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14th & 15th October

Radisson Blu, London Stansted





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Wednesday 14th October

Thursday 15th October

10.50 – 11.00	Presidential introductions	PVS President: Alex Thomsett	9.00 – 10.15	Clinical club	Chairs: Hannah Gregory & Pete Siviter
11.00 – 12.30	Industry Challenges	Chair: Alex Thomsett	10.15 – 10.55	SPONSOR'S PRESENTATION – The post-weaning balancing act: what can <i>Clostridium butyricum</i> deliver after weaning	Chair: Christina Gale Sponsors – Huvepharma
11.00 – 11.30	The ZINCLESS Project: a longitudinal study investigating the impact of therapeutic ZnO withdrawal on post-weaning diarrhoea, AMR gene carriage and the gut microbiome	Dr Deborah Hoyle - <i>The Roslin Institute</i>	10.55 – 11.25	COFFEE	
11.30 – 12.00	Multiple approaches to a multi-factorial problem: investigating the impact of tail docking, relatedness and olfactory enrichment on pig maladaptive behaviours	Dr Xavier Monger - <i>University of Leeds</i>	11.25 – 12.55	Professional Responsibilities	Chair: Sam Northing
12.00 – 12.30	Size matters – how to future-proof free and flexible farrowing systems	Dr Emma Baxter - <i>SRUC</i>	11.25 – 11.55	Decision making in a challenging climate - Burnout, moral injury and compassion fatigue	James Russell – <i>Vetlife</i>
12.30 – 13.30	LUNCH		11.55 – 12.25	Supporting your clients through on farm incursions – a practitioner perspective	Alex Thomsett, <i>The George Vet Group</i>
13.30 – 15.30	Notifiable disease updates	Chair: Michelle Jackson	12.25 – 12.55	WATOK and further welfare updates	Duncan Berkshire - <i>Bishopton Vet Group</i>
13.30 – 14.00	Field experience in the prevention and management of porcine epidemic diarrhoea (PED)	Dr Jean Paul Cano - <i>Soluciones Integrales Veterinarias</i>	12.55 – 13.00	PVS Presidential Close	Alex Thomsett
14.00 – 14.30	ASF in Spain: Where We Stand Today	Anna Romagosa – <i>PIC Health Assurance</i>			
14.30 – 15.00	Swine fevers control strategy	Dr Janet Dixon – <i>DEFRA</i>			
15.00 – 15.30	African Swine Fever vaccine development	Dr Christopher Netherton – <i>The Pirbright Institute</i>			
15.30 – 16.00	Tea and cakes				
16.00 – 17.30	Infectious disease epidemiology and diagnostics	Chair: Joseph Lunt			
16.00 – 16.30	Mycoplasma infections in modern swine production: epidemiology, diagnostics, and herd-level control	Dr Maria Clavijo – <i>Iowa State University</i>			
16.30 – 17.00	Rapid pen-side molecular testing for porcine infectious diseases using a point-of-care LAMP platform	Dr Matthew Cavuto – <i>Proton Dx</i>			
17.00 – 17.30	Surveillance and <i>Salmonella</i>	Dr Adrienne Mackintosh & Dr Claire Scott – <i>APHA</i>			
17.30 – 19.00	PVS OGM	Chair: Alex Thomsett			
19.30	Dinner				