



FIP Treatment in the United States Client Consent Form

PURPOSE OF STUDY

Feline infectious peritonitis (FIP) is a deadly disease that can kill young cats. In the past, there was no effective treatment, but now there are drugs that can help – and even cure – FIP. Some of these drugs are available in other countries but are not as easy to get in the United States. Because of that, research studies on the best treatments for FIP in the US have been limited.

This study is looking at a common treatment for FIP that is not officially approved, but still often used – an unlicensed version of a medication called GS-441524. We will also check if adding another FDA-approved medication, called remdesivir, at the beginning of treatment helps cure FIP in cats.

Because it is unethical to deny sick cats an approved treatment, this study is designed simply to watch and record what happens to cats getting these two different medications. We will follow your cat for 6 months, comparing how well cats do with the two different medications. We will also check for any side effects or if the FIP comes back once we stop the treatments. The results will help veterinarians to treat, and hopefully cure, cats with FIP in the United States.

Summary of Procedures to be Performed

If you consent to participation in this study, we will perform advanced FIP testing on biological samples collected from your cat in the course of your cat's appointment/hospital stay. We will also **ask you to complete surveys** regularly throughout the next 6 months to let us know how your cat is doing. There are 7 surveys, on the following schedule: at the time of enrollment, then after one week, 2-3 weeks, 4-6 weeks, at the end of treatment, mid-way through the observation period, and at the end of the observation period. We ask that if your cat passes away or is euthanized, an autopsy be performed at UWVC so that we can obtain samples for this study and further understand this devastating disease.

There is no cost for participation in this study. The study will cover the cost of up to 2 FIP tests (up to a \$310 value). If you elect IV remdesivir treatment, \$500 toward one vial of remdesivir (100 mg) will be covered for your cat's treatment (\$1275 total cost). You will be expected to pay all other routine costs of diagnosis and treatment.

The risk involved for your cat is minimal. We will collect samples during the course of your cat's normal tests that are performed to diagnose FIP in consultation with your UWVC veterinarian. Risks associated with sampling fluid or obtaining FNAs from the abdomen or chest have been discussed with your attending veterinarian, and include bruising or bleeding, infection, or very rarely damage or internal organs or bleeding that cannot be stopped.

By signing below, I acknowledge the following:

- My participation is voluntary and my refusal to participate will not affect my pet's care in any way
- I have been given the opportunity to ask questions and to have them answered to my satisfaction.
- I am welcome to contact the study veterinarian by telephone or e-mail if I have additional questions: Dr. Erin Lashnits may be reached at (608) 265-5800 or lashnits@wisc.edu
- I am at least 18 years of age and authorized to make medical decisions on behalf of this cat

Medical Record #: _____ Date: _____ Pet's Name: _____

Client/Owner/Agent's Printed Name: _____

Client/Owner/Agent's Signature: _____

Preferred contact for survey follow-up (phone/email): _____

Clinician/Attending Staff Signature: _____

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