## Research Using Consult Data to Review Chocolate Exposure

- **TOXICITY**: Chocolate has long been recognised as, and remains, a common cause of intoxication in dogs.

- **STUDY**: Data collected from 229 UK vet practices taking part in SAVSNET over five years.

- **SEASONALITY**: Chocolate exposure was most notably recorded at Christmas (OR=4.74, CI 3.04 to 7.40, P<0.001).

- **AGE OF DOG**: Chocolate exposure was significantly less common in old dogs (OR=0.42, CI 0.31 to 0.56, P<0.001).

- **SAFETY FIRST**: Owners need to be extra vigilant over Christmas and ensure that chocolate is kept away from their dogs.

- **AND THANK YOU**: Thank you to all participating veterinary practices for making this work possible. The findings can be highlighted to owners to raise awareness over the festive period.