

# *Free Clinical Trial:* **Could Your Cat Have Arthritis?**

Do you have an indoor only cat that seems to be "getting older" and can't get around like he/she used to? Is your cat hesitating before jumping up or seeming to slow down? The Clinical Studies Core at NCSU-CVM is evaluating a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medication that is already approved for use in cats for post-surgical pain relief, but now evaluating its effectiveness in cats with chronic arthritis.



**Potential Indicators of Feline Arthritis:** One of the ways we will be evaluating your cat is by finding activities that you feel your cat does not do as well as he/she used to or may not even do anymore. To help trigger your thinking, here are some helpful hints that might remind you of something. Think back to when your cat was younger and the way he/she acted/behaved.

<i>Walking</i>	<i>Running</i>	<i>Difficulty moving after long rest</i>
<i>Pouncing</i>	<i>Grooming</i>	<i>Difficulty finding comfortable position</i>
<i>Litter box use</i>	<i>Climbing Stairs</i>	<i>Interaction with family members</i>
<i>Rearing Up</i>	<i>Playing with toys</i>	<i>Jumping Up/Down</i>

**Study benefits and incentives:**

- **Free** physical, orthopedic, and neurologic exams (x2)
- **Free** labwork (including T4 level) and urinalysis (x2)
- **Free** radiographs

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