

Client Consent Form	
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DALMATIAN URINARY STONE DISEASE – CONSENT FOR AUTOPSY

I understand that Dr. Joe Bartges at the College of Veterinary Medicine, The University of Tennessee, is engaged in research investigating urate urinary stone disease in Dalmatians. Dalmatians form urate urinary stones because of their unique metabolism of uric acid. Because of this metabolic predisposition, Dalmatians may form stones not only in their bladder, but also in their kidneys. Unfortunately, little is known about the occurrence of urate kidney stones in Dalmatians and whether preventative measures for urate bladder stones are effective in also preventing urate kidney stones.

The purpose of this study is to detect the occurrence of urinary stones in kidneys of Dalmatians. In order to adequately evaluate the entire urinary tract, we are asking that you permit your veterinarian to perform a partial autopsy on your dog at no cost to you. Your veterinarian will need to examine only the urinary tract. If stones are found, he/she will collect them and send them to The University of Tennessee for analysis.

If I have questions, I may call Tammy Moyers or Dr. Joe Bartges at (865) 974-8387 for further information.

CONSENT: In return for the opportunity of contributing to this research project, I hereby give permission to Dr. _____ to perform a partial autopsy examination on my dog.

Dog's name _____ Case Number _____

Client's signature _____ Date _____

Veterinarian's signature _____ Date _____