

Antibiotic residues in milk received by dairy cooperative societies in Kiambu district, Kenya

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Abstract:

A survey of antibiotic inhibitors in milk received by dairy cooperative societies in Kiambu district was done qualitatively using microbiological assay method. No antibacterial inhibitors were detected in all the samples tested. Informal discussions indicated a high level of awareness of the withdrawal requirement of veterinary drugs after animal treatment in both farmers and the management staff of dairy cooperative societies. The results show that milk from this area is free of antibiotic residues and farmers could be adhering to the withdrawal requirement of veterinary drugs. Such milk therefore does not pose a risk to the public and dairy industry.