
FEBRUARY 2020 DAIRY NEWSLETTER

You Are Invited to Our Dairy Producer Meeting!

- When: March 26th from 9:30-3pm
- Where: Kirkton Community Centre located at 70497 Road 164, Kirkton ON, N0K 1K0
- Coffee, Refreshments and Lunch will be provided
- RSVP deadline: Thursday March 19th by calling the Kirkton Vet Clinic

Speakers and Topics

- Dr. Ray Reynen – Input Costs on a Dairy
 - What are the costs we can cut out?
- Chelsea Gordon and Mark Ross – Tough Cropping Years
 - Challenges and opportunities for dealing with toxins, delayed forage harvest and feed storage problems
 - What are we seeing in the real world of forage management?
- Dr. Ann Godkin – Selective Dry Cow Treatment
 - Update on recent research, herd selection criteria and how to monitor changes
- Dr. Cynthia Miltenburg – New CFIA Transport Regulations
 - What do the new CFIA transport regulations mean for dairy farmers?
- Dr. Brooke Gilmer – ProAction Update
 - Trouble-shooting the Biosecurity Module
- Dr. Janna Pietersma – Calf Program Update and Humane Euthanasia Review
 - Preliminary data from herds enrolled in our calf monitoring program
 - Review of equipment, technique and decision-making for on-farm euthanasia



Intramammary Product Summary

Over the past few months there have been significant back-orders of many lactating and dry cow intramammary products. You may have noticed that when attempting to order a product you are either told it is unavailable or receive a different product than usual. Typically, your herd vet was consulted on what to send instead of the desired product. The seemingly constant change in product availability can be frustrating and difficult to keep up with for producers and veterinarians alike. In the tables below we have attempted to summarize current product availability, label dose recommendations and withdrawals for both lactating and dry cow intramammary products.

Lactating Cow Intramammary Products

Product	Availability	Label Dose	Milk WTD	Meat WTD	Comments
Cefa-Lak	Unavailable until mid-Summer	Two treatments 12 hours apart	96 hours	4 days	“Today” is same product from USA
Special Formula	Unknown return date	Two treatments 24 hours apart if necessary	72 hours	24 days	May not return to market
Spectramast LC	Available	Two treatments 24 hours apart	96 hours	0 days	
Pirsue	Available	Two treatments 24 hours apart(8 treatments for S. aureus)	48 hours	21 days	Reserved for S. aureus cases
ToDay	Available within 2 weeks	Same as Cefa-Lak	96 hours	4 days	USA version of Cefa-Lak

Dry Cow Intramammary Products

Product	Availability	Milk WTD	Meat WTD	Comments
Cefa-Dri	Available	84 hours after calving	42 days	Do not use in cows that are within 30 days of calving
Spectramast DC	Available	30 days after dry-off	5 days	Category 3 antibiotic, so reserve use unless no other dry cow products available
Novodry Plus	Unknown return date	72 hours after calving	30 days	Do not use in cows that are within 30 days of calving
Dry Clox	Unavailable until April	30 days after dry-off	30 days	Do not use in cows that are within 30 days of calving

If using a dose that is different from the label dose of any of the above products, our recommendation is to collect a sample from both the cow and bulk tank to be tested for residues before she goes in the tank.