

Further to our previous information on the haemangiosarcoma project, we wanted to update you with progress so far. We have been running our haemangiosarcoma project now for almost 12 months and are making steady progress using fixed archived tumour tissue from histopathology laboratories. Whilst these samples are important and will provide us with valuable information about this terrible tumour, we remain keen to have fresh tumour samples in addition to these. We have to-date only been able to recruit a limited number of fresh tumour samples from affected dogs. We would therefore like to remind owners about the project and ask that we may have fresh tumour samples from any dogs newly diagnosed with haemangiosarcoma. These samples need to be obtained at the time of surgery. However, taking a sample of the tumour causes no distress to any of the dogs, and it does not extend either the surgery time or anaesthetic time. To safely preserve the tumour samples, we need to know 24 hours or more ahead of the surgery so that we can arrange to send some special solution for the samples. We hope very much it is possible to gather more samples over the coming months, as they are invaluable to the project. The more fresh tumour samples we obtain, the better our chances to understand more about their characteristics. For information about the project please email us on sv-dogs@nottingham.ac.uk and to notify us about a tumour sample please contact Chris Hazell - chrishazell44@gmail.com

Many thanks for helping with this important project

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