Tip of the Month — April 2018

Milking after incomplete milking.

When a cow isn't milked properly by a milking robot, giving 50% less than expected, she'll have the "Milkpermission" to be milked sooner. The standard setting is set to 0 hours/minutes meaning that the cow can get milked immediately after the initial milking.

In practice, it often results in more incomplete milkings. That is why we advise to milk after an incomplete session no sooner than 2-4 hours, depending on the company's average production per day. For example: if you milk, on average, 30 liters per day you could set the setting to 2 hours. However, if you milk less (20 liters), then set it to 4 hours.

There's more: In the list under "Milking Info": "Milking Performance" it is possible to sort cows on the amount of incomplete milkings (second to last column). Then the cows at the top of the list have the most incomplete millkings. It is advised to increase this possibility by a couple of hours or even turn it off for this cow!
Especially in the case that the cow has more than 3 milkings a day, and too many incomplete.
This can be adjusted on her Cowcard by "AMS Settings" in Milk Permission => Milking Conditions.

Or does she have only three good milking teats?
Or is a different setting better?