



Tuesday - June 18th, 2024

Time

13.00 - 13.15

Welcome

13.15 - 14.00

Antibiotic-free boar semen production with storage at 5°C – practical experience
Florian Reckinger, University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover

14.00 - 14.40

Effect of AI stud management on sperm parameters and boar longevity
Sophie Henneberg, IFN Schönow

14.40 - 15.25

Pig production in China – challenges and opportunities
Wenxin Xu, Minitube China

15.25 - 15.45

Break

15.45 - 16.30

Biosecurity in boar studs – research versus practice
Michael Kleve-Feld, PIC

16.30 - 17.15

Production and quality control of boar semen tubes and bags
Rudolf Großfeld, Minitube Germany

17.15 - 17.30

Wrap-up

LECTURES

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SPEAKERS



Florian Reckinger studied agricultural sciences at the University of Applied Sciences in Osnabrück. During obtaining his bachelor's and master's degree he was working in laboratories at AI stations and conducted research related to 5°C semen preservation in cooperation with the Unit for Reproductive Medicine-Clinic of pigs at University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover. Florian currently is doing a Ph.D. with Prof. Dagmar Waberski at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover on alternative methods of preserving boar sperm. Over the past four years, he has been able to transfer current research to the practice of insemination in various insemination trials with 5°C semen storage.



Sophie Henneberg completed her studies in veterinary medicine in Berlin in 2019 and then worked as a veterinarian in a small animal practice. She is currently employed as a research assistant at the IFN Schönow and responsible for working on scientific issues and projects, e.g. development of an automatic system for scoring the locomotion behavior of breeding boars. Sophie completed her doctorate at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hanover in 2023 on removal reasons for European AI boars and the effect of prostaglandin F2a on semen parameters.



Wenxin Xu is an experienced professional with a Diploma degree from the University of Applied Sciences in Berlin. With more than a decade of experience in the field of assisted animal reproduction, Wenxin has developed a comprehensive knowledge of customer solutions in this specialized sector. He has held key positions at Minitube Germany and Minitube China and contributed significantly to the success of the companies. Currently, Wenxin Xu is the administrative and financial manager of Minitube China.



Michael Kleve-Feld studied Veterinary Medicine at the Free University of Berlin prior writing his doctoral thesis in porcine clinical andrology at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover. He also holds a Master in Business Administration from Durham University. After working 5 years as production manager and veterinarian in one of Europe's largest AI studs he joined PIC in 2014 where he currently serves as Director of Applied Male Reproduction. In his role he coordinates PICs boar stud supporting Global Technical Services resources as well as male reproduction related research activities.



Rudolf Großfeld studied Agricultural Sciences prior conduction his Ph.D. in Reproductive Biology at the Friedrich-Loeffler-Institute in Mariensee and the University of Sydney. Rudolf is product manager and scientific advisor at Minitube. He is responsible for swine products, customer consulting and knowledge transfer within the Minitube group for product application, Spermatology and Assisted Reproductive Technologies.