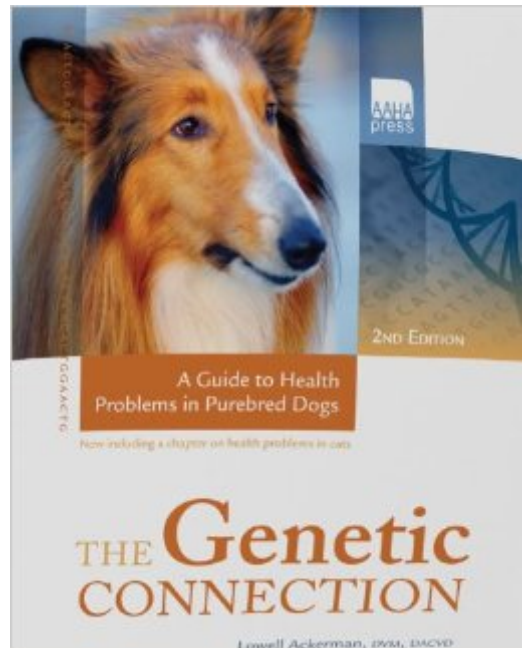


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# The Genetic Connection: A Guide To Health Problems In Purebred Dogs



## Synopsis

The most comprehensive collection of breed-specific diagnosis and treatment options available, this is a vital resource for any client-service-centered hospital. Whether you need to know how progressive atrophy differs in the Irish setter and the Siberian husky, or a breeder asks for information on DNA testing, you'll find answers in this book. The resource includes practical guidelines on diagnosing and treating canine health disorders; a comprehensive, fully referenced compilation of breed specific data; and helpful tables of dog breeds and the conditions to which they are susceptible. Fully reviewed by board-certified veterinarians, the information is easy to read and logically organized alphabetically by body system. New to the second edition: - Chapter on genetic disorders in cats - Updated information on the relationship between genetics and disorders throughout - New tables that show the connection between disorders, breed, mode of inheritance and which labs provide genetic testing

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This book is very complete yet easy to understand. Very useful for breeders or buyers wishing to avoid genetic disease in their puppies, to those whose dog already suffers from a genetic disease and want thorough information on treatment. From the back: Finally, there is one, easy-to-use resource on this difficult topic. The Genetic Connection is the most complete collection of breed-specific diagnosis and treatment options available. Written for the practicing veterinarian (yet easily understood by not-vets), The Genetic Connection gives you the information you need to assess and identify the treatment needs of purebred dogs and to help pet owners make informed decisions about dog selection or breeding. It covers basic breed summaries, reviews medical &

behavioral problems, and guides the reader through diagnostic tests, treatments, and organizations involved with genetic screening. From the basics of inheritance to the nitty-gritty details of acquired aurotrichia in Miniature Schnauzers, this book has it all. Addresses the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of more than 240 genetic disorders.

While this is a good desk reference for veterinarians, it is also an excellent primer for the layman who wants to know what health questions to ask when selecting a dog breed. This is an older edition and a few years in the race to understand the genome is light years in actual development. Nevertheless, it is a profound eye opener as to what genetic problems are most commonly associated with almost any given breed of dog.

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