

# BVD testing

## *Herd monitoring*

BVD testing doesn't have to be complicated. We have recently simplified our BVD testing options and updated the tests for various ages groups ensuring all details are up to date with the latest guidelines.

### Dairy herds:

Our **Herd Guardian testing\*** makes it easy to pre-schedule dairy company supplied samples for BVD PCR and antibody ELISA testing on bulk milk samples. Packages are available to suit most herd situations and an easy to use [online portal](#) can be used to order testing and view results.

Herd Guardian bulk milk testing					
Testing options	Sample type	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Indication
Package A	Bulk milk	Ab ELISA + PCR			Low risk herds
Package B	Bulk milk	Ab ELISA + PCR	PCR		Moderate risk
Package C	Bulk milk	Ab ELISA + PCR	PCR	Ab ELISA	High risk
Package D	Bulk milk	Ab ELISA + PCR	Ab ELISA + PCR		Split calving herds
BVD PCR	Bulk milk				One-off testing
BVD Ab ELISA	Bulk milk				One-off testing

\*Refer to the [BVD Herd Guardian information sheet](#) on our website for full details.

### Beef herds:

Monitoring beef herds is recommended by annual screening of unvaccinated, replacement / keeper animals 10-18 months-old for BVD antibody levels. Fifteen samples are recommended per pool. Animals need to be greater than 10 months-old at the time of sampling.

This monitoring can be supplemented as necessary with a vaccination programme, calf screening or individual animal testing if appropriate for the farm situation.

Beef herds / young stock		
Testing options	Sample type	Indication
BVD Ab ELISA (pooled)	Serum	>10 months-old, pooled result
BVD Ab ELISA (single)	Serum	>10 months-old



Please refer to our current price book for sample types, test turn-around times and pricing. If you have any questions or would like any further information, please contact your local Gribbles Veterinary laboratory or Territory Manager.