hill Country’s Let’s Get Ready To Rumble.

Jennifer Heyward, DVM, MS (CHF Grant 03152-E)
Mentor: Freya Mowat, BVSc, PhD, DECVO, DACVO, MRCVS; University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dr. Heyward is a comparative ophthalmology resident at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine. She is exploring why dogs with sudden acquired retinal degeneration syndrome (SARDS) have an increased risk of blood clot formation to develop new diagnostic and treatment strategies for this disease. She hopes to continue her career in academia conducting clinical research and caring for veterinary patients.

Samantha Van Buren (CHF Grant 03153-E)
Mentor: Anita Oberbauer, PhD; University of California, Davis

Ms. Van Buren is a doctoral student in Animal Biology at the University of California, Davis. She is studying the role of MITF gene mutations to understand white spotting of the haircoat and development of retinal degeneration in the Italian Greyhound. Ms. Van Buren is an experienced dog show enthusiast and agility competitor who also breeds Mudis.

This fellowship is generously sponsored by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA).
AKC/AKCCHF/TF Small Animal Theriogenology Residency Program

The Theriogenology Residency Program is a collaboration between the American Kennel Club, the AKC Canine Health Foundation, and the Theriogenology Foundation with the goal of increasing the number of trained practitioners in companion animal theriogenology and clinical genetics.

Theriogenology is the branch of veterinary medicine focused on reproduction, including the physiology and pathology of male and female reproductive systems, and the clinical practice of veterinary obstetrics, gynecology, and andrology. Each two- to three-year residency program provides specialty training in all aspects of companion animal reproductive medicine and surgery, clinical genetics, as well as clinical practice experience in male and female reproduction, obstetrics, and neonatology. To learn more, or to support this program, visit akcchf.org/therio.

Residents Active in 2022

**Anum Ahmed, DVM (CHF Grant 02845-E): University of Florida**
Residency Coordinator: Audrey A. Kelleman, DVM, DACT.  Residency Program Start: 2021
Dr. Ahmed received her bachelor’s degree in biology at the University of Central Florida. She completed her veterinary degree at Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine and a small animal rotating internship through BluePearl Veterinary Partners in Tampa, FL. After residency she hopes to work with breeders to manage genetic disease in dogs, promote proper handling and management of frozen semen, and apply the knowledge gained from domestic dog breeding research towards conservation of canine species in the wild.

**Alex Horner, DVM (CHF Grant 02668-E): Colorado State University**
Residency Coordinator: Fiona Hollinshead, BVSc, PhD, DACT.  Residency Program Start: 2020
Dr. Horner completed her undergraduate degree at Mount Royal University in Canada. She earned her veterinary degree from the University of Melbourne in Australia. She has shown her own Black Russian Terrier and Sealyham Terrier in conformation and performance events and is passionate about safeguarding genetic diversity in purebred dogs and providing reproductive health education.

**Joanna Koilpillai, BVSc & AH (CHF Grant 02666-E): The Ohio State University**
Residency Coordinator: Marco A. Coutinho da Silva, DVM, PhD, DACT.  Residency Program Start: 2020
Dr. Koilpillai earned her veterinary degree from Madras Veterinary College in Chennai, India. After one year in mixed animal private practice in India, she completed a small animal internship at Veterinary Healthcare Associates in Florida. Her interests are small animal medicine and mixed animal reproductive medicine.

**Lily Lewis, DVM (CHF Grant 02972-E): Auburn University**
Residency Coordinator: Robyn R. Wilborn, DVM, MS, DACT.  Residency Program Start: 2022
Dr. Lewis completed her veterinary degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign after receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Veterinary Business Management from Virginia Tech. She completed a small animal rotating internship at Nashville Veterinary Specialists. She is passionate about understanding the many factors that contribute to female infertility/subfertility.

**Gail McRae, DVM (CHF Grant 02970-E): The Ohio State University**
Residency Coordinator: Erin E Runcan, DVM, DACT.  Residency Program Start: 2022
Dr. McRae earned her veterinary degree from the University of Sydney after receiving a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Cincinnati. She completed a theriogenology internship at The Ohio State University. She enjoys educating owners and learning from experienced breeders and is considering teaching or private practice after her residency.

**Nicole Sugai, DVM (CHF Grant 02846-E): Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine**
Residency Coordinator: Julie T. Cecere, DVM, MS, DACT.  Residency Program Start: 2021
Dr. Sugai received her bachelor’s degree in biology and evolutionary anthropology at the University of Michigan. She completed her veterinary degree, with honors, at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign College of Veterinary Medicine. She is an AKC Breeder of Merit for Standard Poodles and enjoys working with her local and national AKC clubs and showing her Poodles in the conformation ring.
## Statements of Financial Position

December 31, 2022 and 2021

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## Liabilities and Net Assets

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Net assets:

Without donor restrictions

Unrestricted                          $3,783,618 | $4,520,306 |

With donor restrictions

Temporarily restricted                16,725,530  | 21,138,253 |
Permanently restricted                4,583,735   | 4,575,887  |
Total net assets                      $25,092,883 | $30,234,446|
Total liabilities and net assets      $31,117,782 | $35,328,435|

The American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation, Inc.’s financial statements, audited by Williams Overman Pierce, LLP, are available at [akcchf.org](http://akcchf.org).
Summarized Statements of Activities
Years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

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**Expenses**

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In 2022, the AKC Canine Health Foundation earned a highest four-star rating from Charity Navigator, America’s largest independent charity evaluator, and a Platinum Seal of Transparency from Candid. These rating indicate that CHF exceeds industry standards for fiscal responsibility, accountability, and transparency, and outperforms most charities in its category.
Contributors

2022 Honor Roll
The Honor Roll of donors recognizes cash contributions of $500 or more made between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022. Although space prohibits the listing of all donors, we are deeply grateful to all who support CHF’s mission. At any level, your investment in CHF makes an impact.

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($50,000-$99,999)
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Great Dane Club of America Charitable Trust
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Rottweiler Health Foundation, Inc.

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($25,000-$49,999)
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