

## **FREE STUDY RECRUITING DOGS WITH SUSPECTED CHIARI-LIKE MALFORMATION & SYRINGOMYELIA**



The goal of this study is to evaluate a newly developed questionnaire to assess pain and clinical signs that are associated with CM/SM in dogs and to evaluate how well a novel veterinary pain management product might treat the condition

**FREE MRI**

### **Criteria for dogs needed for this study**

Generally healthy Cavalier King Charles Spaniel or other breed of toy dog between the ages of 6 months - 8 years

Displaying signs of CM/SM

Able to wear a collar or harness

Not receiving gabapentin or pregabalin in the 7 days prior to study enrolment

Able to undergo anesthesia for MRI diagnosis of their condition

### **What does the trial involve?**

After the initial screening eligible dogs will be enrolled into the short month long study and will require two more visits to the NC State Veterinary Hospital, at two weeks and four weeks. Your dog would receive either the study drug or a placebo for two weeks and then assigned to the alternate for the last two weeks. You will be provided rescue pain medications that you can use should your dog require additional pain management at home.

**All study related costs including MRI are covered**

To inquire about participation, Contact Amanda Valentino at [ckcschiari@gmail.com](mailto:ckcschiari@gmail.com) or scan the QR code

### **Symptoms of CM/SM**

-  **Phantom licking and scratching**
-  **Weakness in the limbs**
-  **Difficulty with coordination**
-  **Trouble with walking**

