Genetic influences on lamb survival with

Dr Forbes Brien

Dr Forbes Brien is an Associate Professor with the University of Adelaide in Australia. His career to date has seen him as both farm manager, extension officer and senior researcher. In recent years his research focus has looked at the genetic influences on lamb survival, as well as research for the Australian wool industry on breech strike. He also spent several years studying the impact of selection for growth and carcase traits upon the fatness of ewes and the resulting impact on their reproductive performance.

While visiting the UK, AHDB have arranged three meetings with Dr Forbes Brien to cover the following topics:

* Genetic influences on lamb survival and ways we can improve the trait
* The impact of changing lamb carcase traits upon ewe performance
* The genetics of ewe behaviour

**The one-day meetings are taking place in three locations;**

[Wednesday 25 March (1:30-4:00pm): The George Inn, Longbridge Deverill, Warminster, Wiltshire BA12 7DG](http://commsahdborguk.ctml2.com/ahdblz/EventMgr_BookEvent1.aspx?eID=61)

[Thursday 26 March (1:30-4:00pm): Welshpool Livestock Sales, Buttington Cross, Welshpool, Powys, SY21 8SR](http://commsahdborguk.ctml2.com/ahdblz/EventMgr_BookEvent1.aspx?eID=63)

[Friday 27 March (1:30-3:30pm): The British Charolais Cattle Society Ltd, Avenue M, Stoneleigh, Kenilworth, CV8 2RG (limited availability)](http://commsahdborguk.ctml2.com/ahdblz/EventMgr_BookEvent1.aspx?eID=64)

To book your place for any of the above meetings, please book [online here](https://ahdb.org.uk/events/genetic-influences-on-lamb-survival-with-dr-forbes-brien-wiltshire), email KE.events@ahdb.org.uk or call **01904 771216**. Please specify any dietary requirements. Attendees must be over 16 years of age.

For those who can’t attend the meetings in person, there will also be a webinar running at 10am on Friday 27 March which can be booked [HERE](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2552259362560166411)

Forbes Brien is a key speaker at the British Society of Animal Science, BSAS, Conference in Nottingham, (30 March - 1 April), thanks to sponsorship provided by AHDB. While he is in the UK, he has kindly offered his time to speak at these breeder meetings we have arranged. We fully recognise for many farmers it stretches across lambing time and we are sorry this may limit your involvement. Please do book on the webinar if you can’t attend the meeting, which you can either listen to live or as a later recording at a time that suits you.