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POSTPARTURIENT UTERINE PROLAPSE

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INCIDENCE

Inversion of the graved uterine horn

Is a common complication of the third stage of labour in the Cow, ewe and doe It occurs less frequently in the sow and is rare in the mare and bitch..

PROGNOSIS

firstly on the type of case, secondly on the duration of the condition before treatment is forthcoming, and thirdly on whether the organ has sustained severe injury

ETIOLOGY

-that uterine inversion and prolapse are associated with the onset of **uterine inertia** during the third stage.

- Some cattle with **extreme laxity** of the perineum and vulva may prolapse immediately after every calving.
- increased straining, which may be caused by **pain** or discomfort after parturition.
- increased intra-abdominal pressure.

Vaginal prolapse



Partial Uterine prolapse



Complete Uterine Prolapse







Treatment

Replacement of the everted organ.

the organ should be supported by A large towel or other suitable material to prevent further contamination.

-Whether the cow is standing or recumbent, an epidural anaesthetic should be given. This will prevent straining, and also has the advantage that defaecation is in abeyance during the operation











To help restore uterine tone, and thus to prevent recurrence of the prolapse, oxytocin should be given.

<u>Pre-operative</u> treatment with oxytocin, although reducing the size of the prolapsed organ, increases the turgidity of the everted organ and makes replacement more difficult.

- -Vulval suturing.
- Amputation of the everted organ.







-Uterine Prolapse in Cow-- - YouTube.mp4

