



**International Society of Veterinary Dermatopathology**  
*Advancement of veterinary and comparative dermatopathology*

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

### **The ISVD is soliciting grant proposals for the year 2011/2012**

The International Society of Veterinary Dermatopathology (ISVD) is planning to support its members for research projects up to a total of **\$5000**. One or several small projects will be funded. The proposals will be reviewed blinded by a subcommittee, including members of the board and ISVD members.

Proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Relevance to the field of veterinary dermatopathology
- Feasibility of the project
- Quality of background information/pilot study
- Quality of the proposal

Funds are available for direct costs only. Institutional overhead costs as well as salaries for investigators and technicians will not be supported.

Please submit your proposal (guidelines on second page by **February 10, 2011**). Grants will be awarded by June 30, 2012.

*Please note:* If the work cannot be completed within an academic year (July 2011 to June 2012), an update report needs to be submitted with justification for an extension. The results have to be presented within 2 years. If the recipients are not able to attend that particular ISVD meeting - they can present the results at an annual meeting of the ECVF, ACVP, ECVD or ACVD and then represent the data on a following meeting of the ISVD. If the research has not been completed within two years - the awarded funds need to be returned to the ISVD.

**Electronic submissions** should be sent to:

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## **Guidelines for the ISVD Proposal**

- General:
- Text in 12 point Times New Roman; margins: 1 inch/2.5cm; 1 1/2 spaced
  - Part 2 – 9: include the title of the project as a “header” or “footer”. Names of investigators or institutions should ONLY be listed on page 1. Proposal must be submitted in English

Part 1:

- **Title page / page 1**
- Title of the project
- Name and title of the investigators
- Institution where the research will be conducted
- Dates and duration of the project
- Name, contact address, e-mail, fax and phone number of primary investigator

Part 2:

- **Title** of the project
- **Abstract:** *maximum 250 words*
- List **hypothesis** and **specific aims** of the study

Part 3:

- **Background and significance** of the study: review the background and number references within the text (reference list see below). Indicate how the current study will contribute to the understanding of the problem stated; *maximum 2 pages*

Part 4:

- **Summarize preliminary data**, if available, and indicate their support of your hypothesis; add graphs, tables, pictures if available; *maximum 2 pages*

Part 5:

- Describe **experimental design, material and methods**. List methodologies, controls, how data will be analyzed, alternative methods, statistical methods if necessary; *maximum 3 pages*

Part 6:

- **Animal use protocol:** if procedures are performed on live animals documentation of approval by the institution and appropriate organization in each country must be submitted. Permission from clients must be provided if client-owned animals are included in the study.

Part 7:

- **Budget:** detailed information and justification of expenses; *maximum 1 page*

Part 8:

- **References** for background information and methods used.

Part 9:

List financial support already available for study described above: if this study represents a subdivision of a larger study that has already been partially funded, please include a copy of the already accepted grant proposal.