



Virtual Open Industry Sessions

October 14 and 15, 2020

The biannual Open Industry Sessions, previously organized by Canadian Dairy Network (CDN), have served well as a means of communicating research results and proposed improvements to genetic evaluation services in Canada as well as for seeking input from industry partners and producers able to attend. The main purpose of these Open Industry Sessions has been to assist members of the Genetic Evaluation Board (GEB) in terms of making recommendations for approval by the CDN (now Lactanet) Board of Directors prior to implementation.

One outcome of the current Covid-19 pandemic is that many organizations, including Lactanet, have learned to conduct business and meetings virtually rather than face-to-face. This experience has now led to the decision to transition the format of these Open Industry Sessions to a virtual format using Zoom, which provides the opportunity for producers and industry personnel across Canada to participate. To achieve this objective, we have scheduled two virtual sessions to be held on Wednesday, October 14 and Thursday October 15, 2020. The following is an overview of the topics to be presented during these Open Industry Sessions organized by Lactanet Canada.

To participate in one or both webinar sessions, you must first register in advance at:

https://tryglobal.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zTwPXBqKRoic03QV6RFY4g

Once registered, you will receive a confirmation message and the appropriate link for participating.

AGENDA

(times are in EDT applicable in ON and QC)

Simultaneous Translation Services will be provided.

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

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| 12:30 pm | Welcome and Meeting Guidelines – Moderator Brian Van Doormaal |
| 12:40 pm | Lactanet Business Update – Neil Petreny |
| 1:10 pm | Impact of Covid-19 on Requirements for Publishable Lactations and Official Genetic Evaluations – Brian Van Doormaal |
| 1:30 pm | Comparison of Data from On-Farm Sensors and Bulk Tank Analysis – Robert Moore |
| 1:50 pm | Impact of Including Data from On-Farm Sensors on Genetic Evaluations of Sires and Cows – Gerrit Kistemaker |
| 2:10 pm | Implementation of Feed Efficiency Evaluations in Holsteins (Report 1 & 2) – Janusz Jamrozik |
| 2:45 pm | Participant Feedback Survey |

3:00 pm Session Closure

Thursday, October 15, 2020

12:30 pm Welcome and Meeting Guidelines – Moderator Brian Van Doormaal

12:40 pm [Overview of First Official Genetic Evaluations for Fertility Disorders and New Type Traits Starting December 2020](#) – Gerrit Kistemaker

1:10 pm Relating Sire Proofs for Linear Type Traits to Expected Average Daughter Performance in First Lactation – Allison Fleming

1:40 pm [Updating Breed Averages for the Interpretation of Genetic Evaluations for Functional Traits](#) – Brian Van Doormaal

2:10 pm [Moving to Composite Indexes for Major Scorecard Type Traits in April 2021](#) – Allison Fleming

2:45 pm Participant Feedback Survey

3:00 pm Session Closure