

Rumbul Magnesium Cattle Bullets

Preventing Staggers in Dairy Cows

Trial Location England and Ireland.

Livestock Dairy Cattle.

Objectives To help prevent grass staggers in cattle.

Method Cattle transferred to spring grass on 4 different farms with a history of hypomagnesaemic tetany were split into two groups where one group received two Rumbul bullets and the other group were left untreated.

Results The cattle that received the Rumbul bullets did not record any cases of grass staggers at any of the farms. However 21 of the 174 cows left untreated did suffer from hypomagnesaemic tetany.

	Untreated		2 Bullets	
	Cows	Tetany Cases	Cows	Tetany Cases
Farm E	75	1	75	0
Farm F	52	4	48	0
Farm G	25	2	25	0
Farm H	30	4	525*	0
Totals	182	11	673	0

Conclusion

Dosing cattle with two Rumbul magnesium bullets just before the risk period is a most effective means of preventing grass staggers.