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## **STUDY RE FELINE AMYLOIDOSIS**

Different causative mutations of felid Amyloidosis have been identified in Abyssinian (also Somali) in a study carried on by University of Milan (Dr. Maria Longeri) and University of Missouri (Dr. Leslie A. Lyons). Now the researchers need to test the allele frequencies on a very wide cosmopolitan Aby population, to provide an accurate percentage of risk in developing the disease when the mutations are present.

Please help us with buccal swabs from your healthy unrelated cats

## **ABYSSINIAN (& SOMALI) Action**

- 4-6 buccal swabs from each cat:
- normal health conditions
- no matter age or gender
- better if unrelated in I or II generation (if more cats sampled)
- Pedigree is welcome
- Mark on the pedigree: "For amyloidosis project on the pedigree"
- Any additional information is welcome

## SHIPMENT

If you use double tip buccal swabs, cut and discard one end and brush with the remaining tip. We ask 4-6 "tips"/ cat. Enclose all the swabs from one cat in one paper envelope and mark the envelope with the cat name, so one envelope/cat.

All the samples have to be mailed to the address below:

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. Thanks for any help and you can contact Dr. Longeri for any further clarification