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Effect of udder health management practices on herd somatic cell count by Dufour, S., Fréchette, A., Barkema, H.W., Mussell, A. and D.T. Scholl

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Age: Adult;

Outcome Parameter(s): herd somatic cell count

Summary: Three scientific literature on relationships between management practices used on dairy farms and herd somatic cell count (SCC) is reviewed in this study. A large number of management practices have shown consistent associations with herd-level SCC when used in usual dairy settings. These practices should be the basis of udder health recommendations to dairy producers. Although many management practices have shown interesting associations with SCC, the lack of consistency observed should moderate reliance on their use.

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