Deerhound Dilated Cardiomyopathy Study

We are looking for DNA samples from adult Deerhounds **with and without** dilated cardiomyopathy to advance our study to identify a gene for Deerhound dilated cardiomyopathy.

Samples needed:

We are looking for DNA samples from affected Deerhounds (of any age) with dilated cardiomyopathy.

We are also looking for samples from unaffected Deerhounds at least 10 years of age. They do not need to have been evaluated by an echocardiogram (cardiac ultrasound) to participate but if they have been and you have that information it would be helpful to us!

Ideally the samples would be from dogs with a pedigree but we can take samples from non-pedigreed rescue Deerhounds. If you do have a pedigree and can include a Xerox copy that would be VERY helpful as well!

 Please return the form on page 2 with your DNA cheek swab sample and mail to: NCSU - College of Veterinary Medicine ATTN: Veterinary Cardiac Genetics Laboratory Research Bldg. 228 1060 William Moore Dr. Raleigh, NC 27607

Questions? Contact Info: Email: kate_meurs@ncsu.edu Phone: 919-513-6213

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Dog Name:

Gender:

Birthdate:

Owner Name:

Complete Address:

Phone Number:

E-mail:

Date (if ever) of Last Echocardiogram:

Has this dog been diagnosed with dilated cardiomyopathy?

Has this dog ever been diagnosed with a cardiac arrhythmia (atrial fibrillation or ventricular premature complexes (called VPCs). ?

Do you know of any family history of dilated cardiomyopathy for this dog?

If possible could you please include a Xerox copy of a pedigree and any echocardiogram information ?

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!