

Study: Emydomyces testavorans prevalence in companion (pet) chelonians

Purpose of Study:

To describe the prevalence of the fungal pathogen, Emydomyces testavorans, on the skin/shell of companion turtles and tortoises.

Eligibility:

All turtles and tortoises regardless of gender and health status are eligible.

Procedures:

Prior to the normal physical examination, the skin and shell will be swabbed. The entire swabbing procedure is noninvasive and will last < 3 minutes.

Possible Benefits / Owner Incentives:

Information learned from this research will allow for improved understanding of health and disease in future turtles and tortoises.

Associated and Unforeseen Risks:

As the swabbing procedure is noninvasive, there are no risks associated with your turtle or tortoise being part of the study.

Compensation and Financial Obligations:

You will not be compensated for your animal's participation in this study. There are no financial obligations.

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