



Shock Wave Therapy Examined

Below is a link to a thoughtful article about shock wave therapy in the Paulick Report. Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation vice chairman Dr. Gary Lavin brought up the subject of shock wave therapy during the annual meeting of the Foundation's Research Advisory Committee a number of years ago. He explained that while the therapy was valid and useful, if it were overused or misused it bears the risk of masking pain when a horse has an injury and thus puts the horse at risk if he/she is exercised or raced. As a result of that discussion, the Research Advisory Committee recommended to the Grayson board of directors that they issue a call for proposals for research on the subject. The project selected, and conducted, was that of Dr. Scott McClure of Iowa State University. Dr. McClure is cited in the article in the Paulick Report.

We hope you will take a few minutes to read it.

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<http://www.paulickreport.com/news/roy-s-paddock/dr-jekyll-and-mr-shockwave-two-sides-of-a-therapy/>