

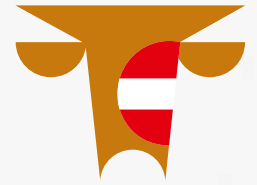
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**World Simmental
Fleckvieh Congress &
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Austria 2022**

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Dear leaders and breeders around the world, dear members of the extended Fleckvieh family, on behalf of Fleckvieh Austria and the WSFF, we are delighted to announce that Austria will host two outstanding events from August 30 to September 4, 2022.



2022 World Simmental Fleckvieh Congress

A magnificent showcase at just the right time

The time has finally come: After more than 25 years, as Austria will again host the World Simmental Fleckvieh Congress, set to take place from August 30 to September 4, 2022. The main conference venue is the Parkhotel Schönbrunn in Vienna. This means that the professional highlights of the first part of the congress (from Tuesday to Friday) will also take place in the Vienna region. We will then move on to Linz and Freistadt, where we will present the country's finest Fleckvieh cows to a national and international audience at the Austrian Fleckvieh Exhibition during the weekend of September 3 and 4. A premium auction and the next edition of the Fleck Score World Cup are planned for Saturday evening.

For our international guests, especially those from more distant parts of Europe and from other continents, we have planned

a post-congress agrotour of various parts of Austria. Until September 8, our guests will thus have the opportunity to visit other leading Fleckvieh breeding farms. In addition, Austria's culture and nature will also feature prominently.

What do we want to show to the world?

As the country with the highest number of Fleckvieh cattle in the world, Austria is firmly on the path to success. We have seen positive developments in almost all our breeding parameters, and major progress has been made in the performance of the animals, which was and is an important factor for the international visibility of Austrian Fleckvieh cattle. At the same time, the economically sound weighting of the total merit index has enabled us to maintain the breed's core strengths in udder health, fertility and robustness.

Fleckvieh – dual-purpose perfection

Fleckvieh's suitability for dual-purpose use is the breed's true trump card. The ability to combine milk and meat in one animal is an economic aspect that clearly speaks in favor of Fleckvieh cattle. The option of using animals that are not needed for breeding to produce high-quality beef is part of the solution to today's challenges of sustainability and environmental efficiency.

The fact that the promotion of dual-purpose cattle and poultry has, for the first time, also become government policy in Austria confirms that the Fleckvieh breed is on the right track in terms of public perception.

As the host country of the World Simmental Fleckvieh Congress, our aim is to demonstrate the aforementioned economic and ecological advantages of our Fleckvieh breed. At the same time, the focus will also be on global megatrends and their impact on cattle breeding and agriculture as a whole.

On the one hand, global challenges such as digitalization and the associated accelerated development of new technologies are now being felt across all sectors. On the other hand, the climate impact of cattle is currently the subject of heated public debates.

By choosing "Fleckvieh Changes" as the motto of the congress, we want to show that we are not only aware of the challenges, but that we can also offer convincing answers. Fleckvieh is changing the world of cattle, as it enables dairy farming with robust cows and is the most eco-efficient form of livestock production.

The Austrian way – "Fleckvieh Changes"!

On average, the Austrian Fleckvieh cow again produces more than four calves in her lifetime. Fleckvieh thus leads the international rankings of cattle breeds in terms of longevity, sustainability and efficiency. With genomic selection, we also have a modern tool for cattle breeding at our disposal. Our consistent efforts to implement the joint breeding program have produced the desired results. In particular, these improvements are reflected in the fitness traits, and in future, we also expect progress with regard to new traits such as hoof health, metabolic stability, feed efficiency and milking behavior.

"Fleckvieh Changes" also applies in the sense that we, in contrast to others, continue to be optimistic about the prospects of keeping high-level breeding in the hands of farmers and implementing a holistic breeding strategy. This is only possible through consistent breeding work and the consistent use of modern techniques. Effective genome selection requires that the breeding population be as large as possible, which in turn makes intensive international cooperation essential.

Strengthening international cooperation and disseminating the successful genetics of Austrian Fleckvieh cattle worldwide is thus also one of the goals of the 2022 World Simmental Fleckvieh Congress in Austria.

For more up-to-date information, please visit www.fleckvieh.at.

We look forward to seeing all friends of Fleckvieh in Austria again in the fall of 2022.



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CEO



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President

FLECKVIEH CHANGES

World Simmental Fleckvieh Congress and National Fleckvieh Exhibition Austria 2022

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- August 30** Welcome – meetings – cultural program – opening ceremony with country presentations
- August 31** Meetings – cultural program – top Fleckvieh farm – visit to a “Heurigen” wine tavern in Vienna
- September 1** WSFF General Assembly with a series of lectures on the following topic: “Fleckvieh Changes – Why Fleckvieh is changing the world of cattle”
Top Fleckvieh farm – cultural program – gala dinner at the Vienna Rathaus
- September 2** Insemination station – gala dinner and excursion by boat in Linz

FREISTADT

Raiffeisen Fleckvieh Arena

- September 3** Insemination station – top Fleckvieh farm – Start of the National Fleckvieh Exhibition
Fleck Score World Cup – premium auction – show program
- September 4** National Fleckvieh Show featuring Austria’s finest animals

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REGISTRATION will open at the end of January 2022 at www.fleckvieh.at.



A photograph of a brown and white Fleckvieh cow grazing in a lush green field. The cow is the central focus, shown in profile from the side, facing right. It has a dark brown coat with white patches on its face, legs, and underbelly. The cow is wearing a dark brown halter with a yellow tag on its ear. The background consists of rolling green hills and a clear blue sky. The text 'FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA' is overlaid in large white letters at the top, and 'Latest news from the breeding programme' is in bold white letters below it. At the bottom left, there is a small line of text: 'DR. CHRISTIAN FÜRST, ZUCHTDATA - VIENNA, AUSTRIA'. In the bottom right corner, there is a small vertical copyright notice: '© Giorgio Soldi'.

FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA

Latest news from the breeding programme

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In the last few decades, there has been enormous progress in Austrian Fleckvieh breeding, including the joint breeding value estimation, close cooperation with Germany on the breeding programme, and the introduction of genomic selection 10 years ago. This article highlights the phenotypic and genetic advances that have been made as a result.

Table 1 shows the development of phenotypic traits in key areas since 2015. When considering the phenotypic traits, it is important to always keep in mind that they are highly dependent on the meteorological, nutritional and market situation, and even on data quality (e.g., the completeness of insemination reports with respect to the insemination index). Over the last five years, the average milk yield per lactation has increased by a remarkable 135 kg. Despite this strong increase in milk yield and its largely negative genetic correlations, most meat and fitness parameters have been stable to slightly positive. For instance, longevity has been rising slowly but steadily for many years, while lifetime performance has increased sharply by more than 600 kg per year.

That being said, the fertility parameters in the insemination index have deteriorated slightly, while the development of the calving interval is more or less stable. The further development of the somatic cell count, a particular strength of Fleckvieh cattle, is something to keep an eye on.

Positive genetic trends

Genetic traits, i.e. the average breeding values per birth cohort, are the indicator of choice for assessing long-term breeding trends. For example, one might look at the trends observed in insemination bulls or, as in this article, those relating to the female population. After all, it is this group of animals that ultimately determines a farm’s economic success. Figure 1 shows the genetic trends for the main aspects of the total merit index (TMI), the milk index (MI), the beef index (BI) and the fitness index (FIT). The TMI increased by 2.0 points per year from 2000 to 2010, and by 2.4 points per year from 2010 to 2018. During the same period, the MI increased from

2.2 to 2.3 points. The BI has been virtually stable, with a slightly negative trend in the EUROP classification that has been offset by an increase in the net weight. The long-term negative FIT trend has been reversed, with an increase of 1.0 points per year since 2010.

A detailed look at the milk traits (Fig. 2) reveals an uninterrupted linear increase in milk yield (94 kg per year since 2000). However, it should also be noted that the milk components, especially the fat content, have seen a genetic decline.

As already indicated in Figure 1, the long period of decline affecting the genetic

fitness indicators has finally been reversed. This clearly shows the effect of the estimated breeding values (EBV) and the inclusion of fitness traits in the TMI. For example, an EBV for longevity has been available in Austria since 1995, while the TMI, including the most important fitness traits, has been published since 1998. The genetic trends since then have been quite impressive. This also highlights the importance of developing estimated breeding values for other health traits, especially regarding hoof health and metabolism.

In terms of conformation, the marked genetic improvement, especially as regards the udder score (Fig. 4), is also clearly visible

Tab. 1: Development of selected phenotypic traits in Austrian Fleckvieh cattle since 2015

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Milk (kg) – herd book, all lact.	7,220	7,370	7,393	7,713	7,790	7,893
F+P (kg) – herd book, all lact.	545	558	560	584	590	599
Carcass percentage	57.3	57.4	57.2	57.2	57.3	57.3
No. of calves	3.97	3.98	3.97	4.02	4.04	4.03
Longevity (years)	3.80	3.80	3.81	3.86	3.89	3.90
Calving interval (days)	390	391	388.3	388.3	388.5	390.1
Insemination index	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2
Som. cell count (in thousands)	180.1	176.6	175.5	181.0	183.3	186.5
Lifetime yield (kg)	28,114	28,533	28,846	29,825	30,689	31,220

Fig. 1: Genetic trends for TMI, MI, BI and FIT of Austrian Fleckvieh cows

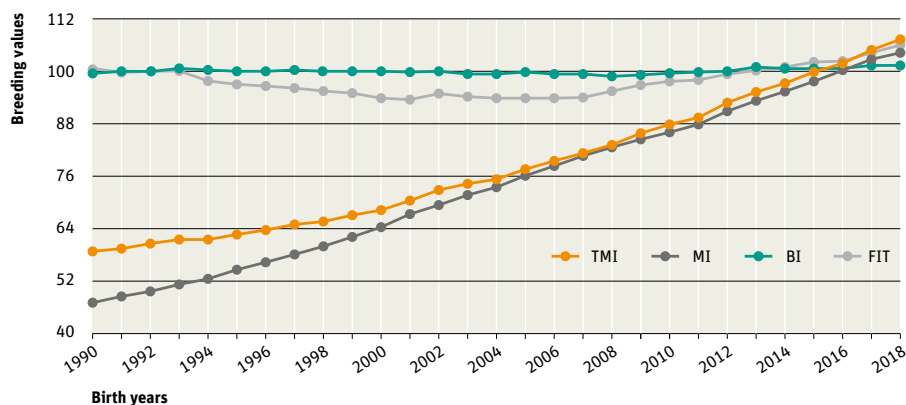


Fig. 2: Genetic trends for milk yield, fat and protein content of Austrian Fleckvieh cows

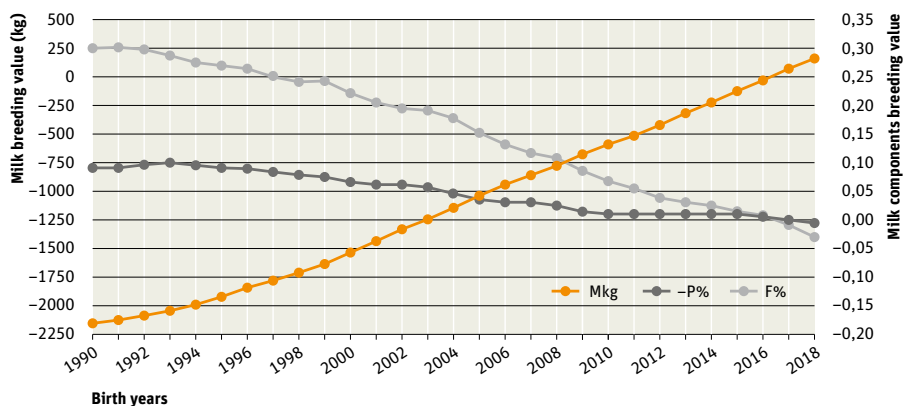


Fig. 3: Genetic trends for longevity (Long), persistency (Pers), fertility (FEI), udder health (UDH) and milking speed (Msp) of Austrian Fleckvieh cows

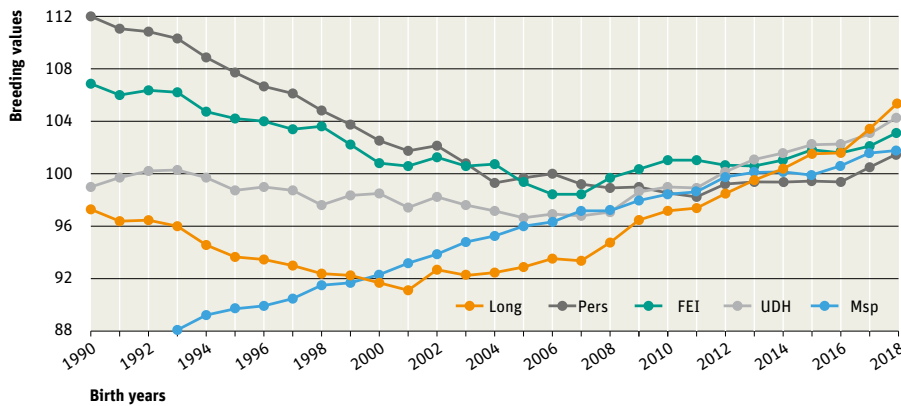


Fig. 4: Genetic trends for frame (FR), muscling (MU), feet and legs (FL) and udders (UD) of Austrian Fleckvieh cows

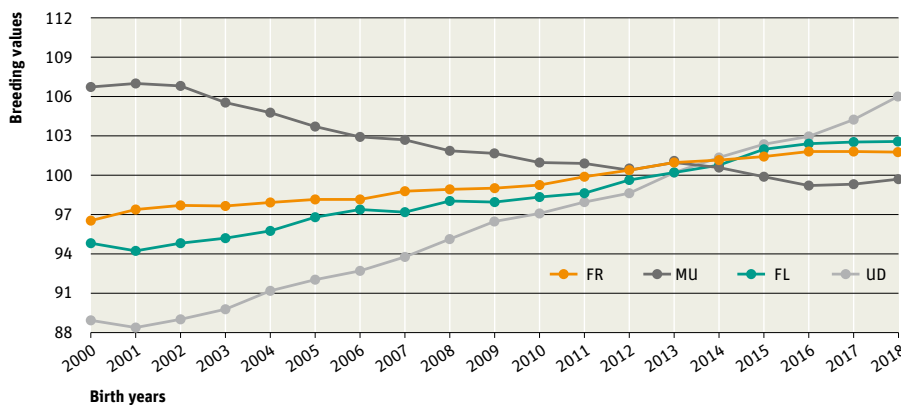
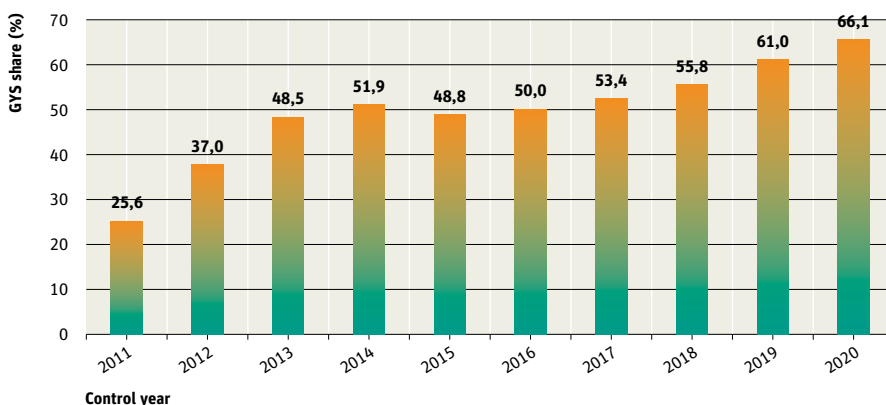


Fig. 5: Inseminations using a genomic young sire (GYS) as a share of all Fleckvieh inseminations (without other breeds, artificial inseminations only)



in practice. In the last few decades, there has also been a significant increase in the frame, especially regarding the height at cross. For some years now, efforts have been made to stabilize the cow frame through breeding. Fortunately, the trend toward ever larger cows seems to have slowed down in the last few years, a development that will hopefully continue in the future. During the same period, muscling has also decreased significantly. These genetic trends for conformation reflect the shift toward greater

emphasis on milk production in Fleckvieh breeding over the past few decades. Any further declines in the genetic performance traits for muscling and carcass yield could jeopardize the positioning of Fleckvieh cattle as the leading dual-purpose breed.

High genetic level of inseminations

The goal of the Fleckvieh Austria breeding programme is to use genomic young sires (GYS) for 75 percent of all inseminations. As shown in Figure 5, we already reached a

GYS share of 66.1 percent last year, based on all inseminations involving Fleckvieh bulls (i.e., excluding other breeds and natural insemination). Given that this figure continues to grow, the percentage of GYS inseminations already reached just over 70 percent in the last few months, and in some breeding associations it even exceeds 80 percent.

Ultimately, however, it is not the percentage of young bulls that is decisive, but the genetic quality of the inseminations being carried out. Figure 6 shows the average breeding values of the inseminations performed from 2018 to 2020. These breeding values are taken from December of the respective year. As this table shows, the average breeding values for all traits are above 100. The only traits that exhibit a slightly negative trend are the milk components fat content (-0.02) and protein content (0.01).

The TMI level exceeds 125 points and is therefore very high. Next comes the MI, which is in the range of 120 points, followed by the udder value at around 114 points, thus underlining the great importance of conformation in breeding practice. The FIT value is also within a highly positive range (approximately 112 points), similar to the longevity breeding value. The least consideration in the selection of insemination bulls is given to the beef index and muscling, with values only very slightly above 100. No further improvements are therefore to be expected in these traits.

The slight decreases in the TMI and the MI in 2020 compared to previous years is likely due, at least in part, to the increased use of polled bulls. The share of inseminations with polled bulls (both heterozygous and homozygous) already stood at almost 20 percent in 2020, and in the last few months of the year even reached 25 percent. Although polled genetics have already attained a considerably high standard (at least for heterozygous animals), the scores of polled bulls used were on average 2.2 TMI points and 3.6 MI points lower than those of their horned counterparts, while the milk yield was exactly 100 kg lower. Due to the strong focus on polled sires, losses in breeding progress in several economically important traits cannot be avoided.

Table 2 lists the Fleckvieh bulls that were most frequently used in 2020 (the control year). With GS MYSTERIUM Pp* (a heterozygous polled bull), a genetically polled bull tops the ranking for the first time in history. In addition, there are also two homozygous polled bulls, MAROKKO PP* and GS VERISMO PP*, among the top 20. It is noteworthy



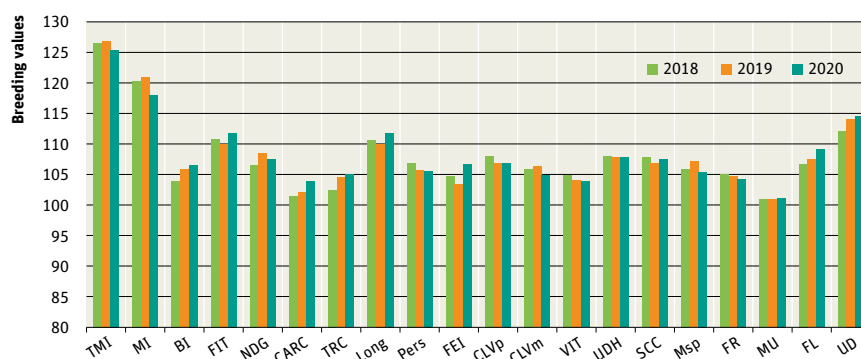
thy that no single bull stands out with an extremely high number of inseminations. Never before has such a low number of inseminations, just over 13,000, been enough to lead in the rankings. The highest figure in this regard was reached by WILLE in 2012, with over 47,000 inseminations. These relatively low numbers of inseminations per bull should definitely be seen as a positive development, as it is always advisable to spread the risks. Even if the standard sire lineages are of little importance for genetic diversity, the distribution among the different lineages is very positive. On the paternal side, the top 20 animals descend from nine different bulls, with MORELLO and HOREX having the highest number of offspring with four each.

Summary

The predominantly positive development of the phenotypic traits and genetic trends in Austrian Fleckvieh cattle is the result of intensive breeding efforts, in close cooperation with Germany and other neighboring countries. The positive genetic trends are also broadly reflected in the positive development of the phenotypic traits. In the longer term, it will certainly be important to pay even greater attention to maintaining or improving the dual-purpose traits of the Fleckvieh breed. In addition, the milk components should not be disregarded either.

The developments also show that optimal estimated breeding values are possible for traits that are difficult to breed for, such as fitness or health. The basic prerequisite for this, however, is the willingness of farmers to provide large amounts of high-quality data. This appeal applies especially to the various health traits – after all, progress in breeding is only possible with a lot of good data. 📌

Fig. 6: Average breeding values of Fleckvieh inseminations 2018–2020 (breeding values from December of the respective year)



TMI = total merit index, MI = milk index, BI = beef index, FIT = fitness index, NDG = net daily gain, CARC = carcass percentage, TRC = EUROP trade class, Long = longevity, Pers = persistency, FEI = fertility index, CLVp = paternal calving ease, CLVm = maternal calving ease, VIT = vitality index, UDH = udder health index, SCC = somatic cell count, MSp = milkability/milking speed, FR = frame, MU = muscularity, FL = feet and legs, UD = udder

Table 2: The 20 most frequently used Fleckvieh bulls in the FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA breeding programme in control year 2020 (ZuchtData, ZWS 12/21)

Rank	Name	Year of birth	No. of calves	TMI	MI	BI	FIT	PB*	Lineage
1	GS MYSTERIUM Pp*	2017	13,726	126	114	112	115	N	MORELLO
2	WEISSENSEE	2017	13,276	131	121	101	117	N	HOREX
3	MINT	2012	11,434	113	109	94	108	Y	MORELLO
4	HURLY	2012	11,311	125	112	112	112	Y	HUCH
5	HERZSCHLAG	2014	11,086	120	132	109	80	Y	HUCH
6	SEHRGUT	2012	10,647	128	123	98	108	Y	STREIK
7	MANAUS	2018	9,245	132	126	112	106	N	MORELLO
8	IMPOSSUM	2017	8,741	127	120	107	111	N	REDAD
9	ORKA	2013	8,640	114	115	98	100	Y	HUMBERG
10	GS RENEGADE	2014	8,459	129	123	106	108	Y	ROMEN
11	MAROKKO PP*	2017	8,260	128	116	111	116	N	MORELLO
12	DANILO	2018	8,244	123	114	105	114	N	DIRIGENT
13	VADIN	2013	7,964	118	108	124	102	Y	REDAD
14	HERZKLOPFEN	2018	7,312	132	17	105	95	N	HUCH
15	GS WERTVOLL	2014	7,219	110	119	90	94	Y	HOREX
16	EVERGREEN	2013	7,094	118	117	101	102	Y	EGEL
17	SUNRISE	2017	6,889	130	123	112	108	N	STREIK
18	GS VERISMO PP*	2018	6,509	127	115	114	115	N	REDAD
19	GS WHAT ELSE	2017	6,484	125	120	100	110	N	HOREX
20	GS WOIWODE	2017	6,083	132	115	101	130	N	HOREX

*PB = Proven bull / Y = yes, N = no

SINGLE STEP

The genomics upgrade

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April 2021 marks a historic date for the joint genetic evaluation in Austria, Germany and the Czech Republic. Ten years after its introduction, we have taken genomic selection in Fleckvieh cattle to the next level with the launch of the single-step method. The aim of this article is to explain the new method and to provide an overview of the changes in breeding values that can be derived from it.

When we introduced genomic selection in August 2011, genotyping was comparatively expensive at €200 per animal. When setting up the genomic training data set, breeders therefore concentrated on the most informative animals, namely proven bulls. The training data set provides information on the relationship between performance and genotype, which can then be used to estimate genomic breeding

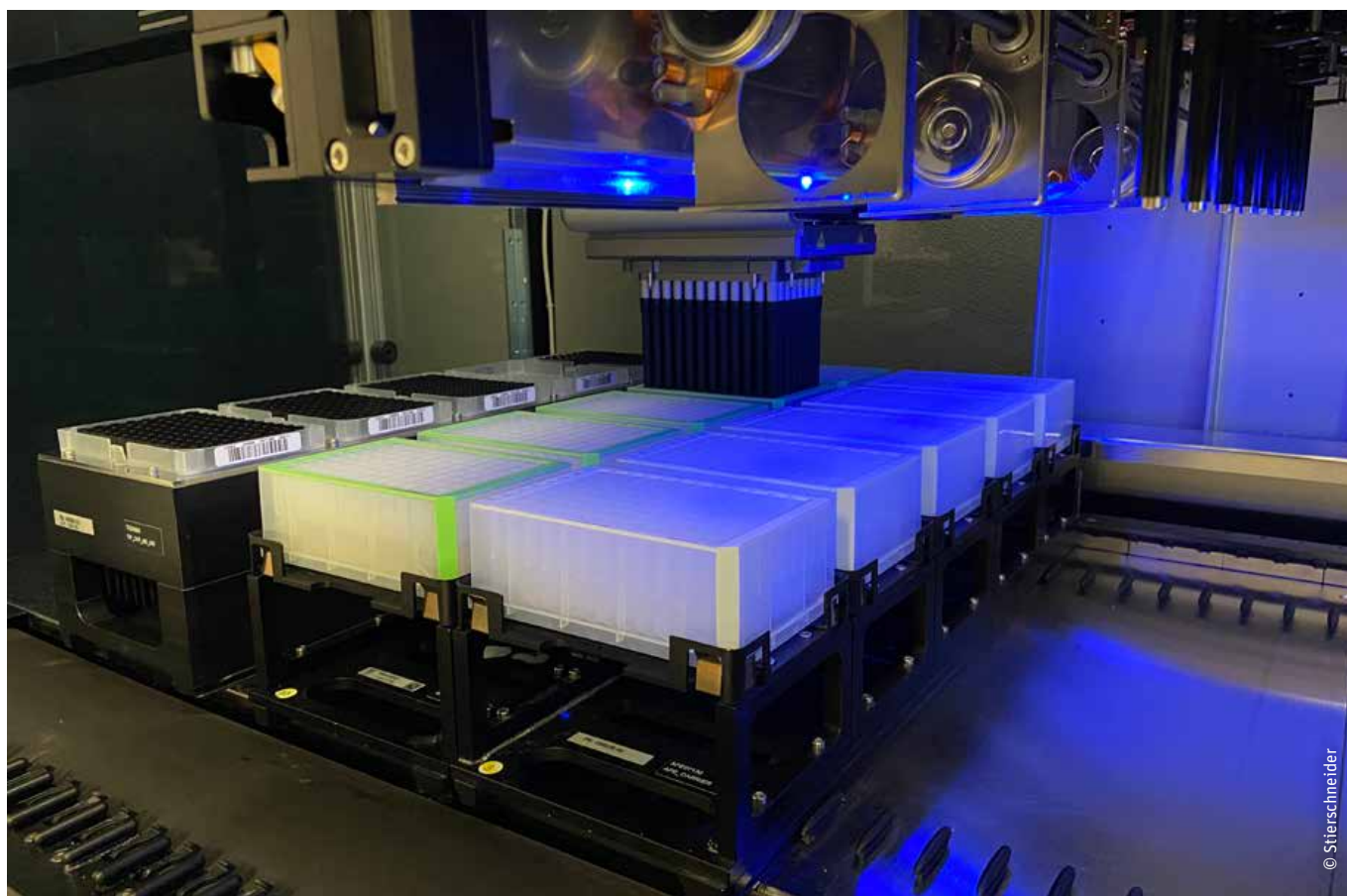
values for young animals. The performance data for old animals was based on the average performance of daughters (corrected for environmental factors) and of sons (for meat performance traits). These data come from an upstream conventional evaluation, which is why this method is also referred to as the two-step method.

In the single-step method, conventional and genomic estimation are merged into one procedure that jointly considers the relationships of all animals. The relationships for genotyped animals (which currently number 335,000) are calculated based on marker information, while relationships between ungenotyped animals (which number up to 32 million) continue to be derived primarily from ancestry information. Relationships between these two groups of animals are particularly interesting, as they are based on a combination of marker and ancestry information. This enables the flow of information from genotyped offspring to ungenotyped ancestors, so that ungenotyped animals also benefit from the growing amount of data (for example, this can result in significant increases in the breeding value reliability of ungenotyped dams with several genotyped calves).

However, the decisive factor for the superiority of the single-step method is the fact that the training data set no longer only includes proven bulls, but all genotyped animals with performance values. Table 1 contains a list of the number of genotyped animals whose performance information has already been included in the evaluation using the single-step method. Depending on the trait, data for between 286,000 (vitality index) and 36,000 animals (cystic ovaries) are available. Altogether, the amount of Fleckvieh data that is included is quite impressive. In April, this amounted to more than 13,500,000,000 (13.5 billion) marker genotypes, and the number is growing rapidly. Printed on double-sided paper, this would produce a stack with a height of more than 300 meters.

What are the strengths of the new procedure?

- As the prediction is now based on considerably more information, the new method achieves higher reliabilities for all genotyped animals. Bulls with first daughter performance records from the 2015 and 2016 birth cohorts benefit in particular. For these animals, the genotype information of sometimes hundreds of daughters with records has now been added.



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Tab. 1: Overview of the number of genotyped animals whose performance values are included in the single step evaluation (as of April 2021)

	Previous two-step method	New single-step method	
	Training data set (proven bulls)	Genotyped bulls with offspring	Genotyp. animals with own performance
Milk/SCC	12,411	20,633	93,687
Conformation (UD)	12,474	13,089	57,156
Long	10,579	21,087	91,927
FEI	11,593	21,718	108,562
VIT	13,222	27,855	285,177
Mas	–	11,122	36,669
EFD	–	17,488	75,987
Cyst	–	11,090	36,212

Milk = Breeding value for milk yield; SCC = Somatic cell count; UD = Udder; Long = Longevity; FEI = Fertility; VIT = Vitality; Mas = Mastitis; EFD = Early fertility disorders; Cyst = Ovarian cysts

This enables more precise genome breeding values, but also a more precise breakdown of the breeding values of hereditary segments (“haplotypes”) that these bulls carry. Offspring of these bulls, as well as all other genotyped animals that have the same haplotypes, thus also benefit from the information gained from typed daughters. As a result, the increase in the amount of data is not limited to one bull family but has an impact on almost the entire genotyped Fleckvieh population. Admittedly, in individual cases this makes it difficult to trace the origin of changes in breeding values.

- Up to now, no genomic breeding values were available for direct health traits (early fertility disorders, cystic ovaries and mastitis), given that there were too few proven bulls with sufficient daughter information. By directly considering genotyped cows from farms with valid re-

ording of health data in the training data set, it is now possible to offer single-step breeding values for these traits.

- Single-step is generally the method of choice for the genomic selection of “novel traits” for which performance data are only available from a few cohorts. In August, we were thus able to introduce milking behavior as a new breeding value, and in the coming years, claw health and metabolic traits will also be added.

Shorter estimation cycles thanks to single step

In September 2021, we switched to a two-week estimation cycle, as the new methodology created the technical prerequisites for this conversion. For breeders, this has the advantage that selection decisions can be made even earlier, especially in the case of bull calves.



Breeding values for milking behavior for the first time

In addition to the estimation of breeding values, the genomic breeding value estimation service also includes the performance of breed-specific genetic testing (e.g. Dwarfism) and other Mendelian traits such as polled.

Additional services include the provision of parentage certificates according to the internationally recognized ICAR standard and the performance of duplicate testing for insemination bulls and valuable breeding animals.

A big step forward in breeding

The introduction of the single-step method marks the preliminary conclusion of a com-

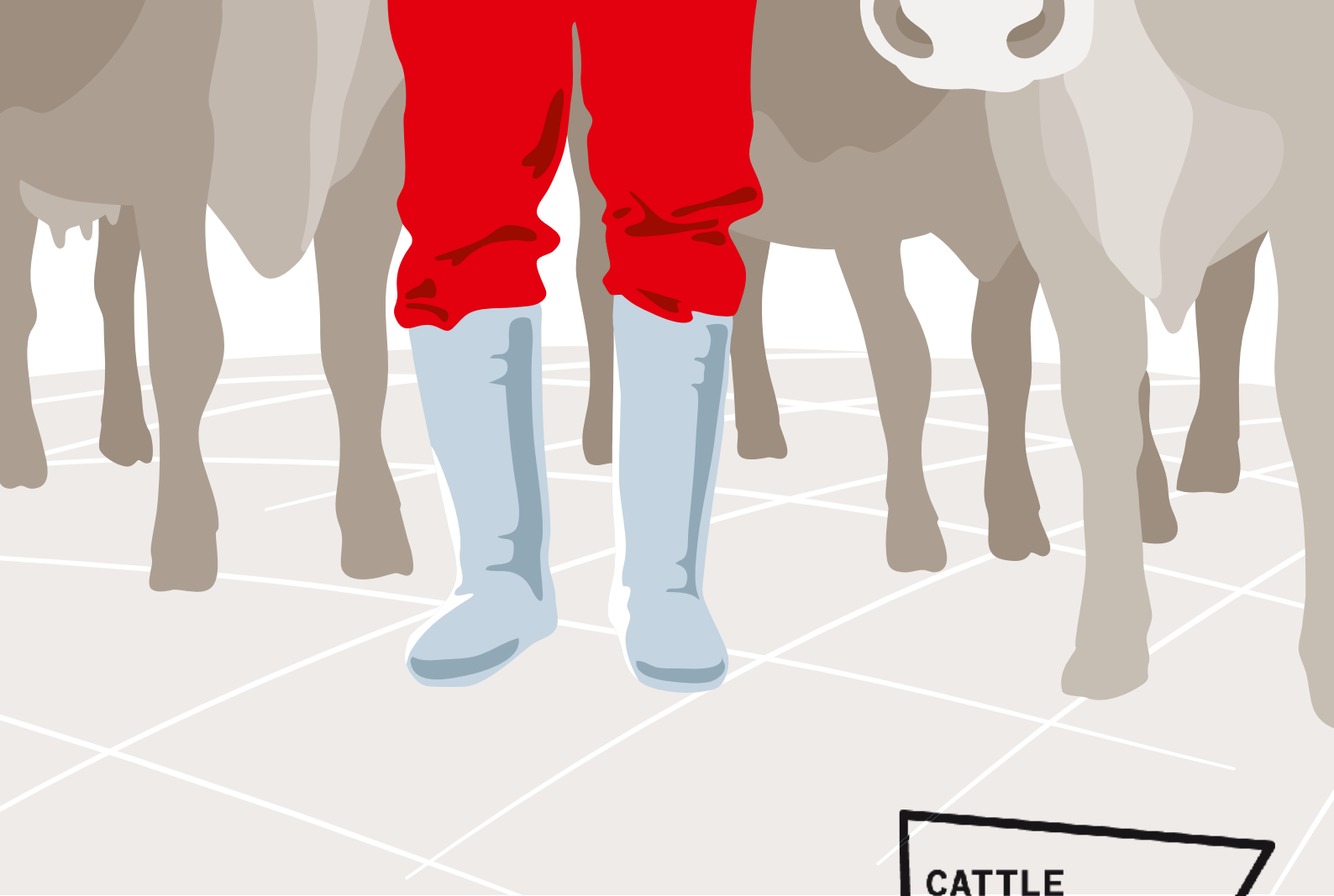


Automated sample processing via robots at AIT in Tulln

prehensive process to improve genomic selection. In Austria, this process started with the herd typing project “FoKUHs”, while the projects “Braunvieh-Vision”, “FLEQS” and “Fleckficient” conducted in Bavaria and Baden-Württemberg also bear mention. Thanks to public financial support and the initiative of breeders, huge numbers of females have been genotyped in recent years. At present, approximately one in 9 calves or first-calf heifers in herdbook Fleckvieh breeding is genotyped in Austria.

The single-step method enables us to reap the harvest of these efforts. Our goal is to make genomic selection the standard breeding tool on farms, in order to empower them to breed even more productive but also robust cows than before.

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RED HEADS – SO WHAT?

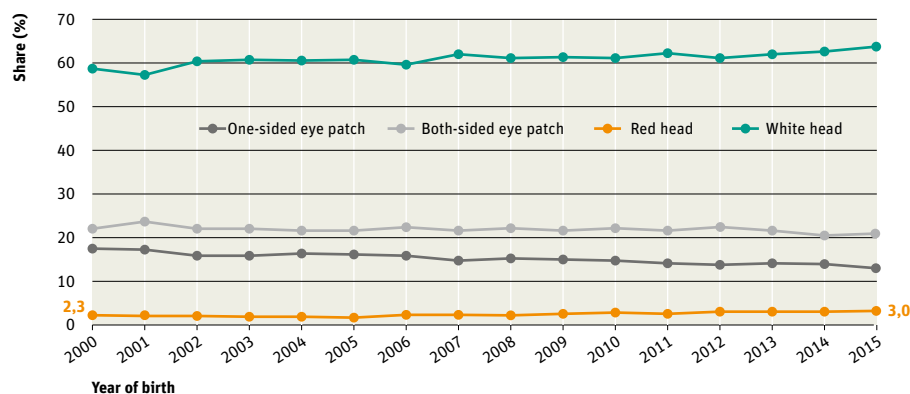
Does a red head offer any benefits?

DR. CHRISTIAN FÜRST, ZUCHTDATA – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Standard descriptions of the Fleckvieh breed consider a white head to be one of its inherent characteristics. In practice, however, this is not entirely true – many Fleckvieh cattle have eye patches or even a red head with a more or less pronounced blaze. A red head is often interpreted as an indication of crossbreeding with Red Holstein, resulting in the assumption that the carcass yield of these animals is also lower. But is this assumption supported by the facts?

For several years, head colour has also been recorded as part of the linear conformation score of first-calf heifers. This scoring includes the characteristics “white head”, “single-sided eye patch”, “both-sided eye patch” and “red head” (www.fleckscore.com). The transnational (DE+AT+CZ) conformation breeding value estimation

Fig. 1: Evolution of the proportion of different head colours among the daughters of Fleckvieh bulls according to the bulls' year of birth (Germany+Australia+Czech Republic)



also includes the incidence of the individual colour characteristics of the scored daughters of each bull, which are then published in the ZAR/ZuchtData breeding value database (www.zar.at/zwdb/).

Cow conformation data can be used for various evaluations. Figure 1 shows the evolution of the percentage of different head colours among the progeny groups of Fleckvieh bulls since 2000. Overall, just under two-thirds of the Fleckvieh population have white heads. The share of red-headed cattle in the three countries covered by the breeding value estimation

(Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic) has increased slightly to 3.0 percent on average. In Austria, 4.1 percent of all Fleckvieh cows scored were red-headed in 2020, a rate that has remained relatively stable in recent years.

No real differences between cows

Based on the colour characteristics of Austrian first-calf heifers, certain correlations between head colour and conformation traits/carcass yield can be determined. These correlations are shown in Table 1. There are no notable differences between the various colour characteristics in terms

of conformation. Cows with a red head exhibit a slight tendency towards a larger frame and negligibly weaker muscling. Likewise, there are no relevant differences with regard to carcass data. Among red-headed cows, only the percentage of conformation classes E and U is slightly lower, but this is not visible in the average conformation classes and should not be overestimated due to the relatively small number of these cows.

» There are no notable differences between the various colour characteristics in terms of conformation.«

Does a red head offer any benefits?

As stated above, records are only available for the colour of cows. However, it can be assumed that the proportion of red heads among the male offspring of a bull will be approximately the same as among his daughters. Therefore, evaluations of the correlation between the proportion of red heads and the carcass yield of bulls also offer useful insights.

Table 2 shows the correlation between the proportion of progeny with a red head and the breeding values of bulls/the carcass yields of their sons. The average values indicate that there are no relevant differences in the beef values, and that there may even be a slight tendency in favour of bulls that produce more red-headed offspring. This negligible difference in breeding values is also reflected in the underlying carcass data of the young bull category. According to objective data from Austrian slaughterhouses, a higher proportion of red heads does not lead to worse average carcass yields, but even to slightly better ones.

Conclusion: the colour doesn't matter!

As this analysis of the available data on head colour in Fleckvieh shows, red heads also occur in purebreds, with no relevant differences in the fattening and carcass yield criteria. The significant price reductions for Fleckvieh fattening calves with red heads that exist in practice are therefore in no way justified – not to mention that colour shouldn't play a role in breeding anyway!



There are no notable differences between the various colour characteristics in terms of conformation.

Tab. 1: Correlation between head colour and conformation traits/carcass yields of first-calf Fleckvieh heifers

		Head colour			
		White head	One-sided eye patch	Both-sided eye patch	Red head
Conformation ¹	Quantity	92,477	23,691	32,483	5,937
	Frame	80.5	80.4	80.4	80.7
	Muscling	80.0	80.0	80.0	79.6
	Legs & feet	81.1	81.1	81.2	81.0
	Udder	81.4	81.5	81.7	81,8
	Height at cross (cm)	144.2	144.1	144.1	144.5
Carcass data ²	Quantity	5,171	1,369	1,820	240
	Live weight (kg)	675	683	683	679
	Dead weight (kg)	346	347	348	347
	EUROP	2.85	2.83	2.86	2.83
	E+U (%)	18.7	19.4	19.3	16.7
	CW (%)	51.0	51.1	51.2	51.0

1 Conformation: Scale from 68 to 93; a higher value indicates a larger frame/more muscling/better feet & legs/a better udder.
 2 EUROP = EUROP classification (E = 5, ... P = 1), E+U = share of classes E+U, CW = carcass weight (dead/live weight).

Tab. 2: Average breeding values and carcass yields of young bulls based on the proportion of progeny with red heads

		Proportion of offspring with red heads					
		0%	0.1–2.5%	2.6–5%	5.1–7.5%	7.6–10%	>10%
Breeding values ¹	Quantity	1,085	742	358	188	126	153
	BI	100.0	100.3	99.9	100.7	101.4	101.7
	NWG	98.4	99.7	99.4	99.0	100.7	100.8
	CW	100.3	100.1	99.5	101.3	101.5	101.8
	Class.	100.6	100.8	100.7	100.7	100.9	101.1
Carcass data ²	DWG (g)	1,207	1,213	1,206	1,208	1,219	1,217
	NWG (g)	689	694	691	692	698	700
	EUROP	3.58	3.59	3.59	3.59	3.59	3.59
	E+U (%)	58.9	59.6	59.3	59.9	60.4	60.4
	DW (%)	57.0	57.1	57.0	57.1	57.2	57.2

1 BI=beef index, NWG = net weight gain (dead weight/age), CW = carcass weight (dead/live weight), Class. = EUROP classification
 2 DWG = daily weight gain (live weight/age), NWG = net weight gain (dead weight/age), EUROP = EUROP classification (E = 5, ... P = 1), E+U = share of classes E+U, CW = carcass weight (dead/live weight)



EIGHT-THOUSANDER

**Apex performance –
lifetime production**

ING. JOHANN TANZLER, FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA – ZWETTL, AUSTRIA

In this section we would like to introduce you, dear readers, to some very special cows. These are animals that are very important to breeders, though not only because they accompany their owners for a good part of their lives, creating emotional bonds. If everything goes well, their daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in their own lives will have a significant impact on the genetics of the entire herd in the most positive sense.

Since our goal in Fleckvieh breeding is to think and breed holistically and sustainably, we also want to evaluate these extraordinary services in this way. We have therefore defined the following criteria:

1. A total lifetime production of at least 100,000 kilogrammes of milk. This is simply a benchmark that is common in cattle breeding around the world and is synonymous with sustainable performance in Europe.

2. A total lifetime production of at least eight tonnes (8T) of fat and protein. These are “Eight-thousanders”, so to speak. The amount of fat and protein is our actual selection criterion for milk and therefore also the ranking criterion for lifetime production. In Fleckvieh cattle breeding, we would like to keep the percentage of these solids a little higher, as this means that the proportion of lactose is relatively lower. This increases efficiency since the production of lactose uses energy without adding any value.
3. The special Fleckvieh advantage must be revealed – call it the “Double Effect”. These cows’ naturally elegant muscling not only stabilizes them, but also ensures that purebreds can produce beef of the best quality and quantity in addition to their milk. Every calf, male and female, that is not used for breeding is excellently suited for large cattle farming and is also used that way. It’s now also been scientifically proven. While in one-sided dairy breeds a cow’s muscle mass is highest at the first lactation and then gradually decreases, the opposite is the case with the naturally higher muscle mass of Fleckvieh cows. Their muscle mass builds up until the sixth or seventh lactation. This explains quite well why Fleckviehs work doubly: even very old animals make excellent carcasses. An “Eight-thousander” lifetime-production cow therefore usually produces more than four tons of good quality beef through its offspring – an unbeatable combination from an economic point of view!

In addition to the economic aspects, this “double effect” has a very big advantage that has only come into focus in recent years but is now becoming increasingly important: This is clearly the most climate-friendly way of producing milk and meat.

Of course, we know that things are not about individual animals at the population level. Average lifetime production is the actual criterion. We are thus pleased with the consistently positive trend in growth over the past few years. In the last annual accounts, Holstein cows were overtaken for the first time in terms of fat and protein. The annual growth in these of approx. 2%, which has persisted for ten years, is based on a slight increase in useful lifetimes and a greater increase in the amount of fat and protein during lactation.

We would like to introduce you to the following 14 cows from the large group of “Eight-thousander” “Double Effect” lifetime-production cows.



HANNA – AT 678.630.217 Weinold x Repteit, Birth: 01.01.10

11/9 11,152-4.23-3.56-870
HL 5. 11,403-4.49-3.77-941 | LP: 109,515 kg / 8.55 t F+P

HEIDI – AT 678.631.317 GS Montasch x Romel, Birth: 23.02.10

10/9 10,813-4.19-3.73-856
HL 4. 11,643-4.21-3.84-937 | LP: 109,415 kg / 8.71 t F+P

From left to right 2 old ladies from Fam. Freigassner (GS WATTING’s breeder in Weisskirchen/Styria. HANNA (Weinold x Repteit) and HEIDI (GS Montasch x Romel)

HL: Highest lactation; LP: Life performance; kg: Milk yield in kg; t F+P: Tons of fat + protein



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HERZOGIN – AT 559.012.117 Vanstein x Weinold, Birth: 29.04.09

10/9 11,456-4.08-3.46-864

HL 7. 13,811-3.87-3.41-1,005 | LP: 118,421 kg / 8.95 t F+P



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F1050 – AT 684.155.817

Rurex x GS Rohar, Birth: 29.04.09

10/9 11,401-4.42-3.53-906

HL 5. 14,080-4.56-3.45-1,128 | LP: 109,028 kg / 8.79 t F+P



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NEVADA – AT 181.103.616 Manfred x Humid, Birth: 25.01.08

10/9 10,008-4.46-3.45-792

HL 4. 12,952-5.02-3,38-1,088 | LP: 110,475 kg / 8.69 t F+P



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TULPE – AT 008.686.817

Wassermann x Humid, Birth: 23.09.08

12/11 11,135-4.88-3.76-962

HL 10. 15,899-5.24-3.79-1,436 | LP: 125,961 kg / 10.91 t F+P



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NICOLL – AT 534.830.817 Hades x Rumba, Birth: 26.05.09

10/9 11,872-4.05-3.52-900

HL 7. 15,231-4.20-3.24-1,132 | LP: 113,666 kg / 8.63 t F+P



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IRMI – AT 876.474.309

Weinold x Honer, Birth: 29.09.06

13/12 8,957-4.48-3.42-707

HL 2. 10,092-4.64-3.47-818 | LP: 113,974 kg / 9.12 t F+P

HL: Highest lactation; LP: Life performance; kg: Milk yield in kg; t F+P: Tons of fat + protein



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CARMEN – AT 911.590.809 Vanstein x Milan, Birth: 26.11.06

13/12 8,815-4.15-3.35-661
HL 8. 9,908-4.46-3.45-784 | LP: 117,349 kg / 8.80 t F+P



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JUDITH – AT 900.721.914 Röss x GS Wald, Birth: 19.11.07

10/10 10,333-3.69-3.38-730
HL 10. 11,990- 4.18-3.44-913 | LP: 117,579 kg / 8.37 t F+P



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FEIGERL – AT 936.318.916 Vanstein x Humlob, Birth: 23.02.09

8/7 11,996-4.00-3.47-896
HL 4. 13,667-4.15-3.56-1,053 | LP: 107,378 kg / 8.38 t F+P



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SELINA – AT 616.583.518 Ilion x Waterberg, Birth: 24.10.10

10/8 13,435-3.95-3.46-997
HL 6. 15,062-4.00-3.46-1,123 | LP: 118,276 kg / 8.78 t F+P



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ESTELLE – AT 028.593.716 GS Rau x GS Weinbar, Birth: 08.04.08

10/9 10,520-4.52-3.38-831
HL 8. 12,261-4.56-3.30-965 | LP: 111,544 kg / 8.82 t F+P



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BERGSEITE – AT 597.783.517 Melenaos x Safir, Birth: 25.11.09

9/9 11,233-4.06-3.49-848
HL 8. 13,485-4.22-3.40-1,026 | LP: 109,637 kg / 8.28 t F+P

HL: Highest lactation; LP: Life performance; kg: Milk yield in kg; t F+P: Tons of fat + protein



ERLE with her breeders, the Schirnhofer family from Grafendorf

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FIRST 200,000 KG FLECKVIEH COW

Erle sets a new world record

ING. REINHARD PFLEGER, FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

ERLE goes down in the history books of cattle breeding. This exceptional heifer is the first Fleckvieh cow in the world to produce more than 200,000 kg of milk over her lifetime. This historic achievement was made possible by a combination of exceptional genes and the best possible animal care provided by Bernhard and Maria Schirnhofer from Grafendorf in Styria.



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ERLE: 12/12 13.530 - 3,74 - 3,20 - 940; HL 4. 17.064 - 5,06 - 3,11 - 1.394; LL 200.543 kg; shown during the fifth lactation

ERLE'S Performance

ERLE was born on 15 January 2004. She is thus almost 17 years old and has given birth to 12 calves. Her incredible milk yield of currently 200,543 kg, with a total fat and protein content of over 14,0000 kg, was achieved over 4,737 milking days. This corresponds to a milk yield of 42 kg for each milking day. For comparison, the average lifetime yield of Fleckvieh cows in Austria is around 30,000 kg. Erle's lifetime performance alone would be enough to supply the

inhabitants of her hometown of Grafendorf with milk for almost a year.

ERLE'S Genetics

ERLE is a daughter of MORROR, a sire from Württemberg who is known for the transmission of type traits, while on her mother's side she descends from the well-known

Styrian cow ELLI. In the first years of the new millennium, ELLI set new standards in Fleckvieh performance, and with her outstanding yield of more than 20,000 kg milk with a fat and protein content of 1,604 kg, she is still the best-performing Fleckvieh cow that Austria has ever produced. She achieved a lifetime yield of 118,000 kg milk

with only seven calvings. As granddam of GS MINNESOTA, ERLE is also represented in the pedigree of a positively tested sire of GENOSTAR. Within her herd, ERLE stands out for her toughness, her strong will as well as her outstanding persistence and udder health stability. These are qualities that GS MINNESOTA, who is one of the most productive sons of MANITOBA, probably inherited from his grandmother.

ERLE’S Home Farm

ERLE’s home is the farm of Bernhard and Maria Schirrhofer in Grafendorf, which comprises more than 50 ha of farmland and forests. Their herd consists of 75 cows, with are currently producing more than 10,600 kg of milk. In recent years, they have made major investments in cow welfare, implementing them themselves across several construction phases. In addition to remarkably stable genetics in terms of longevity, the Schirrhofer family’s consistent animal care and herd management efforts have translated into an exceptionally high number of old cows. Only recently, they were able to celebrate the tenth cow with a lifetime yield of more than 100,000 kg of milk. This makes the Schirrhofer family only the second Fleckvieh breeding farm in Styria to be awarded the coveted ZAR Lifetime Achievement Award.

Speaking of family: Bernhard and Maria have passed on their love of farming and cattle breeding to their children, all four of whom are active young breeders. Given the size of the farm, it is only thanks to the support of his family that Bernhard is able to devote time to his roles as Deputy Chairman of the Styrian Cattle Breeding Association and Chairman of the Greinbachhalle Auction Centre, and to promote the further development of these organisation in line with his sense of community.

» FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA congratulate the Schirrhofer family on ERLE, the Fleckvieh cow with the world’s highest ever lifetime performance, and on the success of their business. We are very proud to have farms like these among its members that achieve exceptional results through diligence, professional expertise and personal qualities.«



ERLE with breeder family Schirrhofer and congratulators from Styrian Agriculture Chamber, Breeders Association and LKV Steiermark



(From left to right) Cow SEMENTA (GS ROLAND x POLDI) 101,558 kg LP, ERLE (MORROR) 212,771 kg LP and RIO (RORB x WATERBERG) 113,900 kg Life performance



Fleckvieh Changes: Robust – Efficient – Sustainable!
The three cows on the picture have a life performance of 428,229 kg of milk

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**High milk production on
the Balkan countries**

MATO JANJIĆ, GENETICAUSTRIA GMBH - HOHENZELL, AUSTRIA



The Agro Mašić farm is located about 180 km north of Sarajevo in Gornja Tramošnica, Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Originally from Gornja Tramošnica, the entrepreneur Niko Mašić is living in Austria since 1988 but has always remained true to his roots in Bosnia-Herzegovina and in 2014, he set up a modern dairy farm in his former homeland.

His experience of working in the meat industry for 25 years enabled Niko Mašić to found his own company, MMF – Masic, Meat & Food, in 2000, based in Eugendorf in the state of Salzburg.

The beginnings of a success story

In 2012, Niko decided to launch a company, called Fruits & More, in Bosnia and Herzegovina, specializing in the export of fruit and vegetables, which he then renamed to Agro-Mašić in 2016. Given his keen interest in agriculture, especially in dairy production, and his ambition to create something in his former homeland, Niko decided to build a modern stall barn in 2014. In doing so, he placed particular emphasis on cow comfort (deep stalls, wide walkways).

Several well-known Austrian construction and stabling companies were involved in the project. After completion of the new

barn, the first 88 pregnant Fleckvieh heifers were imported from Austria. In the second half of 2016, the facility's capacity was expanded to 300 places by adding bed stalls, lengthening the barn and extending the silo pits.

Afterwards, 126 top-quality Austrian heifers were again imported via genetic-AUSTRIA. In the summer of 2017, an additional stable with sloped floor system for young cattle was built in the form of a manure barn with automatic bedding that can accommodate 400 fattening bulls and rearing calves.

The farm today

Today, the farm manages an area of over 500 ha, of which 70 ha are grassland that can be mowed four times a year. The arable land is divided as follows: 200 ha of corn for silage and grain corn production, 50 ha of barley, 100 ha of wheat and 40 ha of rapeseed.

» There are currently 250 Fleckvieh cows on the farm, of which 238 are milking over 6,600 kg of milk per day. «

Agro Mašić now ranks among the largest suppliers of milk to the local dairy company Inmer, which belongs to the French Lactalis group. The cows are milked daily by two milkers in a double-eight herringbone milking parlor that is equipped with milk metering. In addition, all offspring is housed inside the stable.

Excellent management

The main responsibility for herd management belongs to the family Lukanović. Together with 19 other employees, they manage the farm and are responsible for its external commercial activities.



Calf barn

The dairy company carries out 23 milk quality recordings. The average fat content amounts to 4.03 percent and the protein content to 3.46 percent. With regard to the former, it is difficult to maintain high fat levels, especially in the very hot summer months (with temperatures sometimes exceeding 40°C), when the feed intake of the herd decreases dramatically. The average milk yield ranges from 28 to 32 kg, with individual yields exceeding 60 kg, which is remarkable even by Austrian standards.

Insemination bulls

The cows are almost exclusively inseminated with Austrian bulls such as VOLLENDET, SPARTACUS, HADRIAN, MANDRIN and EVER-

GREEN. By the summer of 2022, calvings of 50 daughters of the top bull VOLLENDET are expected. And in particularly intractable cases, the farm's own bull has to do the job.

Feeding and rearing of calves

Since 2016, the animals have been fed full TMR consisting of two performance groups. Grass silage and corn silage each constitute half of the main component of the ration. In addition, the animals are fed a special mixture consisting of barley, wheat, corn, soybean and rapeseed meal, molasses and mineral feed. In the case of dry cows and older heifers, triticale whole plant silage and straw are also added to the ration.

» In the future, the farm will thus be able to market over 4.5 million kg of milk, as well as 250 fattening bulls and about 100 heifers for breeding in the region. «

Special emphasis is placed on calf management. Immediately after birth, care is taken to ensure a sufficient supply of high-quality colostrum. For this purpose, the quality of the colostrum is measured and high-quality colostrum is also frozen in order to have some in stock if necessary. After the whole-milk phase, the farm switches to milk replacer as well as offering the calves dry TMR for consumption until they are five months old.

Future objectives

The goal of owner Niko Mašić is a self-contained farm housing 500 dairy cows and all their offspring. In the future, the farm will thus be able to market over 4.5 million kg of milk, as well as 250 fattening bulls and about 100 heifers for breeding in the region. We wish Niko Mašić all the best and good luck for the future in the land of unlimited possibilities! 🍀



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The sloped floor barn offers spaces for 400 young cattle



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Feeding alley in the dairy cowshed



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Outdoor bed stalls



Breeder of the year 2020:
The Sitka family with six bulls
from their farm.

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DILIGENCE + CONSISTENCY = SUCCESS

Breeder of the year – Sitka family, Miesenbach, Styria

ING. REINHARD PFLEGER, FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA – VIENNA, AUSTRIA

This report takes a look at the Sitka farm in Miesenbach, Eastern Styria, which can rightly claim to be one of the most successful Fleckvieh breeders of the last decade in Austria. In the last eight years, the Sitka family has finished in the top 10 of the “Fleckvieh Breeder of the Year” ranking six times, five times even earning a spot on the podium. This year a big dream came true for the family.

The “Fleckvieh Breeder of the Year” competition evaluates the breeding work of the participating farms. The main idea is not only to identify the best farms in terms of absolute milk yields, but also to evaluate their breeding work. In 2003, FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA decided to entrust ZuchtData with the task of drawing up an evaluation key and putting the idea into practice.

All farms with Fleckvieh as their main breed automatically take part in the competition



SG – Sitka genetics

if they have at least one young or progeny-tested bull or one genotyped bull calf during the observation period. The observation period runs from 1 October to 30 September of the following year, with 30 September as the cut-off date.

The evaluation takes the following factors into account: The number of re-used progeny-tested bulls and their use in targeted mating, the number of young first-time bulls and their use in targeted mating, the number of genotyped bull calves (total merit index ≥ 128 and feet & legs + udder ≥ 205), the average total merit index of the cows, the share of young bulls among all

inseminations, the number of cows with high lifetime yields, the calving intervals, the cell count and the participation in health monitoring and data delivery activities.

Sitka Genetik is the 2020 breeder of the year

This year, Engelbert Sitka won Austria’s “Oscar of Fleckvieh breeding”. And he did so with flying colours,

achieving the highest score ever recorded, with a lead of more than 200 points over the runner-up. He laid the foundation for this success by selling a total of six genomic young sires to insemination stations, two of which, GS RAZFAZ and GS HUBERBUA, currently rank in the top league of Fleckvieh breeding. During the evaluation period, his farm boasted an incredible 13 candidates with a maximum total merit index of 142 points, which promise to be highly sought-after young sires in the future.

Operating Philosophy

The 24 cubicles in the Sitka farm’s tie-stall barn produce milk at average yields of



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GS WERTVOLL progeny group



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REWANA, a full sister of GS WERTVOLL and dam of GS EHRSAM and GS ER WILL, among others



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NANDA (IMPERATIV x HURLY); TMI 127, MI 123; 2/1: 9,652-4.39-3.46-758



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INROS-daughter TINA – winner of several shows, shown here during the second lactation, 4/4 11,513-4.51-3.45-916



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Nora was purchased at the National Fleckvieh Exhibition 2017 by a Bavarian breeding farm at the Elite auction

Tab. 3: Selection of insemination bulls that came directly from the Sitka farm (Breeding values as of 12/21)

Name	Sire/dam's sire	Owner	Progeny test	TMI	MI	M-kg	UD
GS RAZFAZ	ROLLS/ETOSCHA	GS	N	140	122	909	113
GS MY BEST Pp*	GS MYSTERIUM Pp*/GS DER BESTE	GS	N	137	123	1,177	114
GS HUBERBUA	HERMELIN/ETOSCHA	GS	N	131	123	1,092	117
GS ZARAS	ZAZU/ETOSCHA	GS, CRV	N	129	115	590	118
GS HOFSTATT	HERMELIN/ETOSCHA	GS	N	132	113	1,090	116
GS WAY	WORLD CUP/GS WALCH	GS	N	127	110	991	117
WERT	GS W1/ETOSCHA	RG	N	127	114	666	120
GS EHRSAM	ETOSCHA/WILLIAMS	GS, CRV	N	125	104	172	120
WEMBLEY	GS W1/ETOSCHA	BSG	N	123	113	665	112
GS HILFERUF	HERMELIN/ETOSCHA	GS	N	133	119	836	119
GS MURTAL Pp*	GS MAECHTIG Pp*/HURLY	GS	N	123	119	960	100
GS ER WILL	ETOSCHA/WILLIAMS	GS	N	114	105	324	113
ELSTAR	ETOSCHA/WILLIAMS	BSG	N	125	115	785	118
ELRANCHO	ETOSCHA/WILLIAMS	BG	N	119	108	21	122
GS WERTVOLL	WILLIAMS/RAFFZAHN	GS, CRV	Y	110	119	830	129
GS VAIL	VEUERWERK/INDOSSAR	GS	Y	122	117	868	113

Table 4: Selection of insemination bulls from Sitka farm cows

Name	Sire/dam's sire	Owner	Progeny test	TMI	MI	M-kg	U
WEIDWERK	WEITBLICK/HURLY	HÖ	N	136	117	993	123
MANAGER	METTMACH Pp*/HURLY	BGW	N	127	120	1,006	103
WELSER	GS W1/HURLY	BSG	N	127	116	1,033	121
WISCONSIN	WISCONA/EVEREST	BSG	N	128	112	230	110
WALTDISNEY	WALOT/HURLY	EG	N	120	113	736	121
WEINBRAND	WALDSTERN/HURLY	EG	N	115	118	1,039	115
VERYNICE P*S	VERSACE PP*/GS WOHLTAT	EG	N	118	115	489	103

around 10,000 kg. The family has continuously improved its tie-stall barn in recent years in order to improve cow comfort. Currently, the animals are housed in cubicles with straw beds and neck brackets and are fed by a mobile feeding robot. Engelbert Sitka opted in favour of the tie-stall system, given its advantages for the rearing of young cows, which is an important part of his business. Every year, he sells more than 30(!) young cows to satisfied buyers at auctions organised by the Cattle Breeding Association in Styria (RSTM) and the online provider Kuh4You. All cows are thus accustomed to both the free-stall and the tie-stall systems, are suitable for grazing and can be led by a halter. The intensive use of embryo transfer produces many females, all of which are genotyped and reared. To this end, Sitka outsources his young cattle to two partner farms. For calving, they return to the farm, and the genetically most promising young cows are then used to rebreed the herd. All promising male candidates are reared at the ELP in Kalsdorf via a contract offered by GENOSTAR.

Breeding Philosophy

Engelbert Sitka stands out for his diligence, consistency in breeding, composure in the face of setbacks, openness to the latest breeding methods and his sensitivity in

handling the animals. Since genomics was introduced in 2011, a total of 325 male and female animals have been genotyped. It goes without saying that the Sitka farm participates in the FoKUHs herd typing project. In December 2020, the farm carried out its 100th embryo transfer. For years, the farm has planned all matings based on the GS AIO mating programme, and all animals are

inseminated using genomic young sires. At present, the cows in Engelbert Sitka's herd have an average total merit index of 120.2 points. Thanks to this impressive score, Sitka's cows are by far the most genetically advanced Fleckvieh herd in Austria. There are currently 67 females at the home farm, 68 per cent of which have a total merit index of 120 and more. And Engelbert Sitka also owns a mixed-hornless daughter of HERAKLES Pp with a total merit index of 142 – probably one of the most valuable animals in the entire Fleckvieh breed. Tables 1 and 2 present a selection of the farm's genetically most promising male candidates and female calves.

The Breeding AIM

Asked about his idea of the ideal Fleckvieh cow, Engelbert Sitka gave the following description: "Elegant, narrow, productive, geared towards turnover, with a small-volume udder of high quality." With the support of GS AIO, he has been selecting insemination bulls based on these criteria for many years. Successful marketing parameters such as milk yield and conformation round out his vision of the ideal cow and bull heredity. In short, it's all about high-quality genetics, as evidenced in the total merit index and the milk index. From the genetically superior bulls in the population, he selects those with the best udder and feet and leg values. Table 3 shows a selection of the bulls bred by the Sitka farm in recent years. Their breeding values reflect Engelbert Sitka's breeding strategy. Among the younger generation, daughters of GS DER BESTE, GS WERTVOLL and ETOSCHA rank among the top cows on the farm. The insemination plan is currently based on the home-bred bulls GS RAZFAZ, GS HUBERBUA,



Breeder of the year with 779 points! A new record in the 18 year history of the competition.

GS HOFSTATT and GS ZARAS, soon to be followed by GS MY BEST Pp. Over the past years, Engelbert Sitka's approach to today's hot topic of breeding for genetic polledness has been rather cautious. Therefore, he has only used a few polled sires, and only if they came from proven bloodlines, which has resulted in an especially efficient breeding output. Two promising bulls carrying the polled gene, GS MY BEST Pp and GS MURTAL Pp, both of which are currently in high demand, have thus left the Sitka farm for the GENOSTAR insemination station.

Genetics that help breeders to succeed

Thanks to the Sitka farm's outstanding genetics, the animals it sells also make many a breeder happy outside the walls of its stable in Miesenbach. As a result of its effective marketing activities, animals from the Sitka farm can be found in almost all regions of Austria, as well as in Germany, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Northern Ireland and, through the sale of embryos, also in Colombia and Brazil.

One animal that has had a rather special career is the HURLY-daughter NORA; she was offered for sale at the Austrian Fleckvieh Show in Maishofen in 2017, where she was acquired by the up-and-coming Bavarian breeder Schröppel. Six of NORA's bulls have already been purchased by various breeding stations, including WEIDWERK, one of today's most promising young Fleckvieh sires with a total merit index of 138. Another animal from the strong N bloodline of the Sitka farm is WISCONSIN. His dam Natascha (sire: Everest) was purchased at auction in Traboch from the successful Bavarian breeder Johannes. In addition to their strong genetic disposition, both cows have achieved lactation yields of over 11,000 kg of milk in their new home barns.

Dominant cow bloodlines

Two bloodlines dominate the genetic pool of the Sitka farm: While they have different genetic characteristics, they both boast the same dominant heredity patterns, which explains their success. Well-known cows from the R bloodline are the MANITOBA-daughter ROSENSTOLZ (son GS INROS), her RAFFZAHN-daughter REXANA (son GS WERTVOLL) as well as her WILLIAMS-daughter REWANA (son GS EHRSAM) and her ETOSCHA-daughters REMARY (son GS RAZFAZ) and RELEXY (son GS ZARAS). The cows from the R bloodline boast a large frame, strong conformation, high productivity and excellent udder characteristics – qualities that are evident in the offspring of the exceptional conformation sires GS WERTVOLL and GS INROS.

The N bloodline yields medium-framed, narrow, elegant cows with excellent, productive udders. Well-known cows from this family are the ROMEL-daughter NERA (son GS VEN-EZUELA), her MANITOBA-daughter NIKI (son GS ILKON), her INDOSSAR-daughter NALISA (son GS VAIL) and the latter's HURLY-daughter BM NORA (sons WEIDWERK and GS MURTAL Pp) and ETOSCHA-daughter NANIA (sons GS HUBERBUA and GS HOFSTATT).

Words of thanks

The Sitkas have passed on their ardour and passion for cattle breeding to their two children, Kerstin and Andreas. Both are active young breeders and often accompany father Engelbert to auctions and shows.

Earning the title of Austria's Breeder of the Year was one of Engelbert Sitka's big breeding goals. In his hour of triumph, it

is important for him to say thank you – by thanking those without whom this success would not have been possible: "I would like to thank the RSTM breeding association and its Managing Director Reinhard Pflieger, the GENOSTAR insemination station and its Managing Director Peter Stückler, and my long-time advisor Thomas Kahr for their support and collaboration. In addition, I would also like to thank Dr Hans Wilhelm's ET team and my two breeding partner farms. Last but not least, I would like to thank my family for the work we do together on a daily basis.

FLECKVIEH AUSTRIA, Rinderzucht Steiermark and GENOSTAR congratulate the Sitka family on their success, which has been recognised by the title of Austria's "Breeder of the Year". We are both proud and grateful to have such an enthusiastic, consistent and remarkably loyal farm in our ranks. 🐮

OPERATIONAL DATA

Family Engelbert with his partner Regina and their children Kerstin and Andreas, as well as his parents Engelbert Sr. and Johanna.

Location Miesenbach near Birkfeld, Styria

Altitude 860 metres above sea level

Holdings 48 hectares of owned and 8 hectares of leased land, of which 30 hectares are forest, 4 hectares cereals, 6 hectares clover grass and alfalfa, and the rest are permanent pasture

Livestock 24 dairy cows, 50 young females, 50 young female animals are outsourced to two partner farms

Barn type Cows: combination system with outdoor exercise and feeding robot
Young cattle: slatted floor with raised stalls

Feeding Cows: full TMR including hay, grass silage and concentrates
Young cattle: TMR including hay and grass silage, grazing in summer
Calves: straw TMR and automatic feeder

Performance data	Year	Cows	Milk (kg)	Fat (%)	Protein (%)	F+P (kg)
	2017	23.2	10,513	3.98	3.51	787
	2018	22.9	10,568	4.13	3.58	814
	2019	22.5	9,971	3.88	3.45	731
	2020	23.2	10,422	4.30	3.58	821
	2021	24.2	9,993	4.28	3.62	790

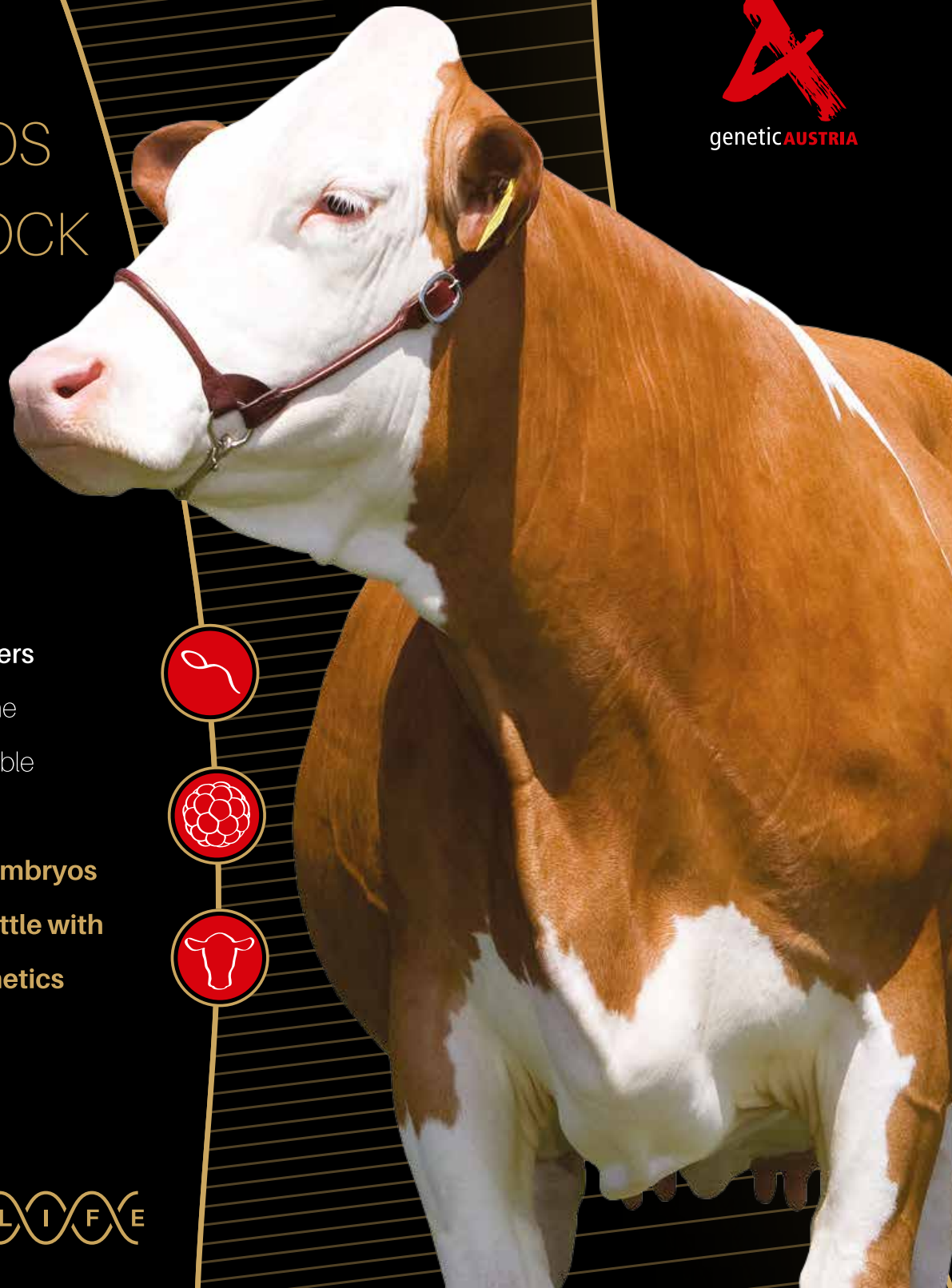
Show successes 2017 Dairy Grand Prix – Grand Champion FV with TINA (sire: GS INROS)
2017 BFVS – group winner in the "young cows" category with TINA (sire: GS INROS)
2018 Dairy Grand Prix – group winner with TINA
2019 GENOSTAR breeding programme show – group victory with TINA

Marketing Bull calves and dairy cows via the Greinbach livestock market for cattle. Young cows via auctions in Traboch, Greinbach and on the Kuh4You platform.



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The quietest time of the year brings precious gifts

Comments on the December 2021 breeding value estimation

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The December breeding value estimation (BVE) is placing valuable presents under the Christmas trees of Fleckvieh breeders. These gifts consist of a high-quality range of internationally competitive bulls that enable breeders to achieve their individual breeding goals.

The strength of Fleckvieh Austria's breeding programme, combined with its consistent implementation by our member associations and insemination stations, is producing a remarkable output of sires with top scores at all selection stages. However, the foundation of any breeding success is the active cooperation of the thousands of Austrian breeders and their families. Motivation and enthusiasm for Fleckvieh breeding are fundamental values in this regard. Particularly important is the trust of the Austrian Fleckvieh breeders in a breeding philosophy based on economic and scientific principles, without which pro-

gress would not be possible. The top bulls on the list conform to our vision of what Fleckvieh should be, both today and tomorrow.

Progeny-tested bulls

With **GS ZERO ONE**, we have a new number 1 on the list of daughter-tested bulls who stands out for his excellent milk components, udder health and beef performance values. He is followed by **GS ENJO**, a combination sire with top scores in fertility and udder health. **VOLLENDET** is also on the podium again. He is able to meet the demand of many breeders for performance coupled with superior udder health and fertility and strong inheritance of conformation. A new addition to the group of outstanding progeny-tested bulls is **WOMBAT**. He produces animals with a strong frame and promises excellent udder health. **GS VERY GOOD** exhibits outstanding durability of breeding values with a suitable combination of top performance, strong udders and easy calving. At the top of the list is **GS DER BESTE**, an absolutely exceptional sire of cows. With an udder breeding value of 135 points he tops the ranking of the population in this trait. Newly added to the list is **GS EWIG**, who promises excellent dual-purpose traits and calves of outstanding quality.

Genomic young sires

The selection of young sires meets the needs of every breeder and, thanks to the conversion of the BVE to the single-step method, provides breeding value predictions of significantly greater certainty. **GS WINTEN** was able to further improve his breeding value by offering impeccable fitness traits. **GS WUNDAWUZI** also earned a place on the podium. Endowed with a typical Austrian name, he delivers performance in combination with premium udder quality. Several interesting young animals also made it into the Top 10. **GS DUPLO** stands out for his cutting-edge bloodlines and ideal fitness characteristics. **WINTERTRAUM** scores with his package of excellent conformation and fitness at the highest level. **GS WESTCOAST** excels thanks to his sought-after combination of strong inheritance of milk and beef traits. **MOAB** boasts strong performance with above-average inheritance of udder characteristics. The crossbred polled bull **HAMLET Pp** delivers strong performance and impeccable conformation. **HORAZIO P*S** offers natural hornlessness paired with strong frame inheritance. **SUPERBOY** stands out for alternative frames and an impressive linear profile. 🐾

Single Traits Main Focus – December 2021

The schedule contains the best 10 bulls, assessed on the basis of individual traits, from a joint list of proven bulls (in brown) and genomic bulls (in blue). The lists are arranged in accordance with relative breeding values as associated with individual traits, total

merit index and milk index. The two best proven bulls have been listed in any event, even if they have not been counted among the top ten.

Rank	Name	Diff.TMI	Rank	Name	MI	Rank	Name	BI	Rank	Name	FIT	Rank	Name	CCI
14	HARUN	+4	107	HERZKLOPFEN	137	45	INGMAR PP*	123	18	MOAB	136	45	INGMAR PP*	128
1	GS ZERO ONE	+3	42	VOCO	137	158	HOLOWITZ	123	5	WINTERTRAUM	135	131	HOFRAT	128
2	GS ENJO	+3	6	GS DELUXE	135	21	ETOSCHA	123	13	GS WOWARD	131	8	GS WESTCOAST	127
71	GS HAYDN	+2	34	GS WUKSI	135	27	VELTLINER	123	72	GS WHIRLPOOL	130	114	GS DOC	126
116	GS ENJOY	+2	76	ILDEFONSO Pp*	135	114	GS DOC	122	129	GS WOIWODE	130	143	GS HUBERBUA	126
117	GS MEDWED P*S	+2	13	HERWIG	135	143	GS HUBERBUA	122	3	GS WUNDAWUZI	129	17	GS RAZFAZ	125
29	GS HELLSEHER	+2	7	HABANERO	134	131	HOFRAT	121	75	ERICH	129	104	WILDMOSER	125
34	GS WORKER	+2	35	IMMUNITY Pp*	134	25	GS WIZZARD	121	4	GS DUPLO	128	124	WALL	125
36	GS HOLBACH	+2	108	HANUTA	133	110	ZIROS	120	3	VOLLENDET	126	21	ETOSCHA	124
2	GS WINTEN	+1	133	SENNA	133	28	WEYER	120	36	GS HOLBACH	123	25	GS WIZZARD	120

Rank	Name	Mkg	Rank	Name	F%	Rank	Name	Fkg	Rank	Name	P%	Rank	Name	Pkg
107	HERZKLOPFEN	+1852	8	VLATURO	+0,42	53	ZACHARIUS	+61	45	INGMAR PP*	+0,17	42	VOCO	+54
133	SENNA	+1663	45	INGMAR PP*	+0,38	108	HANUTA	+60	25	GS WIZZARD	+0,16	13	HERWIG	+49
52	MENOP	+1568	15	GS RENEGADE	+0,38	35	IMMUNITY Pp*	+59	1	SUNSHINE	+0,15	7	HABANERO	+48
34	GS WUKSI	+1515	1	SUNSHINE	+0,35	76	ILDEFONSO Pp*	+59	139	VENATOR	+0,13	34	GS WUKSI	+48
7	HABANERO	+1452	15	HABIB	+0,35	107	HERZKLOPFEN	+59	6	VARTA	+0,12	107	HERZKLOPFEN	+47
14	HARUN	+1446	27	VELTLINER	+0,31	1	SUNSHINE	+57	99	M3 Pp*	+0,12	8	GS WESTCOAST	+44
77	HERZBOMBE	+1444	53	ZACHARIUS	+0,29	6	GS DELUXE	+56	35	IMMUNITY Pp*	+0,10	9	WAALKES Pp*	+44
42	GS MYDREAM	+1442	35	IMMUNITY Pp*	+0,27	15	HABIB	+55	36	GS HOLBACH	+0,10	36	SEVENUP	+44
23	MEDIAN	+1414	20	GS HOERI	+0,25	8	VLATURO	+55	96	EDELPILZ Pp*	+0,09	6	GS DELUXE	+43
13	HERWIG	+1330	26	GS RAPIDO	+0,23	14	HARUN	+53	101	REVOLUTION	+0,09	12	GS WHITESTAR	+43

Rank	Name	Long	Rank	Name	Pers	Rank	Name	Msp	Rank	Name	UDH	Rank	Name	FEI
18	MOAB	135	40	GS HOHENAU	122	28	WEYER	137	3	VOLLENDET	132	73	MALTE Pp*	132
63	SPARTACUS	135	66	GS WUHUDLER	122	142	WITOLD	134	32	MAKAY	129	18	VERDEN P*S	129
68	WETTINER	131	36	GS HOLBACH	122	13	HERWIG	134	13	GS WOWARD	128	127	HABAKUK	128
33	ERASMUS	128	12	GS WHITESTAR	120	111	MANAUS	126	72	GS WHIRLPOOL	127	10	VADUZ	127
129	GS WOIWODE	128	17	GS RAZFAZ	120	43	WIESEL	126	99	M3 Pp*	127	18	MOAB	126
3	GS WUNDAWUZI	127	14	HARUN	120	40	GS HOHENAU	125	153	MITTELWEG	127	5	WINTERTRAUM	123
24	SUPERBOY	127	29	GS HELLSEHER	120	77	HERZBOMBE	125	17	GS RAZFAZ	126	56	WESTEN	123
42	GS MYDREAM	127	48	HAPPYEND	118	2	GS WINTEN	124	9	WAALKES Pp*	125	128	MERLO Pp*	123
3	VOLLENDET	121	150	WEISSENSEE	117	52	MENOP	124	5	WINTERTRAUM	124	169	HYPER	123
36	GS HOLBACH	120	16	GS DER BESTE	117	92	VIKINGS PP*	124	39	GS WATTSTEIN	123	35	ELEGANT	123

Rank	Name	VIT	Rank	Name	CLVp	Rank	Name	CLVp	Rank	Name	Fert	Rank	Name	FR
83	MEMBRAN P*S	121	104	WILDMOSER	129	20	WINDSPIEL	120	123	WILDHARZ	+8%	121	VICI Pp*	121
22	MUSIKANT	120	61	GS HIERHER	127	77	HERZBOMBE	118	126	MERT	+5%	122	VIDI Pp*	121
104	WILDMOSER	120	26	GS RAPIDO	127	169	HYPER	118	152	GS WORKAHOL	+5%	10	JEDI	120
10	JEDI	119	20	GS HOERI	119	152	GS WORKAHOL	117	62	GS WEGA Pp*	+4%	7	WOMBAT	120
168	HIGI	119	38	GS HARDY	119	106	MADERNO P*S	116	68	WETTINER	+3%	92	VIKINGS PP*	120
36	SEVENUP	118	63	SPARTACUS	119	115	GS MALCOLM	116	76	ILDEFONSO Pp*	+3%	159	GS MR MAX Pp*	120
63	SPARTACUS	118	100	GS WECHSEL	119	155	BERGFEST	116	153	MITTELWEG	+3%	88	WEIX	119
130	WITKOP	118	32	GS HERZBLATT	119	51	GS MANRIQUE Pp*	116	154	SANTER	+3%	156	MILOS Pp*	119
26	GS RAPIDO	116	64	GS WONDERMAN	118	48	WINNETOO	115	30	GS VILSBERG	+3%	33	ERASMUS	118
19	GS EWIG	114	148	GS HYPOS	118	3	GS WUNDAWUZI	114	50	GS WATTENS	+3%	5	MANNA	114

Rank	Name	MU	Rank	Name	FL	Rank	Name	DU	Rank	Name	UDD	Rank	Name	Add
20	WINDSPIEL	123	163	VIA APPIA Pp*	128	116	GS ENJOY	138	70	EPIKUR	135	40	GS HOHENAU	112
46	WUESTENSOHN	121	5	WINTERTRAUM	125	174	HABSBURGER	136	116	GS ENJOY	135	46	WUESTENSOHN	110
69	MARIUS	120	75	ERICH	123	70	EPIKUR	135	85	EGELSEE	127	8	GS WESTCOAST	109
89	GS ELGAR	119	171	WOLFELSEE Pp*	122	85	EGELSEE	135	25	HORAZIO P*S	126	36	SEVENUP	109
57	IQ Pp*	117	24	SUPERBOY	121	159	GS MR MAX Pp*	135	87	GS HANDSOME	125	110	ZIROS	109
73	MALTE Pp*	117	104	WILDMOSER	121	16	GS DER BESTE	135	159	GS MR MAX Pp*	125	35	IMMUNITY Pp*	108
11	WORLD CUP	117	23	MEDIAN	119	33	ERASMUS	132	55	HYPNOSE	124	55	HYPNOSE	108
8	GS WESTCOAST	116	159	GS MR MAX Pp*	119	3	GS WUNDAWUZI	127	60	GS HELOS	124	69	MARIUS	108
51	MAJESTIX P*S	116	28	WEYER	119	14	HIROTO	126	16	GS DER BESTE	123	13	HERWIG	108
121	VICI Pp*	116	3	VOLLENDET	118	40	IVECO	124	40	IVECO	122	35	ELEGANT	108

Toplist by Total Merit Index – Proven bulls

Rg	Identification data		Partial breeding values					Milk/Conformation			Beef		Fitness				Absolute performances indicators										
	Name	ID	TMI	MI	BI	FIT	TOI	Mkg	F%	P%	CCI	Long	UdH	ZZ	Mas	Int-Dau	Farm	D100	Mkg	F%	P%	ØHd					
	Sire / Dam's sire		Re	Re	Re	Re	Re	Fkg	Pkg	NDG	Pers	FEI	Bef	EFD	in 1.L	MP1	D1					Mat					
	YoB, Foreign	Genet. def.	Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff			CARC	Perf	CLV p	CLV m	Cyst	in 2.L	MP2	D2										
	Al Center	Availability								TRC	Msp	VIT	MiBe	MiFe	in 3.L	MP3	D3										
1	GS ZERO ONE	DE 09 52479429	138	125	118	114	130	+735	+0,22	-0,01	112	97	112	75	111	91	112	90	107	64	101	84	65	2973	4,01	3,1	9188
	ZEPTEP / WATT		88	95	96	87	91		+49	+25	107	97	97	93	113	78	0	109	74	101	4	0				101,5	
	2016, 5 % RF	F5C	+3	+2	-1	+2	+2	55 Dau:			118	96	105	77	92	97	105	87	110	71	0	0	0				
	A1	J						97-104-105-106-(88)			112	96	102	94	98	88	103	76	115	60	0	0	0				
2	GS ENJO	AT 657.692.729	137	119	111	119	134	+1011	-0,16	-0,10	109	99	115	82	114	96	115	97	106	72	879	571	468	2783	4,01	3,17	8630
	GS ELVIS / POLARBAER		95	99	99	93	95		+28	+27	104	99	109	99	115	88	2	104	86	879	5	71	7178	4,12	3,45	98,8	
	2016		+3	+1	0	+1	+5	245 Dau:			113	98	111	77	103	99	112	96	110	81	17	2	0				
	A1, 17	J, V						102-102-113-100-(106)			107	99	101	98	97	96	104	88	113	86	0	0	0				
3	VOLLENDET	DE 09 51394297	135	120	89	126	133	+972	-0,11	-0,07	93	99	121	85	132	96	132	97	122	75	733	558	469	2938	3,9	3,19	8872
	RALDI / WEBURG		95	99	99	94	96		+30	+28	94	99	96	98	114	89	2	106	87	733	4	100	7642	4,23	3,54	101,9	
	2016, 13% RF		-1	0	0	-3	0	404 Dau:			91	99	112	78	108	99	110	96	116	83	22	2	0				
	Eu, A3, A5	J						106-95-118-120-(102)			91	99	102	99	103	96	94	91	121	87	0	0	0				
4	MANNA	AT 874.572.229	133	123	113	109	122	+1078	-0,12	-0,06	116	97	110	75	108	91	108	90	105	65	105	89	80	2960	4,14	3,14	8536
	MAHANGO Pp* / JANDA		88	95	96	87	91		+34	+33	122	96	93	93	106	78	-2	111	74	105	6	30	7978	4,14	3,49	97,8	
	2016		-3	-3	-1	-1	0	57 Dau:			104	97	96	76	100	97	109	88	93	72	5	1	0				
	Eu, A3	J						114-104-104-101-(105)			110	95	109	94	103	86	103	77	109	61	0	0	0				
*5	WOMBAT	DE 09 52729613	133	116	112	121	129	+972	-0,27	-0,07	116	96	113	73	117	87	117	85	114	58	40	36	4				
	WOBBLER / MELCHIOR		84	91	95	84	88		+17	+28	119	95	107	87	114	73	0	101	68	40	2	0					
	2017, 5 % RF		+1	-2	+2	+2	+4	30 Dau:			106	96	106	75	107	96	111	83	106	66	0	0	0				
	Eu, A3, 6	J						120-96-105-104-(94)			106	93	103	91	104	84	102	70	97	43	0	0	0				
6	GS VERY GOOD	AT 501.795.129	130	124	101	110	127	+1137	-0,18	-0,04	101	97	112	80	103	94	101	94	106	71	204	166	194	2811	3,89	3,14	8444
	VALEUR / REUMUT		92	97	97	91	94		+32	+37	103	97	105	96	111	85	1	107	81	204	7	160	7491	4,1	3,38	97,5	
	2015, 8 % RF		+1	+1	0	0	+2	112 Dau:			102	96	115	91	112	97	110	91	104	80	108	4	7	8070	3,91	3,52	
	A1	J						109-98-103-111-(101)			97	97	107	96	90	88	98	81	108	78	1	2	0				
7	HERWIG	AT 794.839.429	129	135	113	88	117	+1330	-0,05	+0,02	114	96	92	77	92	90	91	89	94	66	79	67	64	2909	4,22	3,28	8586
	HERZSCHLAG / WILLE		88	95	94	87	91		+51	+49	116	94	85	93	89	78	-4	103	74	79	5	10	7993	4,29	3,55	99	
	2016		-3	-3	-1	0	+1	61 Dau:			109	96	90	77	100	95	110	86	94	73	0	0	0				
	Eu, A3	J						112-102-94-113-(108)			107	93	134	94	104	83	101	76	119	57	0	0	0				
8	GS RENEGADE	AT 583.231.928	129	123	106	108	124	+432	+0,38	+0,08	109	98	102	82	112	94	111	94	109	72	170	151	158	2716	4,2	3,11	8139
	RUKSI / WALDBRAND		93	97	97	92	95		+49	+22	100	97	108	96	102	87	2	107	83	170	7	152	7136	4,46	3,4	92,5	
	2014, 9 % RF		0	-1	0	+1	+1	91 Dau:			106	97	108	95	116	99	99	93	98	82	131	7	99	7710	4,67	3,61	
	A1	J						103-86-93-113-(98)			106	96	108	96	101	96	102	81	114	81	70	5	11	8581	4,56	3,45	
9	GS DER BESTE	AT 514.740.229	129	122	102	108	132	+857	+0,06	-0,04	100	99	110	90	105	98	104	99	104	86	1627	1045	1201	2803	4,18	3,24	9193
	DAX / REUMUT		97	99	99	96	97		+41	+27	100	99	117	99	103	94	0	93	93	1627	5	483	7730	4,35	3,49	99,5	
	2016	F5C	-2	-2	+1	-1	0	808 Dau:			110	99	112	87	107	99	111	98	106	91	239	2	0				
	A1, A9, 17	J						110-104-101-135-(106)			92	99	100	99	94	98	90	95	122	95	0	0	0				
10	GS HERZTAKT	AT 913.133.329	129	120	109	110	127	+982	-0,02	-0,15	113	99	101	81	115	95	117	95	105	76	414	330	219	2924	3,97	3,1	9144
	HERZSCHLAG / VLAX		93	98	99	92	94		+39	+22	105	99	112	97	98	87	1	102	84	414	4	23	7547	4,15	3,48	101,6	
	2016, 6 % RF		+1	-1	+1	+3	+4	144 Dau:			104	99	101	76	110	99	104	94	99	81	2	1	0				
	A1	J						93-103-98-114-(104)			109	99	104	98	112	96	108	87	121	81	0	0	0				
11	GS EWIG	AT 334.524.838	129	115	112	114	124	+878	-0,22	-0,09	113	98	115	72	112	88	109	86	114	59	56	55	10	2588	3,71	3,03	8615
	ETOSCHA / GS WALCH		85	92	97	84	89		+17	+24	103	98	100	89	103	73	0	103	69	56	2	0					98,7
	2017		+1	-1	0	0	0	26 Dau:			111	97	98	75	99	97	102	85	97	67	0	0	0				
	A1	J						97-113-100-110-(104)			110	97	124	92	114	89	102	70	101	49	0	0	0				
12	HAMMER	AT 076.990.529	128	128	98	103	122	+1083	+0,06	-0,05	105	98	103	77	95	93	94	93	100	66	187	162	125	2843	4,16	3,21	8720
	HERZSCHLAG / MANIGO		91	97	97	89	92		+51	+34	108	97	103	95	102	80	0	104	77	187	4	2					99,4
	2016		0	0	0	0	+3	98 Dau:			90	96	90	77	107	99	111	92	103	73	0	0	0				
	Eu, A3, 6	J						95-102-110-112-(105)			104	96	115	95	107	95	111	79	107	67	0	0	0				
13	GS MAXIMAL	AT 023.375.729	128	116	110	113	124	+764	-0,02	-0,10	113	99	105	86	109	96	110	97	103	77	495	377	423	2506	3,91	3,06	7535
	MARTIN / REUMUT		95	99	99	94	96		+30	+18	108	99	108	98	112	90	2	108	87	495	7						

Toplist by Total Merit Index – Proven bulls

Rg	Identification data		Partial breeding values					Milk/Conformation			Beef		Fitness					Absolute performances indicators									
	Name	ID	TMI	MI	BI	FIT	TOI	Mkg	F%	P%	CCI	Long	UdH	ZZ	Mas	Int-Dau	Farm	D100	Mkg	F%	P%	ØHd					
	Sire / Dam's sire		Re	Re	Re	Re	Re	Fkg	Pkg	NDG	Pers	FEI	Bef	EFD	in 1.L	MP1	D1					Mat					
	YoB, Foreign	Genet. def.	Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff			CARC	Perf	CLV p	CLV m	Cyst	in 2.L	MP2	D2										
	AI Center	Availability	Ext-Dau	FR-MU-FL-UD-(Add)	TRC	Msp	VIT	MiBe	MiFe	in 3.L	MP3	D3															
17	GS HELLSEHER AT 332.704.238 HARIBO / REUMUT 2016 A1		126	118	101	111	125	+928	-0,21	-0,02	103	98	114	77	100	94	99	94	107	68	255	214	166	2790	3,89	3,19	8704
			92	97	98	90	93		+20	+31	90	98	120	96	105	82	-1				255	5	27	7956	3,98	3,49	98,9
			+2	+1	0	0	+3	105 Dau:			106	98	109	76	112	98	94	91	105	76	5	1	0				
								89-103-100-97-(107)			101	98	110	97	108	91	93	83	112	74	0	0	0				
18	GS VILSBERG AT 089.797.938 VOCO / WILLENBERG 2016 A1	B2C	125	127	92	104	118	+867	+0,10	+0,04	98	95	100	73	101	88	104	87	92	59	63	55	35	2832	4,09	3,16	9007
			86	93	93	85	89		+45	+34	104	94	105	91	103	75	3				63	4	4				97,3
			-3	-2	-2	-2	-1	38 Dau:			96	93	104	76	109	95	107	84	95	68	1	1	0				
								104-85-111-97-(105)			87	92	113	92	103	82	87	70	97	52	0	0	0				
19	MANDRIN AT 650.446.817 MANDARIN / VANSTEIN 2009 Eu, A3		125	121	109	102	119	+1020	-0,16	-0,05	116	99	101	99	99	99	103	99	89	98	14550	6484	13249	2857	3,99	3,14	8460
			99	99	99	99	99		+28	+32	108	99	102	99	99	99	1				14550	7	10902	7690	4,16	3,45	97,1
			-2	-1	-1	-1	-2	2308 Dau:			107	99	109	99	113	99	95	99	103	99	8652	6	4148	8641	4,2	3,58	
								96-92-99-98-(103)			107	99	98	99	114	99	104	99	94	99	2487	4	451	8820	4,19	3,51	
20	GS HERZBLATT AT 351.300.338 HERZSCHLAG / VANSTEIN 2016 A1		125	120	100	107	124	+657	+0,16	-0,03	109	99	107	79	97	94	95	94	104	70	305	240	233	2600	4,2	3,17	8002
			92	98	98	91	93		+41	+21	107	99	107	97	105	84	2				305	6	74	6809	4,31	3,41	97,4
			+1	-1	0	+1	+3	133 Dau:			94	98	101	75	119	99	108	92	99	78	14	2	0				
								91-100-101-112-(101)			102	98	123	97	110	93	110	84	113	78	0	0	0				
21	GS WILLHABEN AT 398.243.329 GS WORLDWIDE / WALDBRAND 2016, 6 % RF A1		125	118	94	115	123	+839	-0,21	+0,03	99	98	107	77	113	93	113	93	109	66	217	193	165	2736	3,94	3,21	8326
			91	97	97	89	92		+17	+32	107	98	111	96	111	81	1				217	6	64	7663	4,09	3,41	97
			-2	-1	0	-1	0	72 Dau:			93	97	107	75	106	98	106	91	111	75	17	2	0				
								105-98-102-110-(106)			91	97	106	96	102	89	110	81	115	72	0	0	0				
*22	GS WORKER AT 336.640.438 WIFFZACK / REUMUT 2017, 5 % RF A1		125	116	99	114	127	+722	-0,16	+0,02	99	97	109	75	109	90	110	89	102	64	80	69	21	3035	3,7	3,31	9758
			87	94	97	87	90		+16	+27	91	97	114	92	107	77	0				80	2	0				102,6
			+2	0	+1	+1	+1	33 Dau:			107	96	113	78	104	97	110	87	102	70	0	0	0				
								105-82-108-106-(101)			96	96	116	94	103	88	101	76	108	56	0	0	0				
*23	GS HOLBACH AT 527.400.838 HARIBO / GS VOGT 2016 A1		125	113	91	123	128	+240	+0,14	+0,10	98	98	120	73	112	89	110	87	111	61	65	58	28	2602	4,18	3,21	8781
			86	93	97	85	89		+22	+17	92	98	122	90	110	75	1				65	3	0				101,2
			+2	+1	+2	-2	+2	30 Dau:			83	97	110	76	108	98	106	86	102	68	0	0	0				
								91-108-97-119-(105)			104	97	102	93	113	89	94	72	105	52	0	0	0				
24	GS WATTSTEIN AT 338.785.438 WATT / GS WALDSTEIN 2016, 7 % RF A1		125	110	102	120	124	+543	-0,17	-0,02	103	97	116	75	123	90	121	89	120	63	79	73	58	2622	3,96	3,22	8427
			87	94	96	87	90		+8	+18	107	97	110	92	104	77	-10				79	5	25	7038	4,04	3,45	96,9
			-2	-2	0	-1	-1	35 Dau:			99	96	106	76	89	96	111	85	103	71	6	2	0				
								112-113-100-112-(107)			103	96	105	93	108	85	95	73	109	57	0	0	0				
*25	GS EHRSAM AT 323.508.538 ETOSCHA / WILLIAMS 2017, 5 % RF A1, 17	J, V	125	104	114	120	127	+172	+0,04	-0,04	116	99	119	76	113	90	113	89	105	64	109	97	29	2744	3,97	3,11	9641
			88	95	98	88	91		+11	+3	106	98	101	92	111	79	0				109	2	0				102,9
			0	-1	0	+1	+1	61 Dau:			115	98	89	77	108	99	113	92	106	72	0	0	0				
								100-110-115-120-(103)			109	98	116	94	110	97	108	75	102	59	0	0	0				
*26	WIESEL AT 265.604.838 WIFFZACK / ISERANDERS 2016 Eu, A3, A8		124	127	111	95	114	+1126	-0,07	-0,03	109	97	95	72	80	86	81	83	84	59	29	27	7	2617	3,62	3,09	8588
			83	90	96	84	87		+40	+37	111	96	95	85	112	73	1				29	2	0				96,6
			-3	-2	-1	-2	-3	20 Dau:			114	97	100	76	97	96	97	82	107	66	0	0	0				
								101-83-98-99-(105)			102	95	126	90	96	85	101	68	114	41	0	0	0				
*27	GS HELVETIUS AT 152.922.438 HERZSCHLAG / REUMUT 2016 A1, 17	J, V	124	126	98	100	116	+907	+0,15	-0,05	103	99	108	76	109	91	108	90	107	64	116	100	31	2751	4,33	3,1	8514
			89	95	98	88	91		+51	+28	102	98	93	93	88	78	-1				116	2	0				101,2
			0	-3	+2	+2	+3	41 Dau:			101	98	90	77	115	99	107	90	96	71	0	0	0				
								96-92-100-113-(102)			94	98	114	95	103	94	99	77	104	58	0	0	0				
28	WIGWAM AT 246.004.928 WIKINGER / STROMER 2014 Eu, A3		124	116	116	105	118	+672	-0,18	+0,08	117	97	101	79	108	93	110	92	100	70	95	82	93	2719	4,09	3,26	8267
			90	96	95	90	93		+13	+31	113	96	103	94	100	83	1				95	7	87	7484	4,1	3,51	92,8
			-1	-1	0	+1	-1	60 Dau:			114	96	101	92	100	98	104	89	98	78	77	7	63	8476	4,12	3,59	
								112-107-98-106-(106)			111	94	95	94	105	88	95	75	126	73	49	5	5	10656	3,99	3,47	
29	GS WATTENS AT 044.483.329 WATT / MANITOBA 2015, 10 % RF A1		124	110	104	118	124	+441	-0,09	+0,03	105	97	108	79	118	92	118	92	115	69	137	117	129	2567	3,98	3,21	8146
			90	96	96	90	93		+11	+18	108	97	115	95	112	83	3				137						

GS ZERO ONE



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Breeding Value:

gTMI 138 (88) | BI 118 (96) | FIT 114 (87) | TOI 130 (91)
MI 125 (95) +735 +0.22 +49 -0.01 +25

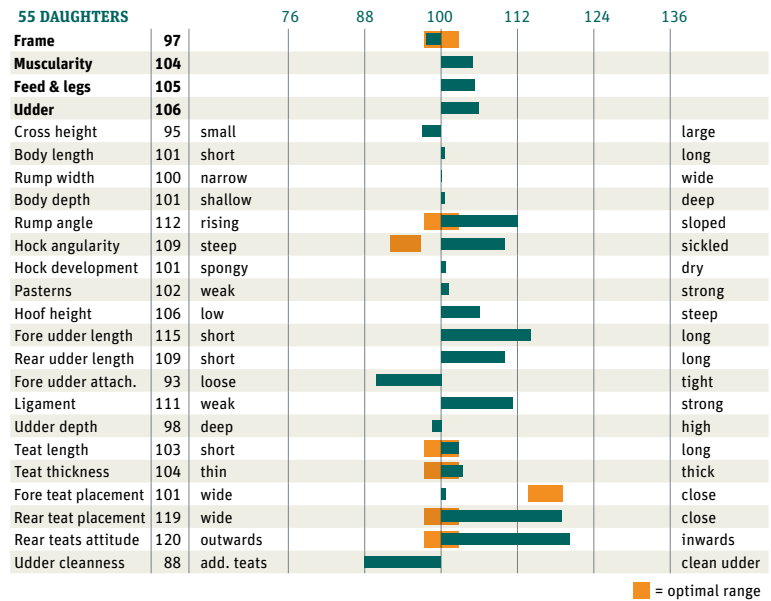
Hereditary transmission: This proven sire comes from a very well-established cow family in Bavaria, and his daughters have attracted a lot of positive attention from breeding consultants. Based on this estimation, he was able to increase his breeding value as well as his conformation score. He now clearly ranks among the top bulls with tested daughters. In addition to a good milk yield with very high fat content, he scores points with a very high meat value, good udder health and very good fertility. GS ZERO ONE is not just suitable for insemination of heifers. Attention should be had for the genetic defect F5C during pairing.

DE 09 52479429
GENOSTAR

Breeder: Germany

DESCENT			
ZEPTEP	DE 09 49287315	ZASPIN	DE 08 14101128
TMI: 124 / 117 / +531 +0.18 -0.02		NELE	DE 09 46878899
LALA	DE 09 49532759	WATT	DE 09 45875179
TMI: 126 / 116 / +550 +0.01 +0.03		LOREEN	DE 09 47380093
2/1 - 10,050-4.19-3.75-798		2/2 - 8,167-4.61-3.87-693	
HL: 1. - 10,050-4.19-3.75-798			

CONFORMATION 97 – 104 – 105 – 106 (91)



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Breeding Value:

gTMI 133 (84) | BI 112 (95) | FIT 121 (84) | TOI 129 (88)
MI 116 (91) +972 -0.27 +17 -0.07 +28

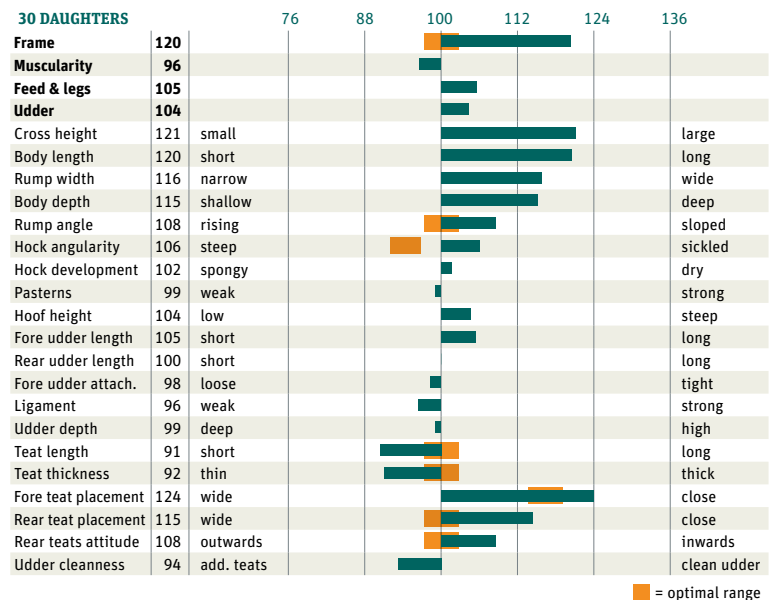
Hereditary transmission: WOMBAT makes for unbelievable quantities of frame, as well as milk and beef, at a high level. He's been raised a little differently by dam's sire MELCHIOR and the daughter-proven WOBBLER-Sohn, who exhibits optimum breeding values. The fitness characteristics are among his greatest strengths, with a somewhat weaker milk content inheritance. He combines excellent udder health with optimum fertility on the part of his daughters, together with excellent calf characteristics in both the paternal and maternal lines. WOMBAT can be deployed for optimum teat placement.

DE 09 52729613
OÖ Besamungsstation

Breeder: Seilbeck Josef
84424 Isen/De

DESCENT			
WOBBLER	DE 09 46673832	WATNOX	DE 09 38662295
TMI: 125 / 112 / +775 -0.26 -0.05		SINDI	DE 09 41277398
RILA	DE 09 50065843	MELCHIOR	DE 09 45893915
TMI: 121 / 123 / +779 +0.08 +0.00		RINNISE	DE 09 47410957
1/1 - 9,642-3.88-3.04-667		2/2 -10,210-3.91-3.69-776	
HL: 1. - 9,642-3.88-3.04-667			

CONFORMATION 120 – 96 – 105 – 104 (88)



Toplist by Total Merit Index – Genomic young bulls

Rg	Identification data			Partial breeding values					Milk			Beef	Fitness					Conformation							
	Name ID Sire / Dam's sire Genet. def.	YoB, Foreign Al Center Availability		TMI	MI	BI	FIT	TOI	Mkg	F%	P%	NDG	Long	UdH	SCC	FEI	FR	MU	FL	UD					
				Si	Si	Si	Si	Si	Fkg	Pkg	CARC	Pers	CLV p	CLF m	Bef	Re			Add						
				Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff			TRC	Perf	VIT	Msp	MiBe										
1	GS WINTEN AT 951.695.369 WEISSENSEE / GS WRIGLEY	2020 A1 J		143	128	105	124	135	+1099	-0,09	0,00	110	76	124	68	117	79	116	74	111	68	105	101	100	111
				74	83	75	79	81		+38	+39	103	75	115	74	104	79	107	75			79			105
				+1	-1	+1	+1	-1				102	74	101	71	101	72	124	82	104	58				
2	GS WUNDAWUZI AT 195.270.174 WESTWIND / GS DER BESTE	2020 A1, 17 J		143	127	106	129	143	+1192	-0,12	-0,06	102	71	127	65	117	78	115	73	118	64	104	107	105	127
				72	82	69	76	78		+39	+37	107	69	114	73	105	80	114	71			77			106
				0	-1	+2	0	0				104	68	111	67	98	69	106	81	99	56				
*3	GS DUPLO AT 452.848.574 GS DEFACTO / GS WATTKING F5C	2020 A1 E		142	121	116	128	140	+703	+0,01	+0,04	108	70	125	65	115	78	113	72	122	64	99	104	104	114
				71	81	70	76	78		+30	+28	122	69	100	72	101	79	110	70			77			103
				new	new	new	new	new				105	68	110	69	109	68	114	80	96	55				
4	WINTERTRAUM AT 989.327.769 GS WOIWODE / GS DER BESTE	2019 A1, 2, 17 J, E, E		142	121	107	135	146	+1137	-0,26	-0,07	99	77	126	66	124	78	122	72	123	65	104	93	125	125
				72	81	75	77	79		+24	+34	109	74	113	72	117	79	109	72			76			102
				-2	-1	-2	0	-2				106	72	109	68	108	69	113	79	98	55				
5	GS DELUXE AT 104.570.274 GS DEFACTO / HERZSCHLAG	2020 A1, 2, 17 E, J, J		141	135	115	110	132	+1155	+0,09	+0,02	127	72	105	66	114	79	110	74	105	66	113	101	108	112
				73	82	71	78	80		+56	+43	106	70	102	74	98	79	107	72			78			100
				-3	-2	+2	-3	0				107	69	105	70	99	70	112	82	104	58				
*6	GS WESTCOAST AT 382.306.974 WUESTENSOHN / HERZSCHLAG	2020, 9% RF A1 J		141	132	119	111	133	+1280	-0,07	-0,01	127	70	111	65	113	78	113	72	105	64	105	116	113	109
				71	81	69	76	78		+46	+44	108	69	96	72	110	78	104	71			76			109
				new	new	new	new	new				116	67	102	67	103	68	109	80	102	55				
7	GS WUNDERINO AT 097.146.569 WEISSENSEE / REUMUT	2019 A1 J		141	124	114	126	135	+628	+0,15	+0,08	108	77	116	68	124	80	123	74	120	68	100	104	96	109
				74	83	76	79	81		+39	+29	115	76	103	74	105	82	108	75			79			96
				-2	0	-1	-3	-4				108	75	111	71	104	73	102	82	104	58				
8	GS WHITESTAR AT 967.500.169 GS WOIWODE / HARIBO TPC	2019 A1 J		140	130	103	122	138	+1309	-0,15	-0,04	95	75	119	67	120	79	121	73	105	66	110	102	107	118
				73	82	74	78	80		+41	+43	106	74	120	73	110	79	104	73			78			106
				-4	-2	-3	-3	-3				104	72	114	70	105	71	103	81	97	58				
9	GS WOWARD AT 824.640.769 WODONGA / RALDI	2020, 7% RF A1, 2, 17 J		140	130	88	131	139	+907	+0,13	+0,05	96	76	121	66	128	78	125	73	117	65	112	100	108	119
				73	82	74	77	79		+49	+36	89	73	113	74	110	80	112	72			78			101
				0	0	+1	0	0				91	72	116	69	105	70	99	81	107	56				
10	HABIB AT 919.385.169 HOOLIGAN / MANDRIN	2020 Eu, A3 J		140	126	110	118	131	+609	+0,35	+0,03	104	75	111	67	107	81	107	77	113	68	108	101	86	103
				75	85	73	79	81		+55	+24	115	74	104	78	110	80	112	74			80			94
				0	-2	0	+1	-1				104	73	104	70	117	70	117	84	101	62				
11	WILKO AT 857.214.169 GS WOIWODE / WABAN	2020, 5% RF Eu, A3, A8 J		140	126	105	126	136	+1319	-0,24	-0,08	96	74	117	66	114	78	113	72	120	65	106	101	104	108
				72	81	73	77	79		+33	+39	106	73	111	72	97	78	110	72			76			105
				-2	-2	-2	-1	-1				108	72	109	68	108	69	113	80	95	55				
12	GS RAZFAZ AT 095.456.669 ROLLS / ETOSCHA F2C	2019 A1 J		140	122	119	123	139	+909	-0,02	-0,06	117	76	115	67	126	80	125	76	105	67	92	110	108	113
				75	84	75	79	81		+36	+27	112	76	120	76	112	96	101	76			80			104
				-1	-2	-1	0	-2				116	74	114	70	108	79	105	82	104	58				
13	MOAB AT 237.166.769 MINOR / HURLYS	2019 Eu, A3, 6 J		140	121	94	136	139	+1030	-0,18	-0,05	93	73	135	66	116	80	113	76	126	66	89	95	109	123
				74	84	72	78	80		+27	+32	97	71	110	77	106	79	104	72			79			103
				-1	-2	0	-1	-1				95	71	105	70	114	67	107	82	99	56				
14	GS HOERI AT 196.383.369 HOKUSPOKUS / RUKSI	2019, 4% RF A1, A9, 2 J		139	130	106	121	136	+777	+0,25	+0,05	100	75	116	65	108	79	103	75	118	65	103	92	115	121
				73	84	73	77	79		+54	+32	107	71	103	76	119	83	104	71			77			100
				-2	-1	-2	-1	0				106	71	101	69	114	68	95	81	91	56				
15	GS WLADI AT 713.571.869 GS WOIWODE / VARTA	2019, 8% RF A1 J		139	130	100	125	135	+1289	-0,14	-0,03	90	72	117	64	116	77	116	71	115	63	90	100	103	112
				71	81	71	75	78		+41	+43	104	72	111	71	108	77	106	70			75			102
				-1	0	-1	-2	+2				103	70	108	68	115	68	94	78	103	53				
*16	MUSIKANT AT 021.437.374 MANAUS / HURLY	2020 Eu, A8 J		139	127	116	118	132	+1262	-0,11	-0,13	112	73	110	65	106	77	105	71	114	64	98	107	110	100
				71	81	71	76	78		+42	+33	113	72	105	72	101	78	105	72			76			101
				new	new	new	new	new				110	70	104	67	120	69	104	78	92	54				
17	MEDIAN AT 201.692.574 GS MYSTERIUM Pp* / VILLEROY	2020, 5% RF Eu, A3, 6 J		139	127	115	114	137	+1414	-0,28	-0,10	113	74	122	66	117	78	120	73	94	66	104	103	119	119
				72	81	73	77	79		+33	+41	110	73	100	73	105	78	102	73			77			106
				0	-1	+2	-1	+2				112	71	108	69	113	70	113	80	105	56				
*18	SUPERBOY AT 462.742.874 SPARTACUS / ZAZU	2020 Eu, A3, A5 J, J, N		139	126	109	123	138	+789	+0,09	+0,05	112	69	127	64	117	77	118	71	110	63	115	101	121	120
				70	81	68	75	77		+41	+32	107	68	95	72	107	78	101	70			75			99
				new	new	new	new	new				104	67	111	66	112	68	100	79	104	53				
19	HORAZIO P*S AT 226.832.169 HILFINGER / MAHANGO Pp*	201																							

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				77	85	77	81	83		+40	+31	118	78	106	78	98	99	107	83	2	81				
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*23	GS WUKSI AT 400.705.274 WUESTENSOHN / RUKSI	2021, 9% RF A1 E		137	135	112	106	123	+1515	-0,13	-0,06	114	70	102	65	109	78	110	72	105	64	103	99	100	107
				71	81	69	76	78		+51	+48	103	69	93	72	112	79	100	71			76			105
				new	new	new	new	new				112	67	95	68	104	68	120	79	107	55				
24	GS HARDY AT 334.280.269 HERMELIN / RUKSI	2019, 6% RF A1 J		137	128	107	115	134	+1202	-0,04	-0,10	105	74	113	66	114	80	114	76	101	67	99	99	99	121
				74	84	73	78	80		+47	+34	105	73	110	77	119	81	104	73			78			103
				0	0	+2	0	+1				106	71	108	70	112	69	115	82	100	58				
25	GS HOHENU AT 955.831.669 HERZPOCHEN / WOBBLER B2C	2020 A1 J		137	127	104	114	136	+1146	-0,09	-0,04	109	74	117	67	107	81	106	76	97	68	112	108	103	125
				75	85	73	79	81		+39	+37	102	74	122	77	108	80	106	74			80			112
				-1	0	-2	-1	-3				100	73	108	71	109	70	125	83	102	59				
26	GS MYDREAM AT 849.695.769 GS MYDARLING / GS DER BESTE	2020 A1 J		137	126	102	121	136	+1442	-0,27	-0,16	97	75	127	66	105	78	102	73	114	65	103	93	110	122
				72	82	73	77	79		+35	+37	103	71	107	73	108	79	106	72			78			102
				-1	0	-1	-1	-2				103	70	106	68	103	70	123	81	97	57				
27	HEFTY AT 840.009.569 GS HIERHER / HURLY	2020, 6% RF A1 E		137	125	115	119	132	+1012	-0,09	-0,01	103	73	107	66	110	78	110	73	119	65	108	91	103	104
				72	82	73	77	79		+34	+35	121	72	104	73	114	79	105	70			77			101
				-2	-2	-1	0	-1				106	71	106	69	113	68	102	81	101	56				
28	GS DEFACTO AT 953.502.538 GS DER BESTE / MINT F5C	2018 A1 J		137	123	112	115	134	+1004	-0,06	-0,06	118	84	117	73	111	84	107	79	108	74	110	97	110	126
				79	86	83	84	85		+37	+30	112	81	100	79	102	99	109	84	1	83				102
				-1	-2	+1	-3	-2				102	81	106	74	103	93	120	86	92	66				
29	GS MY BEST Pp* AT 781.642.769 GS MYSTERIUM Pp* / GS DER BESTE	2019 A1 J		137	123	106	125	136	+1177	-0,23	-0,07	106	74	122	66	110	78	111	72	118	65	109	98	115	114
				72	81	73	77	79		+28	+35	109	74	104	73	117	79	107	73			76			102
				+1	0	+3	0	-1				99	71	107	68	117	70	91	80	106	56				
30	ZACHARIUS AT 878.232.668 GS ZICKZACK / REUMUT	2018 Eu, A3 J		136	132	112	109	128	+851	+0,29	+0,03	108	76	101	67	108	80	110	76	112	67	105	94	102	105
				75	85	74	79	82		+61	+33	108	75	104	77	85	95	106	75	-2	79				101
				-2	-1	+1	-2	-1				110	73	114	71	95	78	117	83	100	59				
31	WUNDERLING AT 879.635.769 WEISSENSEE / HERZSCHLAG	2019 Eu, A3, A5 J		136	130	109	108	132	+1158	-0,02	-0,04	111	75	117	66	113	79	115	73	87	66	98	102	103	113
				73	82	74	78	80		+46	+38	102	74	111	73	99	80	109	73			77			102
				0	0	+1	+1	0				109	72	112	70	102	70	120	80	96	56				
32	WESTEN AT 857.220.869 GS WOIWODE / WABAN	2020, 5% RF Eu, A3, 6 J		136	127	97	125	131	+1069	-0,09	+0,01	92	73	115	66	115	78	114	72	123	65	94	92	101	114
				72	81	73	77	79		+37	+38	101	72	109	72	102	78	107	71			76			105
				-2	0	0	-2	0				97	71	104	68	104	69	112	79	101	54				
33	WOMBAT AT 761.770.968 WOBBLER / GS WESER	2018 A1 E		136	125	115	116	126	+1112	-0,21	+0,01	112	74	118	71	108	82	109	78	115	71	103	95	107	105
				77	86	74	81	83		+28	+40	109	74	99	78	108	80	106	75			81			102
				-3	-1	0	-2	-1				112	73	95	76	95	70	103	83	104	62				
34	WEISSENBACH AT 137.240.274 GS WOIWODE / GS WRIGLEY	2020, 6% RF Eu, A8, A3 J		136	125	111	117	130	+774	+0,08	+0,06	103	74	115	66	111	78	110	72	108	65	104	96	101	111
				72	81	72	77	79		+39	+32	111	72	107	72	106	79	107	72			77			102
				-1	-1	0	0	-1				108	72	103	70	106	69	111	80	104	55				
35	GS HELOS AT 475.836.974 HERAKLES Pp / HORIZONT	2020 A1 E		136	125	101	123	132	+811	+0,01	+0,08	103	71	116	65	117	77	112	72	116	64	103	100	107	122
				71	81	70	76	78		+35	+36	96	70	102	72	101	78	111	71			76			102
				new	new	new	new	new				104	68	101	66	107	69	109	79	98	54				
36	GS HIERHER AT 655.295.338 GS HENDORF / REUMUT	2017, 8% RF A1 J		136	122	111	118	137	+723	+0,04	+0,05	101	97	110	72	108	84	109	80	112	73	95	89	105	106
				81	87	97	83	87		+34	+30	121	97	111	82	127	98	98	81	1	83				104
				-1	-3	-1	+1	-2				101	96	121	76	117	90	107	87	107	66				
37	GS WEGA Pp* AT 237.794.869 WEISSENSEE / MAHANGO Pp*	2019 A1, 2, 17 J		136	119	111	124	132	+944	-0,17	-0,05	108	77	118	66	115	78	114	72	116	66	107	102	98	110
				72	81	75	77	80		+24	+29	110	75	115	73	102	89	111	74	4	77				103
				-1	-3	+1	-1	-2				107	73	103	69	102	71	110	80	97	55				
38	SPARTACUS AT 804.610.768 SEHRGUT / HERZSCHLAG	2019 Eu, A3, A5 J		136	119	105	125	134	+952	-0,13	-0,09	108	80	135	74	106	83	108	78	117	75	98	96	116	121
				79	86	80	84	86		+28	+26	103	80	91	79	119	99	99	90	2	81				103
				0	-1	-2	+2	-1				103	78	103	75	118	96	109	84	106	63				
39	GS WONDERMAN AT 956.715.769 GS WHAT ELSE / IMPERATIV	2020 A1 J		135	129	107	111	133	+1189	-0,03	-0,08	100	74	112	66	97	78	94	73	107	65	99	99	111	107
				73	82	74	77	79		+46	+35	112	74	103	73	118	79	102	73			77			105
				-2	-2	+1	0	-3				102	72	111	69	117	70	121	81	96	55				

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				Si	Si	Si	Si	Si	Fkg	Pkg	CARC	Pers	CLV p	CLF m	Bef	Re			Add							
				Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff	Diff			TRC	Perf	VIT	Msp	MiBe											
43	MARIUS AT 629.902.169 MANAUS / MAHANGO Pp*	2020 Eu, A3 J		135	122	113	115	130	+1082	-0,13	-0,12	113	74	118	67	103	79	104	74	109	66	106	120	110	109	108
				73	82	73	78	80		+33	+28	107	73	105	74	104	80	106	74			78				
				-1	-2	+2	-1	-2				111	72	100	70	109	71	122	81	97	57					
44	GS HAYDN AT 052.174.174 HERZPOCHEN / WALK F5C	2020 A1 J		135	120	119	115	130	+908	-0,09	-0,07	121	75	110	67	109	81	109	77	110	68	98	111	99	108	106
				75	85	74	79	81		+30	+26	113	74	112	78	103	79	106	74			80				
				+2	+1	0	+1	+2				112	73	103	70	103	70	118	83	98	60					
45	GS WHIRLPOOL AT 418.797.669 GS WOIWODE / ETOSCHA	2019 A1 J		135	117	111	130	130	+984	-0,24	-0,09	107	74	121	66	127	78	131	72	122	65	106	93	104	113	102
				72	81	73	77	79		+19	+27	110	73	103	72	106	79	105	72			76				
				-2	-2	0	0	0				107	72	98	69	102	70	98	79	106	55					
46	MALTE Pp* DE 09 55298697 GS MYSTERIUM Pp* / RALDI	2020, 8% RF 17, A1, 2 J		135	116	116	128	135	+855	-0,11	-0,11	116	76	118	65	114	78	113	72	132	65	102	117	113	108	106
				71	81	74	77	79		+26	+21	111	72	100	72	105	80	108	72			75				
				0	-1	+4	-1	-1				110	71	114	69	99	69	102	79	108	54					
47	MAHARI Pp* AT 237.411.469 GS MAHATMA Pp* / RALDI	2019, 6% RF Eu, A3, 6 J		135	116	116	124	132	+391	+0,11	+0,08	109	77	125	67	118	82	118	78	110	68	89	114	102	113	106
				77	86	76	80	83		+25	+20	112	77	108	78	111	98	109	79			-1				
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				new	new	new	new	new				103	72	101	70	104	69	100	80	100	56					
49	ILDEFONSO Pp* AT 300.883.969 IRREGUT P*S / MAHANGO Pp*	2019 Eu, A8, 6 J		134	135	100	104	122	+1349	+0,03	-0,07	111	75	103	69	105	82	105	78	99	69	107	101	106	97	106
				76	86	73	80	82		+59	+41	91	74	100	78	104	82	111	74			3				
				+1	+1	-2	0	+4				104	73	101	74	105	71	114	84	101	61					
*50	HERZBOMBE AT 517.769.874 HERZKLOPFEN / GS DER BESTE	2020 Eu, A8, A5 J		134	131	109	104	129	+1444	-0,12	-0,14	104	71	107	66	98	78	93	73	98	65	107	105	101	123	106
				72	82	69	77	79		+49	+38	109	70	103	73	102	80	118	72			78				
				new	new	new	new	new				105	68	101	69	104	70	125	81	100	57					
51	WAKANDA AT 936.322.969 WEISSENSEE / HERZSCHLAG	2020 Eu, A5, A3 J		134	131	103	108	126	+1318	-0,08	-0,07	109	74	114	66	108	78	109	72	94	66	109	96	97	114	101
				72	81	73	77	79		+47	+41	98	73	109	72	100	80	104	73			77				
				-2	-2	-1	+1	-2				104	72	103	69	101	70	121	80	105	56					
52	MEVERIK Pp AT 413.191.874 MERCEDES Pp* / HERZSCHLAG	2020 Eu, A3, A5 J, J, N		134	128	110	108	125	+1162	-0,06	-0,06	111	71	117	66	109	78	107	72	97	65	102	95	104	126	96
				72	81	70	77	79		+43	+36	107	70	90	73	110	78	107	72			76				
				new	new	new	new	new				106	68	91	68	105	70	115	80	104	53					
53	GS MOJOS AT 278.283.669 MORALIS / HERZSCHLAG	2019 A1 J		134	128	101	113	131	+1242	-0,14	-0,04	103	75	120	65	104	79	100	74	95	65	99	95	99	116	107
				73	83	73	77	80		+39	+41	97	74	116	75	103	89	105	72			77				
				-2	-4	0	+1	-3				103	72	110	70	112	72	113	81	101	55					
54	GS MALDI AT 010.241.374 MANAUS / RALDI	2020, 6% RF A1 J		134	126	116	108	131	+968	+0,07	-0,06	118	73	111	66	105	78	105	73	105	66	103	102	107	113	102
				72	81	72	77	79		+46	+29	113	73	93	73	111	80	105	73			77				
				+1	-1	+3	-1	0				109	71	111	69	103	70	122	80	97	55					
55	GS WIWALDI AT 601.755.369 GS WOIWODE / MAHANGO Pp*	2019, 5% RF A1 J		134	124	95	126	132	+1108	-0,15	-0,06	93	73	123	66	121	78	121	72	114	65	102	99	113	111	101
				72	81	73	77	79		+33	+34	94	72	113	72	108	78	101	72			76				
				-3	-1	-3	-1	-3				99	71	108	69	101	69	112	79	101	55					
56	MEMBRAN P*S AT 869.819.869 MAJESTAET PP* / HERZSCHLAG	2020 Eu, A3 J		134	123	107	117	129	+939	-0,03	-0,06	109	75	117	67	115	80	118	75	103	67	102	101	103	116	101
				74	83	74	78	81		+37	+28	100	75	96	75	114	81	110	74			79				
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57	GS WABANGO AT 885.925.968 WABAN / MAHANGO Pp*	2018 A1 J		134	123	98	121	126	+961	-0,10	-0,01	101	76	117	73	120	83	120	79	110	73	109	104	96	100	101
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58	EGELSEE AT 804.795.369 EDELSTEIN / HUTERA	2020 Eu, A8, A3 J		134	122	110	117	131	+1007	-0,10	-0,08	109	75	120	67	118	79	114	74	102	67	107	103	108	135	105
				74	83	74	78	80		+33	+29	112	74	102	74	116	79	98	73			78				
				0	-2	+3	0	+1				103	72	96	71	109	71	106	81	107	57					
59	GS WICKI AT 812.003.969 GS W1 / VARTA	2020, 5% RF A1 J		134	122	107	119	131	+1063	-0,20	-0,03	102	75	115	67	114	80	114	75	113	66	99	105	98	109	102
				74	84	73	78	80		+27	+35	110	74	103	76	97	79	108	73			79				
				-2	-4	+1	0	-3				103	73	112	70	105	70	115	83	97	58					
*60	GS HANDSOME AT 403.027.774 HERZFUEHRER / VOLLENDET	2020 A1 E		134	121	109	118	129	+560	+0,18	+0,03	118	71	113	66	123	78	121	73	108	65	113	99	106	118	105
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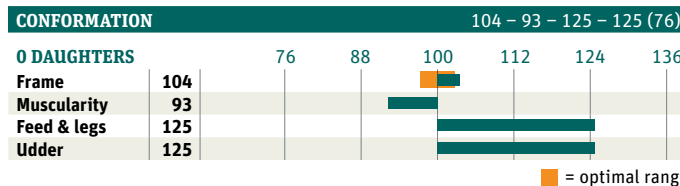


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DESCENT		
GS WOIWODE AT 934.843.838 TMI: 132 / 115 / +751 -0.18 -0.03	WOBBLER DE 09 46673832 LAUSSA AT 711.596.529	WATNOX RALDI
ZALLI – ET AT 653.590.368 TMI: 136 / 120 / +1,072 -0.17 -0.11	GS DER BESTE AT 514.740.229 ZEDER – ET AT 924.788.222 3/3 - 10,824-3.89-3.30-779	DAX HURLY



GS DELUXE

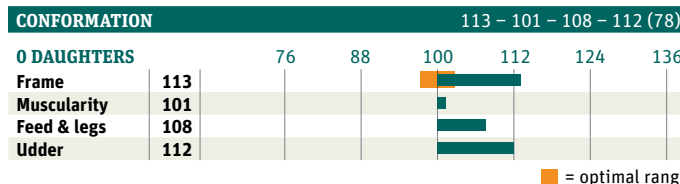


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AT 104.570.274 Breeder: Stuphann Manfred
GENOSTAR 3202 Grünau

Breeding Value: gTMI 141 (73) | BI 115 (71) | FIT 110 (78) | TOI 132 (80)
MI 135 (82) +1,155 +0.09 +56 +0.02 +4

DESCENT		
GS DEFACTO AT 953.502.538 TMI: 137 / 123 / +1,004 -0.06 -0.06	GS DER BESTE AT 514.740.229 BENNI AT 424.482.829	DAX MINT
SANDRA AT 587.544.938 TMI: 128 / 122 / +638 +0.10 +0.08 3/2 - 9,715-4.83-3.78-836 HL: 2. - 10,218-5.07-3.84-910	HERZSCHLAG AT 303.304.428 STEFFI AT 844.389.419 4/3 - 11,111-4.26-3.87-904	HUTERA GS MG



GS WESTCOAST

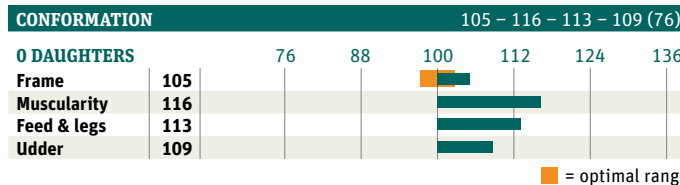


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AT 382.306.974 Breeder: Spath Johann u. Elisabeth
GENOSTAR 8151 Hitzendorf

Breeding Value: gTMI 141 (71) | BI 119 (69) | FIT 111 (76) | TOI 133 (78)
MI 132 (81) +1,280 -0.07 +46 -0.01 +44

DESCENT		
WUESTENSOHN DE 09 53631006 TMI: 137 / 124 / +1,076 -0.14 -0.04	WORLD CUP DE 09 51373137 FLORIDA DE 09 52110996	GS WERTVOLL RALDI
LEONARDA AT 446.600.568 TMI: 128 / 121 / +704 +0.07 -0.01 1/1 - 9,028-4.06-3.73-703 HL: 1. - 9,028-4.06-3.73-703	HERZSCHLAG AT 303.304.428 LAVENDL AT 764.909.722 6/4 - 9,197-3.94-3.38-673	HUTERA ROYAL



MEDIAN

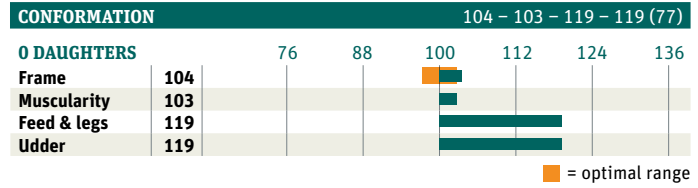


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AT 201.692.574 Breeder: Rittberger Jürgen, Mayrhofer
OÖ Besamungsstation 4722 Peuerbach

Breeding Value: gTMI 139 (72) | BI 115 (73) | FIT 114 (77) | TOI 137 (79)
MI 127 (81) +1,414 -0.28 +33 -0.10 +41

DESCENT		
GS MYSTERIUM Pp* AT 903.294.838 TMI: 126 / 114 / +750 -0.15 -0.06	MANOLO Pp* DE 09 48496774 LAURA AT 353.515.528	MANIGO WATT
WERENA AT 422.807.468 TMI: 129 / 123 / +1,111 -0.18 -0.04 2/1 - 7,050-4.15-3.22-520 HL: 1. - 7,050-4.15-3.22-520	VILLEROY DE 09 47673487 WUSCHL AT 876.207.228 5/4 - 9,769-4.04-3.32-720	REUMUT GS PANDORA



SUPERBOY

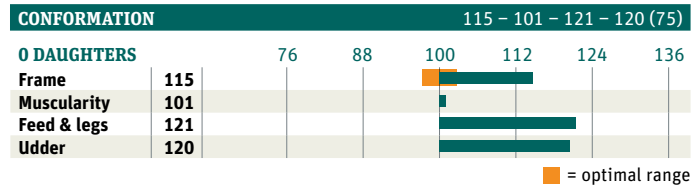


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AT 462.742.874 Breeder: Grenzlandmilchhof GmbH & Co.K
OÖ Besamungsstation 8225 Pöllau

Breeding Value: gTMI 139 (70) | BI 109 (68) | FIT 123 (75) | TOI 138 (77)
MI 126 (81) +789 +0.09 +41 +0.05 +32

DESCENT		
SPARTACUS AT 804.610.768 TMI: 136 / 119 / +952 -0.13 -0.09	SEHRGUT DE 09 47357352 KRONE AT 883.244.329	SERANO HERZSCHLAG
SABRINA AT 788.296.368 TMI: 133 / 123 / +719 +0.09 +0.03 200 d. 5,871-4.35-3.57-465	ZAZU AT 265.588.938 SUSI AT 169.842.438 3/3 - 10,180-4.38-3.54-806	ZEPTER VAENOMENAL



HORAZIO P*S

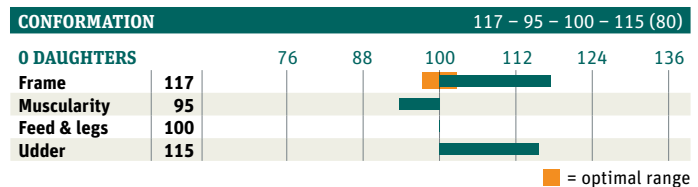


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AT 226.832.169 Breeder: Schmideder Karin und Alois
OÖ Besamungsstation 4761 Enzenkirchen

Breeding Value: gTMI 139 (76) | BI 106 (74) | FIT 123 (80) | TOI 132 (82)
MI 125 (86) +798 +0.09 +41 +0.02 +30

DESCENT		
HILFINGER DE 08 16589529 TMI: 130 / 125 / +1,082 -0.10 -0.02	HURLY DE 09 47424346 SAMBA DE 08 15491101	HULKOR WILLE
INKA 55 Pp* AT 624.889.638 TMI: 129 / 118 / +475 +0.16 +0.03 3/2 - 9,314-5.06-3.86-831 HL: 2. - 10,262-5.12-3.90-926	MAHANGO Pp* DE 09 48097266 IDA 19 Pp* AT 085.456.629 5/4 - 10,217-4.63-3.80-861	MUNGO Pp WITAM P*S





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Legend of the toplist

IDENTITY DATA

Rg	Rank sorted according to TMI, MI, BI, FIT (all descending)
Name	Name
ID	Identification's number
Sire / Dam's sire	Sire / Dam's sire
YoB	Year of birth
Foreign	Breed with any foreign gene share
Genetic def.	Genetic defects with 3 digit code:
Digit 1-2	Abbreviations for genetic defects (B2 – Brown Swiss haplotype 2, F2 – Growth defect/Short stature, F5 – Fleckvieh haplotype 5, TP – Thrombopathy)
Digit 3	„C“ for „heterozygous carrier“ (Carrier), „S“ for „homozygous carrier“ (Sure)
AI Center	Insemination centre, which are in the (co-) owning of the bull: A1 = GENOSTAR A3 = Hohenzell, OÖ A5 = Samendepotstelle Rotholz, Tirol A7 = Klessheim, Salzburg A8 = Perkohof, Kärnten A9 = Samenvertretung Vorarlberg AV = Vöcklabruck, OÖ Eu = EUROgenetik 2 = Greifenberg 3 = Höchstädt 6 = Neustadt a. d. Aisch 7 = Memmingen 9 = Marktredwitz-Wölsau 10 = Bayern-Genetik 16 = Bauer, Wasserburg 17 = CRV Meggle 26 = ZBH Alsfeld 27 = RBW C1 = CRV (CZ) C2 = Jihočesky chovatel (CZ) C3 = Plemko (CZ) C4 = Plemo (CZ) C5 = CHD Impuls (CZ) C6 = Reprogen (CZ) C7 = Natural (CZ)

Availability

Availability of semen in relation to the owning stations (J=yes, E=restricted; V=available, but currently no distribution, N=no), if the availability is the same for all stations, it will be expressed only once, otherwise, in the appropriate order

PARTIAL BREEDING VALUES

TMI	Total merit index
MI	Milk index
BI	Beef index
FIT	Fitness index
TOI	Total organic index
Re	Reliability
Diff	Difference to the last breeding value estimation

MILK/CONFORMATION

Mkg, F%, P%, Fkg, Pkg	Breeding values for milk yield, fat and protein content, fat and protein yield
Ext-Dau	Number of described daughters
FR-MU-FL-UD-(Add)	Breeding values for frame, muscularity, feet&legs, udder, udder cleanness

BEEF

CCI	Breeding value for commercial cross
NDG	Breeding value for net daily gain
CARC	Breeding value for carcass percentage
TRC	Breeding value for EUROP trade class

FITNESS

Long	Breeding value for longevity
Pers	Breeding value for persistency
Perf	Breeding value for performance increase

MSp

Breeding value for milking speed (average kg/min)

UDH

Breeding value for udder health

FEI

Breeding value for fertility

CLV p/m

Breeding value for direct and maternal calving ease

VIT

Breeding value for calf vitality

SCC

Breeding value for somatic cell count

Fert

Breeding value for fertility in %

MiBe

Breeding value for milking behavior

Mas

Breeding value for mastitis

EFD

Breeding value for early fertility disorders

Cyst

Breeding value for ovarian cysts

MiFe

Breeding value for milk fever

ABSOLUTE PERFORMANCES INDICATORS

Int-Dau

Number of daughters in international milk breeding value estimation

Farm

Numbers of farms, where the daughters are being bred

in 1.L, in 2.L, in 3.L

Number of daughters in the milk evaluation in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd lactation

MP 1, MP 2, MP 3

Average number of test days of daughters in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd lactation

D100, D1, D2, D3

Number of daughters with completed 100-day performance, 1st, 2nd and 3rd lactation

Mkg, F%, P%, F+P

Average milk yield, fat and protein content, fat and protein yield of the daughters

ØHd

Herd average in which the daughters are kept

Mat.

Mating level expressed as MI average of daughter's dams

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