

Preventing PCVD on Your Pig Farm Whilst Increasing Uniformity

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GLOBAL - Porcine Circovirus Associated Disease (PCVD) is a devastating disease that causes wasting in piglets and can lead to serious production and economic losses for the farmer.

PCVD is a disease present in all swine breeding stocks in the world, meaning farmers must remain vigilant.

PCVD is caused by Porcine Circovirus Type 2 (PCV2) which can just suddenly hit a farm.

This can be devastating for the farmer as it causes respiratory diseases, wasting/poor production through to finishing and mortalities in piglets.

Piglets with PCVD also have pale skin, enlarged lymph nodes and show uneven weight gain.

Often the presence of PCV2 can go unnoticed, so farmers must therefore keep a close eye on their pigs and set performance parameters. Sometimes only skin lesions, pale skin, sneezing and mild diarrhoea may be indicators.

Farmers cannot afford to not deal with this disease properly - the good news is there is an easy answer.

Meril's CIRCOVAC successfully vaccinates sows and piglets against the disease, giving better growth performance, lower mortality and improved feed conversion ratio.

Farmers using the vaccine also experienced more uniformity in their finishers.

Farmers using the vaccine can really see the benefit when sending pigs to the slaughterhouse said Dominique Descamps from France.

Good vaccination is incredibly important for farmers. Dropping or not 100 per cent effectively delivering your vaccination programme can lead to your pigs picking up a variety of other diseases and, if you add PRRS, the two viruses in combination can lead to horrendous losses.

CIRCOVAC is recommended by many producers around the world. Why not take a look at what these pig professionals have to say:

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