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## **Herd Manager**

Kinnard Farms - herd of 8000 Wisconsin USA



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We have less waste milk due to the fact we are getting results sooner, and able to make treatment decisions in a timelier fashion.

Mastitis cases are resolved, and cows are able to move out of our hospital pen quicker.

### How easy has it been to introduce Mastatest onto the farm?

Easy is an understatement. It was a flawless transition!

#### What has been the feedback of the team members using Mastatest?

The feedback from the team has been very positive. They, as well as myself, enjoy the fact that it is very straightforward, easy to understand, and quick to start a new test.

On a dairy farm there is always something to do - time is of the essence. The fact that this is very time efficient has been a huge plus for us.

#### What have been the benefits for your farm?

The ease of using these tests is a huge benefit in my opinion. If you make things easy, people will do them!

Before using Mastatest, I needed to wait 48 hours before having an answer and sometimes results were difficult to determine. Now, results come in around 21 hours and they are clear. It states exactly what grew and recommended treatment options.

What advice would you give for farms considering introducing mastitis culture testing? I would advise you to at least try out Mastatest, see if it is the right option for your dairy. Not one thing works for everybody, but you would be surprised at the benefits this new technology provides.



