## Do you see rabbits with ear mites in your area?

*Psoroptes Spp.*, previously known as *psoroptes cuniculi*, is a skin mite known to infect rabbits and hares around the world. The mites cause a strong immune response which results in thick skin crusting, especially in the ears. Infected animals often scratch and shake their heads.

## If you've seen rabbits with this parasite, I need your help!



My name is Dr. Adam Hering, and I am a veterinarian working on my PhD looking at psoroptes. I'm in search of mite samples from rabbits in your area for use in my genetics research. To collect samples, collect crusting from infected rabbits and store it in vials with Ethanol.

If you see anything that looks like this please collect as much skin crusting as you can, store it in a plastic bag or container in the freezer and get in touch with me!

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