



AusTTrust
HEALTH AND EDUCATION



Assisting the Australian Terrier Club of America, Inc. in supporting our breed through Health and Education

AUSTRALIAN TERRIER OWNERS ALERT !

As part of the AusTTrust's on going commitment to the health of Australian terriers, the Trust will fund a Necropsy of any Australian Terrier diagnosed with Canine Degenerative Myelopathy ("DM").

Please share this information to our pet and world-wide owners.

If your Australian terrier is diagnosed with DM please contact The Australian Terrier Club of America ("ATCA") **Health Coordinator, Teresa Schreder** (pete128@earthlink.net) to request the paperwork your Veterinarian will need to complete.

The Veterinarian is required to follow the detailed protocol for harvesting tissue and blood. Results will be sent to a specialist of DM at the University of Missouri for scientific analysis.

Thank you for supporting our ongoing efforts towards the health of Australian terriers.

Please put "DM" in the subject box of your email when requesting the form from pete128@earthlink.net.

Through research, help us support the long-term health of our Australian Terriers.



RESEARCH IS IMPORTANT

DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY ("DM") is a late stage onset neurological disease.

Jilli at nine years old began to exhibit weak back end control symptoms, which caused the owner to take her to the vet and eventually to explore what was wrong with her rear legs.

In time Jilli was diagnosed with suspected DM, but without a necropsy the disease cannot be proven.

Without it being proven its impossible to do the research into this genetic issue or to discover it was something else.