

Christian Scherpenzeel DVM PhD

Christian Scherpenzeel studied veterinary medicine at Ghent University and the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Utrecht University. After graduation in Utrecht, he started working as dairy veterinarian in a large dairy practice, with specific interests in udder health and veterinary communication.

After several years in dairy practice he went back to the veterinary school at Utrecht University, where he was employed as lecturer / researcher at the Department of Farm Animal Health.

Since 2011 he works as a dairy specialist at GD Animal Health in Deventer, the Netherlands. In this job, his challenge is to integrate state-of-the-art scientific udder health expertise with the implementation of practical expertise, working closely together with dairy farmers and associated veterinarians. His research activities focus on udder health, antimicrobial resistance and social aspects of modern dairy herd health management. Dr. Scherpenzeel published a number of peer-reviewed publications in the Journal of Dairy Science.

Dr. Scherpenzeel received his Ph.D. in Veterinary Medicine from Utrecht University and his thesis was focused on the effects of selective dry cow treatment in dairy cows on udder health, antimicrobial use, economics and social influences.

Together with his team, carrying out the 'Udder Health Approach', the combination of scientific and practical expertise on udder health management triggers a lot of farm visits each year around the globe and resulted in major experience in dairy consultancy and veterinary communication skills.