



Vet Med Update

Raj and Liz: Lives Devoted to Serving Others

Raj is a greyhound who became a canine blood donor at MU's Veterinary Health Center. After serving and saving fellow pooches, he retired as a donor and was adopted by a College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) student. Now, Raj, along with his pet parent, Liz, is helping humans as a P.A.L.S. therapy dog.



The Veterinary Health Center (VHC) at MU's College of Veterinary Medicine sees thousands of cases every year. The Small Animal Emergency and Critical Care Service (SAECC) operates 24 hours a day, every day of the

Upcoming Events

Join us for
[Alumni Weekend!](#)
Sept. 15-16

[Mizzou Homecoming](#)
October 21
Save the Date!

**2017 Primary Care
Veterinary Educators
World Symposium to
be held at MU**

Oct. 26-29
The annual Primary Care Veterinary Educators World Symposium offers presentations and

year, and treats an average of 16 cases per night.

Not every dog is a model canine blood donor. The ideal donor has blood type designation DEA 4, the universal donor type for dogs; weighs 50 pounds or more, without being overweight; is between 1-9 years old; has a stable, friendly temperament; is able to sit or lie still; is in good health and free of any infectious disease transmissible by blood, such as heartworm.

Short-hair dogs are often preferable since their hair is easier to keep clean and less likely to pose a risk of bacterial contamination. Dogs with lean bodies and long necks with prominent jugular veins are also preferred. The canine jugular is the easiest collection point since this is the most accessible and least sensitive site in the dog's body. A greyhound like Raj checks every box on the donor list.

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networking opportunities to help primary care educators generate new ideas and develop more effective educational strategies.

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