



2019 Dairy Cattle Welfare Symposium: Intersection of Best Practices and Sustainability

Location: Embassy Suites by Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista South; Kissimmee, Florida (Palms A, B & C)

Dates: May 29th & 30th

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29th – DAY 1

7:00 a.m. – Registration & Breakfast

7:50 – Welcome & Opening Remarks: *Dr. Marcia Endres, DCWC outgoing president*

8:00 – Ethics/Philosophy of Animal Welfare (*Dr. Bernard Rollin, Colorado State Univ*)

8:55 – European Perspective (*Mr. Gwyn Jones, West Sussex UK*)

9:45 – Research Presentation (*Katie Mills, Univ of British Columbia*)

9:55 – Break

10:20 – **Poll Everywhere** Roundtable Discussion (*attendees, speakers*)

11:05 – CRISPR and Genetics and Welfare (*Dr. Alison Van Eenennaam, UC Davis*)

11:50 – Platinum sponsor talk (*Dr. Judson Vasconcelos, Merck Animal Health*)

12:00 p.m. – Lunch

1:00 – Pain Management Update (*Dr. Hans Coetzee, Kansas State Univ*)

1:45 – Research Presentation (*Alycia Drwencke, UC Davis*)

1:55 – Research on Group Housing of Calves (*Dr. Emily Miller-Cushon, Univ of Florida; Dr. Joao Costa, Univ of Kentucky*)

2:40 – Research Presentation (*Melissa Cantor, Univ of Kentucky*)

2:50 – Break

3:10 – Producer Panel: Group Housing of Dairy Calves (*moderator: Dr. Joao Costa, Univ of Kentucky; panelists: Pam Selz-Pralle, Selz-Pralle Dairy; Eric Diepersloot, Full Circle Dairy; & Gerardo Gonzalez, Aurora Organic Dairy*)

3:55 – Research Presentation (*Kelsey Horvath, Univ of Florida*)

4:05 – **Poll Everywhere** Roundtable Discussion (*attendees, speakers*)

Spanish-Speaking Session

May 29th from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: Cypress 2

1:30 p.m. – Panel discussion “on-farm welfare training” (*invited farm managers & moderators*)

2:50 – Break (same as large group)

3:10 – Case-studies using video/scenarios with discussion on what is common practice, acceptable, and/or unacceptable (*attendees & moderators*)

4:30 – Summary, Conclusions, & Final Remarks

5:00 – Adjourn & invited to Social Hour with large group

4:45 – Dairy Cattle Welfare Council: organizational update (*Dr. Marcia Endres, DCWC President*)

5:00 – Social Hour Reception held in Palms E-G (**hors d'oeuvres & cash bar**)

THURSDAY, MAY 30th – DAY 2

7:00 a.m. – Breakfast

8:00 – Platinum sponsor talk (*Dr. Scott King, Boehringer Ingelheim*)

8:10 – Live Consumer Panel: Hear directly from consumers and what they think about today’s dairy (*panel of millennials*)

9:00 – Research Presentation (*Rielle Perttu, Univ of Minnesota*)

9:10 – Consumer Research/Social Media (*Dr. Christopher Wolf, Michigan State Univ*)

9:55 – Break

10:20 – **Poll Everywhere** Roundtable Discussion (*attendees, speakers*)

11:05 – Judicious Antibiotic Use and Welfare (*Dr. Harvey Scott, Texas A&M Univ*)

11:50 – Research Presentation (*Bethany Dado-Senn, Univ of Florida*)

12:00 p.m. – Lunch

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1:00 – Polyvagal Theory (Dr. Alan Theede)

2:00 – Select Milk’s Dairy Welfare Program (Dr. Brandon Treichler, Select Milk Producers)

3:00 – Position Statements on Cow-calf Separation (Dr. Jim Reynolds)

3:45 – Closing Remarks: Dr. Jeff Brose, DCWC incoming president

4:00 – Adjourn

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Full Symposium:

- Early Bird until April 30th: \$250
- Regular after April 30th: \$300
- Students: \$75 (30 seats available)

Symposium Capacity: 250 attendees

Continuing Education Credit: 12 hours

Spanish-Speaking Session (ONLY) (50 seats available):

- Individual: \$75
- Farm (maximum of 4 people): \$200

Session Capacity: 50 attendees

The Spanish-speaking session is targeted towards farm managers, herdsmen, and key employees. This session will be held during the afternoon of the first day, May 29th. Completion of this session will count towards required annual training outlined in the FARM Program.

Participants can register to attend only this session for \$75 per person or \$200 for four people from the same farm. No additional cost for full symposium registrants to attend this session.

For more details and to register online, please visit our website at:

<https://www.dccouncil.org/symposium>