

Field Anaemia Nearest Indicator card

How to USF the FANI card

- 1. Hold the vulva open with one hand by grasping the top of the vulva between your thumb and forefinger.
- 2. Hold the card against the vulva with the other hand.
- 3. Evaluate the mucosa halfway down the vulva (this avoids blanching near your fingers).

How to READ the FANI card

- 1. Note the colour of the mucosa adjacent to the pigmented vulva.
- Note how much pink extends from the centre of the vulva to the periphery.

INTERPRETING the PCV estimates 25% to 35%+ animals

- Are within the normal limits for PCV.
- Can have crossover with the PCV 20 to 24 group.
 *Run a PCV if animal is showing clinical signs of theileriosis

INTERPRETING the PCV estimates

20% to 24% animals

- · Are just below the normal limits for PCV.
- Can have crossover with the PCV 25 to 35+ group.
- · Rarely show clinical signs if infected.
- Must be evaluated for other diseases and conditions.
- Should be noted and monitored for clinical signs.
 *Normal animals in early lactation have slightly lower PCVs and may fall into this group.

15% to 19% animals

- · Have an abnormally low PCV.
- · May or may not show clinical signs of theileriosis.
- May be stable at this PCV or may worsen.
- Will benefit from treatment with Buparvaquone it is recommended for animals showing clinical signs (e.g. decreased milk production).
- Should be put in an once a day mob with minimal stress for 2 to 3 weeks

INTERPRETING the PCV estimates

10% to 15% animals

- Should have a quantitative PCV done.
- Must be put in a once a day mob with minimal stress.
- PCV <15 will benefit from treatment with Buparvaquone with or without a blood transfusion.
- PCV <12 should have a blood transfusion.

Note

These are generalised suggestions. Herd level and individual cow level decisions will vary between farms. Factors to take into consideration include: severity of outbreak, level of stress on herd/individuals, value of the individual cow, the farmer's informed opinion on course of action, and farmer's expectations for recovery.

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