

## Diabetes and Acromegaly in Cats

The RVC clinical medicine team has a number of individuals passionate about research into endocrine diseases such as diabetes in cats and who are well aware that stabilising cats with diabetes sometimes proves to be very challenging. Understanding the relationship between diabetic control and insulin-like growth factor could improve management of difficult diabetics.

We are identifying a number of cats with pituitary tumours causing insulin resistance and we are keen to get long term follow up on these individual cats especially after treatment with radiotherapy.

### Eligibility Requirements

- Cats where fructosamine is required at the point of diagnosis of diabetes mellitus or within 1-2 weeks of that point. For these cats we are able to offer free fructosamine every 2-4 weeks for the first 4 months on insulin.
- Cats with longer term diabetes that may be proving difficult to stabilise

### Client Benefits

- Results for fructosamine, cholesterol, triglycerides and IGF will be provided free of charge
- Newly diagnosed diabetics (within the last 6 weeks) can have follow up samples run free of charge for 4 months
- Cats with IGF results > 900ng/ml may be offered further diagnostic imaging free of charge and long term follow up

**Please note that only cats classed as newly diagnosed diabetics (within 6 weeks of first diagnosis) and acromegalic cats are entitled to send follow up samples.**

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