



Feline Health Research Fund (FHRF)

Supporting feline health research so that no cat suffers from preventable disease and to ensure effective treatments are developed to keep cats well.

Recent Grants funded:-

- Feline herpesvirus vaccine study, Dr Joanne Devlin, Dr Fiona Sansom and Ms Pacia Vaz, University of Melbourne, March 2014
- Feline Diabetes gene study, Dr Bianca Haase and A/Prof Julia Beatty, University of Sydney, August 2013



Dr Katie Lott and Lauren Nichol are shown with 'Holly' and a hand held glucose monitoring device as part of the Feline Diabetes clinical management study with Dr Caroline Mansfield and Dr Linda Fleeman University of Melbourne. This study was funded by FHRF in April 2013

Request for Assistance:-

Dr Richard Malik, University of Sydney has requested assistance with 1ml blood samples in EDTA from **Burmese cats** affected with feline orofacial pain syndrome, cutaneous asthenia (Ehlers Danlos syndrome; or "stretchy skin disease") and diabetes mellitus (sugar diabetes). This study is part of collaboration with an expanded group of veterinarians and scientists that aims to identify the genes responsible for these conditions in Burmese cats. Veterinarians or cat owners with affected cats are welcome to contact Dr Malik by email: richard.malik@sydney.edu.au

How can you help?

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