

Greetings!

We would like to take this opportunity to update you on the health related initiatives that the Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation has been supporting.

Initial Grant

Our initial Grant was awarded to Robert Sanders DVM and his team at Michigan State University. The research titled "Spontaneous day-to-day variability of ventricular arrhythmias on overtly healthy Doberman Pinschers with normal echocardiographic parameters" has completed the data collection phase of the study. Twenty-seven Dobermans participated in the study, thanks to all involved. Dr. Sander's team is currently working on the statistical analysis of the data, publication of the results will follow.

Next Grant

We are now seeking proposals for a second grant to be awarded in the amount of \$7500 in the September time frame. Details can be found here.

Other Research

There is a new vaccine available with the aim of slowing the progression of osteosarcoma. The criteria is that the dog must undergo amputation and chemotherapy. The foundation is willing to subsidize the cost of the vaccine, if you think you have a dog that qualifies contact us and will put you in touch with a participating veterinarian.

We have learned from the people at The Doberman Diversity Project that there is a lack of DNA submittals for male Dobermans 12 years and older. We would like to determine if there is interest amongst those with older males in submitting DNA to DDP for research purposes. If there is interest, the DPHF will cover the cost of the DNA tests. If you have an older male and are interested in submitting DNA, please <u>let us know</u>.

Logo

As much as we liked the original "hand in paw" logo, and were allowed to use if for marketing purposes, we did not exclusively own it and feel that it is important that we have a logo that is ours exclusively. We are introducing our new logo with a T-shirt fundraising campaign, details here.

Join Us in the Fight

The Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) formed for the sole purpose of promoting research into the genetic diseases and conditions that affect the Doberman Pinscher. Please join us in our battle against genetic diseases plaguing the Doberman Pinscher. All donations are tax deductible in the U.S. and Canada.

Visit our <u>website</u> to learn more about us or for details on becoming a Sustaining Donor or Member of DPHF. We are happy to publish any memorial that is submitted with your donation.

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Best Regards,

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