



VCA West Los Angeles Animal Hospital Clinical Study Announcement



CLINICAL STUDY FOR DOGS WITH STIFLE ARTHRITIS

Dear Colleagues,

VCA West Los Angeles Animal Hospital is pleased to announce that we are participating in a multicenter clinical study sponsored by Centrexion Corporation evaluating the optimal dose of a novel analgesic for dogs with stifle arthritis pain. Enrollment has begun and will continue until the end of June 2015.

To qualify for the study, dogs must have chronic, moderate to severe pain of primarily one stifle joint due to osteoarthritis. Mild to moderate pain of the contralateral stifle may be allowed if pain of the primary joint is clearly discernible. Dogs with significant pain due to osteoarthritis of the coxofemoral or tarsal joints or have torn a cruciate ligament (+/- surgical correction) within 6 months of enrollment are not eligible. Dogs will undergo screening procedures and then return to the clinic approximately one week later for treatment.

Dogs will receive either the active drug or placebo (3:1 enrollment ratio) administered as a one-time intra-articular injection to the affected stifle under a short anesthetic procedure. In the case of bilateral disease, the more severely affected joint will be treated. Follow up evaluations will take place on Day 14, Day 28, and monthly thereafter until the analgesic effect wears off or the study ends.

The study will cover the cost of all visits including administration of the test article, physical and orthopedic examinations, blood-work, and orthopedic radiographs.

Brief overview of INCLUSION criteria:

- Minimum age of **2 years** and body weight of **30 pounds**, any sex or breed.
- Chronic, moderate to severe pain primarily of one stifle joint due to osteoarthritis present for at least **3 months**.
- Dog is in general good health or stabilized for chronic conditions that will not interfere with study evaluations.

For more information or if you think you have a patient that qualifies please contact our Surgery Department at (310) 473-2951.

Sincerely,

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