## Supplementary Table 1: Details of the cohort

|                  | Horse | Age<br>(yrs) | Height<br>(cm) | Breed <sup>a</sup> | Sex <sup>b</sup> | Main use <sup>c</sup>        | ln<br>work <sup>d</sup> | Shod? e | Lameness history  | Most<br>affected<br>limb <sup>f</sup> |
|------------------|-------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Sound            | 1     | 13           | 150            | Cob                | m                | Dressage (Medium)            | у                       | n       | n/a   | n/a                                   |
|                  | 2     | 5            | 168            | ISH                | m                | Eventing (BE100)             | у                       | У       | n/a   | n/a                                   |
|                  | 3     | 17           | 148            | Welsh C            | m                | Low level schooling          | у                       | У       | n/a   | n/a                                   |
|                  | 4     | 4            | 178            | ID                 | g                | Low level schooling          | у                       | front   | n/a   | n/a                                   |
|                  | 5     | 6            | 168            | ISH                | g                | Evening (2*)                 | у                       | У       | n/a   | n/a                                   |
| Forelimb<br>Lame | 6     | 14           | 168            | ISH                | g                | Eventing (5*)                | у                       | у       | Chronic mild lameness RF; still schooling and competing at high level                           | RF                                    |
|                  | 7     | 21           | 147            | ISH                | g                | Eventing (BE100)             | у                       | у       | History of chronic lameness; diagnosed bilateral pedal osteitis in fore feet; most affecting RF | RF                                    |
|                  | 8     | 14           | 174            | Warmblood          | g                | Low level dressage           | у                       | У       | Recovering from acute tendon injury to RF   | RF                                    |
| Hindlimb Lame    | 9     | 5            | 166            | ISH                | m                | Eventing (BE100)             | у                       | у       | Suffering acute LH lameness after sustaining injury to hock in fall                             | LH                                    |
|                  | 10    | 18           | 170            | ISH                | g                | Retired eventer (2*)         | у                       | у       | Chronic lameness due to arthritic changes in hocks most affecting LH                            | LH                                    |
|                  | 11    | 16           | 168            | ISH                | g                | Hacking                      | у                       | у       | Chronic RH lameness associated with kissing spine and age-related arthritic changes             | RH                                    |
|                  | 12    | 16           | 156            | ISH                | m                | Low level schooling          | у                       | у       | Acute, RH lameness associated with kissing spine  | RH                                    |
|                  | 13    | 8            | 166            | Westfalian         | m                | Low level schooling          | у                       | у       | Acute, RH lameness associated with kissing spine  | RH                                    |
|                  | 14    | 16           | 158            | ISH                | g                | Low level schooling          | n                       | у       | History of chronic hindlimb lameness due to<br>arthritic changes most affecting RH              | RH                                    |
|                  | 15    | 18           | 165            | ISH                | m                | Retired showjumper (Grade A) | n                       | у       | Severe chronic hindlimb lameness due to<br>tenosynovitis most prevalent in RH                   | RH                                    |
|                  | 16    | 14           | 168            | Warmblood          | m                | Medium dressage              | n                       | n       | Acute, severe, lameness in LF and less pronounced lameness of RH                                | LF,RH                                 |

Morphological details of the cohort of sound and lame horses. The lameness histories of lame horses are given. Horses are organized into sound, forelimb lame, hindlimb lame, and the horse (Horse 16) which had severe lameness in the left fore (LF) and right hind (RH).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Breed of horses: ISH = Irish sports horse; Welsh C = Welsh Section C

bSex of horses: m = mare; g = gelding

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup>Horse's main use: details in brackets indicate the highest level the horse competed at; BE = British Eventing

dIf the horse was in work at the time of data collection: y = yes; n = no s s

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup>Details of whether the horse was shod or not: y = yes; n = no; front = shod in both front feet only

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>f</sup>Details of the most affected limbs in lameness cases: LF = left fore; RF = right fore; LH = left hind; RH = right hind