VMRD SRLV cELISA Now Available
CAEV cELISA assay now labeled as SRLV and approved for CAEV and OPPV

Pullman, Washington, October 14, 2012—Consistent with our mission of providing high quality products, services and support to our customers, VMRD is pleased to announce an improvement to our Caprine Arthritis-Encephalitis Virus (CAEV) cELISA assay. The USDA Center for Veterinary Biologics recently approved a name change for the kit from, “Caprine Arthritis-Encephalitis Virus Antibody Test Kit, cELISA,” to, “Small Ruminant Lentivirus Antibody Test Kit, cELISA.”

As a Small Ruminant Lentivirus (SRLV) kit, it is now USDA-approved not only for detection of antibody to CAEV in goats, but also for detection of antibody to Ovine Progressive Pneumonia Virus (OPPV) in sheep. Both viruses and species are cited in the kit insert, which may simplify adoption of the kit for OPPV testing in accredited labs.

Note that no substantive changes have been made to the kit or its components; this is merely a name and labeling change. Since calculations are the same for either caprine or ovine species, users of ELISAWare microplate reading software may continue using the “CAEV 289” calculation settings for either species. However, a new version of ELISAWare incorporating the “SRLV” name change is available (ver. 1.4.7).

For more information, please visit our website.

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