

# IHCUS Health and Research Committee Information



## Mission Statement

The mission of the IHCUS Health and Rescue Committee Information Program is to help Ibizan Hounds live a longer and healthier life through periodically monitoring the health status of the breed, developing resources to improve breed health with an emphasis on understanding canine genetics and to help apply health information to improve breeding programs and owner care guidance.

## Goals

To identify health issues of concern to dog owners and breeders

To seek ways to use the observations, experience and knowledge of Ibizan Hound owners, breeders, veterinarians, and other canine experts to advance the health of the Ibizan Hound

- To identify and sponsor research and education programs that ...
  1. Meet the highest scientific and educational standards
  2. Have the greatest potential for advancing the health of the Ibizan Hound
  3. Have expectations for producing materials and applications that are reasonable and affordable for breeders and owners
- To responsibly monitor any grant work done for the Ibizan Hound breed and make the results of such work available for dissemination to IHCUS members, the Ibizan Hound breeders and owners, and to the public through publication in the IHCUS Third Eye, professional journals, and the AKC Canine Health Foundation
- To facilitate IHCUS cooperation with the projects and programs of the AKC Canine Health Foundation
- To help raise funds adequate to advance IHCUS Health specific projects
- To keep up to date regarding the American Kennel Club's guidelines for responsible owners and breeders ([akc-guidelines-for-dog-owners](#))
- To Promote the findings of the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA), [www.ofa.org](http://www.ofa.org), in regards to the Ibizan Hound. This will include the following:
  - Cardiac Disease
  - Congenital Deafness (OFA Evaluation based on BAER Test)
  - Eye Disease (Results registered with OFA or CERF)
  - Hip Dysplasia (OFA Evaluation or PennHip Evaluation)
  - Thyroid (OFA evaluation from an approved laboratory)
- To promote Breeder Testing Requirements – <http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/brdreqs.html?breed=IH>
- To promote the CHIC Ibizan Hound Requirements and Registration. ([www.caninehealthinfo.org/brdregs.html?breed=IH](http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/brdregs.html?breed=IH))
- All email sent regarding Rescue Committee business **MUST** be sent from the [rescue@ihcus.org](mailto:rescue@ihcus.org) email address

## Recommendations:

To create a health and promote a survey for Ibizan Hounds with OFA ([www.ofa.org/surveys/index.html](http://www.ofa.org/surveys/index.html))

The goal of this survey is to identify and prioritize health issues of AKC registered Ibizan Hounds. The survey results will be tabulated to provide statistical information to better support breeder and canine research experts with current breed trends that affect health concerns in the breed. This important information will be shared via the OFA site free of charge to all interested parties. All results are entirely confidential. Results will only be reported in aggregate.

## **Breed Club Health Surveys**

The OFA offers breed surveys for a number of breed parent clubs. These surveys are offered free of charge. All data is used only in aggregate and is kept confidential. No survey results will be traceable to any individual dog. It is hoped that this information will be valuable to breed clubs as they assess the health issues of their breed. (see sample survey attached)

- Create articles regarding the Ibizan regarding health and research to be published in the Third Eye at least once yearly

## **Health Issues in the Ibizan Hounds**

Every breed of dog, like humans, has genetically based health advantages as well as inherent health risks or problems. Ibizan Hounds have some common health issues that can be found as well in many other dog breeds but there are a few health concerns that are more predominate in the Ibizan Hound breed. Health tests currently allow us to screen breeding stock for some of these problems, and with today's exciting scientific based DNA testing technology we can benefit from research that identifies abnormal genes via testing that thereby will aid in the eradication of genetic inheritable disease. Below are some health issues of concern to Ibizan Hound breed, breeders and owners.

Click the below link for a list of specific tests that IHCUS recommends breeders screen for and that new puppy buyers should be aware of when selecting their new canine family member.

<http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/brdreqs.html?breed=IH>

SAMPLE SURVEY

Dog Information

*What sex is this dog?*

FEMALE  
MALE

*Is this dog spayed/neutered?*

N  
Y

*Has this dog been vaccinated?*

Y  
N

*Is this dog permanently identified by tattoo, microchip, etc.?*

Y  
N

*Has this dog had an OFA examination for hip dysplasia?*

N  
Y

*Has this dog had a hip examination by another organization?*

N  
Y

*Has this dog had an OFA examination for elbow dysplasia?*

N  
Y

*Has this dog had an OFA examination for patellar luxation?*

N  
Y

*Has this dog had an OFA/CERF eye examination?*

N  
Y

*Is this dog still living?*

Y  
N

*What type(s) of food does this dog eat?*

DRY FOOD  
CANNED FOOD  
BARF (BONES AND RAW FOOD)  
HOME COOKED

Dog Information followups

*What vaccinations has this dog had?*

RABIES  
DISTERPER  
PARVOVIRUS  
BORDATELLA  
LEPTOSPIROSIS  
CORONAVIRUS  
HEPATITIS  
LYME

	NOSODES OTHER
<i>What kind of identification does this dog have?</i>	MICROCHIP TATTOO DNA
<i>What were the results of this dog's OFA hip evaluation?</i>	GOOD EXCELLENT FAIR BORDERLINE MILD SEVERE
<i>Is this dog under two years of age?</i>	N Y
<i>What other organization(s) have evaluated this dog's hips?</i>	PENNHIP OTHER OVC
<i>What were the results of this dog's OFA elbow evaluation?</i>	NORMAL GRADE 1
<i>What were the results of this dog's patellar luxation evaluation?</i>	NORMAL GRADE 1 GRADE 3 GRADE 2
<i>What were the results of this OFA ECR/CERF exam?</i>	CERF_NORM NORMAL BOTH EYES CERF_ABUNI CERF_ABBI ABNORMAL RESULT, BOTH EYES ABNORMAL RESULT, ONE EYE
<i>At what age did this dog die?</i>	OVER 10 YEARS OF AGE FROM 5 TO 10 YEARS OF AGE FROM 2 TO 5 YEARS OF AGE BETWEEN 6 MONTHS AND 2 YEARS
<u>Age at spay/neuter</u> <i>At what age was this dog spayed/neutered?</i>	FROM 2 TO 5 YEARS OF AGE FROM 5 TO 10 YEARS OF AGE BETWEEN 6 MONTHS AND 2 YEARS 0-6 MONTHS OVER 10 YEARS OF AGE

Has your dog been diagnosed with any of the following health issues?

*Cancer or Tumors?*

N  
Y

*Gastrointestinal disorders?*

N  
Y

*Cardiovascular disorders?*

N  
Y

*Respiratory disorders?*

N  
Y

*Eye disorders?*

N  
Y

*Ear disorders?*

N  
Y

*Neurological and/or Muscular disorders?*

N  
Y

*Skin disorders?*

N  
Y

*Liver disorders?*

N  
Y

*Orthopedic disorders?*

N  
Y

*Blood/Lymph disorders?*

N  
Y

*Endocrine disorders?*

N  
Y

*Kidney disorders?*

N  
Y

*Reproductive disorders?*

N  
Y

*Temperament disorders?*

N  
Y

*Dental disorders?*

N  
Y

Cancer Types

*What cancer types has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER CANCER  
HEMANGIOSARCOMA  
MAST CELL TUMOR  
MAMMARY CANCER  
OSTEOSARCOMA  
LYMPHOMA  
TESTICULAR CANCER  
LUNG CANCER  
LEUKEMIA  
FIBROSARCOMA  
MELANOMA  
PITUITARY TUMORS  
LYMPHATIC CANCER  
LIVER CANCER

Gastrointestinal Problems

*What types of gastrointestinal problems has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER  
INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE  
COLITIS  
BLOAT/GASTRIC TORSION  
MEGAESOPHAGUS

Cardiac Disorders

*What cardiac disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

HEART MURMUR  
OTHER  
MITRAL VALVE DEFECT  
DEGENERATIVE VALVE DISEASE  
CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE  
CARDIOMYOPATHY

Respiratory Disorders

*What respiratory disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER

Eye disorders

*What eye disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER  
DRY EYE  
SENILE CATARACTS  
CORNEAL ULCER  
PROGRESSIVE RETINAL ATROPHY  
JUVENILE CATARACTS  
COLLIE EYE ANOMALY  
CORNEAL DYSTROPHY

Ear disorders

*What ear disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

CHRONIC EAR INFECTION  
OTHER  
DEAFNESS

Neurologic disorders

*What neurological and/or muscular disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER  
INTERVERTEBRAL DISC DISEASE  
EPILEPSY  
DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY  
ATAXIA  
MUSCLE SPASMS

Skin disorders

*What skin disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER  
FOOD/MEDICINE ALLERGIES  
SEASONAL ALLERGIES  
SEBORRHEA  
ALOPECIA  
PERSISTENT STAPH INFECTION  
DERMATOMYOSITIS  
AUTOIMMUNE SKIN DISEASE

Liver disorders

*What liver disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER  
HEPATITIS  
ABNORMAL GALLBLADDER

Orthopedic disorders

*What orthopedic disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

ARTHRITIS  
OTHER  
PATELLAR LUXATION  
VERTEBRAL ANOMALIES  
CRUCIATE LIGAMENT RUPTURE  
SPONDYLOSIS  
HIP DYSPLASIA  
ELBOW DYSPLASIA

Blood /Lymph disorders

*What blood or lymphatic system disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

AUTOIMMUNE HEMOLYTIC ANEMIA  
PLATELET ABNORMALITY  
OTHER

Endocrine disorders

*What endocrine disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

PANCREATITIS  
HYPOTHYROID  
ADDISON'S DISEASE  
HYPERTHYROID  
CUSHING'S DISEASE  
OTHER  
DIABETES MELLITUS

Kidney disorders

*What kidney disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

OTHER  
CHRONIC URINARY TRACT INFECTION  
RENAL DYSPLASIA  
BLADDER AND KIDNEY STONES

Reproductive disorders

*What reproductive disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

CRYPTORCHID/MONORCHID  
OTHER  
PYOMETRA  
STERILITY  
FALSE PREGNANCY  
IRREGULAR HEAT CYCLE  
PROSTATITIS  
LITTER RESORPTION  
HERMAPHRODITE  
GENITAL INFECTION  
FAILURE TO CONCEIVE

Temperament disorders

*What temperament disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

FEAR OF STORMS  
SEPARATION ANXIETY  
AGGRESSIVE  
OTHER  
FEAR OF NOISE  
TIMID  
RAGE SYNDROME

Dental disorders

*What dental disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?*

MISSING PREMOLAR TEETH  
OTHER  
UNDERBITE

Other health issues

*has this dog had other significant health problems?*

N  
Y

*Has this dog had lure coursing injuries?*

N  
Y



Breeding status

*Has this dog had puppies?*

N  
Y

Puppy numbers

*How many puppies has this dog produced?*

FOUR TO 10  
10 TO 20  
THREE OR FEWER  
20 TO 30  
OVER 30 PUPPIES