



245 Tools & Checklists

Selectief droogzetten in Vlaanderen

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In **Significant Impact Groups:**

Prudent use AB \ Farmer

Species targeted: Dairy;

Age:

Summary:

The tool "Selectief droogzetten in Vlaanderen" provides an easy to use flowchart to determine whether your dairy meets the requirements to start practicing selective dry cow therapy and if so provides a flowchart to assist in selecting cows needing antibiotic treatment when drying-off and which don't. Farm determinants include: attitude towards selective dry-cow therapy, good drying-off protocol in place, absence of *Streptococcus agalactiae* from the herd, recording of milk production and or somatic cell count (SCC) and a bulk milk SCC less than 250 000 cells per ml. The determinants at cow level include the occurrence of clinical mastitis between the last milk production recording and the moment of drying-off, the production level at drying off, data on the last three SCC's before drying-off and specific thresholds for the SCC per cow depending on parity and the 6 monthly geometric average of the bulk SCC of the herd.

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Where to find the original material:

https://m-tools.ugent.be/home/Poster_selectief_droogzetten.pdf;

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