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RAS - BREEDING STRATEGY FOR THE NORWEGIAN LUNDEHUND

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The lundehund is a Norwegian dog breed, and because of this, the Norwegian Lundehund Club is responsible for the development of the breed standard internationally.

The Norwegian Lundehund Club have developed a breeding specific strategy (RAS - an acronyme for "Rasespesifikk AvIs-Strategi"), that currently only exists in Norwegian. It was approved by Norsk Kennel Klub (the Norwegian national partner club of the FCI) in January 2014 and is valid until December 2018.

We have translated <u>parts of the breeding specific strategy</u> to English. The summarized plan of action is also translated, included below on this page.

If you have questions, please contact the breeding counsil of the Norwegian Lundehund Club on email: avlsraadet@lundehund.no.

Goals and plan of action

	Short term	Long term
Increasing the effective population size to 200 (90 males and 110 females) in 2020-2025		2020-2025.
All puppy bitch buyers must commit to breeding at least one litter from their bitch, unless there are medical reasons not to breed her.	2014	
Develop the Norsk Lundehund Klubb online database as a tool to find suitable matches.	Dec 2014	
Highest recommended coefficient of inbreeding to remain at 3.25 based on a five-generation pedigree.	Feb 2014	ongoing
Establish a network of volunteers all over the country who can assist and guide novice breeders to ensure that more dogs succeed in mating naturally.	2015	
Further develop advisory services for novice breeders.	2016	
Increasing the demand for puppies through promoting the breed at shows, performance events, competitions, fairs and through the media		ongoing

	Short term	Long term
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Increasing the number of Lundehunds in Norway to 1.000 individuals by 2025		2025
All puppy bitch buyers must commit to breeding at least one litter from their bitch, unless there are medical reasons not to breed her.	2014	
Applying to the Norwegian Kennel Club for a continuation of the exemption from their rules granted on 1 July 2014 that allows breeders of Lundehunds to mate	Jan 2014	

their bitches from the age of 15 months.		
Establish a network of volunteers all over the country who can assist and guide novice breeders to ensure that more dogs succeed in mating naturally.	2015	
Further develop advisory services for novice breeders. • novice breeder's supplement to the Lundehund book • establish a network of mentors	July 2014 2016	
Organizing seminars for breeders	2017	
Increasing the demand for puppies through promoting the breed at shows, performance events, competitions, fairs and through the media		ongoing
Monitoring online information about the breed.	Dec 2015	

	Short term	Long term
Decreasing the risk of IL through the dissemination of knowledge amongst owners and the veterinary profession		Ongoing
Documenting owners' experience with various diets for lundehunds	July 2015	
Mapping potential IL triggers	July 2015	
Improving treatment of IL		Ongoing
List 30 veterinarians across Norway to receive a copy of the Lundehund book.	Feb 2014	
List 4-5 experienced owners who can advise owners of dogs with gastrointestinal problems.	Feb 2014	
Establish a network of veterinarians with extensive experience in treating IL.	Jan 2015	
Organize a seminar on IL for veterinarians, regional club representatives and other interested parties in collaboration with the Norwegian School of Veterinary Science.	2016	

	Short term	Long term
Reducing the breed predisposition for IL and improve fertility through an outcross project in cooperation with NordGen, the Norwegian Genetic Resource Centre and the Norwegian School of Veterinary Science		2025
Developing a plan for the outcross project.	Feb 2014	
Establishing procedures for documenting the outcross project	Feb 2014	
Comparing the genetic profiles of selected breeds with the Norwegian Lundehund.	Dec 2014	
Implementation		2025

	Short term	Long term
Preserving breed mentality and original function		
Developing methonds for assessing breed mentality.	Apr 2015	

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	Short term	Long term
Preserving breed behaviour and instincts		
Developing a description of breed typical behaviours		2020

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Conducting a trial breed mentality test

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