



## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### Center for Companion Animal Studies Young Investigator Grants Program-2017

The Center for Companion Animal Studies currently has approximately \$70,000 in pledges to support companion animal research that involves PVM students. These monies were given by a number of corporate sponsors, including Bayer Animal Health, Boehringer-Ingelheim, SCAVMA-Hill's Pet Nutrition, IDEXX Laboratories, Merial Limited, Nestle Purina Pet Care, Zoetis Animal Health, Merck Animal Health, International Veterinary Seminars, Royal Canin, Veterinary Centers of America, and Vetoquinol.

The donations are unrestricted and so any research project is potentially fundable. Each proposal should include a DVM student as a co-investigator; it is expected that this person will be the primary author or coauthor on any resultant publication. **Priority points are assigned to proposals on which the PVM student participated as an author.** Proposals from interns, residents, or graduate students in the Department of Clinical Sciences can be accepted, but must include a faculty sponsor. Proposals from DVM students with a faculty sponsor from other CVMBS departments are acceptable but projects with clinical application will receive priority consideration.

Proposals are due to Dr. Michael R. Lappin ([mlappin@colostate.edu](mailto:mlappin@colostate.edu)) by **8 am, Monday, February 27** and must be submitted electronically as an email attachment. The grant should be written in Word and **converted to a PDF** to preserve your formatting and then emailed. Dr. Lappin will acknowledge receipt of all grants by return email on or before March 1, 2017. **If you have not received a confirmation email by 8 am March 1, 2017, contact Dr. Lappin immediately by email or cell phone (481 8586).** The grant review committee anticipates announcing the funded projects by March 15, 2017.

Grants up to \$5,000 will be considered for funding. **Preference will be given to clinical research projects that can be completed while the participating DVM student is still a student at CSU and for which the results are likely to publishable at least as a scientific abstract at CVMBS Research Day, 2017.** Use of research animals is acceptable but priority consideration will be given to projects that do not require euthanasia.

Please use the following instructions in the preparation of your proposal. Use 1 inch margins, single-spaced, with Times New Roman 12 point font throughout. **Proposals that do not conform will have points deducted in the proposal ranking formula.**

1. Title page listing the authors, degrees, and current positions, contact information for the principal investigator, and a scientific abstract (250 words maximum).

2. Summary of the proposal (2 pages maximum)
  - a. Introduction and importance
  - b. Hypotheses and objectives
  - c. Experimental design including methods of analysis
  - d. Proposed time line
  - e. Publication and future funding plan (if applicable)
3. Budget and justification (1 page maximum). Describe the source of shared funding if applicable. **The total budget can exceed \$5,000 but please explain clearly where the difference over \$5,000 will be funded (faculty start up funds etc.)** If you are planning to submit a College Research Council proposal for the same work, please state how this funding would relate to that proposal. Please be detailed in your budget. It is acceptable to use the budget to support your student's salary or travel for the student to pick up clinical samples etc.
4. References (no page limitation).
5. Description of the planned DVM student role (1 page maximum). **Please indicate in this section whether the student was involved in the development of the research idea and was involved in writing the grant.** Grants that do not have a DVM student identified at time of submission are acceptable. Dr. Lappin maintains a list of students that are interested in clinical research and so please contact Dr. Lappin if you are in search of a student.
6. Final report on your 2015 and 2016 Young Investigator Grants, if applicable (1 page maximum). **If any author of your proposal was on a funded grant either year, you must provide a report.** If the previous work lead to a publication (CVMBBS Research Day abstract, other scientific abstract, or manuscript), please provide the citing. If you used the results as pilot data in the submission of a larger internal or external grant, please describe.
7. If client-owned animals are to be used, please provide a copy of your client-consent form. A standard operating procedure for client consent forms can be found at the following webpage: [http://www.cvmbbs.colostate.edu/clinsci/faculty\\_staff\\_resources.html](http://www.cvmbbs.colostate.edu/clinsci/faculty_staff_resources.html).

After the grants to be funded have been selected, appropriate Colorado State University approvals must be obtained. For each of the funded projects, a final report is due 1 year after grants are awarded. It is the responsibility of the faculty sponsor to make sure the final reports are submitted. Submitted or published abstracts or manuscripts should be included. If your previous study has not been completed, please provide an updated time line and publication plan.

If you have questions, please contact Dr. Michael R. Lappin at the email address above, at 297-0313, or at 481 8586 (cell). The titles of the grants over the last several years are posted on the website. <http://csu-cvmbbs.colostate.edu/vth/veterinarians/research/companion-animals/>