

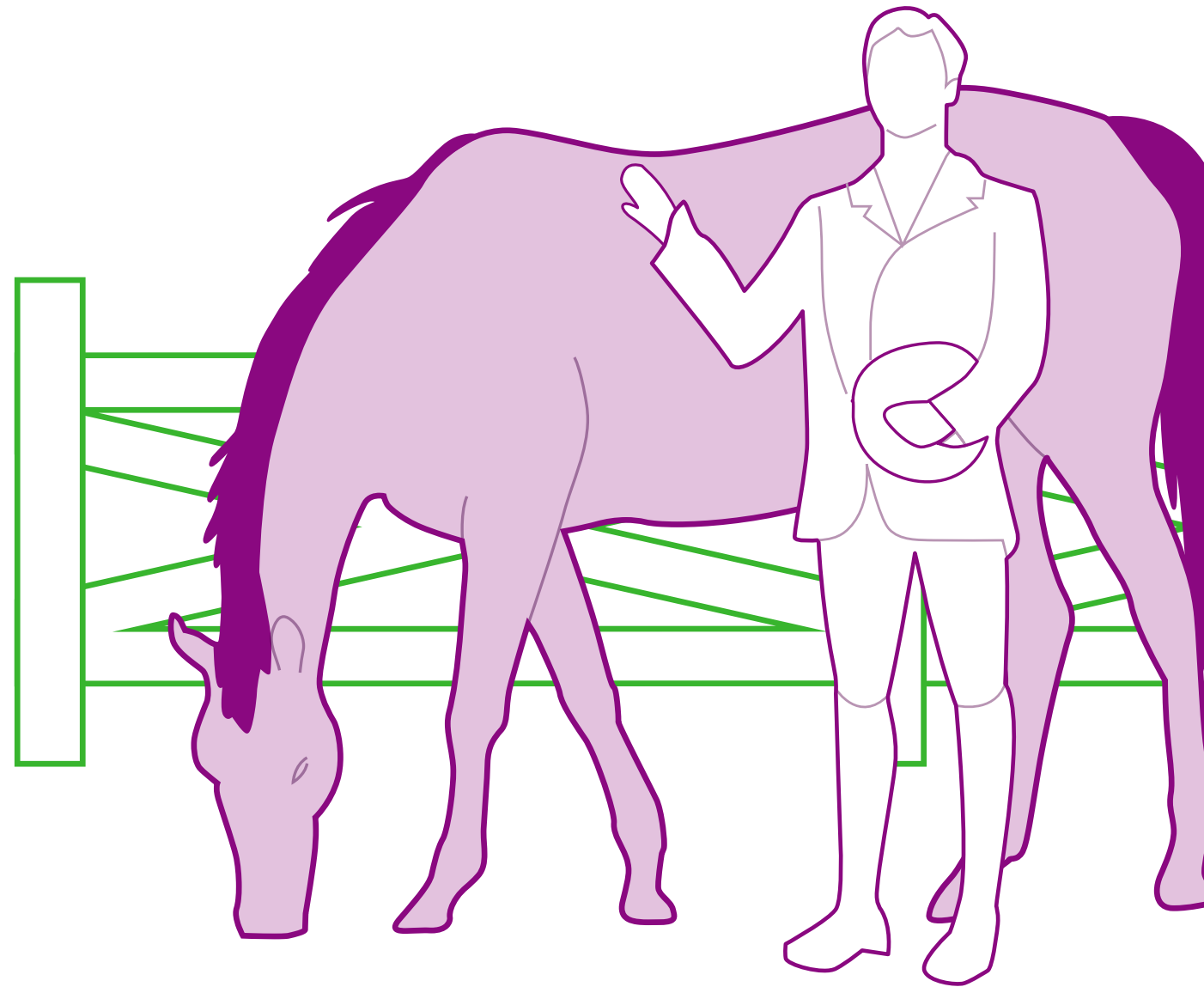
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The FEI operates a global Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Programme at its events.

If a horse is selected for testing, urine and/or blood samples will be sent to one of five FEI-approved laboratories. Screening Limits for substances are set at fair and harmonised levels, which means that samples are analysed in the same way at these laboratories.

The 6 Steps



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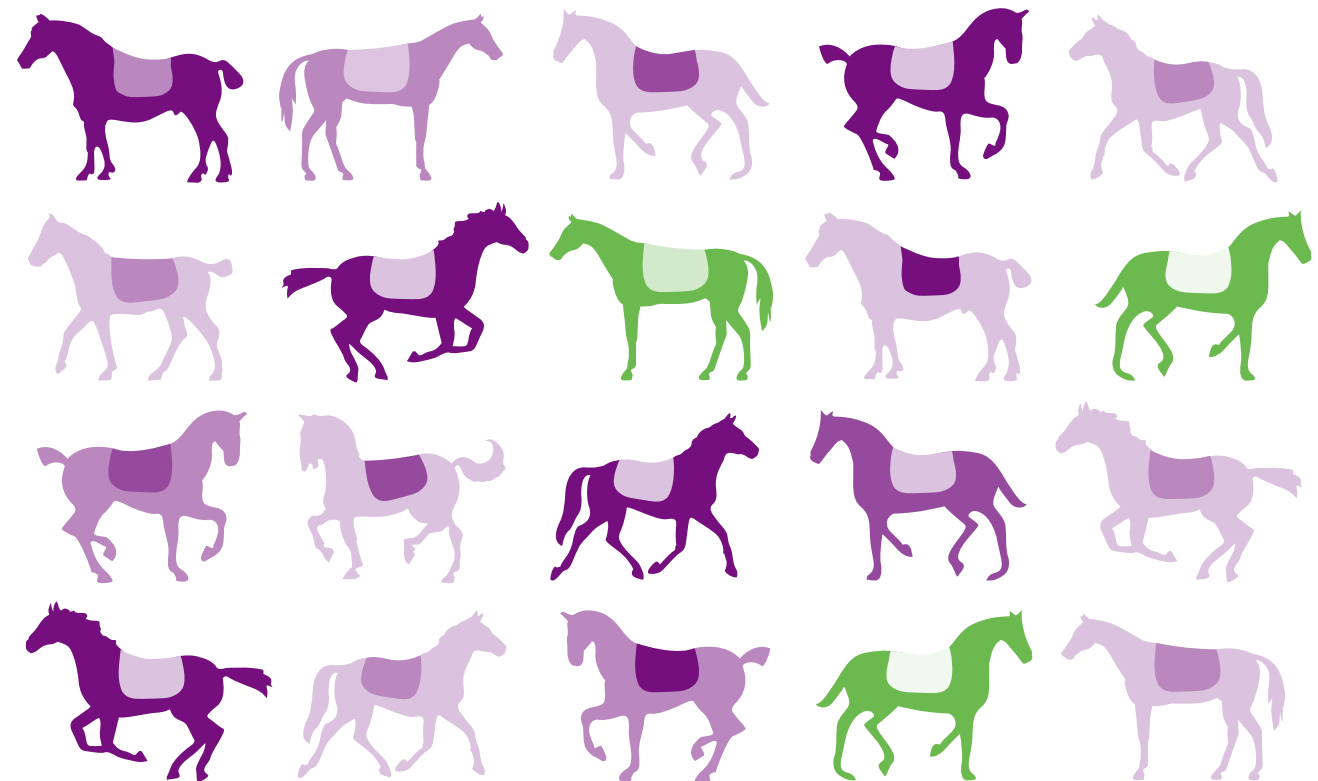
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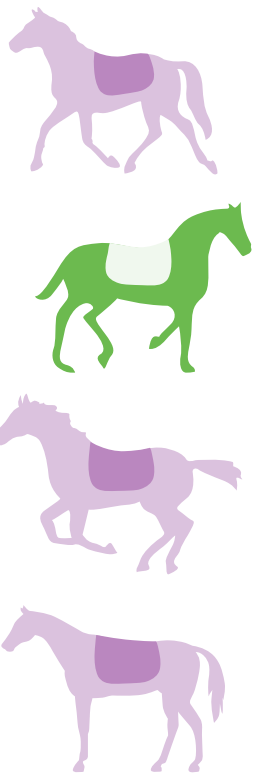
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- Athletes will be informed that their horses have been selected for testing.
- They must stay with the horse or arrange for a groom or other appropriate representative to be present throughout the testing procedure. Minors must be accompanied by their representative, who must be over the age of 18.
- Athletes are encouraged to be present themselves because only the person who witnesses the testing can testify about the procedures and whether they were conducted according to the rules.
- Regardless of who accompanies the horse during testing, the athlete remains the Person Responsible. Even if the athlete delegates the presence during testing to a member of his or her support personnel, he or she will remain responsible.

ATHLETE'S ROLE



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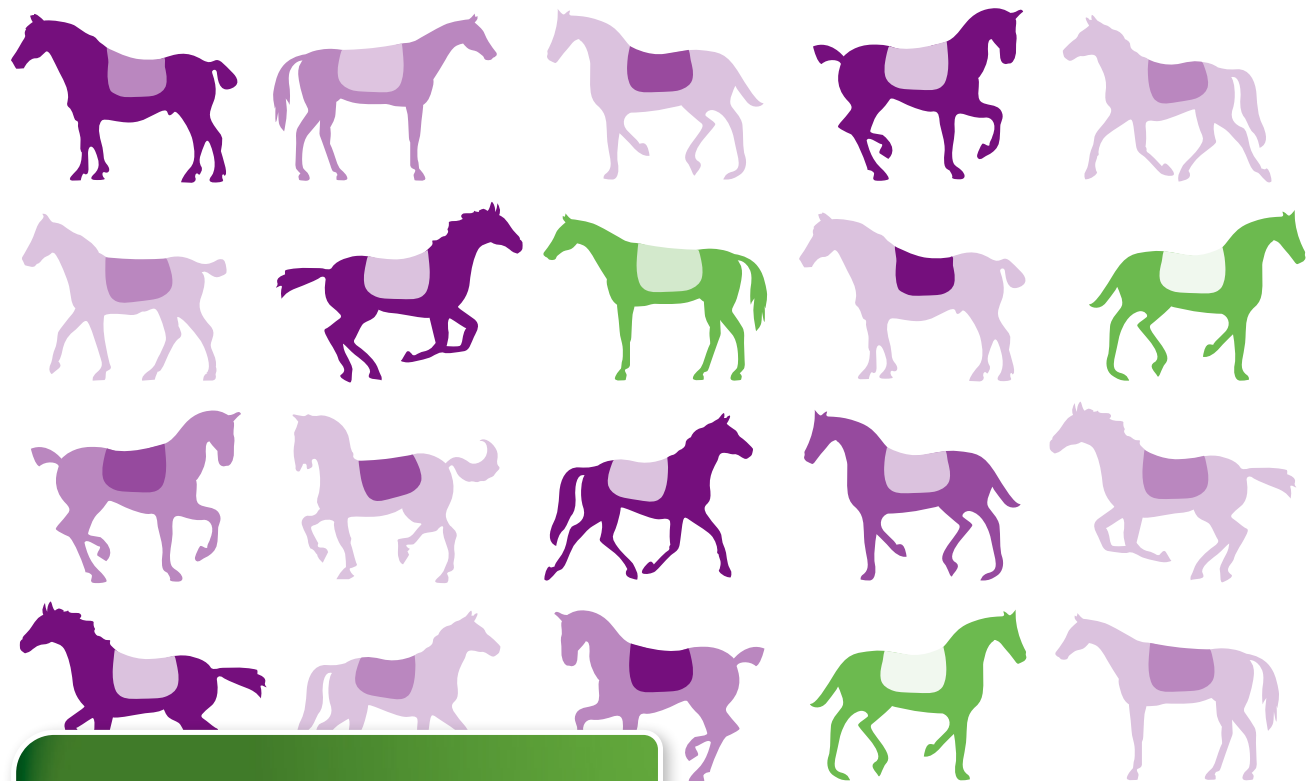
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The steward or testing official accompanies the horse to the collecting stables and remains with it until the sample has been collected.

FEI OFFICIAL'S ROLE

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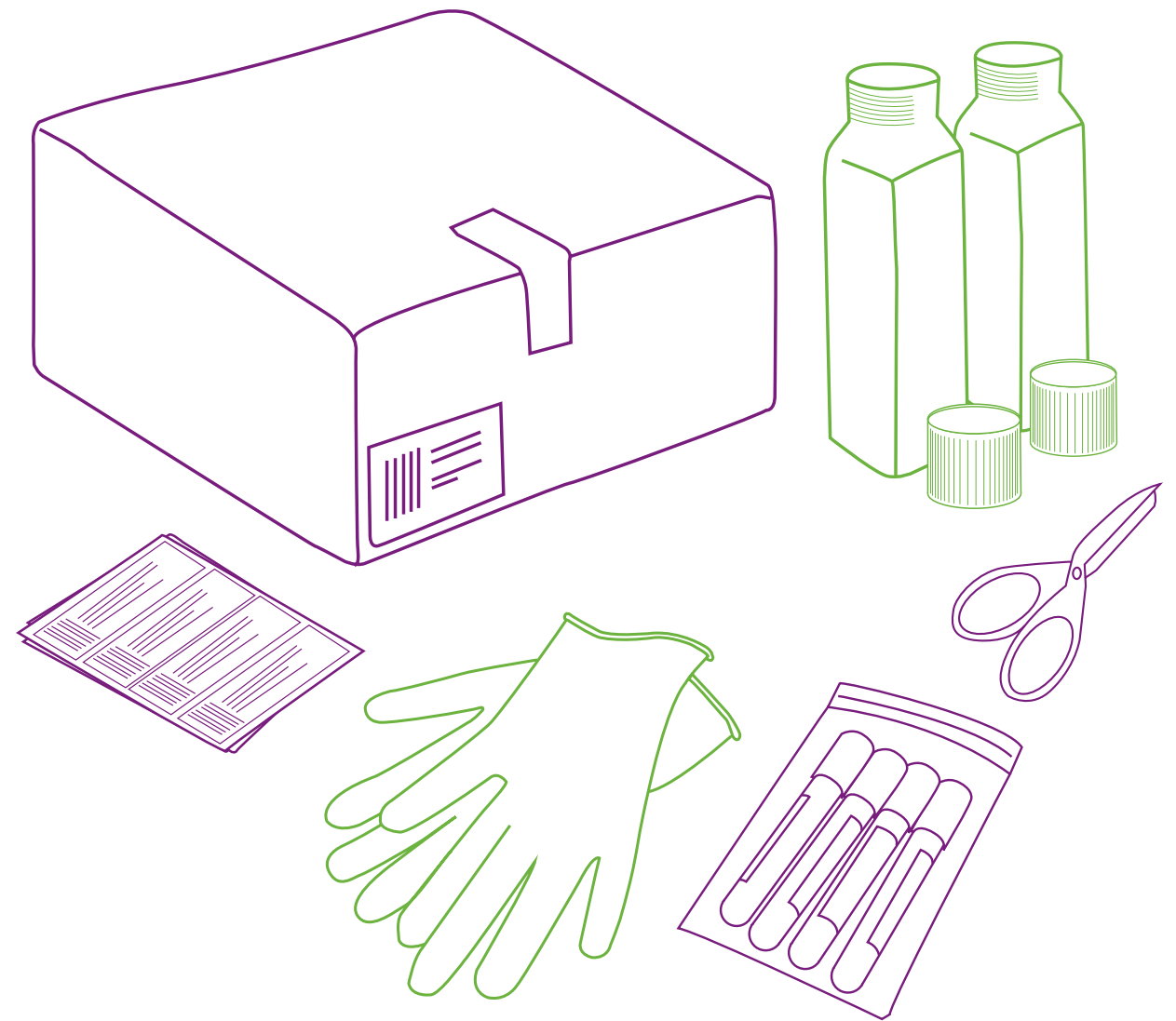
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TESTING VETERINARIAN'S ROLE

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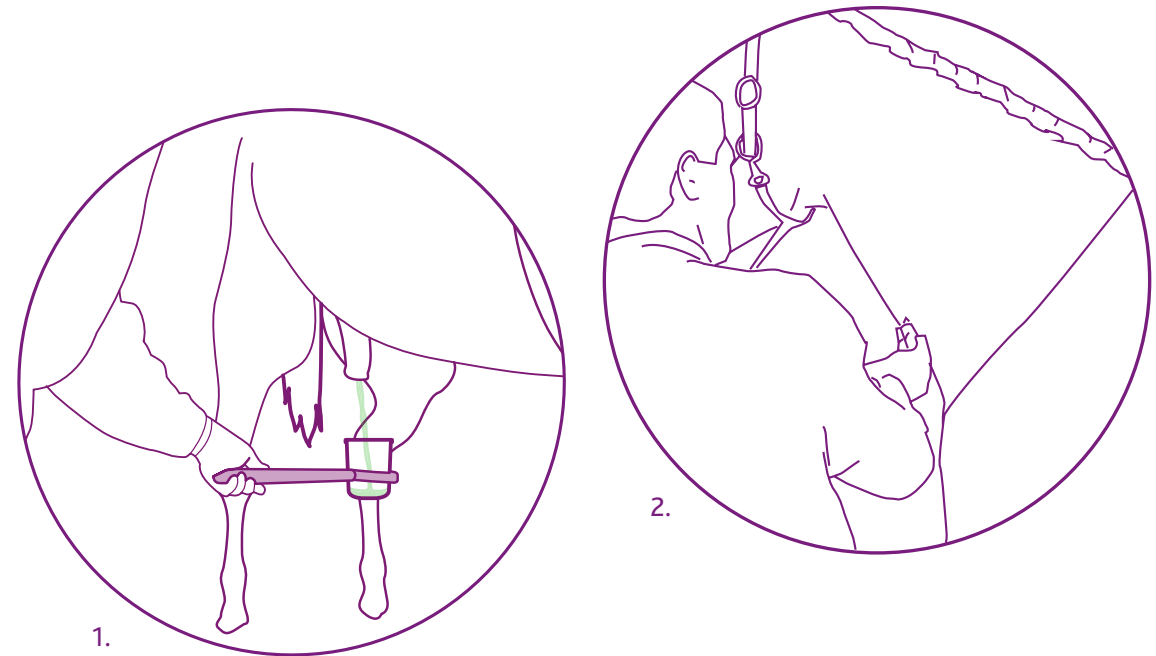
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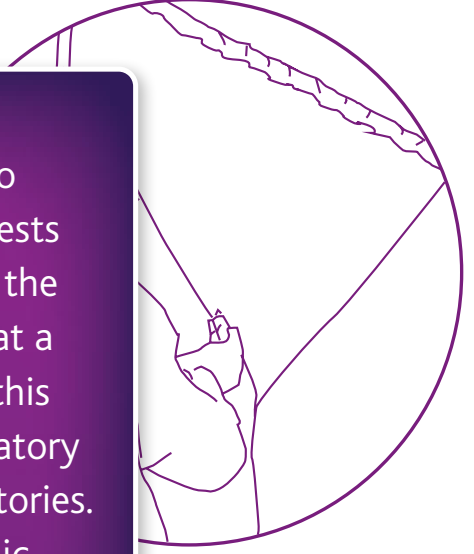
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The two samples (A and B) are sent to the same laboratory. If an A Sample tests positive, the athlete can request that the analysis of the B Sample takes place at a different FEI-approved laboratory. In this case, the FEI selects the second laboratory from among the FEI-approved laboratories. The choice will be based on geographic proximity, the turnover time the second laboratory can commit to and any other factors that might enhance the fair and quick evaluation of the B Sample.

The B Sample ensures that the Prohibited Substance detected in the A Sample is unquestionably present. If the B Sample is negative, the case will be dropped and no further action taken.

ATHLETE'S ROLE

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Documentation


The FEI Testing Veterinarian completes the FEI EADCMP Sampling Form and adds the necessary labels that identify the sample.

The Persons Responsible (PR) or their appointed representative sign a form to certify that they have witnessed the entire procedure and have no objection to the entire procedure. If there are any concerns or complaints, the PR will have the opportunity to write them on the form.

The form consists of three parts. The Testing Veterinarian must keep one part, the Person Responsible for the horse is given the second part, and the third part is placed in a small plastic bag and is sent to the FEI-approved Laboratory with the samples. The latter part is identified by the unique number but not by the name of the Person Responsible or the name of the horse.

A copy of the EADCMP Sampling Form is sent to the FEI.

PART 1



FEI EADCMP SAMPLING FORM
Please complete in capital letters

N° 3121

Sample Number Sticker

Time horse held: AM ☐ PM ☐
Time sample taken: AM ☐ PM ☐
Category:
Event:
Location:

Date:
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Country of event:

Passport no:
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PART 2

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PART 3

Sample Number Sticker

Cross boxes where applicable
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Female ☐ Gelding ☐ Male ☐
GnRH vaccine Yes ☐ No ☐ Date of last GnRH
Urine ☐ Blood ☐
Other (specify: eg: bandages, swabs...) ☐ _____
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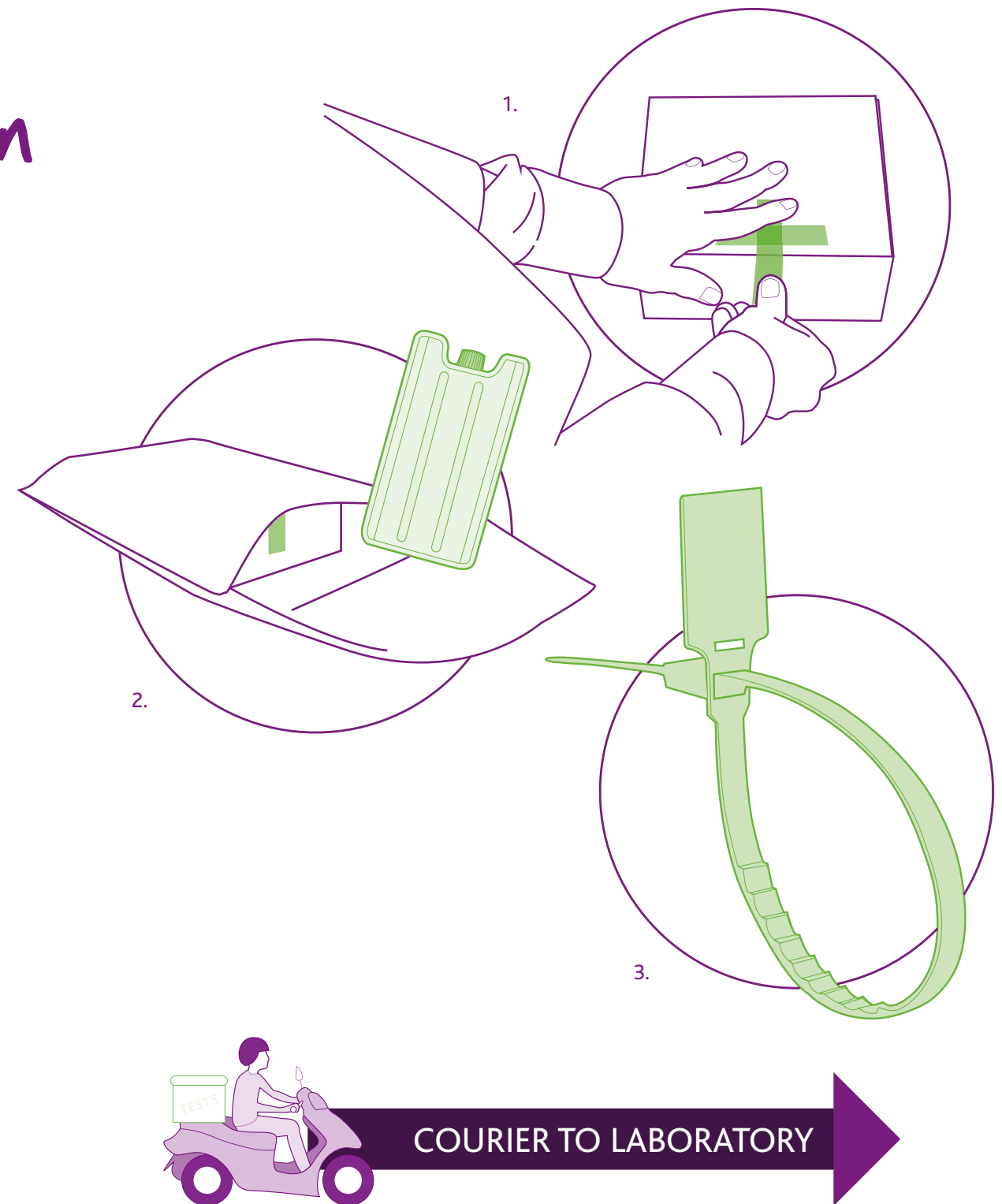
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TESTING VETERINARIAN'S ROLE

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Sample Transportation

The samples are carefully packed and placed back into the original kit box, which is closed with tape (picture 1). The kit boxes are in turn placed in an isothermal bag with ice packs (picture 2) ; the isothermal bag is placed in a special blue carrying bag closed with a tamper-proof security clip (picture 3). The bag is shipped by courier to the laboratory.



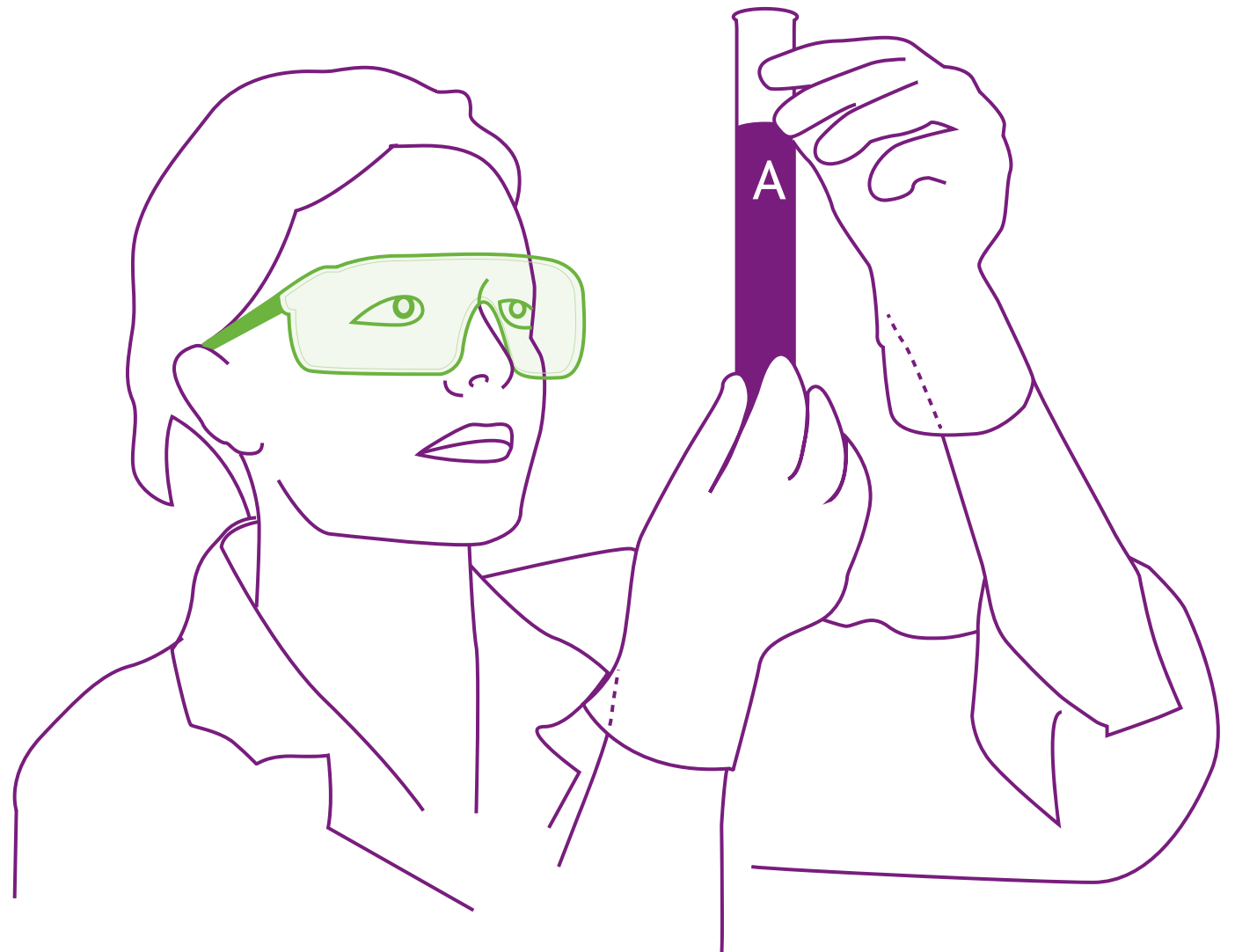
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Lab Testing

Once the samples reach the Approved FEI Laboratory, the B Samples are stored securely awaiting any required testing at a later date. The A Samples (urine and/or blood) are used for the initial analysis.

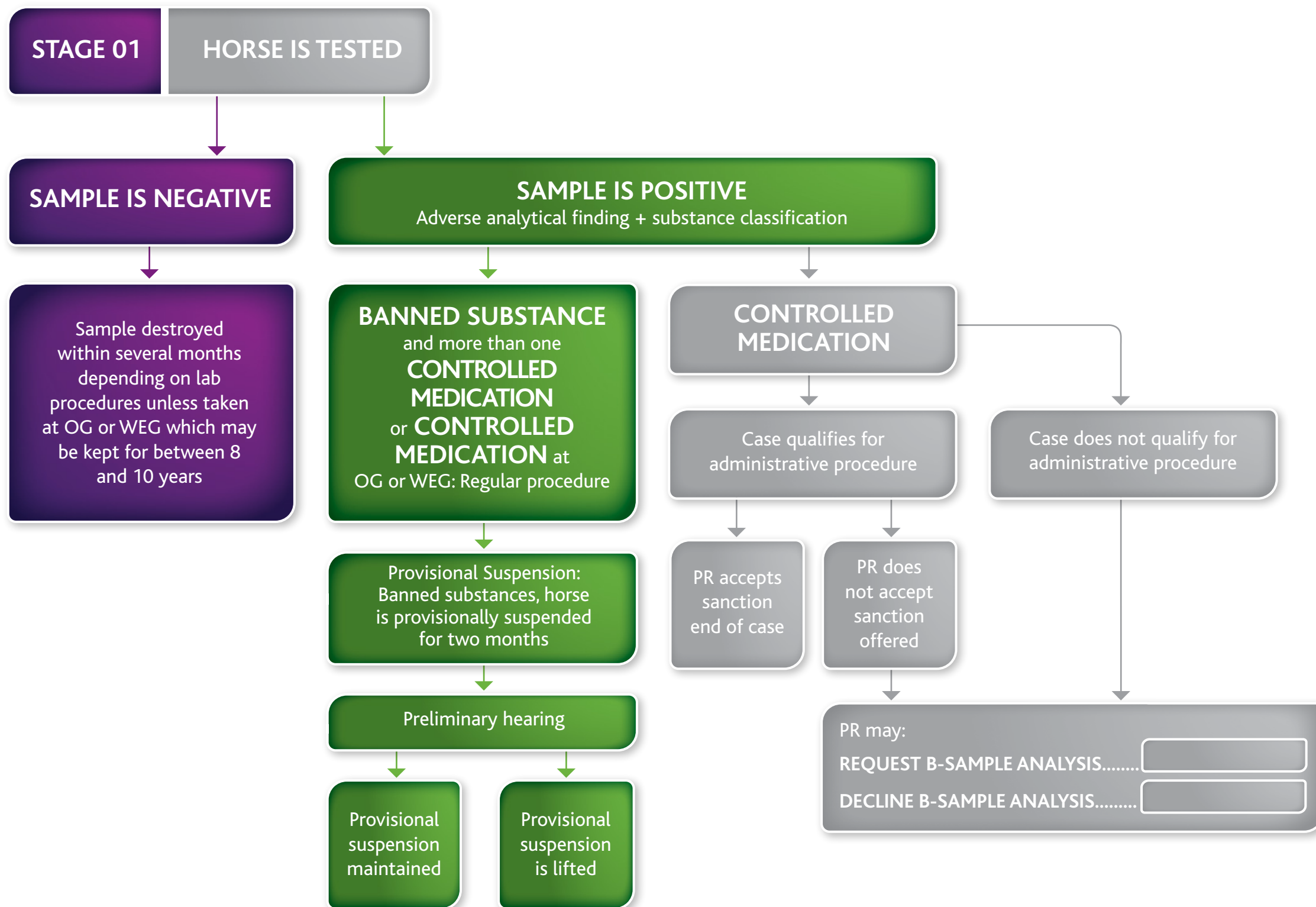
The process may take from two to three weeks to complete. If a prohibited substance is detected, the results are promptly reported to the FEI. The FEI Veterinary Department, in cooperation with the FEI Legal Department, will then examine the specifics of the case and decide on the need for any further action.

Please note that the B sample may be confirmed through a different bodily fluid than the A Sample (A Sample is urine, B Sample blood).

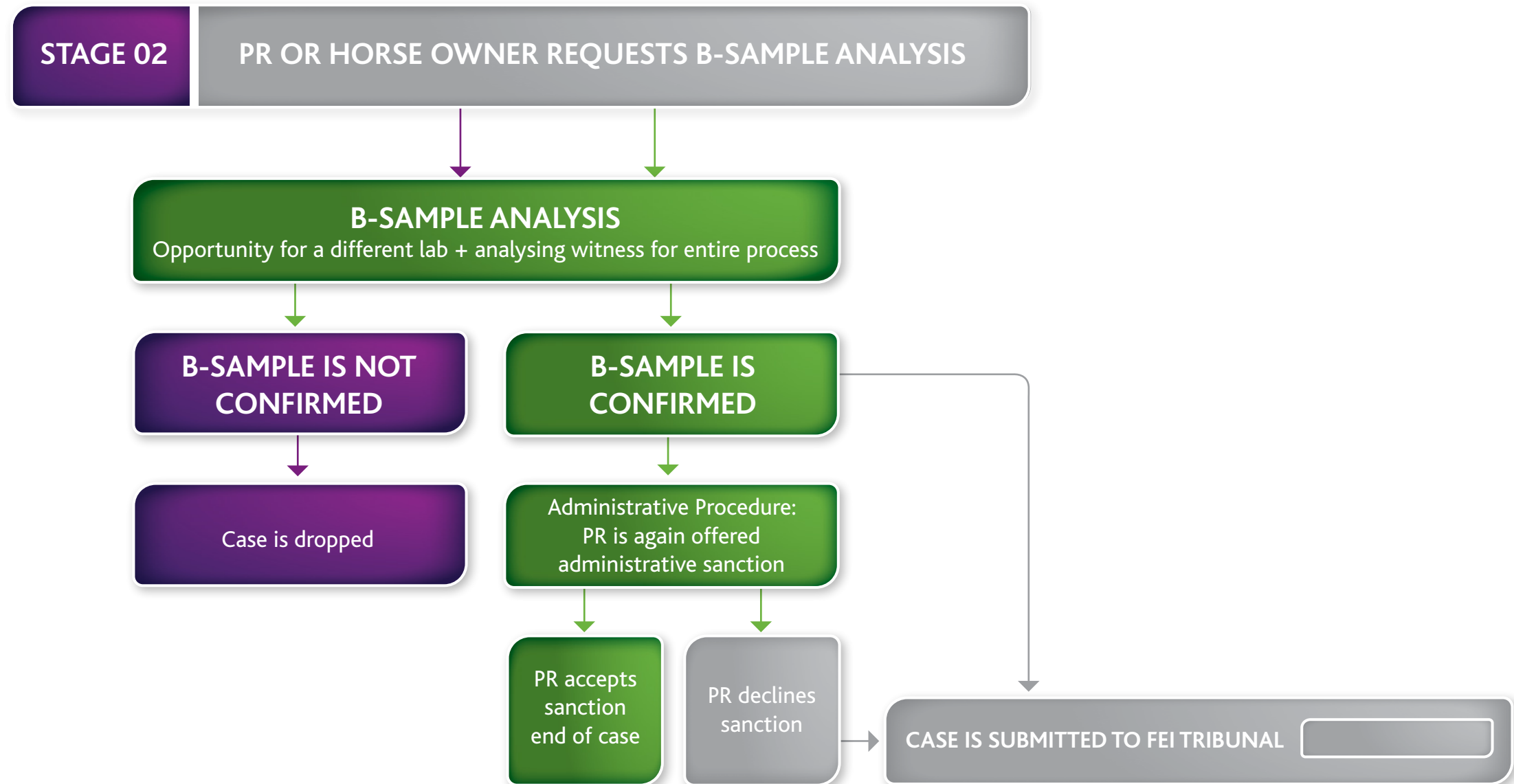


RESULTS BETWEEN 7 - 21 DAYS

What Happens Next: Stage 1



What Happens Next: Stage 2



What Happens Next: Stage 3

