

MICHIGAN STATE
UNIVERSITY

November 17, 1999

Dear Samoyed Fancier:

Our laboratory is carrying out a study to identify a molecular marker for juvenile cataracts in Samoyeds as part of a grant funded by the AKC Canine Health Foundation. The molecular investigation is lead by Dr. Vilma Yuzbasiyan-Gurkan, with Dr. David Ramsey and Dr. Simon Petersen-Jones providing the ophthalmology expertise. Mark Stinson is on the team as coordinator of samples. You can help our study by providing us with a DNA sample from affected dogs as well as their sire, dam and littermates, and some information on each dog. Please contact us if you have an affected dog, or relative of an affected dog, and we will send you cheek-swab DNA collection kits which you can use at home to obtain samples for our DNA studies. These are easy and convenient to use. There is no fee for this service and all information is held in the strictest confidence. Please use the following form to request cheek swab kits for this project. There is no cost and all information is kept confidential. Do not hesitate to call or e-mail us with any questions.

Phone: 517-432-0144 Fax: 517-355-6164 E-mail: k9genome@cvm.msu.edu



COLLEGE OF
VETERINARY
MEDICINE

Department of Small Animal
Clinical Sciences

Michigan State University
D-208 Veterinary Medical Center
East Lansing, Michigan
48824-1314

517/355-5199
FAX: 517/355-5164

*The Michigan State University
IDEA is Institutional Diversity
Excellence in Action*

*MSU is an affirmative action,
equal-opportunity institution*

I have a Samoyed with cataracts.

I have a Samoyed related to a dog that has cataracts.

Please send me ____ kit(s) for Sampling DNA for this study.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: _____

(all information collected for this study will be kept strictly confidential.)

(No charge for kits.)

Mail Requests to:

Dr. Vilma Yuzbasiyan-Gurkan
Laboratory of Molecular Medicine & Canine Genetics
D-208 Veterinary Medical Center
Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI 48824-1314

(Please type or print clearly.)