



DAIRY CATTLE REPRODUCTION COUNCIL

2024 ANNUAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 12-14

LOEWS ARLINGTON HOTEL

ARLINGTON, TEXAS, USA

MEETING PROGRAM

Tuesday, November 12

Preconference Sessions

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Sage A

A 'fresh' perspective on gender-sorted semen

Eric Zwiefelhofer, STgenetics | *Sponsored by ST Genetics*



4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Sage A

**Reproductive management in the era of automation:
Managing cows according to their needs**

Ricardo Chebel, University of Florida | *Sponsored by Merck Animal Health*



5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Crystal Ballroom B

Opening Reception and Poster Session

Sponsored by Merck Animal Health

Wednesday, November 13

6:45 - 7:45 a.m.

Crystal Ballrooms A & B

Breakfast and Poster Session

Plenary Session

7:50 - 8:00 a.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

Opening Remarks | Tracy Burnett, Dairy Cattle Reproduction Council

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

The Resilient Dairy Genome Project | Christine Baes, University of Guelph

Breakout Sessions

(May attend 2 of these breakout sessions)

9:05 - 9:55 a.m.

Lupine A

What happens in the calf hutch does not stay in the calf hutch

Adam Geiger, Zinpro Corporation

Lupine B

Detection and determination of embryonic viability

Ky Pohler, Texas A&M University

Lupine C

Employee training and retention

Robert Hagevoort, New Mexico State University

9:55 - 10:20 a.m.

Crystal Ballroom B

Break and Poster Session

10:20 - 11:10 a.m.

Lupine A

Systemic inflammation in early lactation dairy cows – what is this disorder and how to assess it?

Rafael Neves, Purdue University

Lupine B

Improving efficiency through monitoring technology and data insights

Luís Mendonça, Merck Animal Health Technology Labs

Lupine C

Advancing fertility traits: Insights from CDCB and USDA-AGIL

John Cole, Council on Dairy Cattle Breeding

Plenary Session

11:20 - 12:00 p.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

Excellence in Dairy Cattle Reproduction Awards Ceremony and Panel Discussion

Moderated by Katelyn Allen, *Hoard's Dairyman*

12:00 - 12:15 p.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

DCRC Annual Business Meeting | Tracy Burnett, Dairy Cattle Reproduction Council

12:15 - 12:55 p.m.

Crystal Ballroom A

Lunch

Plenary Session

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

An overview of HPAI in dairy cattle

Jason Lombard, Colorado State University

Wednesday, November 13 (continued)

Breakout Sessions (May attend 2 of these breakout sessions)

2:05 - 2:55 p.m.

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Lupine B

Management strategies for reinsemination: The past, the present and future directions

Paul Fricke, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Lupine C

Uterine disease management

Stephen LeBlanc, University of Guelph

2:55 - 3:25 p.m.

Crystal Ballroom B

Break and Poster Session

3:30 - 4:20 p.m.

Lupine A

Factors related to production, reproduction and survival in dairy replacements

Mike Overton, Zoetis

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Plenary Session

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

Panel Discussion: Using technology and data on the dairy today and the future

Panelists: Sarah Anderson, SenseHub Dairy Monitoring, John Cole, Council on Dairy Cattle Breeding, and Alex Scanavez, Alta Genetics

Moderated by Benjamin Voelz, STgenetics

Thursday, November 14

7:00 - 7:45 a.m.

Crystal Ballrooms A & B

Breakfast and Poster Session

Plenary Session

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

Dairy herd health in the context of a sustainable future

Kaitlyn Briggs, fairlife

9:05 - 9:50 a.m.

Crystal Ballroom C

Panel Discussion: An industry perspective on beef x dairy

Panelists: Casey Anderson, STgenetics, Jason Felling, Felling Dairy LLC, Kyle Kunz, Lone Star Calf Ranch

Moderated by Benjamin Voelz, STgenetics

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