

*Program  
Mastitis Research Workers  
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*Diagnosis*

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- “*IMI CNS 16S CNV-Analysis and importance of the copy number variation of the ribosomal RNA gene in coagulase-negative staphylococcus species isolated from intramammary infections.*” ..... Jeroen De Buck
- “*Culture Negative Mastitis Cases - defining etiology and outcomes.*” ..... Pamela Ruegg
- “*Challenges in microbiological diagnostics of mastitis.*” ..... Satu Pyörälä
- “*Validation of ultrasonography of the mammary gland for detection of mastitis.*” ..... Sheila Andrew
- “*Methods for detecting coagulase-negative staphylococci in heifers.*” ..... John Middleton
- “*Identification of Staphylococcus aureus genotype B among isolates collected from cases of subclinical bovine mastitis in the USA.*” ..... Pamela Fry
- “*MALDI-TOF validation for CNS.*” ..... Marguerite Cameron
- “*Bacteriological etiology of mastitis in Finland.*” ..... Johanna Vakkamaki
- “*Using an infrared thermometer to predict mastitis in udder quarters.*” ..... Kristen Reyher
- “*Prevalence of bacterial genotypes and outcome of bovine clinical mastitis due to Streptococcus dysgalactiae and Streptococcus uberis.*” ..... Asa Lundberg
- “*Lactococcus lactis is a real problem for IMI.*” ..... Paolo Moroni
- “*Use of bulk milk to monitor herd MAP status.*” ..... Annabelle Beaver
- “*Speciation of coagulase-negative staphylococci from bovine mastitis using partial sequencing of cpn60.*” ..... Colleen Fitzpatrick
- “*Herd level factors explaining the presence of coagulase-negative staphylococci in bulk milk.*” ..... Anneleen De Visscher
- “*Evaluation of milk somatic cell count as indicator of quarters for bacteriological culturing of high somatic cell count cows.*” ..... Reshat Jashari
- “*Mastitis Detection.*” ..... Jeffrey Bewley

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## *Immunology*

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- “Biomarkers of low vs. high innate immune response phenotype.” ..... *David Kerr*
- “Mammary epithelial cells modulate their response to bacterial intruders” *Pascal Rainard*
- “Adhesion and internalization of different staphylococci species into bovine mammary epithelial cells and their effect on the innate immune response.” ..... *Fernando Nogueira de Souza*
- “Pathogen specific immune response of the mammary gland.” ..... *Olga Wellnitz*
- “Effects of ketone bodies on the mammary immune response.” ..... *Rupert Bruckmaier*
- “Effect of assay conditions on neutrophil chemotaxis.” ..... *Tanya Gressley*
- “Importance of dendritic cells in bovine mastitis.” ..... *Brianna Pomeroy*
- “Importance of NK cells in bovine mastitis.” ..... *Anja Sipka*
- “Effects of bovine leukemia virus infection on milk neutrophil function and the milk lymphocyte profile.” ..... *Alice Maria Melville Paiva Della Libera*
- “Staphylococcus aureus and immune modulation in the mammary gland.” .... *Isis Kanevsky*
- “CXCR1 gene polymorphisms, neutrophils and udder health.” ..... *Joren Verbeke*

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## *Treatment*

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- “Udder cleft dermatitis, hock lesions and mastitis.” ..... *Karin Persson Waller*
- “Dietary starch levels and the immunometabolic response of dairy cows during intramammary infection with *Escherichia coli*.” ..... *Kasey Moyes*
- “Milk prolactin response after experimental infection with different coagulase-negative staphylococci in dairy heifers.” ..... *Kristine Piccart*
- “A critical view on in vivo and in vitro infection models for mastitis research.” ..... *Wolfram Petzl*
- “Herd level evaluation of udder health and economics when using selective dry cow therapy with different selection criteria on cow level.” ..... *Christian Scherpenzeel*
- “Staphylococcus aureus virulence factors.” ..... *Karin Artursson*

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## **Treatment (continued)**

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- “Relationship between IMI acquisition and elimination during the dry period.” ..... *Simon Dufour*
- “Scenarios for selective dry cow treatment.” ..... *Theo Lam*
- “Efficacy of a novel treatment for *Staphylococcus aureus* mastitis.” ..... *Christopher Luby*
- “In vitro antimicrobial susceptibility of *Mycoplasma bovis* strains isolated from dairy cattle mastitis outbreak in Europe.” ..... *Antonio Barberio*
- “The use of antimicrobials on dairy farms in Flanders, Belgium.” ..... *Marina Stevens*

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## **Management**

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- “Effect of intramammary infections with coagulase-negative staphylococci in early lactating dairy heifers on the quarter somatic cell count and quarter daily milk yield throughout first lactation.” ..... *Dimitri Valckenier*
- “Management practices associated with achieving low BMSCC & low incidence of clinical mastitis in Flemish dairy herds.” ..... *Pieter Passchyn*
- “Modeling the spread of intramammary infections within and between Swiss dairy herds.” ..... *Bart van den Borne*
- “Strategies to prevent and treat mastitis on Irish dairy farms in order to reduce antibiotic use on farms” ..... *Niamh Ryan.*
- “Differences in outcome depending on CNS species.” ..... *Ann Nyman*
- “Employee Education: The Weak Link?” ..... *Ron Erskine*
- “Southeast Quality Milk Initiative.” ..... *Gina Pighetti*
- “Distribution of coagulase-negative staphylococci in Canadian Dairy Herds.” ..... *Herman Barkema*
- “MALDI-ToF: Validation and Implications for Mastitis Research.” ..... *Sandra Godden*
- “Assessing liner teat interactions.” ..... *John Penry*
- “Quality assessment and changes in SCC and bacteria counts in PEI milk.” ..... *Greg Keefe*
- “Mycoplasma, Johnes disease, and BVD - bulk tank milk results over time in the U.S. Intermountain West.” ..... *David Wilson*

*“Equivalence studies in teat disinfection.” ..... Ynte Schukken*