## AUCVM | CARDIOLOGY SERVICES CONDUCTING

# Entresto<sup>®</sup> CLINICAL TRIALS

### BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

- Myxomatous mitral valve disease (MMVD) is very common in dogs and can lead to congestive heart failure (fluid in the lungs).
- A novel drug, Entresto<sup>®</sup>, has shown superior benefit in humans with heart failure.
- Entresto<sup>®</sup> is beneficial in normal dogs without side effects, but Entresto<sup>®</sup> has not been studied in dogs with naturally acquired heart disease.
- This study is being conducted to compare Entresto<sup>\*</sup> and placebo in dogs with MMVD. These results may justify the use of Entresto<sup>\*</sup> in dogs suffering from heart disease.

#### PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

- Dogs weighing between 8.8-33 lbs. that have a heart murmur consis tent with MMVD and heart enlargement on chest x-rays.
- These patients must not be taking any heart or corticosteroid medica tions (pimobendan is fine).
- Patients previously diagnosed with CHF will be excluded.

#### PROCEDURES

- Heart ultrasound is required for enrollment. Chest x-rays and bloodwork will be performed if enrolled.
- Blood will be collected to measure organ function and a heart protein (NT-proBNP).
- Urine will be collected to measure heart hormone levels (aldosterone).
- Dogs will be randomly placed on Entres to\* or placebo capsules.
- After initial evaluation (Day 0), dogs must return on Day 7 and Day 30 for rechecks.

#### BENEFITS

- \$75.00 examination fee for screeing (clients pay initial fee).
- FREE heart ultrasound for your dog.
- FREE chest x-rays and bloodwork if enrolled.
- FREE Entresto<sup>®</sup> (\$400 in savings).
- All tests are a total of \$550 in savings.
- Results from this study will help us better understand and treat dogs with MMVD.

#### **OWNER RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Bringing your dog to the scheduled rechecks Day 0, Day 7, and Day 30.
- Collecting urine at home on the morning of each appointment and bringing it with you

#### **PRINCIPLE INVESTIGATORS**

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