

The Irish Thoroughbred Breeders Association is holding a conference on Rhodococcus on the 27th and 28th of January

Speakers include: Steeve Giguere, Jose Vázquez-Boland, Wim Meijer, Tom Buckley, Kevin Corley, Vivienne Duggan, Ursula Fogarty, Marian Klay, Des Leadon, Celia Marr and Monica Venner

The venue is the Killashee House Hotel, Co Kildare, Ireland ([www.killasheehouse.com](http://www.killasheehouse.com))

The first day will concentrate on the science aspects of Rhodococcus and the second day is aimed at updating veterinarians

Registration costs are as follows:

If booked before November 30th:

200 Euros for both days

75 Euros for the science day (27th Jan)

175 Euros for the veterinary day (28th Jan)

If booked on or after December 1st:

250 Euros for both days

100 Euros for the science day (Jan 27th)

200 Euros for the veterinary day (28th Jan)

To register, please contact: Regina Byrne at the Irish Thoroughbred Breeders Association - [rbyrne@itba.ie](mailto:rbyrne@itba.ie) - 00353 45 877543

We are also soliciting abstracts for presentation on the 27th of January. Presentations will be oral, and will be for 15 minutes. Please submit your abstracts to Kevin Corley ([kttcorley@gmail.com](mailto:kttcorley@gmail.com)). Presenters of the chosen abstracts will receive free registration to both days of the conference.

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Full Programme Details:

Wednesday 27th January 2010. Killashee House Hotel - 6 CVE credits

Chair: Kevin Corley

8.45-9.15am Registration and Coffee

9.15-9.30am Welcome and Introduction. Kevin Corley

9.30-10.30am Pathogenesis / Virulence. Wim Meijer

10.30-10.50am Field assessment of pulmonary artery dimensions in

interstitial pneumonia. Celia Marr

10.50-11.20am Coffee

11.20am-12.20pm Immunity. Steeve Giguere

12.20-1pm 2 Abstracts

1-2pm Lunch

2-3pm Vaccine. Tom Buckley

3-4pm 3 Abstracts

4-5pm Genome. Jose Vazquez-Boland

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Thursday 28th January 2010. Killashee House Hotel - 7.5 CVE credits

Chair: Des Leadon

8.30-9 Registration and Coffee

9-9.30am What is Rhodococcus? Wim Meijer

9.30-9.55am Diagnosis / Intro to Ultrasound. Kevin Corley

9.55-10.40 Significance of comet tails / small lesions on ultrasound

round table - Kevin Corley, Monica Venner, Marian Klay, Celia Marr, Ursula Fogarty

10.40-11.10 Coffee

11.10-11.35am Diagnosis / Laboratory. Monica Venner

11.35am-12.10pm Lab diagnosis round table. which are the best tests?

Steeve Giguere, Ursula Fogarty, Monica Venner

12.10-12.40 Treatment / Antimicrobials. Steeve Giguere

12.40-1pm Antimicrobials round table: choices. Steeve Giguere, Monica Venner Vivienne Duggan

1-2pm Lunch

Chair: Kevin Corley

2-3 pm Round Table: UK/Ireland/USA perspective. Steeve Giguere, Des Leadon, Celia Marr

3-3.30pm Prevention / Vaccine. Tom Buckley

3.30-3.50pm Vaccine Discussion. Tom Buckley, Jose Vazquez-Boland

3.50-4.30pm Prevention round table: Pro / Con Plasma. Steeve Giguere, Kevin Corley, Celia Marr

4.30-5pm Prevention / Antibiotics. Monica Venner

5-5.20pm Prevention Antibiotics Discussion. Monica Venner, Steeve Giguere

5.20-6pm General Discussion

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