Preventing crypto

- 1. Ensure all calves receive 4-6L high quality 'gold' colostrum in the first 12 to 18 hours of life
- 2. Maintain high level of hygiene
- 3. Add Exagen twice daily in milk or colostrum for the first 3-10 days after arrival in calf shed to prevent
 - a. significant further spread to herdmates in an outbreak and
 - b. outbreaks in sheds where infections have occurred previously (in prior years)

Treating scours

- 1. Isolate scouring calves
- 2. Diagnosis as recommended by your vet e.g. take faecal sample and test
- 3. Maintain high level of hygiene to prevent infection of other calves and humans. Use dedicated equipment with sick calves
- 4. Use Kryptade morning and night for three days. Kryptade provides electrolytes (for energy and fluids) and an agent to reduce oocyst infectivity
- 5. Melovem relieves pain to reduce gastrointestinal discomfort, and to get calves drinking sooner
- 6. Provide unrestricted access to fresh water
- 7. Feed colostrum or milk at least two hours after Kryptade

Exagen

- Mix Exagen powder with milk or colostrum
- Dose is 12.5 grams per calf twice daily for up to ten days
- Targets crypto oocyst production
- Lower environmental contamination of oocysts
- Reduce risk of calves developing scours

Kryptade

- Exagen and electrolyte combined in a single powder to treat calves with scours
- Dose is 80g mixed in 2L water twice daily for 3 days
- Separate Kryptade treatments from milk feeds

Ask your vet for further advice about

- Colostrum requirements of newborn calves (quantity, quality, and timing) – given consistently
- Diagnosing and managing scours in your calves
- Kryptade and Exagen for managing crypto

Your vet clinic

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Exagen & **Kryptade** Program

Manage scours and cryptosporidiosis in calves

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Cryptosporidiosis in New Zealand

- Crypto is a common cause of calf scours, caused by a small parasite (protozoa)
- Present in 50% of farms surveyed, and nearly 50% of scouring calves on New Zealand farms
- Calves are infected by ingesting oocysts (eggs) excreted in calf faeces
- The life cycle of crypto is fast so oocyst numbers multiply rapidly and outbreaks affecting up to 30% of calves are commonly seen
- Oocysts can survive in the environment for extended periods and are resistant to many common cleaning agents
- Crypto damages the gut lining, causes watery scours, lack of appetite, gut pain, dehydration and poor weight gain
- Usually causes scours in young calves, from a few days old to 3 weeks
- Can cause scours alone, or in combination with other bacteria and viruses
- Can also infect humans, causing nausea, diarrhoea, loss of appetite
- Your veterinarian can help with diagnosing the cause of calf scours

Exagen for preventing crypto

Add Exagen twice daily in milk or colostrum for 3-10 days after arrival in calf shed

Ensure all calves recieve 4-6L gold colostrum in first 12-18 hours





Maintain good level of hygiene



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Add Exagen twice daily in milk or colostrum up to 10 days for calves at risk

Kryptade for scouring calves

