



UNIVERSITY OF  
**GEORGIA**

College of Veterinary Medicine

*Veterinary Teaching Hospital*

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of donating a pacemaker generator to the University of Georgia Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

Cardiac pacing is a vital treatment for symptomatic bradycardia (low heart rate) in veterinary patients, helping restore a normal rhythm by delivering electrical impulses directly to the heart muscle. Thanks to generous donations like yours, our Cardiology team can continue offering this life-saving procedure. With the current shortage of generators, your support is especially meaningful to the animals and families we serve.

At this time, we are only able to accept pacemaker generators that meet the following criteria:

1. We are only able to accept generators from the following companies: **Boston Scientific, Medtronic, and Abbott (St. Jude's)**. Unfortunately, we do not have access to other programmers, and therefore cannot accept other brands.
2. Pacemakers must have capability to be programmed as **VVI/VVIR**. This typically includes generators that are single or dual-chamber. We are unable to accept implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) generators.
3. If the pacemaker has been recently interrogated, there would ideally be greater than 3 years of battery life remaining.
4. The generators should ideally be removed of blood/tissue. They do not need to be sterilized prior to arrival at UGA.

If the generator you would like to donate meets the above criteria, please mail a completed **UGA Foundation Gift in Kind Form** (\*do not worry about assigning value) along with your pacemaker to:

University of Georgia Veterinary Teaching Hospital  
Attn: Cardiology Service  
2200 College Station Road  
Athens, GA 30605

Upon arrival to our Veterinary Teaching Hospital, a technician or clinician from the Cardiology service will carefully evaluate the device to assess its battery life, functionality, and compatibility to ensure it can be safely used in a veterinary patient.

If we are able to accept your generous donation, you will receive a formal gift acknowledgment within 6 - 8 weeks. If we are unable to accept your pacemaker, we will respectfully dispose of it according to medical device handling standards.

*Thank you again for considering this meaningful contribution to the care of animals in need!*