

# Establish Herd BVD Status in DAIRY HERDS

I want to know the BVD status of my herd

Test your young stock

OR

Blood sample 5 young stock from each management group and test for antibody (9-18 months of age, unvaccinated)

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To maintain status antibody test 5-10 unvaccinated calves (9-18 months of age) from each management group at least yearly

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Discuss with your vet how to identify whether there are any Persistently Infected animals in your herd

Tag and test (or blood sample) all calves for BVD virus / antigen (incl. aborted foetuses, stillborns)

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To maintain status continue to test all calves, including aborted foetuses and stillborns and any animals brought on to the farm

+ve

Remove all PI animals ASAP (consider retesting with antigen ELISA at 3 weeks to check if acutely infected with BVD virus)

OPTIONAL  
Test your milking herd

Test bulk milk for antibody (or pooled first lactation).

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To check BVD status test bulk milk or pooled milk from unvaccinated 1st lactation heifers quarterly

+ve

Bulk milk PCR test for BVD virus quarterly

Break Free from BVD

I don't know my **herd** status

I want to know the **BVD status of individuals\***

**Establish Individual Animal BVD Status in DAIRY HERDS**

Test the whole herd for PI (optional)

Test your **young stock for PI**

Test all animals for PI (all cows, calves, bulls)

Tag and test (or blood sample) **all** calves, incl. aborted foetuses, stillborns

**-ve**

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To maintain status continue to tag and test (or blood sample) all calves, including aborted foetuses and stillborns and any animals brought on to the farm

Remove all PI animals ASAP

\*You can also get a BVDFree herd status through testing individual animals when every animal in the herd has a BVDFree individual status

**Break Free from BVD**