



Preliminary Program



October 10-12, 2023

The Ruwenberg, St. Michielsgestel, The Netherlands



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Day 1 Tuesday October 10

10:00 – 13.00 Registration

08:30 – 10:00 RepVet meeting (for delegates)

10:00 – 10:15 Coffee break

10:15 – 12:00 Parallel QualiVets meeting for porcine / bovine

Porcine QualiVets: Discussion forum Chair: Dimitri de Meyer

- Real alternatives for antibiotics in sperm doses (tested! In practice)
- Biosecurity: Why are we doing what we do today, and does it make sense?
- Use of pooled semen

Bovine QualiVets: Discussion forum Chair: Marleen Broekhuijse



- Use of pooled semen
- Standardisation in straw identification
- Round Table discussion: standardisation of concentration and CASA assessment

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch



Do you want to know how to pronounce Sint Michielsgestel, the town where you will be located during AI VETS 2023:

Pronounce Sint Michielsgestel

Day 1 Tuesday October 10

13:00 – 15:00 Plenary session 1

Welcome and opening by Local Organizing Committee

The Dutch bovine and porcine sector: something to be proud of!

Jeanette van de Ven (Agricultural and Horticultural Association, the Netherlands)

Ethical game changers and grains of sand: on how to frame ethical discussions about innovations in breeding

Koen Kramer (Utrecht University, the Netherlands)

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 17:00 Parallel porcine / bovine session 1

Oral fluid-based early warning system for PRRSV in AI boars - A small study with known infection moment

Anne Staadegaard (Varkens KI Nederland, the Netherlands)

Current market demands PRRS testing

María José Martínez Alborcia (AIM Ibérica, Spain)

Developments PRRS testing on stud early warning Semen Cardona/Biofar laboratoris

Control of paratuberculosis in young bulls

Maarten Weber (Royal GD, the Netherlands)

An insight in the AI barn – way of working Leo Schooltink (CRV, the Netherlands)

Can we predict when a young bull will produce semen that can be frozen successfully?

Jane Morrell (Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden)

18:30 – 21:00 Walking diner; meet the sponsors



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Day 2 Wednesday October 11

08:30 – 09:00 Start of the day, welcome to meet the sponsors

09:00 – 10:30 Parallel porcine / bovine session 2

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Role of the seminal vesicles in boar semen Jordi Roca (University of Murcia)

Compensation of morphological sperm defects in boar semen doses: a focus on cytoplasmic droplets

Dagmar Waberski (University of Veterinary Medicine, Hannover, Germany)

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Animal welfare survey in French & Belgian reproduction units: initial results and perspectives

Laurence Guilbert-Julien (LNCR, France) / Olivier Gerard (Eliance, France)

Fertility problems in homozygote Witrik bulls

Katja Teerds (Wageningen University and Research, the Netherlands)

FERTIBULL - genetic correlation male reproduction and milk production Xena Mapel (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zürich, Switzerland)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:00 Plenary sponsor session

Day 2 Wednesday October 11

12:00 – 13:00 Parallel porcine / bovine session 3



Analysis of AI centers management factors that contribute to boar longevity and parameters of sperm quality

Sophie Henneberg (IFN Schönow, Germany)

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Breeding a healthy and efficient herd

Marjolein Verweij (CRV, the Netherlands)

Monitoring Animal diseases: emerging diseases Judith de Jong (Royal GD, the Netherlands)

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 17:00 Plenary session 2

RepVet report

Bernard Eivers

Defining the male contribution to embryo quality and offspring health Adam Watkins (University of Nottingham, United Kingdom)

Customer psychology; responding to emotion in the business market and the added value of neuromarketing

Paul Hassels Mönning MSc (Speakers Academy, the Netherlands)

17:00 – 18:00 Sponsor room closes

Closing – opportunity to meet the sponsors

19:30 Welcome drinks

20:00 – 23:30 Gala diner

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Day 3 Thursday October 12

Bovine excursion to commercial feed intake farm

OR

Porcine excursion to semen collection centres

The excursion finishes around lunch time



You can find the hotel and travel information at

AI VETS 2023 - Hotel and Travel Information