



Hill's Pet Nutrition Clinical Study Grants

General information

The Hill's Pet Nutrition Clinical Study Grants are available to support clinically relevant research in canine and feline nutrition using Hill's products currently in market. Preference will be given to projects that can be completed within 1-2 years and for which the results are publishable in a peer-reviewed journal.

Qualifications of applicants

Applicants must be a graduate veterinarian either with or in the process of obtaining an advanced degree. Proposals that include interns, residents or graduate students must have a sponsor in a faculty position or postdoctoral career-appointment at the same institute.

Grant proposal criteria

1. The studies must comply with Hill's Global Animal Welfare Policy and should not result in pain, suffering or euthanasia of the animals involved in the study. Please see our Global Animal Welfare Policy at www.hillsvet.com (Who We Are) for more details
2. Only research on spontaneous diseases in client-owned patients will be considered. Proposals including animals living in a research colony or owned by the applicant's institute are not allowed
3. Subjects on clinical nutrition in dogs and cats using Hill's commercially available products will get the highest priority
4. Proposals requesting US\$ 50,000 or less (excluding the costs for Hill's foods) will receive the highest priority. These budgeted costs should be all inclusive as Hill's will not be responsible for additional costs after granting funds for study. An appropriate amount of Hill's foods will be provided at no cost for use in the study
5. Proposals must be reviewed and approved by the applicant's Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee (IACUC), or the institute's equivalent of such committee before submission to Hill's
6. Proposals can be submitted to Hill's through the Veterinary Affairs Manager in the applicant's region at any time by filling out the on-line form (see our web page). Only grants with completed submission forms will be considered
7. All submissions will undergo evaluation by the Hill's Animal Welfare Committee before further consideration
8. Submitted proposals will be evaluated by Hill's at the end of each quarter. Decisions will be made available to applicants within 4 weeks after each quarter end
9. By accepting the grant from Hill's, the applicant and others involved in conducting the study agree to abide by the Hill's Global Animal Welfare policy where it relates to the grant proposal study
10. The grant amount and Hill's foods will be made available within 4 months after Hill's has confirmed that the grant proposal has been accepted and the Hill's Global Animal Welfare Policy has been signed by the primary investigator
11. The applicants (and/or their institutes) are and will remain the full intellectual owner of the data collected through the research funded by these grants
12. Hill's encourages presentations and publications resulting from the research. Hill's requests a courtesy of 30 days for review of data and written manuscripts prior to submission of any publication
13. Investigators of accepted grants are encouraged to communicate on a regular basis with their Hill's Veterinary Affairs Manager to ask any questions and provide status updates on study progress.