

# CALL FOR DAIRY FARMERS TO INSTALL ROBOTIC ROTARY

FutureDairy is seeking farmers interested in installing an automatic milking rotary (AMR) to collaborate on automatic milking research.

Chairman, Shirley Harlock said participating dairy farmers would be able to convert to automatic milking at a reduced capital outlay and would also receive intensive training and support in adapting their farming system to automatic milking.

“This is a very attractive offer for dairy farmers who are prepared to be involved in cutting edge research and share their experiences with the FutureDairy team and the industry,” Mrs Harlock said.

FutureDairy has led the world in automatic milking research for pasture-based herds, particularly the automatic milking rotary which was developed specifically for larger herds and Australian conditions.

“Collaborative on-farm research is the vital next step. It will enable us to test and refine recommendations so that the industry can adopt sustainable farming systems to support voluntary milking,” Mrs Harlock said.

To be eligible, farms need to be capable of milking at least 600 cows and preferably up to 800 cows.

Farmers interested in participating should fill in the form at [www.futuredairy.com.au/EOI.php](http://www.futuredairy.com.au/EOI.php). Applications close Friday 19 July.

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## Information for media

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