

Equine Grass Sickness Biobank

Equine Grass Sickness (EGS) is a devastating disease with an 80% fatality rate. The cause remains unknown and research has been hampered by a lack of samples from EGS cases and co-grazer controls.

The EGS Biobank is a new research project collecting case reports, biological and environmental samples, which will be available to all researchers investigating EGS.

It is likely the key to the disease will lie in these samples so the biobank is critical to research progress.



Vets and Horse Owners

You can help us search for answers to this disease by donating samples to the biobank



Vets information and Downloads

<https://grassickness.org.uk/research/egs-biobank-vets-information/>



Owners Information and Downloads

<https://grassickness.org.uk/research/egs-biobank-horse-owner-information/>

There is just a small window of opportunity to collect the samples when grass sickness is suspected, so please consider sample donation and completing our consent form in advance. There are no additional costs to owners in supplying samples and vets can claim reimbursement for tissue collection for the biobank.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Report a case
- Provide samples for the biobank – pre-mortem, post-mortem and environmental
- Join our vet or horse owner ambassador group – help raise awareness

More details at <https://grassickness.org.uk/>
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