

NEWSLETTER

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EQUINE ALLERGIES

Similar to ourselves, horses can suffer from a variety of allergies and, quite commonly, it can be a few different allergens causing a reaction at one time which can lead to symptoms that can affect your horse's skin, breathing & performance.

Allergy testing plays a vital role for horses displaying symptoms of an allergic response and can help decrease symptoms through management changes or treatment and, just as importantly, help to reduce the risk of future flare ups.

- Allergy - an overreaction by the horse's immune system resulting in the overproduction of antibodies and, ultimately, the occurrence of symptoms.
- Allergen - a substance which causes the horse's immune system to overproduce antibodies.



TESTING

The testing process is simple – 1 visit and 1 blood test, which is sent for analysis to Avacta Animal Health. Your vet will discuss which panels they think are appropriate for testing by having a discussion about the potential causes and what may have been 'ruled out' so far. The panels available for testing are environmental (indoor & outdoor allergens), insect & food. There is also a quick screen test available (covering grasses, weeds, trees, indoor & insects) which will give either a negative or positive result. Following this result any positive panels can then be investigated further to give specific breakdowns for the individual allergens causing the allergic response.

THE RESULTS

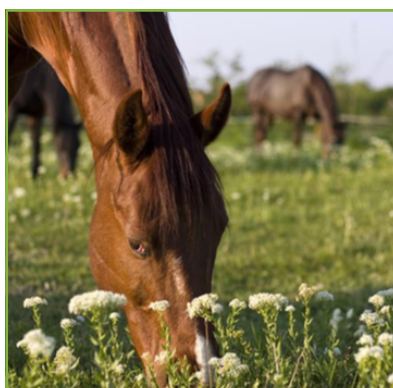
Using the information from the test we can help to eliminate the cause through diet or management changes. Alternatively Avacta also offers immunotherapy based on the results of the test, enabling us to offer a custom injection for your horse to desensitise them to the cause(s) of the allergy. The whole process is quick, easy and your horse does not have to go anywhere to get it all done!

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