

A METHOD TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE USE OF INTRAMAMMARY ANTIBIOTICS AT DRYING OFF

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MINISTÈRE DE L'AGRICULTURE DE L'AGROALIMENTAIRE ET DE LA FORÊT



REDUCING ANTIBIOTIC USE IN VETERINARY MEDICINE

Quantitative Objectives by 25% in 5 years 2017

MILK AMYLOID A (MAA)

• Marker of clinical and subclinical bovine mastitis

Eckersall et al., 2006 Gerardi et al., 2009 Molenaar et al., 2009 Safi et al., 2009 Kováč et al., 2011 Pyörälä et al., 2011

Expressed in the bovine mammary gland

Eckersall et al., 2006 Molenaar et al., 2009

MILK AMYLOID A (MAA)

• Early and large increase of MAA in milk from infected quarters

Pedersen et al., 2003 Jacobsen et al., 2005

 Increased concentration in milk from cows with mastitis caused by pathogens Gram+ or Gram-

> Pyörälä et al., 2011 Szczubiał et al., 2012

MILK AMYLOID A (MAA)

 Decline in concentration observed with resolution of the infection

Jacobsen et al., 2005

• An ELISA test commercially available



OUR PREVIOUS MAA FIELD OBSERVATIONS

- o 2013-2014
- o 528 cows from 8 herds followed during 6 months
- MAA an efficient tool to monitor the mammary gland health status

OUR PREVIOUS MAA FIELD OBSERVATIONS

- o 2013-2014
- No effect of an extra-mammary pathology on MAA concentration
- Assessment of efficiency of an intramammary antibiotic treatment and monitoring mammary gland recovery

MAA TRIAL AT DRYING OFF (2014-2015)

- Quarter milk samples from112 cows
- o 6 low bulk tank SCC dairy herds
- MAA and SCC analyses prior to drying off and after calving
- Bacterial culture as gold standard

MAA TRIAL AT DRYING OFF (2014-2015)

- Selective dry cow therapy at quarter level based on MAA results (1 µg/mL) _ Teat sealant
- Algorithm development based on MAA and SCC results
- Test characteristics calculation and predictive values estimate





A threshold of 100,000 cells/mL for primiparous cows or of 150,000 cells/mL for multiparous cows for SCC test was used

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RESULTS



Predictive values of the MAA-Biotecklait method for a prevalence of an infected quarter ranging from 0 to 100%

RESULTS

 29% reduction in the use of intramammary antibiotic therapy at drying off

- No clinical mastitis recorded one month after calving for quarters with a negative MAA-Biotecklait test
- Success in the treatment and prevention of IMI over the dry period for quarters with a negative MAA-Biotecklait test

CONCLUSION

- MAA-Biotecklait method allows selective dry cow therapy at quarter level with confidence
- MAA-Biotecklait method enables dairy farmers to significantly reduce the use of antibiotics at drying off

SERVICE AT DRYING OFF FOR DAIRY FARMERS

- Launch in France planned in September 2015
- Cost-effective assay use
- Simple high throughput laboratory assay
- MAA assay and Biotecklait algorithm access available worldwide from Tridelta

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