

## International Dairy Research Consortium Virtual Gatherings

5/6 October 2021

### Meeting Goals

- Share recent work and research
- Identify needs in dairy safety and health research
- Network and identify potential collaborators

Attendees shared about current work, upcoming work, needs, resources, and expertise using Padlet, an online engagement tool. See attendees' responses from each of the two sessions below:

- Session 1 – attendees from Europe and North America  
View the Padlet: <https://padlet.com/whitneypennington/4vfeiggm3f2vm4xc>
- Session 2 – attendees from Australia and North America  
View the Padlet: <https://padlet.com/whitneypennington/1u9avaa1brnam6ef>

### Key Areas of On-Going and Future Research and Outreach

Areas mentioned during both sessions include:

- COVID-19 response, including vaccinations and virus aerosol exposure controls
- Occupational exposures to zoonotic disease, including biosecurity, biosafety, and antimicrobial resistance
- Respiratory protection, including design, fit, maintenance and use
- Employee training, both in person and online
- Worker fatigue, labor saving technologies, and overtime work
- Integration of immigrant workers in rural communities

Click the Padlet links above to review all comments.

### Resources Shared

- [Journal of Agromedicine, Call for Papers, "Future of Work in Agriculture"](#)
- Funding (USA): [Emerging Issues, High Plains Intermountain Center for Ag Health and Safety](#)
- Colorado State University will be recruiting for 3 faculty positions in environmental health and related fields. Announcement available late October.
- Training resources
  - [Dairy Farm Safety – articles and videos](#) (general ag safety, COVID)
  - [Ag safety and health online training](#) (10+ modules; create an account to view).
  - [Animal Handling: Dairy](#) (videos, posters, factsheets)

### Save the Dates

- [International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health](#) (ISASH) 2022 Conference in Fort Collins, Colorado, USA; June 12-16 2022; aiming for in-person; more information forthcoming; no official IDRC event planned at this time, but ample international networking opportunities
- [Public and Occupational Health In Sustainable Agriculture](#) in Odense, Denmark; Aug 21-24 2022; aiming for in-person with virtual options; **IDRC convening a conference session**

## **Attendees**

### **SESSION 1**

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