We are pleased to announce the fifteenth annual Legends Premier Stallion Season Auction, benefiting the Equine Reproductive Studies programs at the Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences.

For more than a decade, Texas A&M—a world leader in equine reproductive research and clinical studies—has joined with leading breeders and owners to offer the opportunity to bid on breedings from elite sires in the Barrel Racing Horse, Show Horse, Racing Quarter Horse, Western Performance Horse, and Thoroughbred Racing Horse industries. All proceeds from the auction directly support the advancement of research relating to equine reproduction.

Make plans for your breeding season now and help support continuing clinical research dedicated to enhancements in horse breeding at Texas A&M University.

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Bidding will begin at 80 percent of the listed 2023 breeding fee in Session One unless otherwise specified. Interested bidders must register to bid online prior to the start of the auction and agree to the auction’s terms and conditions.

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AUCTION SPECIFICS

The annual Legends Premier Stallion Auction, benefiting the Equine Reproductive Studies programs at the Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (VMBS) will be held in three sessions. The breedings offered will be auctioned online at legends.tamu.edu. Stallion seasons that have a bid in any given session will be sold during that same session. Stallion seasons receiving no bids during a given session will be automatically transferred to the subsequent session unless otherwise specified. All interested bidders must register on the auction site prior to bidding. Pre-registration will open beginning 30 days prior to the start of the first auction session. Bidders have the ability to have their bid remain anonymous if they so choose. Bidders must also indicate by selecting the appropriate box that they have read and understood the terms and conditions of the auction before they will be admitted to the bidding arena of the web site.

The winning bidder of each breeding secures the privilege to breed to a given stallion. Winning bidders are responsible for any additional fees as outlined in an individual stallion's 2023 breeding contract and agree to abide by all terms of the stallion owner/agent breeding contract. The stallion owner/agent will be notified at the close of each bidding session regarding the winning bidder and his/her contact information. A check or money order made payable to Texas A&M University or by a major credit card via the auction website is required to be postmarked within 10 days following the close of the session involving the successful bid. Failure to submit payment within this time frame will result in the bid being voided and transferred to the next highest bidder. If no bids were submitted during a given session, the season will be returned to the auction during the next session. The stallion seasons (breedings) being offered are for the 2023 breeding season.

1. All bids are final.

Bidders are strongly advised to obtain a copy of the appropriate stallion owner/agent breeding contract prior to bidding. Neither Texas A&M University, the VMBS, nor the Equine Reproductive Studies programs are responsible for contracts, websites, or pertinent information regarding stallion seasons (breedings) offered on the auction website.

2. Agreement to Abide by Breeding Contracts.

By placing a bid, the bidder agrees to abide by the terms of the stallion owner/agent breeding contract, and to pay for any fees or charges beyond the breeding fee, including but not limited to booking fees, per day mare care, veterinary expenses, costs associated with frozen or chilled semen shipment, foal registration fees, re-breeding fees, or fees associated with Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI). Registration of a foal resulting from this breeding is subject to all the established rules and regulations of the stallion's breed registry. The bidder understands that it is his/her responsibility to obtain and thoroughly read the stallion owner/agent breeding contract prior to placing a bid.

3. Timetable.

Session One bidding opens at noon (CST) on December 1, 2022, and ends at noon (CST) on December 20, 2022. Session Two bidding opens at noon (CST) on January 5, 2023, and ends at noon (CST) on January 19, 2023. Session Three bidding opens at noon (CST) on January 26, 2023, and ends at noon (CST) on February 9, 2023. Winners will be notified within 24 hours of the close of bidding. Bids may not be withdrawn or decreased once placed; therefore, when bidding closes, the highest bidder is responsible for timely payment. Payment in full by an approved method (check or money order made payable to Texas A&M University or by a major credit card via the auction website) is required to be postmarked within 10 days following the close of the session involving the successful bid. Failure to submit payment within this time frame will result in the bid being voided and transferred to the next highest bidder. If no bids were submitted during a given session, the season will be returned to the auction during the next session. The stallion seasons (breedings) being offered are for the 2023 breeding season.

4. Certain states, by state law, may assess a sales tax that will be added to the sales price for horses standing in said states.

5. Refunds.

The bidder understands that if they should place a winning bid and the stallion should die, be gelded, be determined unfit for breeding, or be sold prior to breeding the mare, only money paid to Texas A&M University for the auctioned stallion service will be refunded and shall constitute payment in full for any damage that may be incurred by the bidder and/or their agent. All seasons are offered on a NO GUARANTEE non-refundable basis except those marked LFG, which are sold LIVE FOAL GUARANTEE, according to the terms of an individual stallion owner/agent breeding contract.

6. Release from liability.

The bidder agrees and acknowledges that they fully realize and accept that there is a possible danger of accident, injury, sickness, or death involved in the breeding of horses and the attendant care of the mare and foal. The bidder voluntarily assumes all risks of accident, injury, sickness or death to said mare and/or foal and specifically releases Texas A&M University, the VMBS, and the Equine Reproductive Studies programs, their directors, trustees, officers, advisors, and agents from all liability for any accident, injury, sickness, or death to said mare and/or foal from any cause whatsoever, and specifically waives any and all claims resulting from such accident, injury, sickness, or death.

7. Release from warranty.

The bidder specifically acknowledges and understands that the involved organizations make no warranties either expressed, implied or by any other means of interpretation in connection with this agreement. It is expressly understood that the Equine Reproductive Studies programs are acting only as a clearinghouse in providing the Legends Premier Stallion Auction to breeders and that the stallion owner/agent, in turn, has agreed to contribute the purchase price of the stallion season fee to benefit the activities of the Equine Reproductive Studies programs. The organizations assume no liability for disputes that may arise between the bidders and the stallion owners/agents. The organizations affiliated with this auction make no guarantees of conception or delivery of a live foal. Live foal guarantees are subject to the stallion owner/agent breeding contract. Stallion owners/agents are responsible for all content provided on the auction web site.

8. Enforcement of Breeding Contract.

In event of a contract dispute over the enforcement of the breeding contract, the burden and expense of litigation will be borne by the mare owner.

9. Mailing Address for Payment.

A check or money order made payable to Texas A&M University should be mailed to the following address: Legends Premier Stallion Auction, 4475 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843-4475. Please indicate “Equine Reproductive Studies Fund” on the memo line of the check. (Payment by a major credit card via the auction website is also acceptable.)

10. Governance.

The terms and conditions of this auction are governed by the laws of the state of Texas.

Please consult your tax attorney and/or accountant for any potential tax benefit from participation in this auction.
EQUINE REPRODUCTIVE STUDIES

As a premier center for all activities related to equine reproduction, our program has established an international reputation for excellence in areas ranging from the diagnosis and treatment of reduced fertility in stallions to preservation of semen and development of assisted reproductive technologies for maximizing reproductive performance in mares. The resulting developments and discoveries have had a phenomenal impact on the equine breeding industry.

FACILITIES

Our equine reproduction facilities set the standard for the industry. We enjoy a spacious and safe breeding area designed for either natural mating or artificial breeding procedures.

The adjacent laboratories contain state-of-the-art instrumentation, including:

- phase and fluorescent microscopes,
- micromanipulators and computerized sperm motility analyzers,
- flow cytometers, and
- equipment for cryopreservation.

RESEARCH

The scientific advancements in equine theriogenology originating from research conducted at the college have been remarkable, leading to vast improvements in the reproductive abilities of mares and stallions under the pressures of today's expanded production expectations.

Our unrelenting dedication to the development of innovative methods for the preservation of gametes (both sperm and oocytes) and embryos has resulted in alternative means for maximizing the reproductive potential of valuable stallions and mares and has expanded the worldwide distribution of valuable genetics.

STALLIONS

Our team is considered a preeminent authority in this area of stallion reproduction.

- We conduct research and offer expert clinical consultations with owners.
- Our team makes frequent visits to premier equine breeding operations across the Americas, as well as in Europe and Australia.
- We have amassed a battery of tests to critically evaluate sperm and testicular function and have developed methods for critically assessing stallion reproductive function in the clinical setting.
- We have defined new approaches for the preservation of both cooled and frozen semen and devised methods for improving the reproductive performance of breeding stallions.

MARES/CLIENT SERVICES

We are on the cutting-edge of mare reproduction and refinement of technologies that improve reproductive potential.

Our team continues to lead in these areas and are currently offering the following services to our clients:

- collecting, maturing and fertilizing mare oocytes (eggs),
- trans-vaginal oocyte aspiration (TVA),
- intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI), and
- embryo vitrification.
TRAINING THE NEXT GENERATION

Perhaps our biggest legacy is providing exceptional academic and clinical foundations for our trainees today—so they will make a significant impact on the horse industry of tomorrow. Our success is dependent upon and made possible through the generosity of donors and buyers participating in our annual Legends Premier Stallion Auction and gifts specifically directed to our program.

We appreciate your support of our remarkable veterinary scientists as they continue advancing research and clinical applications dedicated to enhancements in horse breeding.

Charles C. Love, DVM, PhD, Diplomate ACT | Professor & Pin Oak Stud Chair of Stallion Reproductive Studies
Dr. Love leads the Equine Reproductive Studies programs. He received his DVM from the University of Missouri, his PhD in Comparative Medical Sciences from the University of Pennsylvania, and is a diplomate of the American College of Theriogenologists. With numerous manuscripts, book chapters, and invited presentations to his credit, he is an internationally recognized authority on stallion reproduction. His research focuses on the relationship of sperm laboratory measurements to fertility, improving techniques for the collection, analysis, and storage of semen, and the development of record-analysis systems for critically studying the fertility of stallions.

Yatta Boakari, DVM, MS, PhD, Diplomate ACT | Assistant Professor
Dr. Boakari started at Texas A&M in 2021. She received her DVM at the Universidade Federal do Piauí (UFPI–Brazil) (Federal University of Piauí) in 2012. She also completed a Masters at Universidade Estadual Paulista (UNESP–Brazil) (São Paulo State University) and became a diplomate of the American College of Theriogenology in 2022. The results of her research have been published in scientific journals and presented at conferences. She has also received various awards, such as Best Abstract at the International Symposium of Equine Reproduction and she contributed a chapter in Bovine Reproduction. Her current research focuses on subfertility in older mares and transcriptomics of semen from subfertile stallions.

Juan C. Samper, DVM, MSc, PhD, Diplomate ACT | Professor, Lecturer, & Research Associate
Dr. Samper is a world-renowned equine theriogenologist and is respected by students, staff, faculty, and clients throughout the academic, equine, and veterinary industries. He received his DVM at the Universidad Nacional de Colombia (National University of Colombia) in his home country and went on to serve in private practice before owning his own multi-veterinarian practice for more than 25 years. He received a Masters and PhD from the University of Minnesota and has served in several faculty and administrative positions at colleges of veterinary medicine around the world. He has published several peer-reviewed manuscripts and is the author of two editions of Equine Breeding Management and Artificial Insemination. He is a specialty chief editor for a section of Frontiers in Veterinary Science. His current research focuses on the implementation of sexed stallion semen in the equine industry.

Camilo Hernández-Avilés, DVM, PhD | Second-year Resident
Dr. Hernández-Avilés received his DVM at the Universidad Nacional de Colombia (National University of Colombia) in 2016, and his PhD in Biomedical Sciences at Texas A&M University in 2022. From 2017–18, he spent a year in the Stallion Reproductive Studies laboratory, at Texas A&M as a visiting scholar, under Drs. Dickson Varner and Charles Love. There, he conducted various studies focused on the longevity of stallion sperm during cooled storage and the validation of flow cytometry-based assays for sperm and their relationship with stallion fertility. His doctoral studies, under Dr. Charles Love, focused on the clinical and molecular understanding of acrosome dysfunction in sperm from subfertile Thoroughbred stallions and included the validation of various flow cytometry-based methods for acrosomal function analysis, and the identification of fertility-associated proteins in stallion sperm by using mass spectrometry-based proteomics. In 2021, he began his clinical residency in equine theriogenology, under the mentorship of Drs. Charles Love and Juan Samper, with a strong emphasis on stallion reproduction and assisted reproductive technologies in mares. His clinical and research interests are related to stallion fertility, particularly stallion sperm physiology and cryobiology, molecular biology techniques applied to male fertility, the improvement of techniques for stallion sperm analysis and storage, and the diagnosis and management of reproductive conditions in stallions.

Luisa Ramírez-Agámez, DVM, MS | Embryologist, PhD Student
Dr. Ramírez-Agámez received her DVM at the Universidad Nacional de Colombia (National University of Colombia) in 2017. During the 2017 and 2018 breeding seasons, she was a visiting intern at Pinnacle Equine Veterinary Services, in Whitesboro, Texas. She also spent a year (2019–20) as a visiting intern in the Equine Embryo Laboratory at Texas A&M, under the mentorship of Dr. Katrin Hinrichs. There, she was trained in transvaginal oocyte aspiration, oocyte and embryo manipulation in the mare, and conducted studies on in vitro capacitation of stallion sperm. In 2021, she began her doctoral studies, under Dr. Charles Love, focused on the study of variable clinical factors associated with the efficiency of assisted reproductive technologies in the mare, particularly Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI) and in vitro culture of equine embryos. Various of these studies are conducted in collaboration with Dr. Terje Raudsepp, including the validation of alternative methods of preimplantation genetic diagnosis in embryos, and the impact of ICSI and in vitro culture on the genome and transcriptome of equine embryos. In addition to her research duties, she serves as the embryologist for the clinical ICSI service in the theriogenology section of the Large Animal Teaching Hospital (LATH). Her clinical and research interests are related to assisted reproductive technologies in horses, with an emphasis on transvaginal oocyte aspiration, in vitro oocyte maturation, fertility, and embryo culture. She also has interests in the application of molecular biology techniques for gametes and embryos, and the relationship of these to clinical equine reproduction.

Amber Hampton, MS, DVM | First-year Resident
Following her current deployment, Dr. Hampton will begin a two-year residency program in equine theriogenology at the Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (VMBS). She received her DVM from Texas A&M University in 2005. Following graduation, she practiced in equine ambulatory and companion animal practices. She joined the U.S. Army Reserve in 2011 and was commissioned as a captain in the veterinary corps, serving as a field service and preventive medicine veterinarian in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Qatar. She is completing her fourth deployment, serving as commander of the 169th Medical Detachment (Veterinary Services), responsible for providing all preventive and emergency veterinary care to U.S. military working dogs across the Middle East. Her tasks also include leading the effort to ensure the safety of food served to all U.S. military personnel throughout the region and supporting the Kuwaiti Military as a consultant to their Equestrian Team and Veterinary Hospital. While she has had a variety of veterinary experiences around the world, her passion remains in equine reproduction and sports medicine.