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The Ambic MilkSampler is not suitable for collecting a proportionate sample for butterfat sampling for official ICAR records. However, as it takes a small, but representative, sample across whole milking, so is suitable for herd management purposes.

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There are a number of uses for the MilkSampler making it a very useful tool for herd management. Please be aware that it is not suitable for herd improvement. These uses can include: Protein Analysis, Somatic Cell Counts, Bactoscan, Bacteriology, Progesterone Diagnosis, Antibiotic Residue Testing.

It is ideally suited to the NMR Essential Sampling Service and comparable schemes outside the UK.

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Positioning of the MilkSampler is very important as putting it in the wrong place may result in either insufficient sample volume, or the sample not being as representative as it should. MilkSamplers should be fitted to all milking positions, and they should be mounted in a stable position and easily accessible. The section of the Long Milk Tube where the sampler is inserted should be either horizontal or with the milk moving upwards. The MilkSampler body has arrows on to show the direction of flow.

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We have two different MilkSamplers. AMS/200 which is suitable for use with cows and AMS/300 which is suitable for goats. The difference is down to the size of hole through which the sample is taken – with goats where the volume of milk is likely to pass through the system at a lower pressure than with cows, a larger hole is necessary for adequate milk collection.

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The MilkSampler can be used with back-flush systems. In 2013 we fitted the MilkSampler with ultrasonically-welded body caps which are suitable for use with these systems.

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