

RuVASA CONGRESS 2018
Preliminary Programme: 18 to 20 June 2018:

DAY ONE: Clinical

Chair	Session	Time	Topic	Speaker
	I (08:00– 10:30)	07:00 – 08:00	Registration	
		08:00 – 08:10	Opening address	Dr Trish Oglesby
		08:10 – 08:20	The SAVA's address	Dr Mpo Maja (tbc)
		08:20 – 09:00	Introducing the exhibitors and pharmaceutical trade	Faffa Malan
		09:00 – 09:45	Key note speaker	
		09:45 – 10:30	Update of Anaesthesia and Analgesia in Ruminants	Dr Lynette Bester
	MILK/TEA/COFFEE	10:30 – 11:00		
	II (11:00 – 13:00)	11:00 – 11:15	Product Promotion	
		11:15 – 12:00	In field anaesthesia of sheep and goats	Dr Lynette Bester
		12:00 – 12:40	Clinical approach to the neurological disease	Dr Miemie Grobler
		12:40 – 13:00	How to practice veterinary public health legally in South Africa	Dr Hein Nel
	LUNCH	13:00 – 14:00		
	III (14:00 – 15:55)	14:00 – 14:15	Product Promotion	
		14:15 – 14:55	Regional anaesthesia in cattle	Dr Lynette Bester
		14:55 – 15:55	Abortion and stillbirth investigation: Maximising the benefit of the foetus and placenta.	Rick Last
	MILK/TEA/COFFEE	15:55 – 16:30		
	IV (16:30 – 17:30)	16:30 – 16:45	Equine passports & AHS vaccination update	Dr Camilla Weyer
		16:45 - 17:00	The NAHF's Address	Dr Pieter Vervoort
		17:00 – 17:20	The SAVC's Address	Dr Clive Marwick
		17:20 – 17:30	Questions	
		17:45 – 18:45	AGM: RuVASA	
		19:00	Dinner	

DAY TWO: Reproduction

Chair	Session	Time	Topic	Speaker
	I (08:00– 10:00)	08:00 – 08:45	Ram and Buck Breeding Soundness evaluations	Dr Geoff Brown
		08:45 – 09:15	Electronic bull BSE update	Dr Dietmar Holm
		09:15 – 10:00	Plenary session: open discussion on Bull/Ram Breeding Soundness evaluations	Panel
	MILK/TEA/COFFEE	10:00 – 10:30		
	II (10:30 – 12:45)	10:30 – 10:45	Product promotion	
		10:45 – 11:25	Implementation of artificial insemination programs in beef herds: Practical Considerations and Impact on Production	Dr Lucas Cutaia
		11:25 – 12:05	(Re)-synchronization programs applied to beef and dairy production	Dr Lucas Cutaia
		12:05 – 12:45	Optimizing reproductive management strategies for suckled beef herds under pasture based condition	Dr Federico Randi
	LUNCH	12:45 – 14:00		
	III (14:00 – 15:45)	14:00 – 14:15	Product promotion	
		14:15 – 14:45	Open plenary session: Oestrus synchronisation	Panel
		14:45 – 15:45	Mechanisms for disruption of fertility by reproductive tract infection	Prof Rob Gilbert
	MILK/TEA/COFFEE	15:45 – 16:30		
	IV (16:30 – 17:30)	16:30 – 17:30	Reproductive consequences of subclinical hypocalcemia	Prof Rob Gilbert
			SAVSEG AGM	
		18:30	Gala Dinner	

DAY THREE: Dairy

Chair	Session	Time	Topic	Speaker
	I (08:00– 10:30)	08:00 – 08:30	Causes, consequences and prevention of postpartum anovulation in dairy cows	Pro Rob Gilbert
		08:30 – 09:00		
		09:00 – 09:40	Management strategies to optimize reproductive performance of the dairy herds: focus on FTAI	Dr Lucas Cutaia
		09:40 – 10:20	The use of synchronisation to maximise labour efficiency and improve calving rate in seasonal pasture based dairy productive systems	Dr Federico Randi
		10:20 – 10:30	Questions	
	MILK/TEA/COFFEE	10:30 – 11:00		
	II (11:00 – 13:30)	11:00 – 11:15	Product Promotion	
		11:15 – 11:55	New advances in hormonal programs aimed to reduce embryonic losses	Dr Lucas Cutaia
		11:55 – 12:30	New insights into the role of genetics in reproduction of dairy cows	Prof Rob Gilbert
		12:30 – 12:55	Afimilk: Silent Herdsman: What the Vet needs to know	
		12:55 – 13:20	Cow Manager: Cow health software: What the Vet needs to know	
		13:20 – 13:30	Questions	
	LUNCH	13:30 – 14:30		
	III (14:30 – 16:35)	14:30 – 14:50	Colostrum	Dr Riaan Mulder (tbc)
		14:50 – 15:10	Antimicrobial resistance trends of <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> isolated from milk in South Africa differs between seasons and regions	Joanne Krazis
		15:10 – 15:30	The importance of teat liners in preserving teat integrity and udder health	Dr IM Petzer
		15:30 – 16:30	Pathogenesis, prevention and treatment of postpartum uterine disease.	Prof Rob Gilbert
		16:30 - 16:35	Close of Congress	Dr Trish Oglesby