



SAFEBLUE INSEMINATION CATHETER



Insemination success is based on three pillars: sperm quality, moment of AI and last but not least hygiene. This is where the **unique SafeBlue concept for hygienic porcine insemination** comes in.

SafeBlue catheters are single packed, sterile and already lubricated. The sheath acts as protection foil during the passage through the vulva. Thus, the catheter remains free of contamination until insemination.

A number of scientific evaluations and field reports emphasise the positive effect of the SafeBlue concept: **30-100 more piglets per 100 inseminated brood sows** could consistently be achieved in practice.

SafeBlue catheters are available in different versions:

SafeBlue Foamtip® with extension	REF. : 17107/0133
SafeBlue Foamtip®	REF. : 17106/9076
SafeBlue Spirette® with handle	REF. : 17102/9561
SafeBlue SoftGilt	REF. : 17109/9001
SafeBlue ClearGlide	REF. : 17106/3001

SafeBlue Foamtip®



SafeBlue Spirette®



SafeBlue SoftGilt



SafeBlue ClearGlide



SafeBlue Foamtip® with extension



Your benefits

Very clean insemination with little efforts.

- The sterilised catheter remains clean and free of contaminants during storage until insemination
- Because of the protective sanitary sheath, the catheter remains clean during the insertion in the vulva after which the catheter tip is pushed through the sheath
- No more fumbling with lubricants
- Simple preparation and fast usage: more inseminations per hour per technician
- Improved hygiene: increased pregnancy rates and litter numbers (30-100 more piglets per 100 inseminated brood sows)

Application

- Clean the outside of the sow's vulva with a dry paper towel
- Introduce the catheter with the sanitary sheath 5-10 cm; then push the catheter tip through the sheath
- Pull the sheath backwards
- Screw off the tip of the QuickTip tube and lock it in the catheter shaft with a quarter of a turn - Start the AI

Literature

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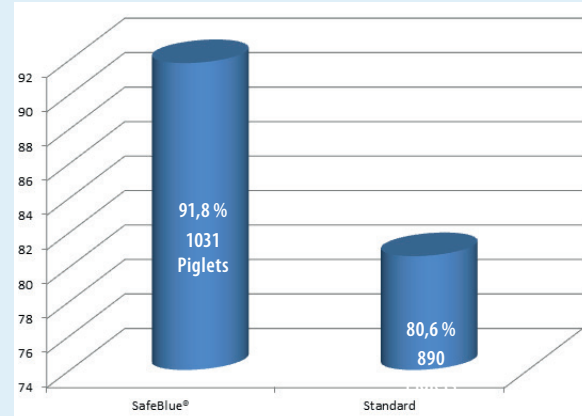
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Improved pregnancy rates through AI with SafeBlue catheters



**141 more piglets per 100 inseminated sows
-> 1.41 more piglets per sow (+15.8 %)**

In the field trial of Hoy et al. (2005a), 141 more piglets per 100 sows were achieved by using SafeBlue, compared to a conventional insemination catheter.

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