FAVN INFORMATION

The Serology-Virology lab at Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine is recognized by the USDA to carry out FAVN Rabies Antibody Titer testing for export for pet travel.

WE ARE NOT CURRENTLY APPROVED FOR TRAVEL TO JAPAN

Follow this link for information regarding travel from the US to a foreign country: https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/pet-travel

SAMPLE COLLECTION: SERUM ONLY (minimum volume 1.0mL)

The animal must be microchipped before sample collection by a licensed veterinarian. A separate FAVN Rabies Antibody form must accompany each serum sample. The sample tube MUST be labeled with name & microchip number. Unlabeled tubes will not be processed. FAVN forms are fillable online, which greatly aids in obtaining the correct information. Results are reported on this form.

SHIPPING:

Serum should be packed in a leak proof container with absorbent material. This package should be placed inside a second container on ice (gel packs). Samples should be clearly labeled with name & microchip number. Samples should not be in transit for more than 2 days. Ship via UPS or Federal Express. Please do not ship samples on Friday.

FOR INTERNATIONAL SHIPMENTS: A copy of the "FAVN RABIES ANTIBODY TEST" form should be placed on the outside of the package for customs agents to keep, place the original form inside the package.

FEES:

FAVN test fee: \$75

FAVN reissue report fee: \$25

FedEx report delivery: \$25 domestic, \$45 international

PAYMENT:

The submitting clinic is considered our client and is responsible for payment. Fees may be paid by check or money order (payable to Department of Pathobiology) in US dollars. CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE: https://www.aub.ie/payinvoice

RESULTS:

The FAVN rabies antibody test is set up every Monday and the results are usually ready on Thursday of the same week. Electronic results are sent to the submitting clinic by FAX and/or email. The stickered/stamped report is sent via regular mail (USPS) at no charge to clients within the US. We can send via FedEx for an additional fee. For some destinations, we send the final report directly to the export destination via FAX and/or email.

For additional information, please contact the lab at <u>virology@vetmed.auburn.edu</u>, or (334) 844-2659.