

Contagious Equine Metritis (*Taylorella sp.*) Information Sheet

TESTING DETAILS

1. Veterinarians are required to follow USDA requirements for sample collection & shipment (http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/equine/equine_import_cemcountry731days.shtml)
2. USDA determines “Import” requirements; contact destination country for “Export” requirements
3. All submissions for CEM testing are considered **OFFICIAL**; results will be reported to CDFA and USDA
4. CAHFS can provide Amies charcoal swabs at no charge; submitter must pay for shipping
5. Cost of culture: \$49.25 per swab tested; payment should be included with samples. Make checks payable to “**U.C. Regents**” or call 530-752-4613 to pay by credit card

SAMPLING INFORMATION FOR IMPORT:

1. Samples **MUST** be collected in **Amies Charcoal** swabs for shipment; include date and time of collection
2. Individual samples for import must be collected from each site
 - a. **STALLIONS** (collected once) have 4 sample sites: urethral orifice, urethral diverticulum, urethral fossa, prepuce
 - b. **MARES** (collected 3 times, ≥ 72 hours apart, within 12 days) have 3 sample sites: clitoral fossa and clitoral sinus (from all three collections); cervix/endometrium (from one of the three collections)
3. Place culture swabs on ice packs or in refrigerator ASAP
4. Use CAHFS CEM submission form on page 2 of this document—fill out completely or samples may be rejected

SAMPLING INFORMATION FOR EXPORT OR SCREENING:

1. Samples **MUST** be collected in **Amies Charcoal** swabs for shipment
2. Individual samples must be collected. Pooling of samples will not be accepted. Contact destination country for “Export” requirements. For screening, contact your veterinarian.
3. Place culture swabs on ice packs or in refrigerator ASAP
4. Use CAHFS CEM submission form on page 2 of this document—fill out completely or samples may be rejected

SHIPPING INFORMATION

1. Samples must arrive chilled within 48 hours of collection
2. Ship overnight with enough ICE PACKS for samples to arrive cool
3. Do NOT use U.S. Mail for shipping samples
4. Send to the CAHFS DAVIS lab only
5. Shipped samples are accepted for testing at CAHFS Davis **Monday through Friday** only

REPORTING INFORMATION

1. Submitters will be notified ASAP if samples are unsuitable for testing or are contaminated with bacteria which inhibit the recovery of *Taylorella sp.*
2. Cultures that are suspicious for *Taylorella sp.* will be sent to NVSL for final confirmation. Submitters will be notified when suspect cultures are sent.
3. Cultures must be evaluated for at least 7 days. Results will be finalized as negative after 7 days (at the earliest.)



VETERINARY MEDICINE

California Animal Health & Food Safety Laboratory System

FOR MORE INFO VISIT: <https://cahfs.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/>

For lab use only

CAHFS Accn. # _____
Rec'd by _____
Case Coordinator _____
Program CEM-CEH CEM-Not CEH
of Samples _____
Date Rec'd _____
Section _____
Carrier _____

Contagious Equine Metritis (CEM) Submission Form

SAMPLES MAY BE REJECTED IF THIS FORM IS NOT COMPLETELY FILLED OUT

Payment Received

Veterinarian's Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____
Report by Fax E-Mail
or address _____
Owner's Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____

Horse Location/Collection Site:
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
County _____
Horse Information:
Name _____
Registration _____
Breed _____
Age _____ Sex _____ Color _____
Markings _____

Report to: USDA (000895) Fax: (916) 363-1125

Samples must be collected in Amies media with charcoal (swabs CANNOT be expired) and shipped on ice packs.
Samples must be received at the Davis Lab within 48 hours of collection. Pooling of samples is not allowed.

IMPORT: Country Of Origin: _____
Collection Date _____ Time _____
Stallion: Billing acct: _____
REQUIRED CULTURE SITES
1. Prepuce
2. Urethral orifice/distal urethra
3. Urethral fossa
4. Urethral diverticulum
Mare: Billing acct: _____ Set _____ of _____ 3
REQUIRED CULTURE SITES
1. Clitoral fossa
2. Clitoral sinus
INCLUDE WITH ONE SET ON OPEN MARES
1. Distal cervix/endometrium

EXPORT: Horse/Semen exported to: _____
Collection Date _____ Time _____
Stallion:
CULTURE SITES:
Mare:
CULTURE SITES:

SHIP SAMPLES TO: CAHFS, Davis
University of California, Davis
620 W. Health Sciences Drive
Davis, CA 95616
General Info: (530) 752-8700
FAX: (530) 752-6253

PAYMENT IS REQUIRED WITH EACH SUBMISSION

Cost of testing is \$ 49.25 per sample site.
Make Checks payable to: UC REGENTS
or call 530-752-4613 to pay by credit card

I understand that specimens submitted are the property of CAHFS. Client information provided to CAHFS, and the tests results from samples submitted to CAHFS, will be treated as confidential information consistent with applicable legal standards, including, but not limited to, California Business and Professions Code section 4857 and Evidence Code section 1040. Client information and test results are automatically provided to the veterinarian listed on the submission form. This information will not be divulged to third parties without written consent of the client, except when required by law, which includes requirements that test results be provided to regulatory agencies. University, its officers, employees, and agents shall not be accountable for any loss, expense (including attorneys' fees), damage, or liability of any kind resulting from or arising out of services provided hereunder unless caused by negligent or willful acts or omissions by University, its officers, employees, or agents.

Signature of Submitter _____

Date _____