

Equine Abortion Diagnostic Panels & Tests

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The samples and tests listed below are suggested to detect common and high consequence causes of reproductive disease in the Pacific Northwest, and are not exhaustive. Please include clinical, herd, and management history, and suspected causes on the [Accession Form for Abortion Diagnosis](#) to alert about special diagnostic needs.

Please contact 509.335.9696 to consult with the on-duty Pathologist or Microbiologist.

For current prices (including out-of-state pricing), go to the [Web Test Search Tool](#) and type "abortion" in the query field. Submissions are charged a \$10 accession fee per case.

NOTE: Pathological findings may lead the pathologist to cancel (or substitute) any test in the panel.

Equine Abortion <u>Tissue</u> Panel:				
Samples	Preservation	Test	Agents Detected	WA Fee
entire fetus & placenta	fresh chilled	Necropsy (NA)	Rare presumptive causes may be detected grossly.	\$50 per fetus
fixed tissue[#]: Minimum: placenta* , liver, spleen, thymus, kidney, lung, heart, lymph node, tongue, diaphragm, brain. Submit affected skin if suspect fungal causes. Add'l tissues at no extra cost.	Fixed in 10% buffered neutral formalin at 10:1 (formalin:tissue) ratio. Max. 1 cm sample thickness.	Histopathology (H)	Presumptive causes may be detected histologically (e.g. <i>Listeria</i> , fungi).	\$168 per fetus
fresh (unfixed) tissue: pooled (liver, kidney, lung, & spleen)	fresh chilled	Aerobic culture (B)	bacterial causes (not <i>Leptospira</i>)	
		PCR (MD)	<i>Equine Herpesvirus-1 (EHV-1)</i>	
fetal stomach content	fresh (unfixed) chilled	Aerobic culture (B)	bacterial placentitis	
fresh placenta*	fresh (unfixed) chilled	Hold		
fresh liver	fresh chilled	Selenium (T)	selenium	
Total price: necropsy & abortion tissue panel plus \$10.00 accession fee				\$228 per fetus

***Many causes for abortion, including reportable diseases, require evaluation of the placenta.**

Equine Abortion <u>Serologic</u> Profile:				
Sample	Preservation	Tests Included	Agents Detected	WA Fee
blood clotted or blood serum separator tube from dam acute & convalescent preferred	fresh chilled	Serology (for antibody)	<i>EHV-1</i> and <i>EVA</i> , <i>Leptospira</i> (6 serovars)	\$47 per sample

Additional tests may be warranted based upon the findings of the abortion panel. The Pathologist will contact the submitter to discuss any recommended additional tests.

For more details and current prices (including out-of-state pricing), go to the [Web Test Search Tool](#) and type the Test Name listed below in the query field.

Additional Tests Available: additional fees will apply			
Samples	Preservation	Test Name	Agents Detected
unfixed fetal stomach contents	fresh chilled	Fungal Culture (B)	Fungi
pooled unfixed liver, kidney, lung, & spleen	fresh chilled	Fungal Culture (B)	Fungi
		Virus Isolation (V)	e.g. <i>EVA, EHV</i>
unfixed fetal liver OR kidney	fresh chilled	Trace Mineral Screen (T)	arsenic, barium, cadmium, chromium, cobalt, copper, iron, lead, manganese, molybdenum, selenium, zinc
blood clotted or blood serum separator tube from dam	fresh chilled	Trace Element Screen (T)	calcium, copper, iron, magnesium, phosphorus, zinc
must be recommended by pathologist pending pathology exam	fixed or fresh tissues	PCR	<i>Leptospira</i>
must be recommended by pathologist pending pathology exam	fixed tissues	Immunohistochemistry	e.g. <i>Leptospira</i>