

A Pilot Study to Evaluate the Big Barker Therapeutic Mattress in Dogs with Osteoarthritis

Final Study Report Summary

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1. Introduction

Big Barker designs and manufactures therapeutic mattresses for dogs. Their flagship product, the Big Barker Bed, has a stated purpose of providing therapeutic comfort and orthopedic support to large dogs with existing or potential joint and mobility problems. The purpose of this clinical trial was to evaluate the ability of the Big Barker bed to decrease orthopedic pain, improve joint mobility & function, increase activity and improve quality/quantity of sleep.

2. Study Design

- This clinical trial was a single center, open-label, proof of concept study. In order to participate, dogs had to be greater than three years of age and weigh more than seventy pounds. A diagnosis of osteoarthritis was confirmed by a veterinary radiologist at the Ryan Small Animal Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.
- Dogs with significant underlying illness were excluded, such as neoplasia, clinically significant neurologic disease, unregulated chronic disease such as diabetes mellitus or hypothyroidism, as well as any clinically significant abnormalities discovered during review of medical history.
- Participants were enrolled for 38 days: 10 days prior to randomization, and 28 days following randomization. Day 28 served as the primary endpoint for the study.
- Enrolled canines wore an animal activity monitor – an omni-directional (3-axis) accelerometer - to collect activity as well as sleep data for the duration of the study.
- Assessment tools, including the Canine Orthopedic Index (COI), Canine Brief Pain Inventory (CBPI), Canine Symptom Assessment Scale (CSAS), Global Assessment of Change (GAC), and Canine/Owner Level of Interaction (LOI) were completed by the owners weekly.

3. Study Device

The Big Barker 7" dog bed, a therapeutic mattress constructed using Big Barker's proprietary 3-layered OrthoMedic™ blend of high-density foam.

4. Results

In this open label single arm study of forty dogs that slept on the Big Barker bed:

- Owners reported that their dogs had significant reductions in pain and joint stiffness.
- Owners reported significant improvements in their dog's joint function, gait, energy, and quality of life.
- Data collected from activity monitors worn on the dogs' collars demonstrated 50% of dogs had at least a 13% decrease in night-time activity and 25% of dogs had at least a 33% decrease in night-time activity, suggesting improved nighttime restfulness in these dogs.

5. Ethical Considerations

The University of Pennsylvania's Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee and the School of Veterinary Medicine's Privately-Owned Animal Protocol committee approved all work related to this companion animal clinical trial.

Appendix I: Data Summary

The areas listed within achieved statistically significant results at the $\alpha = 0.02$ significance level using a paired Student's t-test or a non-parametric Wilcoxon Signed-Rank test of the difference in mean baseline versus mean endpoint.

Pain

19.9% improvement to mean score, as measured by the Canine Symptom Assessment Scale¹. Assesses the frequency and severity of a dog's pain and the level of distress caused by pain.

Pain Severity Score

21.6% improvement to mean score, as measured by the Canine Brief Pain Inventory². Assesses pain at its "worst", "least", "average", and "now" (current pain). The responses are averaged to deliver an overall pain severity score.

Pain Interference Score

14.3% improvement to mean score, as measured by the Canine Brief Pain Inventory. Reflects how much pain interferes with six different daily activities, including general activity, enjoyment of life, rising to standing, walking, running, and climbing.

Joint Stiffness

12.5% improvement to mean score, as measured by the Canine Orthopedic Index³. Stiffness is the restriction or slowness in the ease with which the dog moves his/her joints.

Joint Function

17.6% improvement to mean score, as measured by the Canine Orthopedic Index. Indicates how much of a problem a dog has with four different activities, including jumping up (as in getting into the car or onto the bed), jumping down, climbing up (as on stairs, ramps, or curbs), and climbing down.

Gait

9.6% improvement to mean score, as measured by the Canine Orthopedic Index. Gait refers to the manner in which a dog uses their legs as it moves, including observations of limp severity and increased pain or stiffness following periods of over-activity.

Quality of Life

15.1% improvement to mean score, as measured by the Canine Orthopedic Index.

The remainder of the statistical tests did not result in rejections of the null hypotheses, i.e., no statistically significant difference between mean baseline and mean endpoint values, with the exception of Pacing - which measured an 83% improvement to the mean score on the Canine Symptom Assessment Scale, and resulted in a z-statistic equal to 1.999 and subsequent p-value of 0.0456 which is statistically significant at the $\alpha = 0.05$ significance level.

¹ <https://www.vet.upenn.edu/research/clinical-trials-vcic/our-services/pennchart/canine-symptomscale>

² <https://www.vet.upenn.edu/research/clinical-trials-vcic/our-services/pennchart/cbpi-tool>

³ <https://www.vet.upenn.edu/research/clinical-trials-vcic/our-services/pennchart/canine-orthopedic-index>

Appendix II: Raw Data from Assessment Tools

Demographics

Age is not normally distributed: use median and range
Age (yrs)

Percentiles		Smallest		Obs	Sum of Wgt.
1%	3		3		
5%	3		3		
10%	4		4		
25%	6		4		
50%	9			Mean	8.487179
		Largest		Std. Dev.	2.873397
75%	11		12		
90%	12		12	Variance	8.25641
95%	12		12	Skewness	-.4922679
99%	12		12	Kurtosis	1.966605
Breed		Freq.	Percent	Cum.	
AKIA		1	2.56	2.56	
APBT		1	2.56	5.13	
BOXE		2	5.13	10.26	
BULL		1	2.56	12.82	
BULM		2	5.13	17.95	
DOBE		1	2.56	20.51	
GERM		3	7.69	28.21	
GLDR		2	5.13	33.33	
GRPY		1	2.56	35.90	
GTDN		1	2.56	38.46	
LABR		7	17.95	56.41	
MIXB		14	35.90	92.31	
ROTW		2	5.13	97.44	
SBRN		1	2.56	100.00	
Total		39	100.00		
Sex		Freq.	Percent	Cum.	
F		16	41.03	41.03	
M		23	58.97	100.00	
Total		39	100.00		

Weight is not normally distributed - use median and range

Percentiles		Smallest		Obs	Sum of Wgt.
1%	30.2		30.2		
5%	31.4		31		
10%	32.05		31.8		
25%	34.1		32		
50%	38			Mean	41.1125
		Largest		Std. Dev.	10.18702
75%	44.95		54.4		
90%	53.6		55.2	Variance	103.7755
95%	58.5		61.8	Skewness	2.050328
99%	83.2		83.2	Kurtosis	8.565894

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Physical Exam

Temperature:

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
tempf	40	101.6	.6733009	100.4	103.6

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
tempf	40	101.65	.6275718	100.2	102.7

Pulse (Not normal):

Baseline

Pulse (BMP)					
	Percentiles	Smallest			
1%	44	44			
5%	87	78			
10%	100	96	Obs	40	
25%	104	100	Sum of Wgt.	40	
50%	120		Mean	113.25	
		Largest	Std. Dev.	16.39692	
75%	120	128			
90%	126	128	Variance	268.859	
95%	132	136	Skewness	-2.041282	
99%	140	140	Kurtosis	9.373584	

Endpoint

Pulse (BMP)					
	Percentiles	Smallest			
1%	75	75			
5%	89	82			
10%	96	96	Obs	40	
25%	106	96	Sum of Wgt.	40	
50%	119		Mean	113.05	
		Largest	Std. Dev.	12.89196	
75%	122	124			
90%	124	128	Variance	166.2026	
95%	128	128	Skewness	-1.035377	
99%	133	133	Kurtosis	3.658702	

Respiration:

Baseline

Resp (BPM)	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
24	2	5.00	5.00
P	28	70.00	75.00
p	10	25.00	100.00
Total	40	100.00	

Endpoint

Resp (BPM)	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
20	1	2.50	2.50

24	4	10.00	12.50
28	1	2.50	15.00
9	1	2.50	17.50
P	23	57.50	75.00
p	10	25.00	100.00
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Total	40	100.00	

Canine Brief Pain Inventory

Pain Severity Score

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselinePSS	40	4.24375	1.853174	.5	8.75

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointPSS	40	3.31875	2.015157	0	8

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Basel~SS	40	4.24375	.2930126	1.853174	3.651076 4.836424
Endpo~SS	40	3.31875	.3186243	2.015157	2.674272 3.963228
diff	40	.925	.2497114	1.579313	.4199111 1.430089

mean(diff) = mean(BaselinePSS - EndpointPSS) t = 3.7043
Ho: mean(diff) = 0 degrees of freedom = 39

Ha: mean(diff) != 0

Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0007

Pain Interference Score

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselinePIS	40	4.545833	2.461958	.3333333	9.166667

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointPIS	40	3.895833	2.573614	0	10

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Basel~IS	40	4.545833	.3892697	2.461958	3.758461 5.333206
Endpo~IS	40	3.8951	.4068611	2.573216	3.072146 4.718054

diff	40	.6507334	.2483725	1.570846	.1483526	1.153114
mean(diff) = mean(BaselinePIS - EndpointPIS)				t =	2.6200	
Ho: mean(diff) = 0				degrees of freedom =	39	
Ha: mean(diff) != 0						
Pr(T > t) = 0.0125						

Quality of Life

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselineCB~L	40	2.525	.8766925	0	4

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointCB~L	40	2.6	.9554164	0	4

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Ba~PIQOL	40	2.525	.1386173	.8766925	2.24462 2.80538
En~PIQOL	40	2.6	.1510646	.9554164	2.294443 2.905557
diff	40	-.075	.1404548	.8883145	-.3590967 .2090967

mean(diff) = mean(BaselineCBPIQOL - EndpointCBPIQOL) t = -0.5340
 Ho: mean(diff) = 0 degrees of freedom = 39

Ha: mean(diff) != 0
 Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.5964

Canine Orthopedic Index

Stiffness

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselineSt~s	40	7.825	2.135025	4	13

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointSt~s	40	6.85	2.806129	2	15

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Baseli~s	40	7.825	.3375772	2.135025	7.142186 8.507814
Endpoi~s	40	6.6	.4540417	2.871612	5.681614 7.518386
diff	40	1.225	.4550113	2.877744	.3046528 2.145347

mean(diff) = mean(BaselineStiffn~s - EndpointStiffn~s) t = 2.6922
 Ho: mean(diff) = 0 degrees of freedom = 39
 Ha: mean(diff) != 0
 Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0104

Function

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselineFu~n	40	7.975	3.230365	1	16

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointFu~n	40	6.575	3.775002	0	16

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Ba~ction	40	7.975	.5107655	3.230365	6.941879 9.008121
En~ction	40	6.575	.5968802	3.775002	5.367696 7.782304
diff	40	1.4	.4015994	2.539937	.5876886 2.212311

mean(diff) = mean(BaselineFunction - EndpointFunction) t = 3.4861
 Ho: mean(diff) = 0 degrees of freedom = 39
 Ha: mean(diff) != 0
 Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0012

Gait

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselineGait	40	11.45	3.856064	3	20

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointGait	40	10.35	5.081641	1	20

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Base~ait	40	11.45	.6096973	3.856064	10.21677 12.68323
Endp~ait	40	10.35	.803478	5.081641	8.724812 11.97519
diff	40	1.1	.4263741	2.696627	.237577 1.962423

mean(diff) = mean(BaselineGait - EndpointGait) t = 2.5799
 Ho: mean(diff) = 0 degrees of freedom = 39

Ha: mean(diff) != 0
Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0138

Quality of Life

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselineCO~L	40	5.95	2.469818	1	12

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointCO~L	40	5.05	2.864012	0	12

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Ba~OIQOL	40	5.95	.3905125	2.469818	5.160114 6.739886
En~OIQOL	40	5.05	.45284	2.864012	4.134045 5.965955
diff	40	.9	.3559026	2.250926	.180119 1.619881

mean(diff) = mean(BaselineCOIQOL - EndpointCOIQOL) t = 2.5288
Ho: mean(diff) = 0 degrees of freedom = 39

Ha: mean(diff) != 0
Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0156

Canine Symptom Assessment Scale

Pain

Baseline

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
BaselineCS~n	39	1.483333	.6708531	0	3.1

Endpoint

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
EndpointCS~n	39	1.188462	.780474	0	2.65

Paired t test

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
Basel~in	40	1.44625	.1110756	.7025035	1.221578 1.670922
Endpo~in	40	1.15875	.1253826	.7929891	.9051398 1.41236
diff	40	.2875	.1184806	.7493373	.0478503 .5271497

mean(diff) = mean(BaselineCSPain - EndpointCSPain) t = 2.4266
Ho: mean(diff) = 0 degrees of freedom = 39

Ha: mean(diff) != 0
Pr(|T| > |t|) = 0.0200

Energy (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSEnergy

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0		0	
5%	0		0	
10%	0		0	Obs 38
25%	0		0	Sum of Wgt. 38
50%	.4			Mean .6355263
		Largest		Std. Dev. .6642317
75%	1.1		1.75	
90%	1.75		1.8	Variance .4412038
95%	1.95		1.95	Skewness .6668506
99%	2.15		2.15	Kurtosis 2.238849

Endpoint

EndpointCSEnergy

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0		0	
5%	0		0	
10%	0		0	Obs 39
25%	0		0	Sum of Wgt. 39
50%	0			Mean .4551282
		Largest		Std. Dev. .7975122
75%	.65		1.75	
90%	1.75		1.75	Variance .6360256
95%	2.65		2.65	Skewness 1.832114
99%	3.1		3.1	Kurtosis 5.51953

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	17	476.5	342
negative	7	207.5	342
zero	16	136	136
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all	40	820	820
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unadjusted variance	5535.00		
adjustment for ties	-1.38		
adjustment for zeros	-374.00		
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adjusted variance	5159.63		

Ho: BaselineCSEnergy = EndpointCSEnergy

z = 1.872

Prob > |z| = 0.0611

Panting (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSPant

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0		0	
5%	0		0	
10%	0		0	Obs 40
25%	0		0	Sum of Wgt. 40

50%	.125		Mean	.435
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.5781491
75%	.775	1.5		
90%	1.45	1.55	Variance	.3342564
95%	1.6	1.65	Skewness	1.065078
99%	1.75	1.75	Kurtosis	2.655718

Endpoint

EndpointCSPant

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	39
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	0		Mean	.2282051
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.4824274
75%	.25	.7		
90%	.7	1.15	Variance	.2327362
95%	1.95	1.95	Skewness	2.695235
99%	2	2	Kurtosis	9.73534

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	15	462	315
negative	6	168	315
zero	19	190	190
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all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance	5535.00
adjustment for ties	-0.63
adjustment for zeros	-617.50

adjusted variance	4916.88

Ho: BaselineCSPant = EndpointCSPant

z = 2.096

Prob > |z| = 0.0360

Coughing (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSCough

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.01125
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.0711512
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.0050625
95%	0	0	Skewness	6.08487
99%	.45	.45	Kurtosis	38.02564

Endpoint

EndpointCSCough

Percentiles		Smallest	
1%	0	0	
5%	0	0	
10%	0	0	Obs 40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt. 40
50%	0		Mean .0225
		Largest	Std. Dev. .1423025
75%	0	0	
90%	0	0	Variance .02025
95%	0	0	Skewness 6.08487
99%	.9	.9	Kurtosis 38.02564

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	0	0	20
negative	1	40	20
zero	39	780	780
all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance 5535.00
adjustment for ties 0.00
adjustment for zeros -5135.00

adjusted variance 400.00

Ho: BaselineCSCough = EndpointCSCough

z = -1.000

Prob > |z| = 0.3173

Pacing (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSPace

Percentiles		Smallest	
1%	0	0	
5%	0	0	
10%	0	0	Obs 39
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt. 39
50%	0		Mean .0884615
		Largest	Std. Dev. .2787334
75%	0	.65	
90%	.65	.65	Variance .0776923
95%	.85	.85	Skewness 3.139132
99%	1.3	1.3	Kurtosis 12.04458

Endpoint

EndpointCSPace

Percentiles		Smallest	
1%	0	0	
5%	0	0	
10%	0	0	Obs 40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt. 40

50%	0		Mean	.015
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.0948683
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.009
95%	0	0	Skewness	6.08487
99%	.6	.6	Kurtosis	38.02564

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	4	154	77
negative	0	0	77
zero	36	666	666
all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance 5535.00
adjustment for ties -0.13
adjustment for zeros -4051.50

adjusted variance 1483.38

Ho: BaselineCSPace = EndpointCSPace
z = 1.999
Prob > |z| = 0.0456

Sleep Disturbance (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSSleep				
Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.10125
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.3062359
75%	0	.6		
90%	.5	.65	Variance	.0937804
95%	.75	.85	Skewness	3.381853
99%	1.55	1.55	Kurtosis	14.60369

Endpoint

EndpointCSSleep				
Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.12875
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.415391
75%	0	.85		
90%	.425	.9	Variance	.1725497
95%	1.2	1.5	Skewness	3.221709
99%	1.9	1.9	Kurtosis	12.37731

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	3	111	95
negative	2	79	95
zero	35	630	630
all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance 5535.00

adjustment for ties 0.00

adjustment for zeros -3727.50

adjusted variance 1807.50

Ho: BaselineCSSleep = EndpointCSSleep

z = 0.376

Prob > |z| = 0.7067

Aggression (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSAggression

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.05375
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.2426846
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.0588958
95%	.425	.85	Skewness	4.423049
99%	1.3	1.3	Kurtosis	21.33869

Endpoint

EndpointCSAggression

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.0275
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.1739253
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.03025
95%	0	0	Skewness	6.08487
99%	1.1	1.1	Kurtosis	38.02564

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	2	79	39.5
negative	0	0	39.5

zero	38	741	741
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all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance	5535.00
adjustment for ties	0.00
adjustment for zeros	-4754.75

adjusted variance	780.25

Ho: BaselineCSAggression = EndpointCSAggression
z = 1.414
Prob > |z| = 0.1573

sleepiness (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSSleepy

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0	Obs	40
5%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
10%	0	0		
25%	0	0		
50%	0		Mean	.13375
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.3406983
75%	0	.95		
90%	.725	1.05	Variance	.1160753
95%	1.1	1.15	Skewness	2.446279
99%	1.25	1.25	Kurtosis	7.410472

Endpoint

EndpointCSSleepy

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0	Obs	40
5%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
10%	0	0		
25%	0	0		
50%	0		Mean	.14375
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.4308887
75%	0	1		
90%	.6	1.25	Variance	.1856651
95%	1.4	1.55	Skewness	2.857352
99%	1.75	1.75	Kurtosis	9.625881

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
-----+-----			
positive	3	111	112.5
negative	3	114	112.5
zero	34	595	595
-----+-----			
all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance	5535.00
adjustment for ties	0.00
adjustment for zeros	-3421.25

adjusted variance 2113.75

Ho: BaselineCSSleepy = EndpointCSSleepy
z = -0.033
Prob > |z| = 0.9740

Vomiting (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSVomit

Percentiles	Smallest			
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	0
		Largest	Std. Dev.	0
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	0
95%	0	0	Skewness	.
99%	0	0	Kurtosis	.

Endpoint

EndpointCSVomit

Percentiles	Smallest			
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	0
		Largest	Std. Dev.	0
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	0
95%	0	0	Skewness	.
99%	0	0	Kurtosis	.

Diarrhea (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSDiarrhea

Percentiles	Smallest			
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.0425
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.1930026
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.03725
95%	.325	.65	Skewness	4.493119
99%	1.05	1.05	Kurtosis	22.11183

Endpoint

EndpointCSDiarrhea

Percentiles	Smallest			
1%	0	0		

5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.0225
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.1423025
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.02025
95%	0	0	Skewness	6.08487
99%	.9	.9	Kurtosis	38.02564

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	2	78	58.5
negative	1	39	58.5
zero	37	703	703
all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance 5535.00
adjustment for ties 0.00
adjustment for zeros -4393.75

adjusted variance 1141.25

Ho: BaselineCSDiarrhea = EndpointCSDiarrhea
z = 0.577
Prob > |z| = 0.5638

Whining (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSWhine				
	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	39
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	0		Mean	.3371795
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.6031407
75%	.65	1.5		
90%	1.5	1.55	Variance	.3637787
95%	1.95	1.95	Skewness	1.711092
99%	2.2	2.2	Kurtosis	4.86473

Endpoint

EndpointCSWhine				
	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.15
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.3824684
75%	0	.9		
90%	.875	1.1	Variance	.1462821

95%	1.1	1.1	Skewness	2.39112
99%	1.55	1.55	Kurtosis	7.446871

Yelping (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSYelp

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.19
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.5550699
75%	0	.9		
90%	.775	1.95	Variance	.3081026
95%	1.95	1.95	Skewness	2.831579
99%	2.15	2.15	Kurtosis	9.500384

Endpoint

EndpointCSYelp

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.13125
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.3887336
75%	0	.6		
90%	.5	.85	Variance	.1511138
95%	1.075	1.3	Skewness	3.336258
99%	1.9	1.9	Kurtosis	13.80115

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	5	181	146
negative	3	111	146
zero	32	528	528
-----+-----			
all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance	5535.00
adjustment for ties	-0.13
adjustment for zeros	-2860.00

adjusted variance	2674.88

Ho: BaselineCSYelp = EndpointCSYelp
z = 0.677
Prob > |z| = 0.4986

Appetite (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineCSAppetite

Percentiles	Smallest
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1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	39
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	0		Mean	.0230769
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.0864856
75%	0	0		
90%	0	.2	Variance	.0074798
95%	.25	.25	Skewness	3.898392
99%	.45	.45	Kurtosis	17.79493

Endpoint

EndpointCSAppetite				
Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.045
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.203747
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.0415128
95%	.35	.7	Skewness	4.457214
99%	1.1	1.1	Kurtosis	21.71622

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	2	75	77
negative	2	79	77
zero	36	666	666
-----+-----			
all	40	820	820
 unadjusted variance			
5535.00			
adjustment for ties			
0.00			
adjustment for zeros			
-4051.50			
 -----+-----			
adjusted variance			
1483.50			

Ho: BaselineCSAppetite = EndpointCSAppetite

z = -0.052

Prob > |z| = 0.9586

Constipation

Baseline

BaselineCSConstipation				
Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.03875
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.1719002
75%	0	0		

90%	0	0	Variance	.0295497
95%	.35	.7	Skewness	4.196193
99%	.85	.85	Kurtosis	18.8058

Endpoint

EndpointCSConstipation

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	0	0		
10%	0	0	Obs	40
25%	0	0	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	0		Mean	.0325
		Largest	Std. Dev.	.205548
75%	0	0		
90%	0	0	Variance	.04225
95%	0	0	Skewness	6.08487
99%	1.3	1.3	Kurtosis	38.02564

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	1	40	39.5
negative	1	39	39.5
zero	38	741	741
all	40	820	820

unadjusted variance	5535.00
adjustment for ties	0.00
adjustment for zeros	-4754.75

adjusted variance	780.25

Ho: BaselineCSConstipation = EndpointCSConstipation

z = 0.018
Prob > |z| = 0.9857

Appetite (not normal)

Baseline

BaselineAppetite

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	5	5		
5%	5	5		
10%	5.5	5	Obs	40
25%	8	5	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	10		Mean	8.675
		Largest	Std. Dev.	1.74514
75%	10	10		
90%	10	10	Variance	3.045513
95%	10	10	Skewness	-1.044704
99%	10	10	Kurtosis	2.714336

Endpoint

EndpointAppetite

Percentiles		Smallest	
1%	4	4	

5%	5	5		
10%	5.5	5	Obs	40
25%	8	5	Sum of Wgt.	40
50%	10		Mean	8.775
		Largest	Std. Dev.	1.761228
75%	10	10		
90%	10	10	Variance	3.101923
95%	10	10	Skewness	-1.363629
99%	10	10	Kurtosis	3.596742

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	7	228	272
negative	10	316	272
zero	23	276	276
-----+-----			
all	40	820	820
-----+-----			
unadjusted variance	5535.00		
adjustment for ties	-28.13		
adjustment for zeros	-1081.00		
-----+-----			
adjusted variance	4425.88		

Ho: BaselineAppetite = EndpointAppetite
z = -0.661
Prob > |z| = 0.5084

Global Assessment of Change

GAC 1	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
0	1	2.50	2.50
1	1	2.50	5.00
2	1	2.50	7.50
3	14	35.00	42.50
4	11	27.50	70.00
5	9	22.50	92.50
6	3	7.50	100.00
-----+-----			
Total	40	100.00	

GAC 2	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
0	1	2.50	2.50
1	1	2.50	5.00
2	1	2.50	7.50
3	14	35.00	42.50
4	9	22.50	65.00
5	10	25.00	90.00
6	4	10.00	100.00
-----+-----			
Total	40	100.00	

GAC 3		Freq.	Percent	Cum.
0		1	2.50	2.50
1		1	2.50	5.00
2		1	2.50	7.50
3		14	35.00	42.50
4		12	30.00	72.50
5		7	17.50	90.00
6		4	10.00	100.00
-----+-----				
Total		40	100.00	

Appendix III: Raw Activity Data

All activity is not normally distributed so median and range values would be reported.

A dozen dogs are missing the 4th week of data (days 22-28) so I used the day 21 endpoint.

I looked at the change in total weekly counts as well as daily counts over 1 or 3 weeks.

Total Weekly counts (Days -7 to -1 and Days 15 to 21)

Night time

Baseline

Baseline7DayNight

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	5924	5924		
5%	6108	6108		
10%	7100	6901	Obs	38
25%	10854	7100	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	24881		Mean	31285.29
		Largest	Std. Dev.	26717.74
75%	43229	62271		
90%	62271	63354	Variance	7.14e+08
95%	67476	67476	Skewness	2.462337
99%	150601	150601	Kurtosis	11.46958

Endpoint

Endpoint7DayNight

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	5442	5442		
10%	6982.571	5497.429	Obs	38
25%	12995.86	6982.571	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	20475.21		Mean	31396.45
		Largest	Std. Dev.	26554.03
75%	44107.57	71641.57		
90%	71641.57	81520.86	Variance	7.05e+08
95%	101074.9	101074.9	Skewness	1.172739
99%	101428.4	101428.4	Kurtosis	3.583856

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	22	400	370.5
negative	16	341	370.5
zero	0	0	0
-----+-----			
all	38	741	741
-----+-----			
unadjusted variance	4754.75		
adjustment for ties	0.00		
adjustment for zeros	0.00		
-----+-----			
adjusted variance	4754.75		

Ho: baseline7daynight = endpoint7daynight
z = 0.428

Prob > |z| = 0.6688

Day time

Baseline

Baseline7DayDay

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	180744	180744		
5%	263091	263091		
10%	300070	299256	Obs	38
25%	480418	300070	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	634901.5		Mean	722202.7
		Largest	Std. Dev.	381499.4
75%	869634	1323450		
90%	1323450	1456891	Variance	1.46e+11
95%	1591576	1591576	Skewness	1.227275
99%	1910938	1910938	Kurtosis	4.36868

Endpoint

Endpoint7DayDay

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	282135.6	282135.6		
10%	354900.2	325079.4	Obs	38
25%	447361.8	354900.2	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	571408.3		Mean	671796.4
		Largest	Std. Dev.	357272.9
75%	818969.3	1288132		
90%	1288132	1299475	Variance	1.28e+11
95%	1449742	1449742	Skewness	1.062176
99%	1706747	1706747	Kurtosis	3.834155

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	23	463	370.5
negative	15	278	370.5
zero	0	0	0
all	38	741	741

unadjusted variance	4754.75
adjustment for ties	0.00
adjustment for zeros	0.00

adjusted variance	4754.75

Ho: baseline7dayday = endpoint7dayday
z = 1.341
Prob > |z| = 0.1798

24 Hour

Baseline

Baseline7Day24Hour

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	204151	204151		
5%	303339	303339		
10%	330485	305364	Obs	38
25%	516062	330485	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	669587		Mean	753488
		Largest	Std. Dev.	392713.7
75%	882430	1390926		
90%	1390926	1483325	Variance	1.54e+11
95%	1598477	1598477	Skewness	1.342885
99%	2061539	2061539	Kurtosis	4.947975

Endpoint

Endpoint7Day24Hour

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	0	0		
5%	296258.8	296258.8		
10%	380009.8	362893.4	Obs	38
25%	490399.2	380009.8	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	592960.6		Mean	703192.8
		Largest	Std. Dev.	365378.7
75%	844223	1295780		
90%	1295780	1318221	Variance	1.34e+11
95%	1462766	1462766	Skewness	1.077863
99%	1808175	1808175	Kurtosis	4.062659

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	22	457	370.5
negative	16	284	370.5
zero	0	0	0
-----+-----			
all	38	741	741
-----+-----			
unadjusted variance	4754.75		
adjustment for ties	0.00		
adjustment for zeros	0.00		
-----+-----			
adjusted variance	4754.75		

Ho: baseline7day24hour = endpoint7day24hour

z = 1.254

Prob > |z| = 0.2097

Daily Counts over 1 or 3 weeks

Baseline Data (average of days -7 to -1)

Night time

Baseline NightTime

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	846.2857	846.2857		
5%	872.5714	872.5714		
10%	1014.286	985.8571	Obs	38
25%	1550.571	1014.286	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	3554.428		Mean	4469.327
		Largest	Std. Dev.	3816.82
75%	6175.571	8895.857		
90%	8895.857	9050.571	Variance	1.46e+07
95%	9639.429	9639.429	Skewness	2.462336
99%	21514.43	21514.43	Kurtosis	11.46958

Day time

Baseline Daytime

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	25820.57	25820.57		
5%	37584.43	37584.43		
10%	42867.14	42750.86	Obs	38
25%	68631.14	42867.14	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	90700.21		Mean	103171.8
		Largest	Std. Dev.	54499.91
75%	124233.4	189064.3		
90%	189064.3	208127.3	Variance	2.97e+09
95%	227368	227368	Skewness	1.227276
99%	272991.2	272991.2	Kurtosis	4.368681

24 hours

Baseline24Hour

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	29164.43	29164.43		
5%	43334.14	43334.14		
10%	47212.14	43623.43	Obs	38
25%	73723.14	47212.14	Sum of Wgt.	38
50%	95655.29		Mean	107641.1
		Largest	Std. Dev.	56101.96
75%	126061.4	198703.7		
90%	198703.7	211903.6	Variance	3.15e+09
95%	228353.9	228353.9	Skewness	1.342885
99%	294505.6	294505.6	Kurtosis	4.947975

Endpoint Data and Comparison to Baseline Data

A dozen dogs are missing the 4th week of data (days 22-28) so I used the day 21 endpoint for the activity data and I looked at it 2 ways:

1. The endpoint being the average of all 3 weeks (i.e. days 1-21)

2. The endpoint being the average of the 3rd week (i.e. days 15-21)

1. Endpoint is average of all 3 weeks (i.e. days 1-21)

Night time

Endpoint3WeekNightTime

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	636.9048	636.9048		
5%	1108.857	1108.857		
10%	1229.095	1174.714	Obs	39
25%	2067.572	1229.095	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	3269.81		Mean	4302.694
		Largest	Std. Dev.	3030.548
75%	5816.095	9189.286		
90%	9189.286	10622.38	Variance	9184221
95%	11227.67	11227.67	Skewness	1.01003
99%	12046.29	12046.29	Kurtosis	3.131691

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	20	393	351.5
negative	17	310	351.5
zero	0	0	0
-----+-----			
all	37	703	703
unadjusted variance			
adjustment for ties			
adjustment for zeros			

adjusted variance			
4393.75			

Ho: baselinenighttime = endpoint3weeknighttime

z = 0.626

Prob > |z| = 0.5313

Day time

Endpoint3WeekDayTime

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	39603.29	39603.29		
5%	44498.29	44498.29		
10%	52009.81	45012.76	Obs	39
25%	67849	52009.81	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	89017.19		Mean	98755.88
		Largest	Std. Dev.	42825.94
75%	123051.4	169530		
90%	169530	182610	Variance	1.83e+09
95%	193022.8	193022.8	Skewness	.9654288
99%	217509.5	217509.5	Kurtosis	3.402118

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	17	369	351.5
negative	20	334	351.5
zero	0	0	0
all	37	703	703

unadjusted variance 4393.75
adjustment for ties 0.00
adjustment for zeros 0.00

adjusted variance 4393.75

Ho: baselinedaylight = endpoint3weekdaytime
z = 0.264
Prob > |z| = 0.7918

Total 24 hour

Endpoint3Week24Hour

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	40778	40778		
5%	47633.95	47633.95		
10%	54077.38	52992.57	Obs	39
25%	73118.43	54077.38	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	92081.52		Mean	102943.1
		Largest	Std. Dev.	43580.77
75%	127615.8	171322.5		
90%	171322.5	185187	Variance	1.90e+09
95%	195938.4	195938.4	Skewness	.9739527
99%	228737.2	228737.2	Kurtosis	3.532544

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	17	374	351.5
negative	20	329	351.5
zero	0	0	0
all	37	703	703

unadjusted variance 4393.75
adjustment for ties 0.00
adjustment for zeros 0.00

adjusted variance 4393.75

Ho: baseline24hour = endpoint3week24hour
z = 0.339
Prob > |z| = 0.7343

2. Endpoint is the average of the 3rd week (i.e. days 15-21)

Night time

Endpoint3WeekNightTimePoint

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	690.2857	690.2857		
5%	795	795		
10%	915.5714	814.4286	Obs	39
25%	1826.143	915.5714	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	2926.857		Mean	4831.465
		Largest	Std. Dev.	3765.016
75%	7092.714	11148.71		
90%	11148.71	12602.86	Variance	1.42e+07
95%	13130.43	13130.43	Skewness	.8753771
99%	13240.57	13240.57	Kurtosis	2.648756

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	22	356	351.5
negative	15	347	351.5
zero	0	0	0
all	37	703	703

unadjusted variance	4393.75
adjustment for ties	0.00
adjustment for zeros	0.00
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adjusted variance	4393.75

Ho: baselinenighttime = endpoint3weeknighttimepoint
z = 0.068
Prob > |z| = 0.9459

Day time

	Percentiles	Smallest		
1%	42699.57	42699.57		
5%	45725.29	45725.29		
10%	46461.43	45968.57	Obs	39
25%	65052.14	46461.43	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	83624.57		Mean	97991.31
		Largest	Std. Dev.	47100.23
75%	118492.7	164796		
90%	164796	195267.7	Variance	2.22e+09
95%	196202.3	196202.3	Skewness	1.307541
99%	248128.6	248128.6	Kurtosis	4.367859

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	18	395	351.5
negative	19	308	351.5
zero	0	0	0
all	37	703	703

unadjusted variance	4393.75
adjustment for ties	0.00
adjustment for zeros	0.00

adjusted variance	4393.75

Ho: baselinedaylight = endpoint3weekdaytimepoint
z = 0.656
Prob > |z| = 0.5117

Total 24 hours

Endpoint3Week24HourPoint

Percentiles		Smallest		
1%	45245.86	45245.86		
5%	46658.86	46658.86		
10%	55081.43	47872.86	Obs	39
25%	71552.14	55081.43	Sum of Wgt.	39
50%	85165.29		Mean	102822.8
		Largest	Std. Dev.	47954.92
75%	124263.9	171876.3		
90%	171876.3	197665	Variance	2.30e+09
95%	199129.1	199129.1	Skewness	1.342333
99%	261259	261259	Kurtosis	4.640469

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

sign	obs	sum ranks	expected
positive	17	381	351.5
negative	20	322	351.5
zero	0	0	0

all	37	703	703

unadjusted variance	4393.75
adjustment for ties	0.00
adjustment for zeros	0.00

adjusted variance	4393.75

Ho: baseline24hour = endpoint3week24hourpoint
z = 0.445
Prob > |z| = 0.6563