BVD control programmes have so far failed to eradicate the disease. This failure has been attributed to poor programme management and to the limitations of available vaccines. The cycle of BVD infection is perpetuated by PI animals and naïve heifers – both are key to the spread and maintenance of disease in herds.

Management pitfalls and unmet needs

1. Antigenic variation
2. Incorrect use of vaccines
3. Failure to remove PI animals
4. Failure to adhere to control strategies
5. Spread of BVD infections by injectables
6. Lack of marker vaccines against BVD

BVD outlook

ncp/cp biotypes

References