Annual meeting of the ECSRHM



Program of the Meeting

11-13 November 2026
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Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Utrecht University, the Netherlands

Wednesday 11 November 2026

Social program

Time		Contact
07.30 - late	**Tour around Friesland 'What dairy looks like'** **Pick-up location: Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Androclusgebouw, Yalelaan 1, Utrecht University (bus leaves at 07.30h!!)** PS This tour cannot be combined with the tour and drinks in Utrecht (as mentioned below)	Eveline Dijkstra
19.00	**City Tour and a drinks in the city of Utrecht** **Location: Café Olivier, Achter Clarenburg 6a, 3511 JJ Utrecht.**	Sander Prins

Thursday 12 November 2026

Scientific program

	Utrecht University, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Willem C. Schimmelgebouw, Yalelaan 114, Utrecht	
Time	**Session 1** Lecture Hall	Karianne Peterson (chair)
	Program	**Speaker**
08.15	Welcome and registration	

09.00	Opening of the Annual ECSRHM Meeting 2026 in the Netherlands **Gerrit Koop** *(Head of the Sustainable Ruminant Health Department, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Utrecht University)* **Piet Vellema** *(Chair Annual ECSRHM Meeting 2026)*	
09.15	Keynote 1: Vaccine development for midge-borne diseases; bluetongue as an example	Piet van Rijn
10.00	1. Bluetongue; update from the UK battlefield	Fiona Lovatt
10.15	2. Clinical findings in lambs with non-resolving contagious ecthyma	Hannah Mylin
10.30	3. Ovine tumors detected through passive surveillance in Ireland	Sebastian A. Mignacca
10.45 - 11.15	**Coffee break**	
Time	**Session 2** Lecture Hall	Sander Prins (chair)
	Program	**Speaker**
11.15	4. Quantification of visual behavioural indicators of imminent lambing in ewes	Katja Voigt
11.30	5. Mother knows best: colostrum informs neonates beyond antibodies	Marielle van den Esker
11.45	Half a century of small ruminant health in the Netherlands	René van den Brom & Geart Benedictus
12.00 - 13.00	**Lunch**	
	Session 3 Lecture Hall	René van den Brom (chair)
	Program	**Speaker**
13.00	Keynote 2: The potential of enhanced *Coxiella burnetii* genotyping methodologies for source tracing and vaccine development and their applicability to other abortigenic pathogens	Tom McNeilly
13.45	6. Hunt for maedi visna resistance: the current UK situation	Scott Jones

14.00	7. TMEM154 genotypes in sheep breeds and their association with maedi-visna virus infection	Karianne Peterson
14.15	8. Early detection and control of SRLV infections using bulk milk PCR: a case report	Shaula Bouwman
14.30	9. Comparison of IgA and FEC EBVs as predictors of peri-parturient nematode egg shedding in Exlana ewes	Emily Fraser
14.45	10. Maternal anti-CarLA IgA and gastrointestinal parasitism and growth in Canadian pastured lambs	Paula Menzies
15.00	PP-session 1: Five two-minute poster presentations (see names of presenters below)	
	Coffee break	
	Session 4 Lecture Hall	Eveline Dijkstra (chair)
	Program	**Speaker**
15.45	11. Dairy goat SCC: food safety issue?	Catherine Bauman
16.00	12. Behavioural responses of sheep used for teaching veterinary undergraduates	Sander Prins
16.15	13. Control of emerging *S. aureus* subsp. *anaerobius* using an autogenous vaccine	Carolin Schumacher
16.30	14. Early in vivo detection of enzootic nasal adenocarcinoma in goats	Aurora Ortin
16.45	15. Lamb entropion: how is it currently treated by sheep farmers in the UK and the Republic of Ireland	Beth Reilly
17.00	PP-session 2: Five two-minute poster presentations (see names of presenters below)	
17.15	Drinks at DSK	
	Utrecht University, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Yalelaan 1, 3584 CL Utrecht	
18.15	**Bus departure for dinner**	
19.00 - 22.30	**Dinner for ECSRHM and invited guests**	Mark van der Heijden (chair)

Friday 13 November 2026

Scientific program

	Utrecht University, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Willem C. Schimmelgebouw, Yalelaan 114, Utrecht	
Time		
08.30	AGM ECSRHM (diplomats and residents only) Coffee will be available during the meeting	ECSRHM
10.00	**Session 5** Lecture Hall	Margit Groenevelt (chair)
	Program	**Speaker**
10.00	Keynote 3: Udder health in small ruminants	Gerrit Koop & Yvette de Geus
10.45	16. IDF Bulletin: Guidelines for interpretation of goat milk somatic cell count	Paula Menzies
11.00 - 11.30	**Coffee break**	
11.30	17. Pneumocystis-associated pulmonary disease during a caprine respiratory disease outbreak	Floriana Sajovitz-Grohman
11.45	18. Severe histophilosis in sheep: exploring potential risk and triggering factors	Helene Baudel
12.00	19. Genomic variability of *C. pseudotuberculosis* and *S. aureus* subsp. *anaerobius* in sheep from Germany	Maria-Tabea Mauch

12.15	20. Phylogenetic analysis of small ruminant lentiviruses isolated from dairy goats in Greece	Aphrodite Kalogianni
	Session 6 Lecture Hall	Daan Dercksen (chair)
	Program	**Speaker**
12.30	21. Ten years of vaccination against *Mycoplasma ovipneumoniae* with autogenous vaccines in Iceland	Martin Ganter
12.45	22. Chronic proliferative rhinitis in a sheep from Romania: first documented case in Southeastern Europe	Adrian Potarniche
13.00	PP-session 3: Five two-minute poster presentations (see names of presenters below)	
13.15	Closure by **Piet Vellema** *(Chair Annual Meeting ECSRHM 2026) and* **Valentina Busin** *(past president of the ECSRHM)*	
13.30	Lunch	
14.30	**Farm visit De Tolakker**	Margit Groenevelt
17.00	**City Tour Utrecht** **Location: Café Olivier, Achter Clarenburg 6a, 3511 JJ Utrecht.**	Sander Prins and Margit Groenevelt

Two-minute poster presentation:

PP-session 1 (Thursday 12/11 15h):

Antonio Spezzigu	Ultrasonography and serological screening in Sarda rams breeding soundness evaluation
Karim Adjou	Yeast probiotic protects gut microbiota diversity and metabolic potential against cryptosporidiosis-induced disruption in goat kids
Joel Bueso-Ródenas	Thoracic ultrasonography for diagnosing lower respiratory tract disease in sheep
Geert Vertenten	GP40 vaccination against neonatal cryptosporidiosis in small ruminants
Paola Gobbi	First small ruminant lentivirus detection in roe deer in Italy

PP-session 2 (Thursday 12/11 17h):

Huber Rizzo	Identification of putative novel papillomavirus genotypes in goats
Niels Groot Nibbelink	Association of udder imbalance with age, parity, and 350-day yield in Dutch Saanen dairy herds
Reinard Everts	Progression of anthelmintic resistance in the Netherlands between 2015 and 2025
Ruth Meenks	Umbilical barrier spray versus iodine: effect on lamb daily gain
Marcin Mickiewicz	Prevalence of the resistance to eprinomectin in the Polish meat sheep flocks

PP-session 3 (Friday 13/11 13h):

Eleni Ntouraki	Effect of PGF2α before male introduction in melatonin-treated small ruminants
Aija Mālniece	Preliminary data on goat gastrointestinal nematode genera in Latvia
Beth Reilly	Target setting – how to set the growth rates on a primitive breed?
Pablo Quilez	Transcutaneous bilirubinometry for objective differentiation of jaundiced lamb carcasses
Margit Groenevelt	Bolus supplementation gone wrong; when trying to do good causes harm