

U7 CASE STUDY

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FINISH LINE'S U-7 Gastric Supplement is formulated to support and maintain the healthy function of the horse's digestive and gastric system and is ideal for horses prone to gastric ulcers.

Dr Mark Phillips, DVM, an independent practising veterinary surgeon at Millpond Equine Clinic in Florida, is an expert in the digestive system of the horse. He points out that stomach acid is a natural part of the horse's food digestion process. However, there is an optimal range of stomach acid concentration where either not enough or too much acid may have negative effects on the efficiency of digestion. In addition the stomach has specialised cells which sense the acidity of the fluid and call for the production of more acid when the fluid pH rises. Many horse owners do not want to use products that would artificially suppress acid production or cause the production of excess acid and as a result there has been much research into alternative nutritional supplementation that will help maintain a healthy balance.

There is a broad range of signs indicating the possibility of an ulcer or gastric disorder. Poor eating or appetite, decreased performance, weight loss, dull coat, and frequent colic may warrant examination by a veterinary surgeon.

Dr Phillips has been using U7 Gastric Supplement™, a blend of vitamins, minerals and other nutritional components to help support a healthy stomach in the horse. In 2003 he conducted a trial using 6 horses chosen on the basis of poor performance and loss of appetite. After 14 days they were all back to eating normally and had returned to previous performance levels.

“Since then I have used U7 Gastric Supplement™ on over 1200 horses and I am 100% satisfied with the results”, says Dr Phillips.

“Qualitatively, horses' appetite, performance, coat shine and weight return to normal levels and the manure clearly shows that better digestion of foods is occurring”.

“I have not found evidence of any interactions of U7 Gastric Supplement with other supplements or drugs or foods in common use. Since the ingredients of U7 Gastric Supplement are natural vitamins, minerals and nutrients, I presently direct my clients to continue to feed a maintenance quantity for as long as the horse remains in training or competition. It is my opinion that, for horses at high risk of gastric problems including ulcers due to heavy training, U7 Gastric Supplement offers a natural supplement to help maintain a healthy stomach in the horse”.

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