

New Parasite Control Package launched

Our Parasite Forecast Summary has now been replaced, with a new, more in depth forecast. Using more detailed Met Office data the parasite forecast has been developed to provide local forecasts for 190, 40km² grids across the UK. The forecasts are automatically personalised with practice details and can be forwarded to farm clients the practice selects. The aim is to promote veterinary parasite control plans and the services practices provide.

Veterinary practices can subscribe to receive this and forward it to their farm clients, to keep them up to date with very localised forecasts for *Nematodirus*, acute and chronic fluke and blowfly.

Monthly summaries throughout the year will also be provided to practices. Practices will also be able to select Disease Alert factsheets for specific parasitic problems eg lice, scab etc and forward to farm clients as required

An example of the forecast can be seen [here](#).

The Elm Veterinary Group

Fluke Forecast - HIGH RISK (Grid 47)

In view of the increasing number of cases of liver fluke seen in the practice, we are sending you the local fluke forecast from NADIS. The best way of preventing parasite disease is to have a parasite control plan for your farm. If you would like further information about a parasite control plan to prevent disease call John Smith.

A new NADIS fluke-risk forecasting system based on local weather data is now available. Outputting to a grid mapping system for GB, high fluke-risk areas appear red, medium-risk amber, and low-risk risk green. Each grid area covers a 40km² square.

Local Weather - how it affects liver fluke
High summer rainfall and temperatures above 10°C are required for the fluke life cycle to take place and snail host populations to rapidly increase, leading to a build-up of infective fluke stages. The risk of fluke infection is generally worse in wet years although individual farm circumstances will also significantly affect risk so it is important to discuss this with your vet.

Fluke Risk
The NADIS fluke forecast based on a summer rainfall model indicates a **HIGH**-risk of liver fluke disease for your area this year.
There is also a **HIGH**-risk of acute fluke based on a cumulative autumn-spring model.

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For more information visit <http://nadis.customsoftware.solutions/> where you will also find contact details of your regional veterinary advisor if you are a practice.