



Michigan State University Ocular Melanosis Study

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Thank you for agreeing to help with our research into Ocular Melanosis. Our aim in this work is to be able to identify the gene mutation that causes Ocular Melanosis in Cairn Terriers. Our hope is that this will allow us to develop a genetic test to enable the eradication of this disease.

Our sampling needs for enucleated eyes will depend on our current needs for the project. The best course of action is to contact us 2 or more days BEFORE the scheduled surgery. In these cases, we will provide a collection kit and further instructions.

However, we appreciate that enucleations may not always be planned, or surgery cannot be delayed. In this instance, please follow the below procedure along with the accompanying instructions.

1. If planned: 2+ days in advance enucleation - contact us so we can send a collection kit and further instructions
2. If unplanned and surgery occurs Mon-Thursday and the package can be shipped the SAME day as the surgery – please see document:
OM_general_eye_collection_2022.pdf
 - Michigan State University does not accept packages on holidays or weekends
3. If unplanned and the package cannot be shipped on the SAME day as the surgery – please see the document: **OM_formalin_eye_collection_2022.pdf**

Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information.

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