

### What is *Klebsiella*?

- Gram negative fecal coliform bacteria
- Found on almost all dairy farms
- Significant environmental mastitis pathogen, especially in large herds
- Hard to diagnose on culture as bacteria dies quickly
- Upon death, bacteria releases a difficult to treat endotoxin causing devastating disease in dairy cattle
- Significant pathogen in human medicine as well
- Two major pathogens: Klebsiella pneumoniae and Klebsiella oxytoca

### Sources of Klebsiella?

- Feces, bedding, feed
- Milking equipment
- Drinking water
- Cow hide and mucosa
- Extended survival in environment

### The importance of iron

- All animals and most bacteria require iron, an essential element for cellular metabolic functions
- Ferric iron (Fe<sup>+3</sup>) is poorly soluble in biological environments, therefore animals and bacteria have special protein systems to bind, transport, and store iron in fluids and secretions
- To survive inside a host, a bacterial pathogen MUST competitively acquire protein-bound iron from the host (bound by host transferrin, lactoferrin, heme, and intracellular proteins)

The mode of action of SRP® vaccines is different from that of whole-cell autogenous or core antigen vaccines. The SRP® vaccine-induced antibodies binds and blocks **transfer of iron** and nutrients through bacterial cell wall pores, **starving bacteria of needed nutrients**. Since it is designed from siderophore receptors and porins, specialized proteins on the outer membrane of the bacteria, the SRP® vaccine provides greater overall immunity.



### Bacterial iron acquisition

- When bacteria encounter a low iron environment, such as inside an animal host, they secrete small proteins called SIDEROPHORES which take iron away from the host binding proteins
- At the same time, bacteria express pore-like SIDEROPHORE RECEPTORS in their outer membrane. These specialized proteins recognize siderophore-iron complexes, transporting them through the cell wall
- Siderophore receptors belong to a family of proteins

### • What is **SRP**® **Technology**?

- SRP > Siderophore Receptor and Porin technology
- Porins > protein pores in the cell wall that allow essential nutrients to enter the cell
- **Siderophore receptors** > specialized porin proteins that transport iron-siderophore complexes through the cell wall during times of iron deprivation
- **SRP**<sup>®</sup> **technology** > siderophore receptor and porin proteins, extracted from the bacterial cell wall and used as vaccine antigens

### How does it work

- Gram negative coliforms require iron for growth
- Vaccine creates antibodies to block transfer of iron
- Oram negative bacteria share similar SRP proteins
- Vaccination is a good tool to be used as part of a whole herd solution with dairy farm management

# SRP® vaccine technology

# ■ Klebsiella Vetovax<sup>™</sup> SRP®

KLEBSIELLA PNEUMONIAE BACTERIAL EXTRACT

Siderophore receptors and porins

Veterinary use only

VLN365/PCN 2879.00

### Indication

This product has been shown to be effective for vaccination of healthy cattle 22 months or older against mastitis caused by Klebsiella pneumoniae. The duration of immunity is unknown. For more information regarding efficacy and safety data, see productdata. aphis. usda.gov under Klebsiella Pneumoniae Bacterial Extract.

### Dosage and administration

**Shake well before use**. Administer 2 mL (1 dose) subcutaneously. Revaccinate in 2 to 4 weeks. Heifers should receive their first dose 30 days after calving. Dry cows should be vaccinated twice before calving. Whole-herd vaccination may be done at any stage of lactation. The need for annual booster vaccination has not been established for this product; consultation with a veterinarian is recommended.

Store at 2 °C to 8 °C (35 °F to 46 °F). **DO NOT FREEZE**. Use entire contents when first opened. Do not vaccinate within 60 days of slaughter. Transient swelling at the injection site (>5 cm) may occur. Heifers less than 22 months of age should not receive this product until 30 days after calving. In case of allergic response, administer flunixin meglumine and/or epinephrine. Contains formaldehyde and polymyxin-B as preservatives. Do not mix with other products.

In case of human exposure, contact a physician.

### **Patent information**

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### Overview of the study conducted by Iowa State University

- 429 cows
- 378 milking
- > Free stall barn houses all lactating cows with manger
- Currently bedded with manure solids (not heat treated)
- > ~30% dry matter coming off the separator.
- → Stalls are re-bedded 3x/week. J5 Vaccination
- 4 x/lactation (-45, -28, 25, & 90 DIM)

It is important to note that the herd had an ongoing Klebsiella mastitis issue even with frequent J5 vaccination

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### Klebsiella Vetovax™ SRP®:

### ironclad solution against clinical mastitis. Keep your cows in the herd longer.

Klebsiella Vetovax™ SRP® is a vaccine that uses the new siderophore receptor and porin (SRP) technology and it is made from Klebsiella pneumoniae bacterial extract that has been shown to be effective

for vaccination of healthy cattle 22 months or older against mastitis caused by Klebsiella pneumoniae.

airy farmers are justified in seeing mastitis as the utterly devastating disease that it is. According to Pamela Ruegg, 'mastitis is the most common and costly health concern for dairy producers" and "results in around 65-85% of the industry's overall use of antibiotics." Mastitis is most frequently caused by bacteria. Cows become exposed through many sources (feces, bedding, milking equipment, water, other animals, etc.). Identifying the correct pathogen is crucial in determining prevention and treatment.

### Not all sources of mastitis are alike...

Bacteria that cause mastitis come from two sources: contagious pathogens (such as Streptococcus agalactiae and Staphylococcus aureus) and environmental pathogens such as coliform bacteria and environmental Streptococci (other than Strep. agalactiae). Methods of control differ by pathogen, which is why it is important to identify the different bacteria causing a herd issue and address them accordingly. This document focuses on a specific and innovative new vaccine against coliform mastitis caused by Klebsiella pneumoniae bacteria.

Since "Gram-negative clinical mastitis (CM) is more severe than Gram-positive mastitis due to its effect on milk yield, discarded milk, treatment costs, death, and culling<sup>3</sup>, the lack of effective treatments historically made Klebsiella CM especially troublesome. Klebsiella **Vetovax**™ **SRP**® — a new vaccine using the innovative SRP® technology against mastitis caused by the coliform bacteria Klebsiella pneumoniae — is now available from Vetoquinol.

### Key features of Klebsiella mastitis

- Environmental coliform mastitis
- Very prolific in organic bedding (sawdust)
- Bacteria often causes a rapid infection
- Very frequently undetected by the farmer/robot before disease starts
- Oauses a local and systemic toxemia
- Infection almost always destroys the guarter
- Infection often kills the animal
- >50% of cows with Klebsiella CM exit the herd4

### Why vaccinate?

- Difficult to prevent and treat
- Ostly disease: average milk loss of 700 to 1,400 kg/case<sup>5</sup>
- Vaccines can help save on treatment costs
- Vaccination reduces the need for antibiotics in treating disease

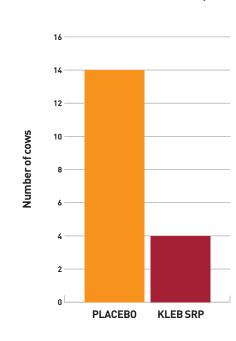
Choosing the right vaccine is highly recommended. "Whereas core antigen (J5) vaccines are available, coliform mastitis, especially Klebsiella mastitis, continues to cause problems for dairy producers."6 *Klebsiella* Vetovax<sup>™</sup> SRP<sup>®</sup> is a new technology high-quality vaccine that addresses coliform clinical mastitis directly by going beyond traditional bacterins to help you keep cows in the herd longer.

### **REDUCED PREVALENCE**



### Prevalence of Klebsiella mastitis

in cows vaccinated with Klebsiella SRP vaccine versus placebo



Prevented Fraction 0.7143; 95% CI: 0.1453 to 0.9045 P=0.0171

### REDUCED INCIDENCE OF KLEBSIELLA MASTITIS

**General conclusion** of the study conducted

significantly reduced in Kleb-SRP vaccinated cows compared to placebo vaccinated controls. Prevalence, the portion of individuals

that tested positive during the study, was reduced by 71% in vaccinates compared to controls. Milk Production increased in

Kleb-SRP vaccinated cows by 2.0 pounds per cow per day

compared to placebo cows. In conclusion, vaccination with a *Klebsiella pneumoniae* vaccine based on the SRP® technology

provided statistically significant protection from Klebsiella mastitis.

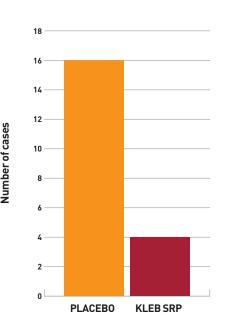
The prevalence and incidence of Klebsiella mastitis was

by Iowa State University



### Incidence of Klebsiella mastitis

in cows vaccinated with Klebsiella SRP vaccine versus placebo



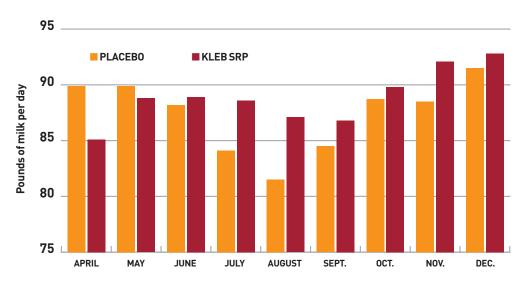
Prevented Fraction 0.7594; 95% CI: 0.2804 to 0.9195. P=0.0056

# Klebsiella Vetovax™ SRP®

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### Average daily milk production per cow

from cows vaccinated with Klebsiella SRP vaccine versus placebo

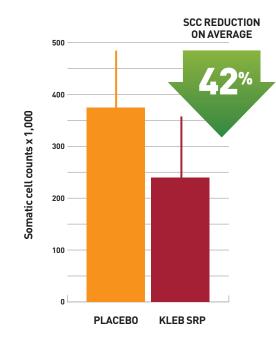




Overall 2.002 pound of milk advantage in Klebsiella-SRP Vaccinates per cow per day. P=0.0000

## Effect of Klebsiella SRP vaccine

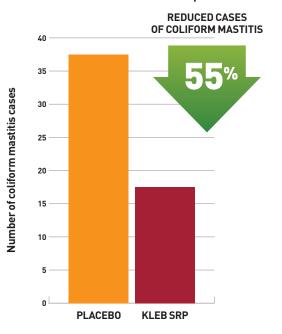
on somatic cell counts (SCC)



Error bars show 95% CL Controlling for other variables vaccination with Klebsiella-SRP reduces SCC on average 42%. P < 0.001.

### Cumulative cases of coliform mastitis

from cows vaccinated with Klebsiella SRP vaccine versus placebo



Over a ten-month period Prevented Fraction 0.5478; 95% CI: 0.1953 to 0.7459. P=0.0057

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