

Dr. James Miller

Dr. James Miller discussed the benefits and challenges of BarberVax, the barber pole worm vaccine which is currently available in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. Registration is being pursued in Canada and Europe, but registration in the US is dependent on whether international generated data can be used to support an application. If US data needs to be generated, the probably that the vaccine will be pursued is not promising.

The main issue to consider for producers is that the vaccine requires 4-5 treatments during the grazing season each year which should control barberpole worm, but not any others. One may still have to treat for the other worms which will add to the cost.