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Intervet introduces new ear tags

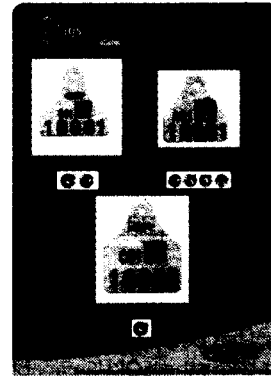
THE UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA'S FACULTY of Veterinary Science's Onderstepoort Teaching Animal Unit (OTAU) is using an advanced ear tagging system on its flock of 48 sheep. It is sponsored by Intervet SA.

Intervet's latest Allflex tags carry a unique IFS code that can be electronically scanned and entered into an online database. Through this technology, livestock management, treatment, vaccination records and weights can easily and quickly be recorded, and a personal record number can be added. The tags provide a unique identity or "fingerprint" for each animal, enabling ongoing individual monitoring. They provide irrefutable proof of ownership by linking to the specific animal's DNA. The system's software can easily be integrated into existing computer systems. In commercial applications, this enables tracking and traceability from birth to abattoir.

State-of-the-art system

The quality Allflex tags and the unique numbering system are an SA design. Authentication takes place in a central database. Used worldwide, they are suitable for commercial farmers, smallholders or feedlots. They are quickly and easily

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fitted with tagging pliers, are tamper-evident, but can tear out under extreme extensive farming conditions and can be manually removed. The system complies with global traceability standards, scheduled to be introduced in SA.

The tags are available in three sizes: small for pigs, sheep, goats and ostriches; medium for sheep and cattle; and large for cattle. Writing on the tags is not recommended as it could interfere with the scanning of the 2D fingerprint. Ask your local co-op or vet clinic to stock the Intervet ID Tags. Specialised pink cattle tags will be available from participating vets to support good management protocol. – Chris Nel
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