



# IMPORTANT!

## Change to Medicated Calf Milk Replacers Coming



### The change

A significant change is happening in the milk replacer industry. In an effort to reduce the risk of antibiotic resistance in humans, the FDA has removed the approval for the 2 to 1 combination of neomycin and oxytetracycline (commonly abbreviated "neo-oxy" or "NT") in calf milk replacers. **Continuous feeding calf milk replacers will no longer be labeled for bacterial scours prevention or treatment.**

### Affected products

Medicated calf milk replacers to be phased out:

- 2500061 CertiFeed® 20-20 AM NT4
- 2500150 CertiFeed® HP 22-20 AM NT4
- 2500154 CertiFeed® HP 26-20 AM NT4
- 2500111 CertiFeed® HV 21-20 SPC NT4
- *Any private labeled milk replacers with neo-oxy*

NEW non-medicated CertiFeed replacement products:

- 2500062 CertiFeed® 20-20 AM w/MOS & APEX
- 2500151 CertiFeed® HP 22-20 AM NM w/MOS & APEX
- 2500155 CertiFeed® HP 26-20 AM NM w/MOS & APEX
- 2500112 CertiFeed® HV 21-20 SPC NM w/MOS & APEX

### Bridging the performance gap between neo-oxy and non-med

The impact that this change will have on calf management will be significant. Calf milk replacers medicated with neo-oxy have long been used to help manage scours when fed continuously during the entire milk feeding period. It is estimated that more than half of all calf milk replacers fed in the U.S. are currently medicated with neo-oxy. Producers may need to make significant calf management changes to account for the removal of neo-oxy medicated calf milk replacer as a management tool for calf scours. Non-mediated feed additives can help but sanitation and bio-security protocols may need to be improved.

New, non-medicated CertiFeed® products will feature the following:

- MOS (mannan-oligosaccharides) are natural complex sugars derived from yeast cell walls that block attachment of pathogenic bacteria in the calf's intestine and support the immune system
- APEX® is a certified organic blend of botanical oils from anise, cinnamon, garlic, rosemary and thyme that promotes improved feed efficiency and weight gain in calves
- Elevated levels of key antioxidants and B vitamins provide immune support and allow for optimal growth rates

### New products for scours treatment

These products are FDA compliant and are available now.

**Sav-A-Caf Scours & Pneumonia Treatment Complete (Type C)**

- Nutritionally complete calf milk replacer to be fed twice daily in place of normal calf milk replacer for 7 to 14 days
- #1127530 (1-6 lb bag) or #1117514 (2-14 packet boxes/case) feeds and treats one calf for 7 days
- *This product replaces Sav-A-Caf Scours Control 2*

**Sav-A-Caf Scours & Pneumonia Treatment Concentrate (Type B)**

- Medicated concentrate to mix into non-medicated dry milk replacer powder to make a complete medicated milk replacer
- Feeding schedule for the resulting medicated milk replacer is the same as the complete product
- *This product replaces Sav-A-Caf Scours Control Concentrate*
- #0232444 – Scours & Pneumonia Treatment Concentrate 4.34 lb bag (available on drop ship basis only through Universal Co-op)
- #0232123 – Scours & Pneumonia Treatment Concentrate 20 lb pail (available on drop ship basis only through Universal Co-op)

***The FDA has mandated that non-compliant products be out of the marketplace by 10/2/2010.***

*This is a permanent change that all manufacturers, distributors and retailers will have to comply with.*

### For more information

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