Chronic Progressive Lymphedema in Draft Breeds and the Friesian horse.

This report covers the diagnosis of scratches and pastern dermatitis and what is different in the draft horse. It will cover the first samples I received and how we decided that it is a lymphedema and why are we missing early cases. It will discuss how bad can it get and what can we learn from the history of the Belgian draft horse. It will cover the studies we performed to characterize CPL and what we know so far. It will explain the genetic studies and how the Friesians are our big hope to identify the genetic factors involved. It will also discuss the management of CPL horses.