

VORträge zum Operations Research

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Zum Thema: **Optimal Pooling, Batching and Pasteurizing of Donor Human Milk**

Abstract: Donated human milk – collected, processed and dispensed via milk banks – is the standard of care for premature neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) inpatient infants and unhealthy outpatient infants whose mothers cannot provide adequate supply. We take a multi-criteria integer programming approach to optimize the daily decisions involved in the (1) pooling of milk from different donors to meet macronutrient requirements across different product types, and (2) batching of pooled milk for efficient pasteurization. Our numerical results demonstrate significant improvements compared to historical and staff-generated decisions at Mothers’ Milk Bank of North Texas (MMBNT). Model implementation at MMBNT has quickly resolved chronic production imbalances, reduced labor requirements and improved NICU order fulfillment.

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