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- Stablelab was developed by an Irish start-up company
- Zoetis recognized the importance of this stall-side test
- Perfect fit in Equine Continuum of Care
- Exclusive license agreement

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# Diagnostic Tool Supporting Continuum of Care

## Predict

Routine screening protocol

- Pre-competition
- Surgery
- Shipping
- Neonates

Patients with an elevated risk of respiratory and other acute infections

Compliments equine diagnostic line

## Detect

Establish baseline levels at initial examination

Serial monitoring over the course of treatment to monitor response<sup>3</sup>

Allows for treatment modification if SAA levels remain unchanged or elevate over time

## Treat

Before clinical symptoms start: normal = 0 $\mu$ g/ml

Most instances of infectious or inflammatory disease >50 $\mu$ g/ml<sup>1</sup>

Differentiates inflammation vs. infection in respiratory conditions<sup>2</sup>

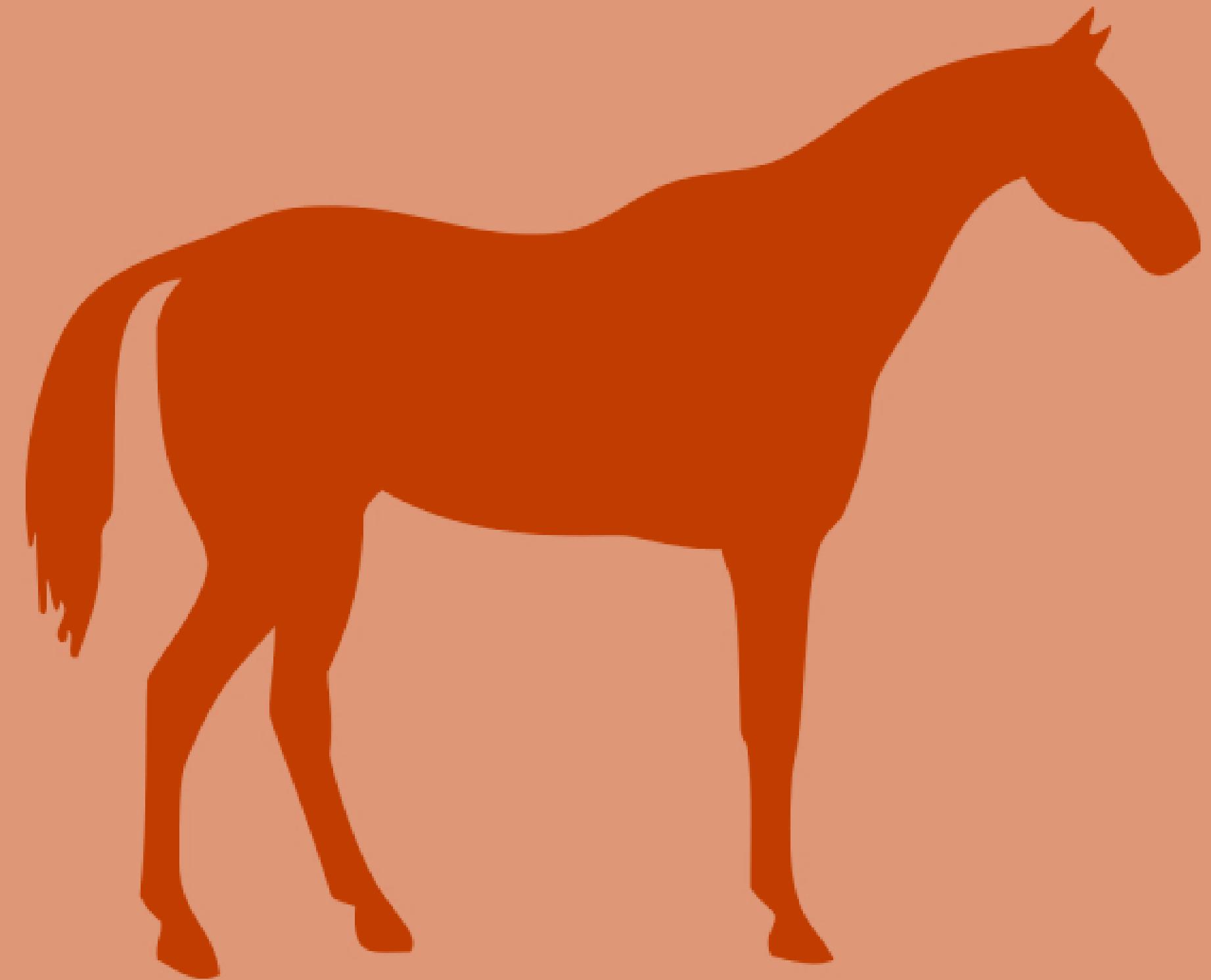
# What is Serum Amyloid A?



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- SAA is an acute phase response protein
- Measurement of SAA is a reliable biomarker in horses for inflammation caused by infection
- SAA can be used to distinguish infectious from non-infectious inflammation<sup>2,3</sup>





# Decision Making on the Spot



**Detect**

Measure infection.



**Monitor**

Response to treatment.



**Screen**

Catch problems early to start treatment.

**Detect** infection by measuring SAA

**Monitor** response to treatment

**Screen** before it is truly a problem



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Detect

## Infection by Measuring SAA

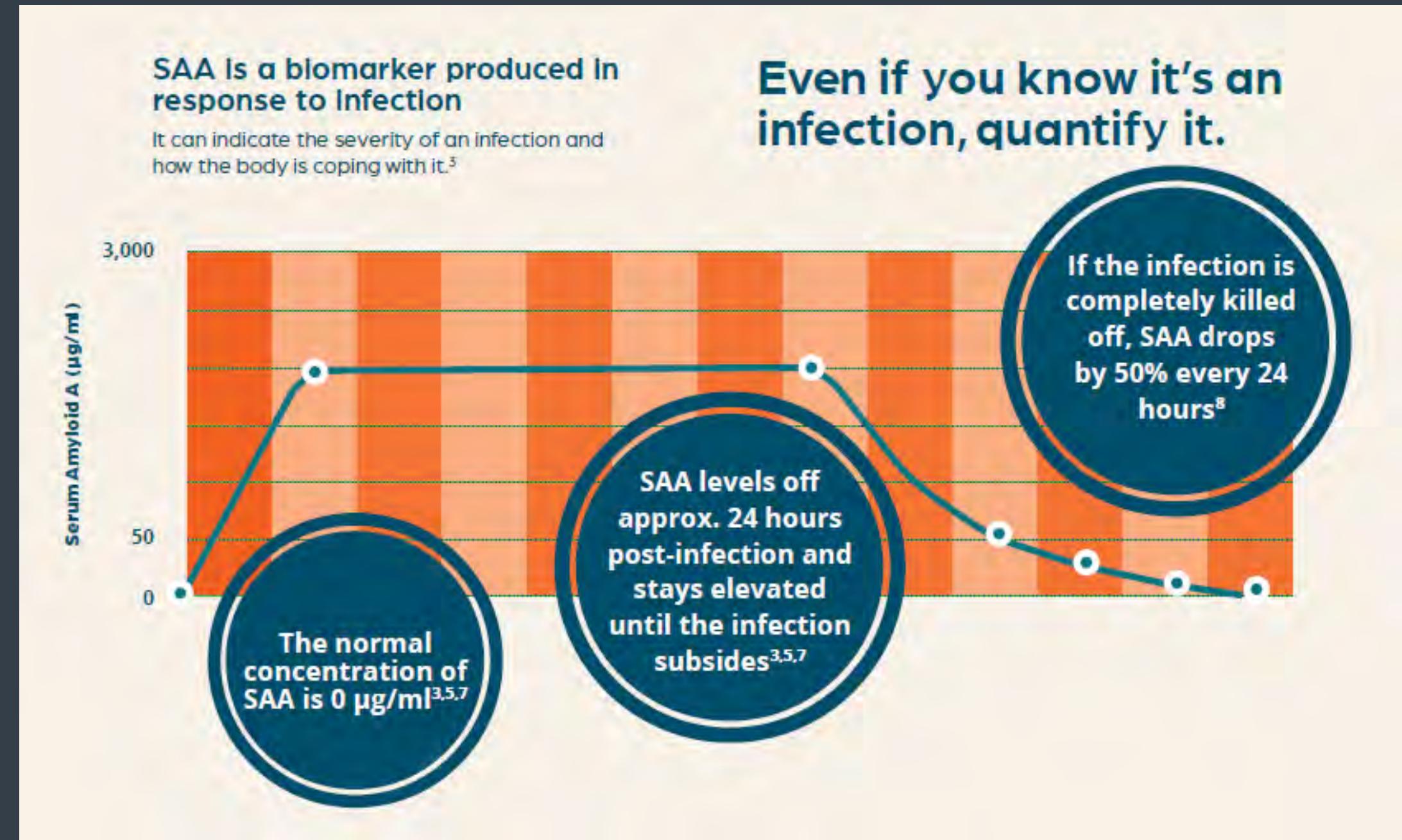
- SAA 0 $\mu$ g/ml = Normal or non-infection<sup>2,4</sup>
- SAA >50 $\mu$ g/ml = Infection<sup>1,2,4</sup>
- SAA Between 0-50 $\mu$ g/ml → Retest 24 hours<sup>2,4</sup>
- Stablelab detects SAA with >95% accuracy<sup>5</sup>



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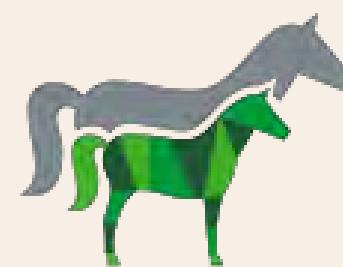
# Monitor

## Response to Treatment



The KEY to interpretation is understanding the typical SAA response curve

# Screen



Newborn  
Foal



Before  
Competition

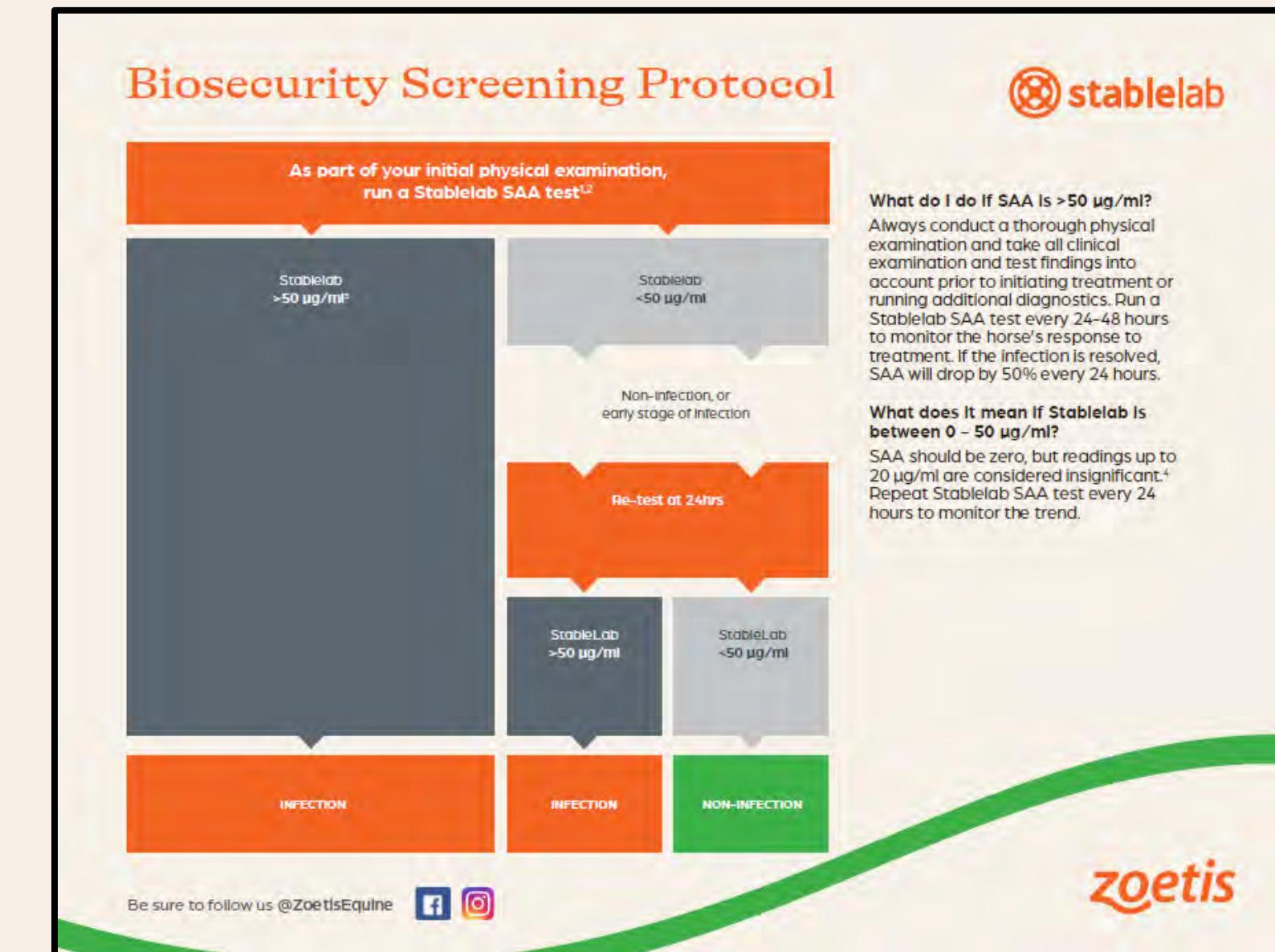


Shipping



Surgery

# for a problem, before it becomes one



Use Stablelab as a routine protocol for screening, particularly in situations that present an elevated risk of respiratory and other acute infections.<sup>2-4,6</sup>



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# Quantify your intuition

# Primary & Ambulatory Care

- Keep Stablelab on your truck & use at the farm
- When you reach for antibiotics:
  - First test with Stablelab
  - Quantify the infection, then
  - Monitor response to treatment over time

**Do you see any of these cases?**

Respiratory disease

Cellulitis

Fever of unknown origin

Diarrhea

Shipping fever

Peritonitis

Joint sepsis/flare

ADR

EIPH

Poor performance

General infections

Strangles

# Referral Hospital

- Part of your minimum database at the time of admission
- Screen for subclinical infection prior to surgery
- Monitor the response to treatment over the course of hospitalization and after discharge

**Do you see any of these cases?**

Critical care

Infectious diseases

Preoperative screen

Postoperative follow up

Respiratory Disease

NICU

Diarrhea

Strangles

Colic

Fever of unknown origin

General infections

ADR

# Reproduction

- Pregnancy, parturition and the early neonatal period are high risk life stages for the horse
- Use Stablelab to identify problems before they become an issue

Do you see any of these cases

Newborn foal exam

Maladjusted foal

Premature foal

Ascending placentitis

Pneumonia

*Rhodococcus equi*

Rotavirus

Postpartum metritis

Diarrhea

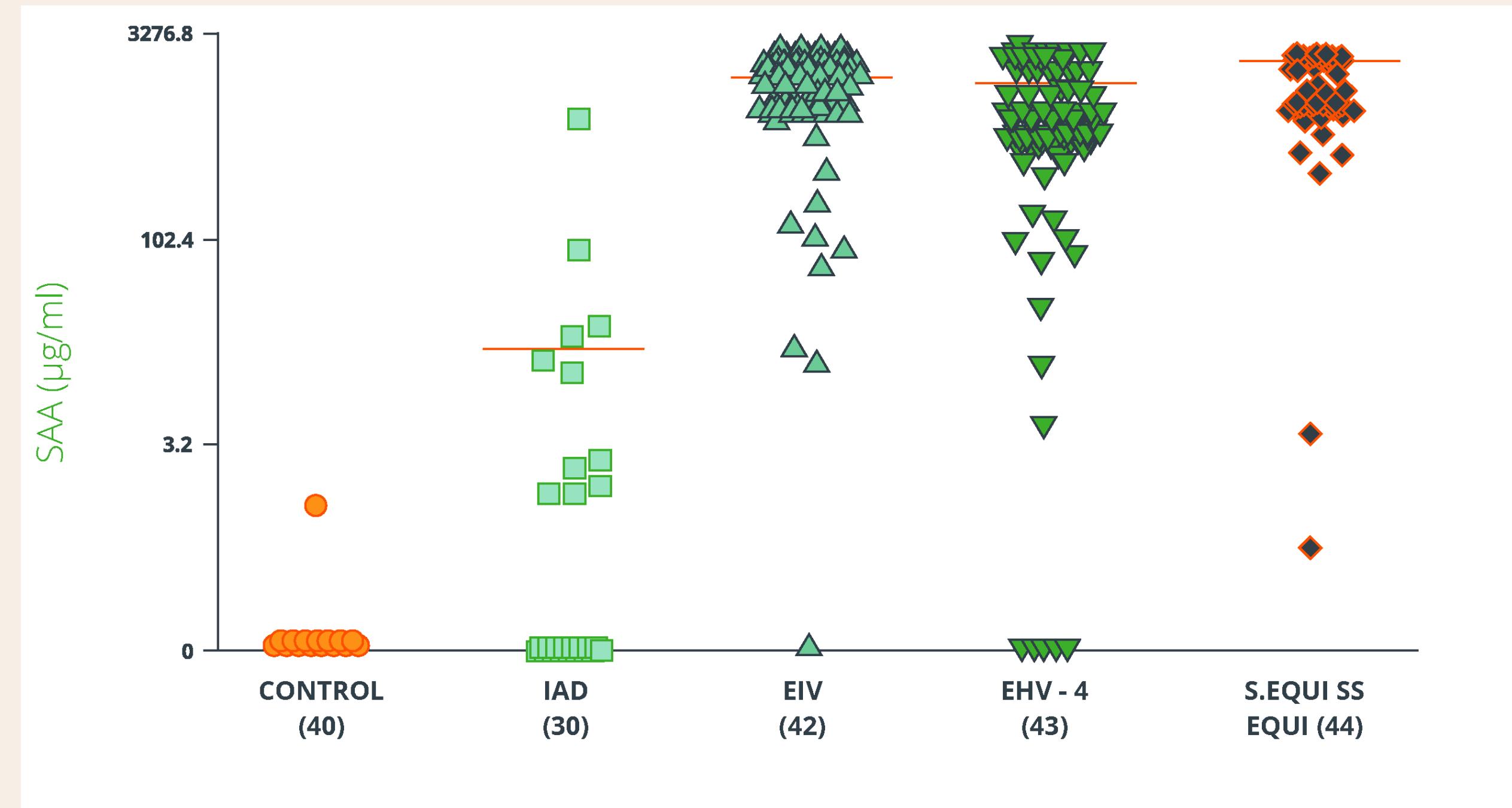
Strangles

General infections

Umbilical infection

# Research Studies

# Comparison of Serum Amyloid A in Horses With Infectious and Non-infectious Respiratory Diseases<sup>2</sup>



## TAKE HOME MESSAGE

- At 52µg/ml, SAA distinguished infectious from non-infectious respiratory diseases

# Assessment of Serum Amyloid A Testing of Horses and its Clinical Application in a Specialized Equine Practice<sup>3</sup>

- SAA may be more useful as a prognostic indicator of normal vs. abnormal than are traditional blood markers
- The short half-life of SAA and acute response make it the ideal parameter for serial monitoring over the course of treatment
- Measurement of SAA should be considered a primary diagnostic tool

	Accuracy
SAA	75%
WBC	59%
Fibrinogen	62%
A:G	60%

# Early Inflammation in Horses Following Long-Distance Transportation by Air<sup>6</sup>

	SAA >35 µg/ml	Rectal Temp >101.0°F
Sensitivity	97.1%	2.9%
Specificity	97.2%	100.0%

## TAKE HOME MESSAGES

- At 24h post-arrival: SAA was a more reliable indicator for inflammation caused by infection than monitoring rectal temperature
- SAA was >30 times more sensitive than the thermometer at detecting infection

# Serum and Synovial Fluid Serum Amyloid A Response in Equine Models of Synovitis and Septic Arthritis<sup>7</sup>

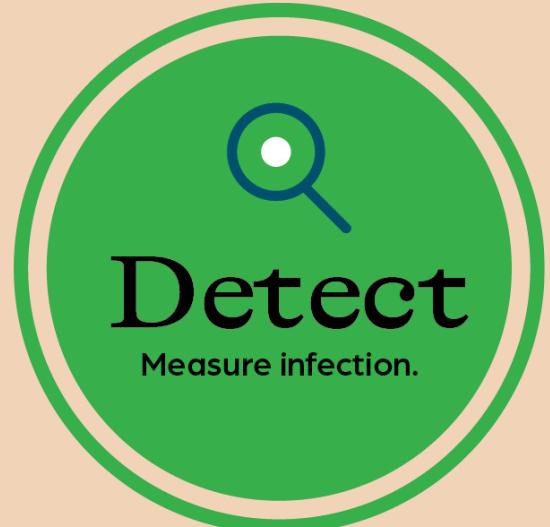
	Time	0hr	12hr	24hr	36hr	48hr
<b>Septic Arthritis</b>	<b>Serum SAA (µg/ml)</b>	0	0	115	663	410
	<b>Synovial SAA (µg/ml)</b>	0	0	0	135	75
<b>Synovitis</b>	<b>Serum SAA (µg/ml)</b>	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>Synovial SAA (µg/ml)</b>	0	0	0	0	0

## TAKE HOME MESSAGES

- Serum and synovial fluid SAA remained normal in synovitis and significantly increased in septic arthritis
- Serum SAA increased more rapidly than synovial fluid SAA
- Serum and synovial fluid SAA may be useful adjuncts in diagnosing septic arthritis in horses

# Summary





SAA  $>50\mu\text{g/ml}$  distinguishes infectious from non-infectious inflammation<sup>2</sup>



SAA is an ideal parameter for serial monitoring over the course of treatment<sup>3</sup>



SAA is  $>30$  times more sensitive than a thermometer in detecting infection<sup>6</sup>



**Incorporate Stablelab  
into your clinical exam  
and daily routine**



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