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Evaluation of the effects of oral colostrum supplementation during the first fourteen days on the health and performance of preweaned calves. By Berge et al., page 286. This clinical trial replicated on 3 calf ranches evaluated the effect of colostrum supplementation post gut closure on death, health, feed intake, and weight gains of preweaned calves. Ninety 1-d-old calves on each of 3 commercial calf ranches were assigned to either receive a colostrum supplement, a placebo supplement lacking immunoglobulin G, or no supplement in the milk replacer meal twice daily for 14 d. Calves receiving supplemental colostrum had 40% fewer diarrhea days than unsupplemented and placebo calves. Grain consumption and weight gain over the 4 wk were greater in colostrum-supplemented calves compared with control calves.