

5Strands[®] Affordable Pet Testing Case Study Outline

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Pet's Name: Gram

Pet's Breed & Sex: Golden Retriever, Male

Describe condition of pet and/or symptoms before using Affordable Testing.

We had continuous issues with foods and his digestion. Finally after him loosing too much weight and repeated visits to the doctor with antibiotics and a colitis diagnosis we finally decided on an allergy test to see if that would help remedy his digestive issues. We also had an issue with his eye discharge which seemed to be more than usual in comparison to our other dogs.

What type of food was your pet eating prior to testing (i.e. kibble, raw, frozen, freeze dried, etc.)? Acana Singles - Duck and Oatmeal, kibble

Describe the results of *Affordable Testing* (i.e. number and/or examples of items reported as intolerances, insight gained, etc.).

Gram's result came back with 49 RED intolerances in the food category and 28 RED intolerance in the environmental category. The results let us know that the protein and the grain in the food that we had been giving him were both RED intolerances!

What elimination plan did you implement (i.e. foods eliminated and/or changes in environment, timeframe, etc.)?

We quickly switched his food to eliminate any of the RED intolerances and the differences in his digestion were seriously night and day. His environmental allergies are harder to deal with as he is allergic to all types of grass that are native to our North Texas areas so we are combating that with out vet.

Describe condition of pet and/or symptoms after the elimination plan.

After switching his food Gram quickly gained his weight back and we have not had an issue with his digestion or colitis flare ups. He has easily doubled in weight. We are constantly being complimented on his coat.

What is your impression of the *Affordable Testing* process and results of the elimination plan (i.e. length of time to receive results, quality of customer service, value of information gained, etc.)? This test is life changing and saving - I was at my wits end with my puppy and was afraid that he would be sick for the rest of his life. I took a leap of faith with an Instagram ad and I wish I would have done it sooner. 5strands is well worth the price and peace of mind.