

The five questions below were provided by the drafting committee as a framework for industry comments:

1. Identify yourself and the organization you represent.
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2. What are goals of your organization that might be improved by development of technologies (genomics)?
Monitoring trends of interest in the pedigrees of the American Stud Book
3. What is/are the biggest current and 10-year challenge(s) to your industry that changing or measuring traits in your animals might be able to address?
This is more of a question for commercial breeders. As the keeper of the stud book, our interests are more focused on maintaining the integrity of pedigrees and monitoring long term trends in breeding and registration activity that may signal closer analysis.
4. Can you identify opportunities or divergent goals between different segments of your industry?
Again, more of a question for the commercial breeders.
5. Other insights?
The genome project has yielded valuable dividends for us as keepers of the stud book. We have just begun to explore ways in which the new technologies that are emerging can help monitor the health of the breed and possibly establish new insights into issues affecting Thoroughbreds including exercise induced pulmonary hemorrhage among others.