

GOT HORNETS?

Researchers at Iowa State University, University College London, and York University are seeking samples of the European hornet, *Vespa crabro* for a research study.



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We are seeking whole nests (not isolated individuals or foragers), as we need to collect queens and workers from the same nests. We are conducting a study in which we will dissect their brains and generate genetic data, contributing to our understanding of insect social behavior.

If you find a nest, please send photos (preferably including the wasps themselves to assist us in verifying the species) to amytoth@iastate.edu, or call 515-294-3121

The following website has good information about this species:
<https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/european-hornets>

Laboratory website:
www.tothlab.org