

Ongoing Canine Mast Cell Tumor Staging Study

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Thank you to everyone who has referred cases for the **Mast Cell Tumor** Staging Study! We are up to over 25 MCT cases with over \$14,000 in discounts provided to clients!

We have continued funding for a **total of 50 cases!**

- Receive free **Mast Cell Tumor** staging
 - Includes:
 - Sedation
 - Abdominal CT
 - Ultrasound of the liver and spleen with FNA cytology
 - Client will save **~\$700 per dog**

What questions are we trying to answer?

1. Is CT better than abdominal ultrasound for pre-operative **Mast Cell Tumor** staging?

Inclusion criteria:

- Client-owned dogs affected by a cutaneous or subcutaneous **Mast Cell tumor** referred for staging

Exclusion criteria:

- **Dogs cannot have pre-operative prednisone or chemotherapy.**
- Partial exclusion criteria (may not qualify for all discounts but still may receive some financial incentives): previous surgical excision of the tumor, immune-mediated diseases, coagulopathy, and/or endocrinopathy.

This study uses the clinical imaging and cytology data.

The Mast Cell Tumor staging dogs will still receive standard-of-care treatment determined by the OSU Oncology and Surgery Services.

Questions? Do you have a dog owner interested in participation? Please call or schedule an appointment with the **Small Animal Oncology** or **Soft Tissue Surgery Service** at **541-737-4812**.

