

Policy makers across the UK and Europe are endeavouring to eradicate bovine tuberculosis supported by a rigorous testing programme. Unfortunately, experience shows us that the results of the commonly used tests are highly subjective.

When a result appears positive, the herd must be quarantined and retested after 60 days. This represents a massive economic and emotional cost to a farmer and affects long-term planning.

### A more accurate test is needed.

That is why we have established an international collaborative project between universities and companies, to develop this test and its associated computerised infrastructure.

We are:

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- Institute of Biological, Environmental and Rural Sciences
- University College Dublin
- Bond Digital Health Solutions
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# BREAKING THROUGH

## THE DISEASE DETECTION BARRIER IN CATTLE

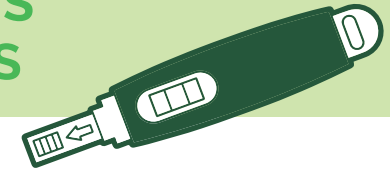
A transnational collaboration employing cutting-edge technology to detect bovine tuberculosis and paratuberculosis



Cutting-edge science offers new ways to detect bovine TB and other bovine diseases and to develop these into new, cost-effective, rapid, point-of-use tests.

Our vision is to develop a new cost-effective, accurate and rapid test to enable the Detection, Management and Control (DMC) of:

## BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS & PARATUBERCULOSIS



It will enable:

- Farmer administration
- Test and animal data to be uploaded immediately and automatically to the internet
- Results reporting and decision making within an hour
- Validation and oversight by vet and expert panel for accuracy and integrity
- Enhanced animal and farmer welfare
- Frequent low-cost testing and monitoring of any sample to enhance biosecurity
- Ease of herd monitoring and allow accurate mapping of epidemiological data
- Reduce risks from and to native wildlife
- Effective end-to-end supply chain management and farm-to-fork integrity

This data would be integrated into databases and lead to:

- Accurate epidemiology monitoring
- The development of informed disease strategy
- Increased rural productivity and prosperity

It will allow the monitoring of:

- Farm animals
- Native wildlife populations
- The environment
- Farm produce

