



New DNA Based Melanoma Vaccine Now Available At VEC/RC



Dr. Kevin Finora is pleased to announce that the Oncology Service at VEC now has available the new murine tyrosinase DNA vaccine for the treatment of melanoma.

This vaccine, which is given as a treatment, not as a preventative, has caused dramatic improvement in average survival times in dogs with melanoma. While chemotherapy offers survivals of about 5 months and local therapy with surgery or radiation therapy offers survival times of 9 months, dogs with low stage melanoma treated with the vaccine experience survival times approaching 2 years.

While there are several melanoma vaccines in use now, this vaccine has been demonstrated to be the most effective treatment available. As part of the original research and development team, Dr Finora played a role in establishing this vaccine as a effective treatment for dogs with melanoma, and is very familiar with the vaccine, it's use and the known benefits to pets with melanoma.

The vaccine works by causing the animal's own immune system to mount an immune response against the melanoma cells. If you have a patient with melanoma or would like to know more about this revolutionary new treatment, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Finora at VEC/RC.

Due to increased demand, Dr. Finora's caseload is now limited to Oncology cases only

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