

Study Checklist

- Identify a laminitis case, a healthy control, and a lameness control. Please see the attached definitions for inclusion and exclusion criteria.
- Complete the survey and body measurements for all 3 horses. The data may be entered in the web-based survey system located on our website (www.vetmed.tamu.edu/laminitis), or you may request a hardcopy from Dr. Coleman. If submitting a hardcopy, please retain a copy for your records.
- Complete a client consent form for each of the 3 horses. These must be mailed to the Study Coordinator. Please retain a copy for your records.
- Collect a serum separator (tiger top) and EDTA (purple top) tube of blood for each horse. If possible, all horses should be fasted for at least 6 hours prior to sample collection. If this is not possible, the sample may still be collected, but please notify Dr. Coleman. Please make sure all tubes are properly labeled with the horse's name, collection date, and case status (laminitis case, healthy control, or lameness control) with the stickers provided. If more than one data set is being submitted at once, please contact Dr. Coleman for further instructions.
 - Tiger top – Please centrifuge the sample at a speed and time (~10 minutes) that allows adequate separation. This sample may be stored in the **freezer** (-20°C) prior to shipping.
 - Purple top – Please keep this sample **refrigerated** at 4°C prior to shipping
 - *These samples may be stored for a few weeks; however, if there is a greater than 2 week period of time between blood collections, please contact Dr. Coleman for instructions.*
- If you are willing to submit radiographs for all 3 horses in a data set, please contact the Study Coordinator for further instructions.
- Mail blood, client consent forms, and paper surveys as indicated on the Shipping Instructions.
- Contact **Dr. Michelle Coleman** at 979-219-3523 or mcoleman@cvm.tamu.edu with any questions or concerns.