

GLOBAL APPLICATION OF MILK QUALITY ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENTS

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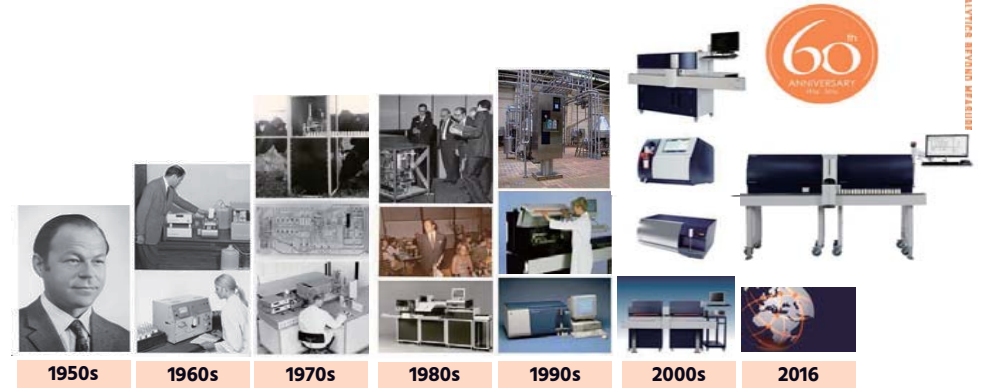
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MILK TESTING – 60 YEARS OF INNOVATION

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ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENTS

1950s

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1970s

1980s

1990s

2000s

2016

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New features:

- Optimized optics and flow system
 - Lower working factor
 - Performance range
- Higher quality of results

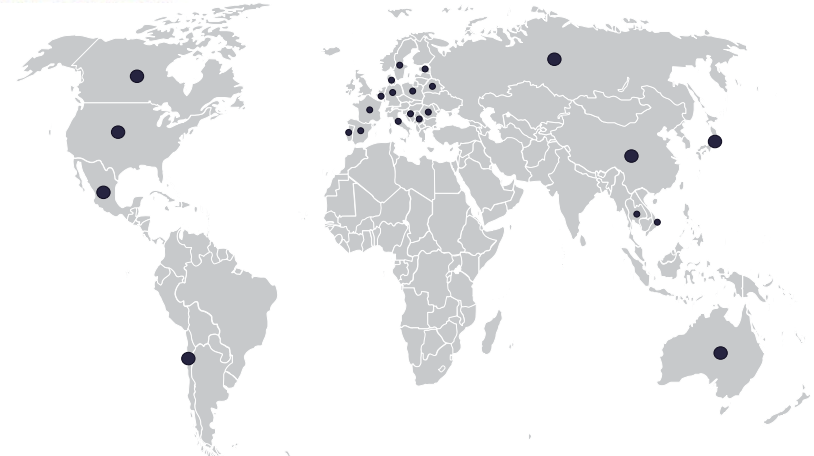
New parameters:

- Differential Somatic Cell Count
 - Fatty acid origin profiling
- Improved dairy farm management

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DIFFERENTIAL SOMATIC CELL COUNT AND MASTITIS MANAGEMENT

BACKGROUND

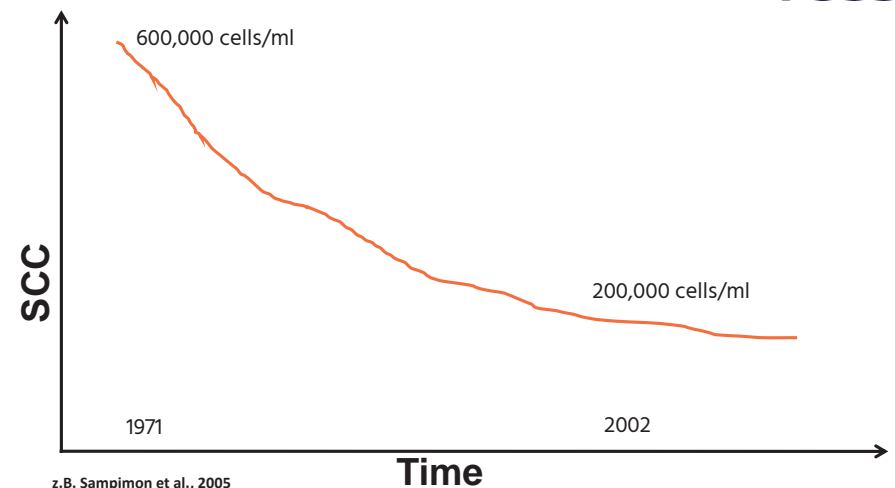
SCC – A NEW PARAMETER (1978)

- Investigation of factors affecting SCC:
 - IMI status
 - DIM
 - Parity
 - Season
 - Diurnal variations
 - Stress

Can. vet. J. 23: 119-125 (April 1982)

(62). Cell counts in composite samples taken from cows with all four quarters free of infection have been reported to average from 113 000 to 251 000 cells/mL depending on the cow's age (18). Other authors (16,40,55) have reported averages of 170 000 and 214 000 (arithmetic averages) and 106 000 cells/mL (geometric mean). Cows harboring commensals have been reported to have somatic cell counts in composite samples that average from 190 000 to 519 000 cells/mL, depending on the cow's age (18), and an average of 227 000 cells/mL has been reported when all age groups were considered (55). Cows harboring major pathogens produce, on average, cell counts over 600 000 cells/mL (18,41,55,62) although a geometric mean of 492 000 cells/mL has been noted (16). Some variation in the cellular response elicited by various major pathogens has been demonstrated (55,62) but it does not appear possible to differentiate amongst the major mastitis pathogens on the basis of somatic cell count alone.

DEVELOPMENT OF UDDER HEALTH



z.B. Sampimon et al., 2005

ECONOMIC LOSSES

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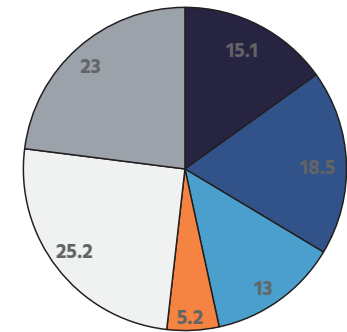
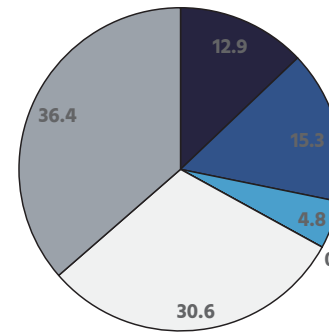


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REASONS FOR COWS EXITING HERDS

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- Mastitis
- Reproduction problems
- Locomotion Problems
- metabolic problems
- unspecified
- other (e.g. low production)

CDCB, 2015;
vit Annual report 2016

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MILK CELL DIFFERENTIATION

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Application of Differential Inflammatory Cell Count as a Tool to Monitor Udder Health
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I.R. Dobson, A.H. Meek, S.W. Martin and D.A. Barnum*

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Ariel L. Rivas, Fred W. Quimby, Julia Blise, Ozden Coksaygan

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Flow cytometric differential cell counts in milk for the evaluation of inflammatory reactions in clinically healthy and subclinically infected bovine mammary glands
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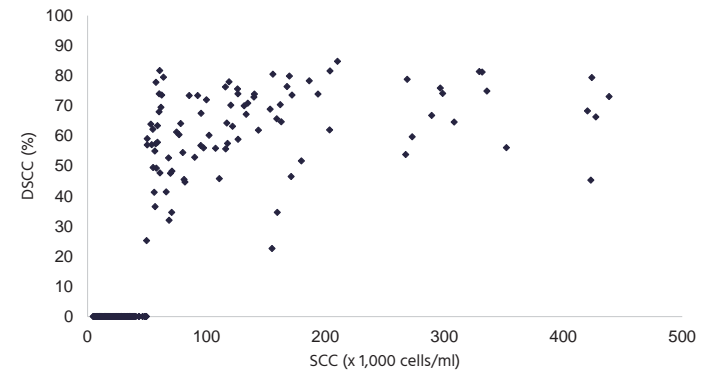
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Differential cell count as an alternative method to diagnose dairy cow mastitis
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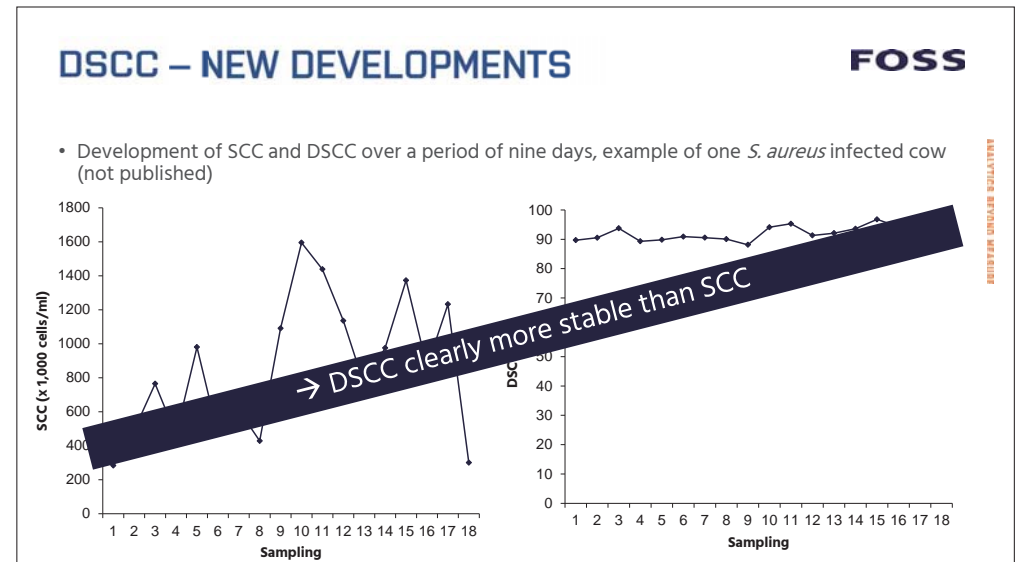
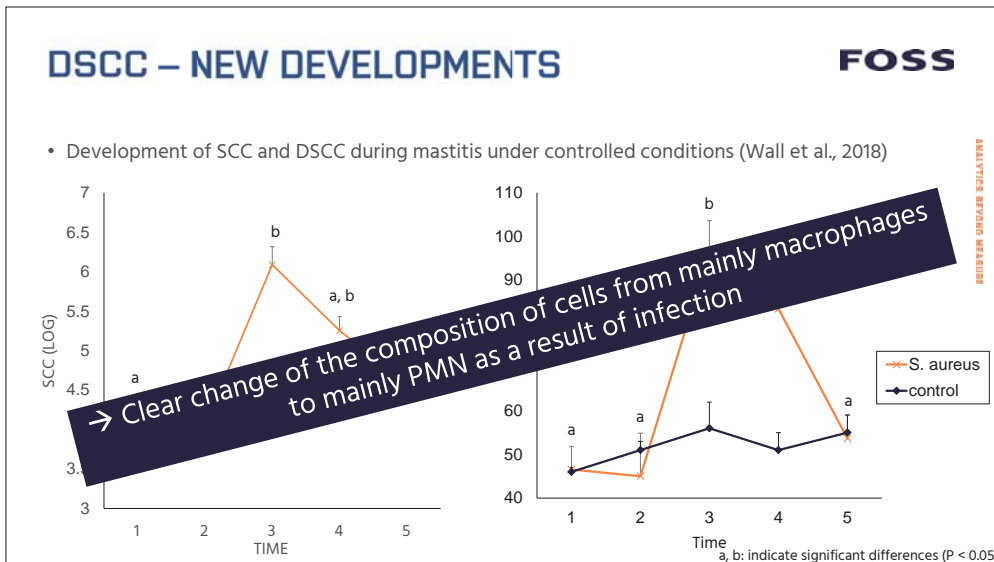
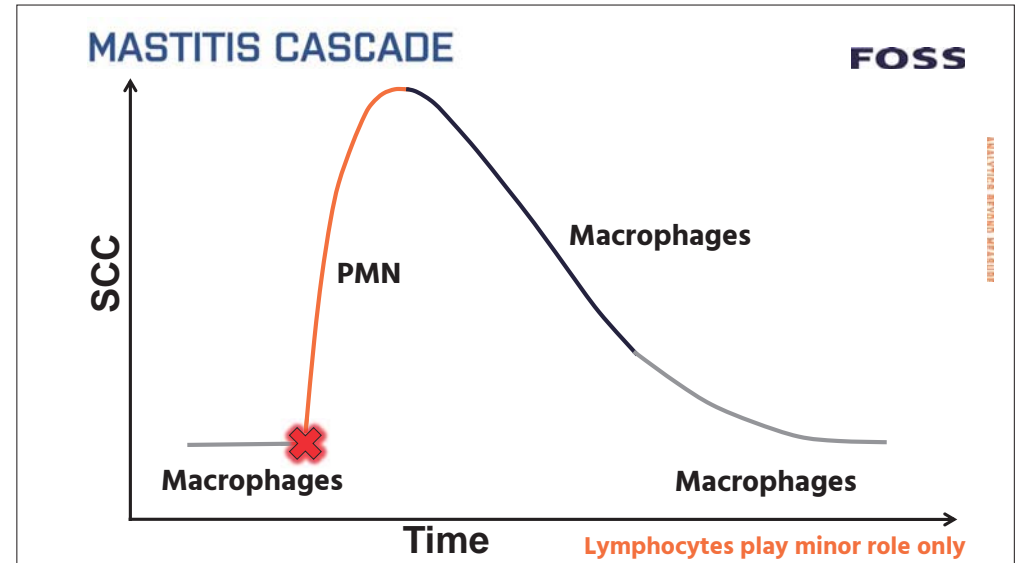
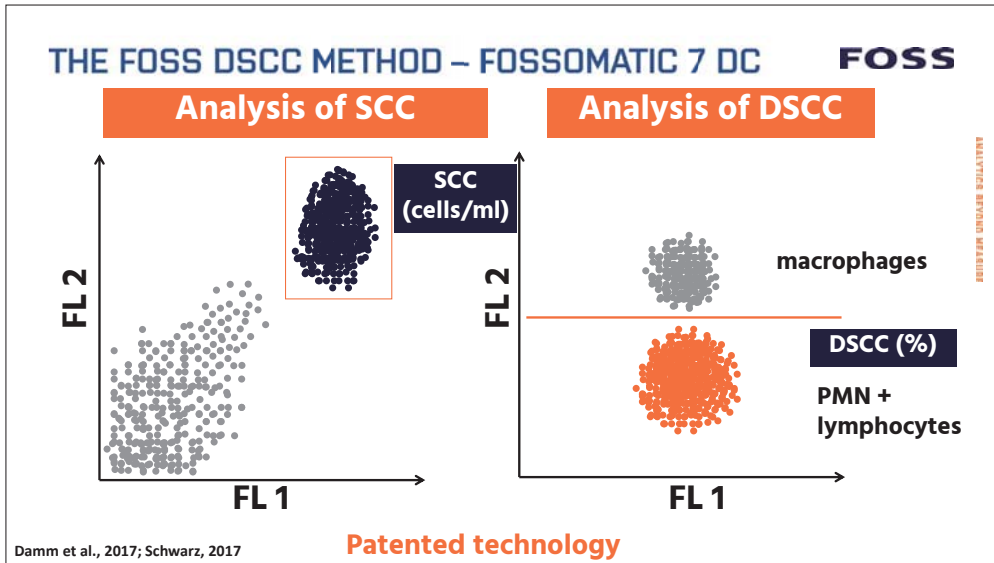
DSCC – NEW DEVELOPMENTS

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- New high-throughput method for standardised, practical, and cost-efficient determination of DSCC and SCC (Damm et al., 2017)



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OVERVIEW – CURRENT ACTIVITIES AND APPLICATIONS

CANADA

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- Project partners:



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- Objective: Evaluation of DSCC for mastitis management in the frame of DHI testing/milk recording

DATA SET

- 11 dairy farms, tie stalls
- 969 cows
- 4 monthly testings
- Samples:
 - DHI morning milking
 - DHI evening milking
 - DHI 50% morning, 50% evening
 - Sterile handstrip foremilk samples (1 per cow, evening and morning milking each)

RESULTS – ANOVA

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Factor	p-value
IMI status	***
Parity	***
DIM	***
Milk weight	***

DSCC

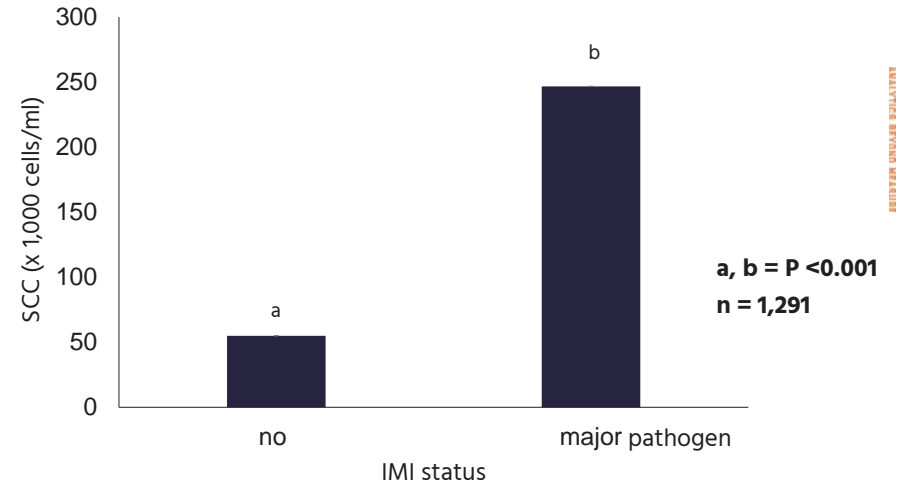
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Random effects in LME: cow within herd and repeated sampling per cow

SCC – IMI STATUS

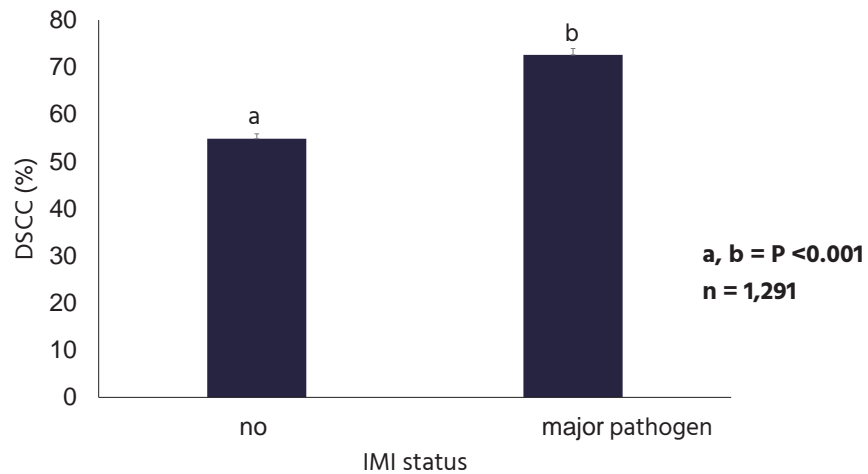
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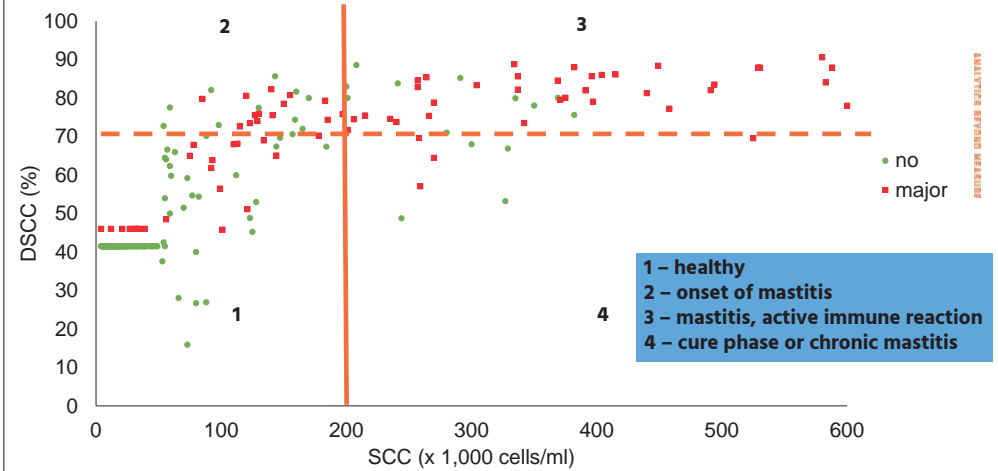
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SCC VS DSCC DEPENDING ON IMI STATUS

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TEST PERFORMANCE – SENSITIVITY AND SPECIFICITY

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No and minor vs. major and other

n = 1,105; Major pathogens (n = 150), other pathogens (n = 37)

	Cut point(s)	Se	Sp
SCC	100,000	65 ^a	75 ^a
	200,000	52 ^y	88 ^y
DSCC	70	58	76
	75	50	82
SCC and DSCC*	100,000 and 70%	67 ^a	68 ^b
	200,000 and 70%	63 ^z	73 ^z

a,b and y,z = statistically significant ($P < 0.05$) difference

Preliminary results, further statistical investigations on-going

*=only cows with SCC and DSCC below optimal cut points considered healthy

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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• Project partners:



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• Objective: Investigation of new parameter for mastitis management and development of guidelines on applying such

• Work packages:

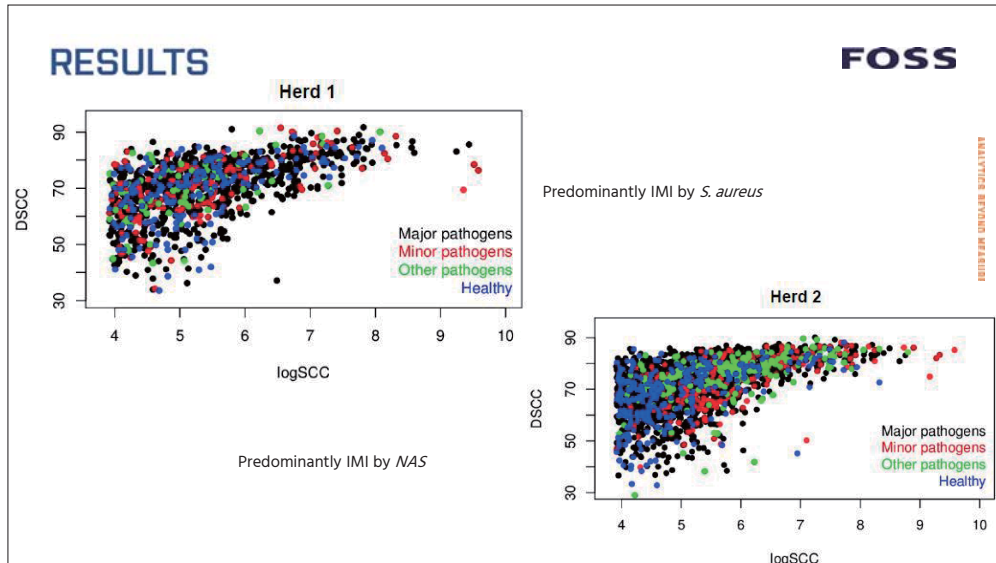
- 1) Generation of data set
- 2) Data analysis
- 3) Development of guidelines

DATA SET

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- 2 herds with 180 and 360 cows each
- Monthly collection of samples over a period of one year
- Samples:
 - Quarter foremilk samples (in total around 22,500)
 - DHI samples (in total around 5,500)
- Parameters:
 - SCC and DSCC: all samples
 - Bacteriological culture: all quarter foremilk samples
 - Mastitis PCR: all DHI samples
- All DHI data available

ANALYTICAL BRAND RELATIONS



- ## OUTLOOK
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- DSCC improves detection of IMI using DHI samples (even when SCC is known)
 - More detailed investigation of dynamics of IMI and DSCC as well as SCC
 - Evaluation of DSCC and SCC for mastitis management based on bio-economic models
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NEW UDDER HEALTH REPORT

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VACCHE STANCHE (> 200 gg Lattazione)

CELLULE TOTALI			CELLULE DIFFERENZIALI		
N° Vacche	%		N° Vacche	%	
Sane	51	93	Sane	45	82
			A Rischio	6	11
			Subcliniche a rischio cronicità	1	2
A Rischio	4	7	Con mastite subclinica/clinica	3	5
TOTALE	55	100		55	100

Rischio Mastite

Y-axis: % Differenziale cellule (0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100)
X-axis: Linear Score CELLULE TOTALI (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10)

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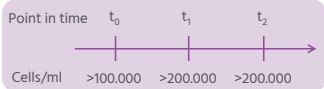
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ANALYTICAL PROGRAM EVALUATION

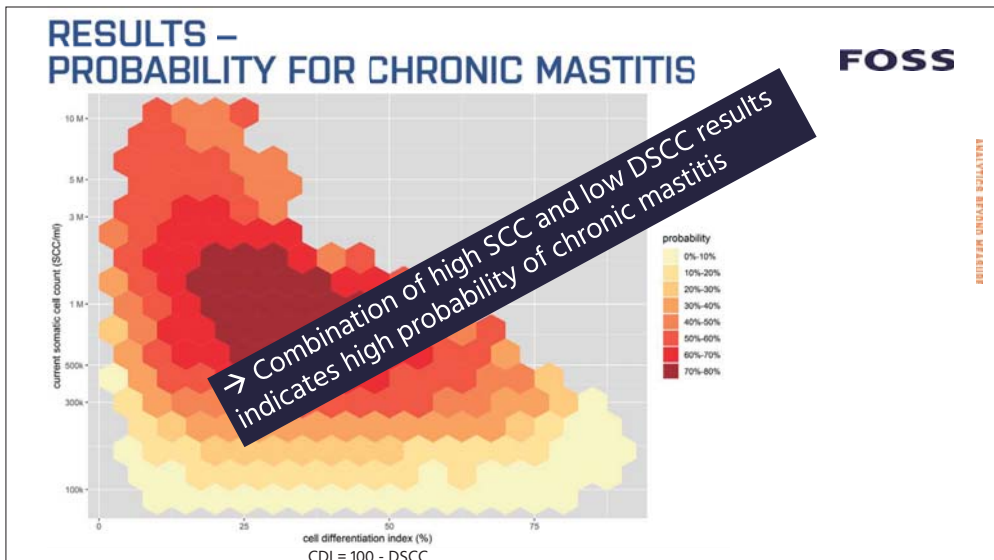
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- Project partners:  
- Objective: development of new udder health report including outlook on future udder health
- Data set: approximately 10 million regular milk recording test days
- Approach:
 



ANALYTICAL PROGRAM EVALUATION



OUTLOOK

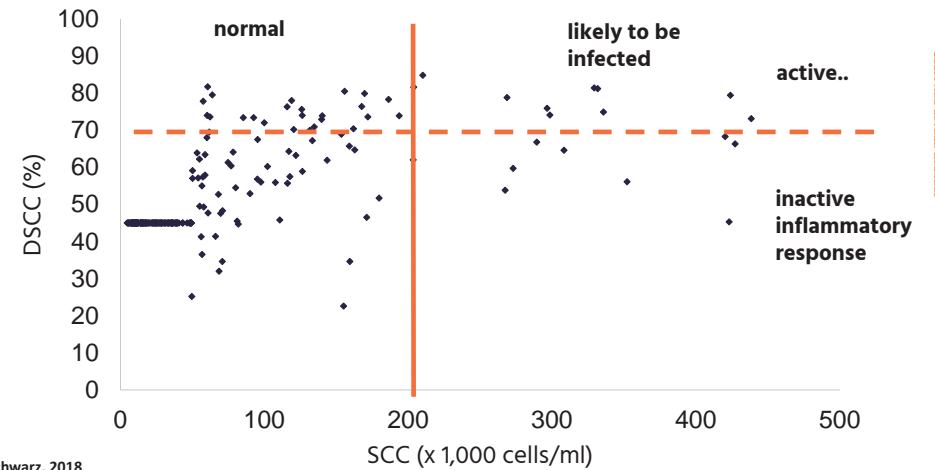
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- Models combining DHI results from multiple test days to generate risk lists developed and currently tested in pilot farms
- Evaluation of results from study with accurate IMI status (i.e. bacteriological culture) – focus on DSCC

ANALYTICAL PROGRAM EVALUATION

SUMMARY

SCC AND DSCC DATA



POSSIBLE PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS

- Improved mastitis screening and management (e.g. early detection, identification of chronic cases)
- Optimisation of selective dry cow therapy
- Targeted selection of milk samples for bacteriological analysis (e.g. mastitis PCR)

A MESSAGE TO TAKE HOME – DSCC



Solid concept (well-founded in scientific literature)



From Science to Practise



Possible practical applications to be investigated and developed further in field trials



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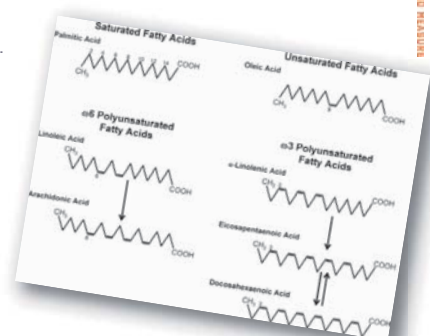
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MILK FATTY ACID ANALYSIS AND DAIRY COW NUTRITION

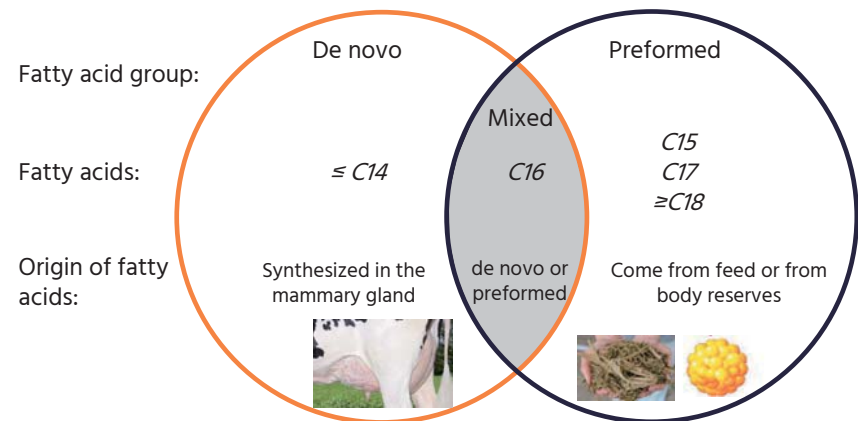
- 1897 • Question of the origins of milk fat (wholly from diet or synthesised by animal)? (Jordan and Jenter, 1897)
- 1947 • Leading theory: Short-chain fatty acids arise from degradation of oleic acid (Hilditch, 1947)
- 1951 • De novo synthesis of short-chain fatty acids proven (Popjak et al., 1951)
- 1990 • Detailed determination of origin of fatty acids completed (e.g., Palmquist, 2006)
- 2000s • Fatty acid profiling (chain length, degree of saturation, major fatty acids) using FTIR technology (FOSS) → Practical applications: Focus on milk processing/dairy product aspects
- 2010s • Practical applications: Fatty acid profiling with focus on dairy cow nutrition (Visiolait project)

FATTY ACID CALIBRATIONS

- Degree of unsaturation
 - Saturated Fatty Acids (SFA)
 - Mono Unsaturated Fatty Acids (MUFA)
 - Poly Unsaturated Fatty Acids (PUFA)
 - Trans FA
- Chain length
 - Short Chain Fatty Acids (SCFA): C_{4:0}, C_{6:0}, C_{8:0}, C_{10:0}
 - Medium Chain Fatty Acids (MCFA): C_{12:0}, C_{14:0}, C_{16:0}
 - Long Chain Fatty Acids (LCFA): C_{18:0}, C_{18:1}, C_{18:2}
- Major fatty acids
 - C_{14:0}
 - C_{16:0}
 - C_{18:0}
 - C_{18:1}



NEW 2019: FATTY ACID ORIGIN PACKAGE



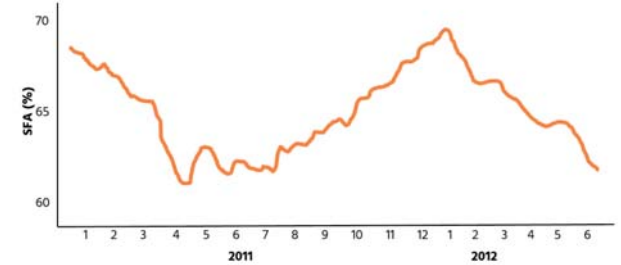
POTENTIAL PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS

REAL LIFE EXAMPLES

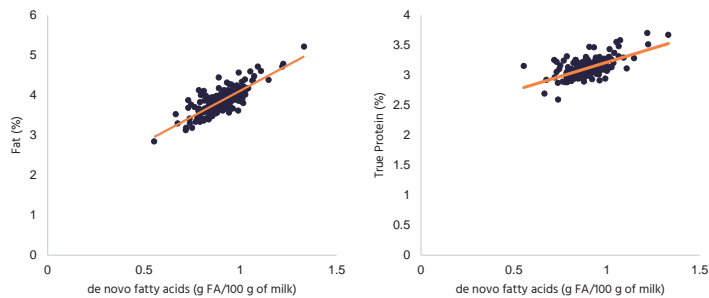
- Visiolait – optimisation of feeding:
 - Energy and protein efficiency
 - Rumen activity
 - Health and fertility
- Used successfully in France and Germany



- National milk laboratories, UK:
 - Fatty acid profiling as basis for production of value-added dairy products



REAL LIFE EXAMPLE FAT AND PROTEIN VS DE NOVO FA



→ 200 dairy farms, 1 test per farm

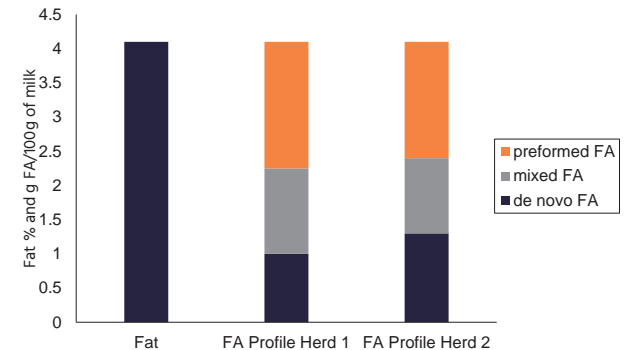
High **fat %** associated with high de novo contents
→ increased function of rumen as well as production of volatile fatty acids

High **protein %** associated with high de novo contents
→ Increased microbial fermentation as well as microbial protein synthesis

→ Opportunity for dairy farmers to increase revenue and profit

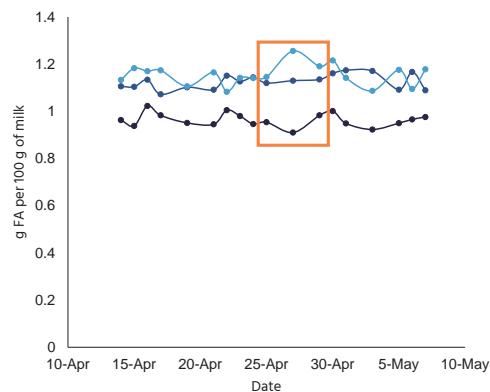
FAT AND FATTY ACID PROFILE

- Example: Herd level



WHAT IMPACT DOES THIS HAVE ON DAIRY HERD MANAGEMENT?

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What happened?

- Cows started mobilizing
- De novo synthesis went down

Reason?

Change in silage quality (more fibre/less digestible)

Idea:

Changes in fatty acid profile can be noticed a few days before milk or fat yield start to decrease

→ Dairy farmer can react EARLIER and save \$\$\$

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ANALYTICS BEYOND MEASURES

ICAR 2019 CONFERENCE – FOCUS ON NEW TOOLS

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Hall Panorama

8:30-10:30	Technical Session 7 Challenges in Creating Additional Value from Milk Analysis Chairpersons: Silvia Oriandini and Jere High
8:30-8:50	S07(T)-0P-1 Additional value of cell differentiation in the course of DHI testing Folkert Onken
8:50-9:10	S07(T)-0P-2 Pregnancy testing in dairy cows using a PAG test in milk samples: Different thresholds for different stages of the pregnancy Daniel M. Lefebvre
9:10-9:30	S07(T)-0P-3 New quality assurance challenges with recent mid-infrared models Frédéric Dehareng
9:30-9:50	S07(T)-0P-4 Implementation of a routine Fourier-transform infrared procedure for fatty acid analysis in milk Daniel M. Lefebvre
9:50-10:10	S07(T)-0P-5 Routine infrared phosphorous determination in ex-farm milk giving better insight in the phosphorous cycle on dairy farms Harrie van den Bijgaart
10:10-10:30	Question and Discussion

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A MESSAGE TO TAKE HOME

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Raw milk samples hold a **wealth of information** – milk quality and dairy herd management



Focus on new innovative solutions (e.g. DSCC) and the implementation of those



Provide dairy farmers with better information for decision making as basis for production of milk of high quality



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ANALYTICS BEYOND MEASURES

MILK TESTING IN EUROPE: PAYMENT SYSTEMS

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FAO RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 7: examples of rejection and deduction levels for cow milk:

	Rejection level	Deduction level	Unit
Fat	<3.0	3.0 - 3.2	%
SNF	<8.2	8.2 - 8.5	%
Total Solids	>12.0	10.0 - 12.0	%
Water	<1.027	1.027 - 1.028	Density at 15 °C
	or >1.036	1.035 - 1.036	Density
	or >-0.520	-0.520 to -0.525	°C freezing point
	or >10	5 - 10	% excessive water
Preservatives	none	none	
Antibiotics	0.0006		i.u. / ml
Temperature			°C
pH	<6.4	6.4 - 6.5	
Clot on boiling	Positive test	-	
Alcohol test	Positive test	-	
Titrate acidity	0.20	0.18	% lactic acid
10 min Resazurin	0 and 1	2 and 3	Disc numbers
Methylene blue	<30	30 - 60	Minutes
Bacterial count	>750	500 - 750	(x1,000 CFU/ml)
Somatic cell count	>1,000	750 - 1,000	(x1,000 CFU/ml)



Milk Testing and Payment Systems Resource Book

a practical guide to assist milk producer groups

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2 Note: these are examples only and should be adjusted to your local situation

EU REGULATIONS

REGULATION (EC) No 853/2004 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

AND OF THE COUNCIL

of 29 April 2004

laying down specific hygiene rules for
on the hygiene of foodstuffs



THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

3. (a) Food business operators must initiate procedures to ensure that raw milk meets the following criteria:

(i) for raw cows' milk:

Plate count at 30 °C (per ml)	≤ 100 000 ⁽¹⁾
Somatic cell count (per ml)	≤ 400 000 ⁽²⁾

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Parameter	Frequency	Class	Class limit	Premium/deduction % of raw milk value
Fat and protein	Each collection day			
Somatic cell count (SCC)⁽¹⁾ (1000 cells/ml)	Each collection day	1S	- 200	+ 2 %
		1E	201 - 300	+ 1 %
		1B	301 - 400	0 %
		2	401 - 500	- 4 %
Total bacterial count (TBC)⁽¹⁾ (1000 bacteria/ml)	4-5 times a month	3	501 -	- 10 %
		1E	- 30	+ 1 %
		1B	31 - 50	0 %
Spores Spores/litre	2 times a month	2	51 - 100	- 4 %
		3	101 -	- 10 %
		1E	- 400	+ 1 %
Antibiotics	Five times a month	1B	401 - 4000	0 %
		2	4001 -	- 4 % ⁽²⁾
Visibly abnormal milk	Each collection day	Negative	3	0 %
Smell and taste	(See Section 75)	Negative	3	0 %
				- 10 % ⁽⁵⁾
Freezing point	Every fourth week			(None – only informative)
Urea	Each collection day			(None – only informative)



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⁽¹⁾ Follow up on geometric mean, as per EU legislation (see Sections 94 and 95).
⁽²⁾ A class 2 result within a 12 month period implies no deduction.
⁽³⁾ The presence of antibiotics in milk leads to a deduction equivalent to 1.0% of the contaminated supply.
⁽⁴⁾ A second occurrence within a rolling 12 month period results in a deduction equivalent to 1.0% of the contaminated supply and a fine of 1,000 DKK, as well as separate transport of milk for 10 days at the farmer's expense.
⁽⁵⁾ Deductions apply to the milk collected during the day where the unsatisfactory results were recorded.
⁽⁶⁾ When the milk is delivered as a result of unacceptable level under tests (linked to the class), the deduction is equivalent to 2 times supply and the fine is 1,000 DKK.

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ARLA MILK PRICE

Arlapris december 2016

4,2% fedt og 3,4% protein. DKK øre/kg mælk.

	Konventionel	Øko
Fedtpris (DKK/kg fedt)	25,03	25,03
Proteinpris (DKK/kg protein)	40,04	40,04
Kg-afhængige omkostninger (DKK øre/kg mælk)	-10,00	-10,00
Råvareværdi	231,2	231,2
Bedste kvalitet (4 %)	+ 9,3	9,3
Økotillæg	+	112,8
Non GM foder	+ 7,5	
Acontopris	248,0	353,3
Forventet gns logistiktillæg	+ 0,8	0,8
Forventet gns øvrige tillæg og fradrag*	+ 0,2	0,2
Forventet gns efterbetaling og rente	+ 7,6	7,6
Forventet gns konsolidering	+ 9,6	9,6
Arlapris	266,2	371,5

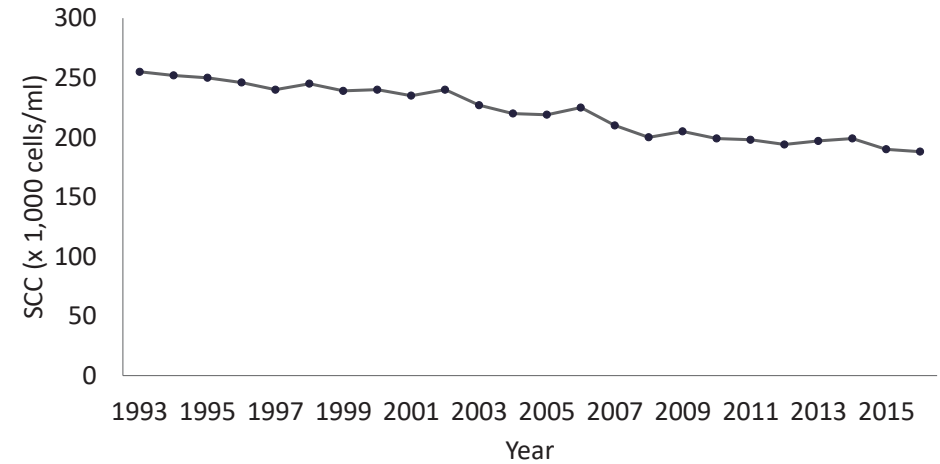
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* Gennemsnit af andre tillæg og fradrag som basisomkostninger, markedstillæg og transportrelaterede tillæg.



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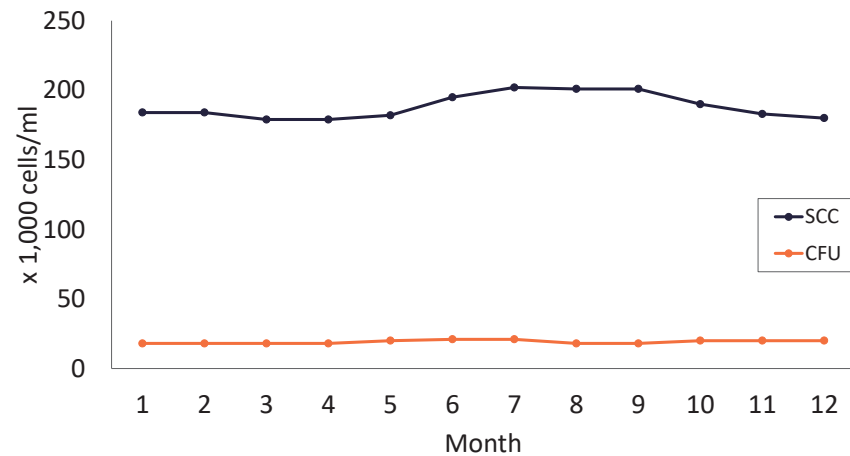
BULK TANK MILK QUALITY IN GERMANY



Data from federal state Hesse only – 160,000 cows, 2,000 dairy farms, 8,500 kg/cow and year

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