



Case Study Sign-Up INTRODUCTION

Case Study Overview

Case Studies have 4 sections that need to be completed:

- 1) Pre-Study Background information and photograph
- 2) Data collection sheet
- 3) Post-Study Follow-up information and photograph
- 4) Contact information

The Pre-Study START form and the CONTACT form are required to sign up for a case study. They are used to assess whether a patient can be enrolled into the case study. Once enrolled, the data collection sheets and Post-Study END forms will need to be completed. All completed forms may be faxed to Dr. Laura Duclos at 402.466.5458.

The forms are designed to collect consistent data that will be analyzable and useable. That said, we want to strongly encourage that you record any comments or observations pre, post, and during. These are often overlooked pieces of data that provide valuable insight into the case study.

Case Study FAQ's

How do I sign up, and does this mean my case is accepted?

Send your completed Pre-Study START Form and CONTACT Form, along with a photograph of the patient (if readily available), to Nature's Variety Director of R&D, Dr. Laura Duclos, at 402.466.5458 (fax) or research@naresvariety.com (email). Dr. Duclos will review the data and determine if the case should be accepted; she may need to contact you for more information. Once accepted, you will be contacted with additional instructions and details. Part of those details will entail signing a release (both you and your client) and providing us with contact information of you and your client.

What data do you need from me and what food do I tell the client to feed?

At the time of the case study's acceptance, we will provide you with a detailed list of the background data you need to collect relative to your patient's condition. We will then work with you to recommend food forms and flavors for your client to feed. These recommendations will be sent to the local Nature's Variety Territory Sales Manager (TSM) in charge of ordering the food for your client.

How do clients obtain food?

Clients will be instructed to contact the local TSM to obtain products. (TSM contact information will be provided when your case study is accepted.) The TSM will determine the easiest and most convenient method of providing clients with products. We will make sure that clients place food orders at least one week – preferably two weeks – prior to running out of food.

When does the case study end?

The end point of the study is variable depending on the patient's disease or condition. Typically a case study lasts about 4 months, but it may be shorter or longer. A follow-up exam and photograph is required at the end of the study, otherwise the data is not usable and unpublishable.

What if I have a problem?

Your first line of contact is your local Nature's Variety TSM. You may also email Dr. Laura Duclos with any questions, concerns, or problems (research@naresvariety.com).

Thank you for choosing to partner with Nature's Variety!