**NAHMS Dairy 2014**

**Data Collection Record**

**Heifer Calf**

**Blood, Colostrum and Ear Notch Kit**





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**Procedure:**

* Enroll up to 4 heifer calves at birth, which includes collecting information on the Heifer Calf Diary Card
* For up to 2 of the calves above, collect a sample of colostrum at first feeding.
* Collect ear notch samples from each of the enrolled calves (up to 4)
* Between 1 and 5 days of age, collect blood samples from enrolled calves (up to 4)
* At 2-4 weeks of age, collect fecal samples from up to 2 of the enrolled calves (separate collection record)

**BLOOD: Sample up to 4 heifer calves per month at 1 to 5 days after birth.**

* + For each calf, collect **at least 5-mL of blood** in the 13-mL serum separator tube.
  + **Place a Calf ID sticker lengthwise on the tube.**
  + On the Data Collection Record:
    - Complete the information at the top of the form.
    - **Place a Calf ID sticker in the space provided.** Record the requested data on the appropriate line for each sample.
  + If possible, centrifuge samples.
  + Place tubes in refrigerator or on ice packs.
  + Place tubes in a provided bubble bag and ship on ice with the colostrum samples.

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**Blood, Colostrum and Ear Notch Kit: «Kit\_Number»**

**COLOSTRUM: Collect first milking colostrum fed to 2 of the above calves.**

* + From the colostrum being fed to each calf, collect at least 45ml of **colostrum** in a flat bottom container.
  + **Place a Calf ID sticker on the container.**
  + On the Data Collection Record:

- Complete the information at the top.

-  **Place a Calf ID sticker in the space provided.**

- Record the requested data on the appropriate line for each sample.

* + Place each container in a Ziploc bag.
  + Place containers **in freezer** until they are shipped on ice with the blood samples.

**EAR NOTCHES: Collect ear notches from each of the heifer calves sampled above.**

* For each enrolled calf, collect an ear notch soon after birth and place in a small whirlpak bag.
* **Place a Calf ID sticker on the bag.** Do not use the label to close the bag.
* Complete the Data Collection Record for each of the ear notches.
  + **Place a Calf ID sticker in the space provided.**
* Place all (up to four) whirlpak bags with ear notches into a large whirlpak bag.
  + Place the bag in the refrigerator or on ice packs until shipped. Ship on ice with the blood and colostrum samples.

**FOR ALL SAMPLES**

* + Ship blood samples, colostrum and ear notches to NVSL on ice within **24 hours** of collection.
  + Include a copy of the Data Collection Record in the shipping box.
  + Send the original Blood Collection Record to your Coordinator within 3 business days.

Additional information regarding blood, colostrum and ear notch collection is described in the Biologics Manual.

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| **NAHMS Dairy 2014 – Data Collection Record Heifer CBC Kit: «Kit\_Number»** | | | | | |
| **State FIPS (2 digit)** | **Operation # (4 digit)** | **# of people involved**  \_\_\_\_\_ Fed VMO \_\_\_\_\_ Fed AHT  \_\_\_\_\_ State VMO \_\_\_\_\_ St AHT  \_\_\_\_\_ Producer \_\_\_\_\_ Priv Vet  \_\_\_\_\_ Others-specify: | **Key Collector’s name & phone** | **Hours to take & prep samples** | **Total travel time** |
| 8-digits: ST, Op, Site | Enter number for each category |  |  | Hours | Hours |
| **Blood from up to 4 Heifer Calves at 1 to 5 days after birth** | | | | | |

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| **Tube #** | **NAHMS Calf ID** | **Ear Tag/  Farm Calf ID** | **Collection**  **Date**  **MM/DD/YY** | **Comments** |
| **1** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |
| **2** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |
| **3** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |
| **4** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |

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**CBC Kit: «Kit\_Number»**

**First Feeding Colostrum from up to 2 Heifer Calves**

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| **Container #** | **NAHMS Calf ID** | **Ear Tag/**  **Farm Calf ID** | **Collection**  **Date**  **MM/DD/YY** | **Comments** |
| **1** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |
| **2** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |

**Ear Notches from up to 4 Heifer Calves**

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| **Bag #** | **NAHMS Calf ID** | **Ear Tag/ Farm Calf ID** | **Collection**  **Date**  **MM/DD/YY** | **Comments** |
| **1** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |
| **2** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |
| **3** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |
| **4** | **Place sticker here!** |  |  |  |

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| **NAHMS Dairy 2014 – Blood, Colostrum, Ear Notch Collection Heifer Calves CBC Kit: «Kit\_Number»**  Fill in name, phone, NAHMS ID, and collection date. Collected by:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Collector phone number: ( ) .  **Submitter:  Camilla Kristensen, CEAH**  NAHMS ID:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Collection date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Submission Form to NVSL** |
| **Place the matching stickers used on the tubes, containers and bags and**  **send this page with the samples to NVSL** |

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