## RECRUITING CATS WITH Oral Cancer



**NC State College of Veterinary Medicine** is recruiting cats with **oral squamous cell carcinoma (SCC)** for a new clinical trial. The purpose is to evaluate a new drug meant to enhance standard radiation therapy (RT). All cats will be treated with a standard course of radiation therapy (RT); some cats will also receive the novel radiation-enhancing drug.

## **PARTICIPATION**

- You will be required to bring your cat to the NC State Veterinary Hospital for:
  - 1 screening visit,
  - 3 radiation treatment sessions, and
  - A series of recheck visits (1 and 2 weeks after RT, then once monthly).
- Pet owners are required to pay \$1,000 toward the cost of care. This covers the initial oncology consultation, and associated screening tests.

## **STUDY BENEFITS**

• Enrolled cats will receive free cancer treatment (RT +/- novel drug) and follow-up visits with our team of veterinary oncologists. Total estimated value: \$7,500.

## **INCLUSION CRITERIA**

- Eligible cats must:
  - Have a biopsy-confirmed diagnosis of oral SCC (any location in the mouth)
  - Be otherwise healthy (as assessed via physical exam, bloodwork, and imaging)
  - Have had no prior treatment with either chemotherapy or RT

To inquire about participation, contact the Clinical Studies Core <a href="mailto:CVMclinicalstudies@ncsu.edu">CVMclinicalstudies@ncsu.edu</a>