

CEH Focused Research Endowments

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Through the University of California's managed endowment system, the Center for Equine Health has established perpetual funding sources for specific areas of equine research. These endowments are essential to the CEH's current and long-term successes. So far, 13 such endowments have been established, ranging from \$10,000 to more than \$1 million. The endowments are described below.

Individuals interested in supporting the CEH may contribute to one or more of these endowments or work toward creating a new one in an area of equine medicine that is of interest to them personally. The minimum amount required to establish an endowment under this system is \$10,000. For more information regarding the endowment programs, contact Dr. Gregory Ferraro at (530)752-6433 or send an e-mail to gferraro@ucdavis.edu.

Director's Endowment

Provides general funding for CEH research, educational or welfare activities most critical to the needs of the horse in any given year. This endowment also provides the foundation for all future CEH endeavors.

Performance Horse Endowment

Focuses on the medical problems of the mature show and event horse. Also funds long-term, in-depth studies of problems that preclude horses from performing athletically as they age. Areas of study include colic, nutrition, cardiopulmonary health, degenerative orthopedic processes and infectious disease.

Equine Athletic Performance Laboratory

Provides for the development of analytical methods for accurately evaluating the athletic conditioning and performance capability of individual horses. Once these analytical techniques are fully developed, the goal of the program will be to provide an objective evaluation of the ability of drug agents and training methods to enhance performance and decrease the risk of injury in competitive horses.

J. D. Wheat Equine Orthopedic Research Laboratory

Provides for investigation of the underlying causes of bone fractures, their prevention, and new methods of fracture repair. (Originally established by the Southern California Equine Foundation, Inc., with funds provided by the Dolly Green Research Foundation.)

Bernard and Gloria Salick Equine Viral Disease Laboratory

This endowment supports a program dedicated to international scientific investigations of emerging equine viral diseases. Its goal is to identify

and control viral diseases of the horse that can affect the international movement, commerce and health of competitive equine athletes.

Animal Rescue and Disaster Medicine Endowment

Focuses on developing improved techniques for the rescue of large animals during natural disasters. The fund also supports research into various medical conditions of the animals and the development of improved treatment regimens.

Lucy G. Whittier Endowment for Equine Perinatal and Infectious Disease

Dedicated to improving the health and medical treatment of newborn foals and their dams and to conduct research on infectious diseases associated with foals.

Polly and Bill Swinerton Director's Endowment

This fund supports the activities of the CEH Director to advance the facility's teaching, research and service missions.

Peray Memorial Endowment

Provides funding for resident house officers of the UC Davis Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital (VMTH) to conduct equine respiratory disease research.

John P. Hughes Memorial Endowment

Provides funding for VMTH resident house officers to conduct clinical research in any area of equine medicine or surgery.

Dan Evans Memorial Endowment

This endowment provides funding for VMTH resident house officers to conduct research in any area of equine medicine and surgery that is relevant to the development of their specialty board certification.

Equine Enduring Legacy Endowment

This fund provides for the development of new treatment methods and techniques in equine medicine or surgery. It supports the application of experimental treatments to horses that may have untreatable or life-threatening conditions, as well as the conduct of clinical research trials to aid in the development of new therapies.

Marcia MacDonald Rivas Research Endowments

These funds are available to teaching and research personnel, including all faculty at the Assistant level, Lecturers, and MSP Professionals with less than five years of employment in the School of Veterinary Medicine. New and junior faculty members are preferred, as are equine-related projects.

