

## VETS PLEASE NOTE: NEW CLAIM FOR BOVIDEC® BVD VACCINE



The BVD vaccine Bovidec has received an updated foetal protection claim and is now licensed to prevent infection of the foetus with BVD Type1 virus for 420 days post vaccination. Bovidec, which is produced by Novartis Animal Health, was the first commercially available BVD vaccine and actively immunises adult cattle against the BVD Type 1 virus and contains Bovine viral diarrhoea strain KY1203nc at a concentration of  $5 \times 10^6$  TCID<sub>50</sub> per 4 ml dose.

This long term foetal protection is unique to Bovidec and is a huge benefit to livestock farmers in the protection of their animals and preventing the creation of persistently infected calves (PIs), the source of new disease for the herd. BVD has the effect of weakening animals and opens the door to other disease such as scouring and pneumonia.

Novartis Animal Health is actively involved in encouraging farmers, through their veterinarians, to get their herds tested for BVD, and put in place measures to control and eradicate the virus from their herds, as well as taking long-term bio-security measures to keep herds free of the disease.

For more information, please contact **Novartis Animal Health**, Frimley Business Park, Frimley, Camberley, Surrey, GU16 7SR or telephone Novartis Animal Health **01276 694402**, or Kendalls Communications **01394 610022** or visit **[www.farmanimalhealth.co.uk/cattle-bovidec](http://www.farmanimalhealth.co.uk/cattle-bovidec)**.

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