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Charolais 2022

Alkie Shaw





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Cover: Cloondradoon Ricky

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Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Sep '21 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Replacement Index	€88	49% (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
****	Terminal Index	€145	50% (Average)	****
****	DairyBeef Index	€43	48% (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Pro	geny Performance	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 384)	15.3%	52% (Average)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	6.9%	73% (High)	0 Records
*****	Gestation Length (days)	3.1 days	46% (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.07 Scale	47 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	39.1 Kg	46 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	2.19 Scale	47 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performanc	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	2.1 %	63 % (High)	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	-5.3 Kg	47 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-2.8 days	45 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$

• Ricky is a very exciting young bull with many Scan QR Code of the traits of his sire Fiston.

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- Ricky has matured into an impressive powerful, long bull with excellent muscle both on top and on the hindquarter
- Ricky was the top priced bull at the Premier Sale in Elphin March 2021 Tinor

- Fiston Baronne Cloonradoon Nicole Cavelands Fenian Cloonradoon Izzy Et Progressive Ataxie: Result Pending



Cloondradoon Ricky



**Fiston FSZ** 

# Orbi

## Code: CH6490





DOB:17/09/18	Pedigree Status: Pl	ED Myc	ostatin: Q204x/	+ PEDI ROY	IGREE ALTY				
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**** Da	airyBeef Index	€51	35% (Low)	****		100	1 sance	10.74	No.
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	ef Cows (% 384)	3.3%	65% (High)	0 Records	;		Automation State	100	12- March
	estation Length (days)	1.6 days	32% (Low)	$\star\star\star\star$	*	1 × 4	1. 10	1 Ber	1000
	cility (Scale)	0.05 Scale	31 % (Low)	$\star\star\star\star$	$\mathbf{\tau} \star$	State Barrier	3	YOUR !!	
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	rcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.66 Scale	39 % (Low)	$\star\star\star\star$	*	11		10	S ACTIN
		ghter Performance					198 - Star	Col in	-

Expected Daughter Performance

- Daughter calving diff (% 3&4) 4.2 % 51 % (Average)  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Daughter milk (Kg) 38 % (Low) 🗡 🛧 🛧 🖈 -0.4 Kg  $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Daughter calving interval (d) -2.2 days 31 % (Low)  $\star \star \star \star \star$
- Orbi's first calves are due this Autumn
- Orbi's pedigree is a sire stack of proven high performing, easy calving bulls; Hamel, Calogero & Espagnol
- Bred for calving ease, high growth and good muscle development

-Hamel FR7122096710 Progressive Ataxie: Non-Carrier

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ran GLERA ORAN DOB:08/08/18

Code: CH6310 Pedigree Status:PED

Myostatin: +/+, F94L: 1





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Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)	
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Replacement Index	€98	52% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
****	Terminal Index	€151	55% (Too Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
$\star\star\star\star\star$	DairyBeef Index	<b>-</b> €21	51 % (Average)	<b>★</b> ★★★★	
	Expected Pro	geny Performanc	e		
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 3&4)	9.5%	50% (Average)		
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	5.1%	78% (High)	14 Records	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Gestation Length (days)	4.2 days	50% (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	-0.01 Scale	54 % (Too Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	42.3 Kg	55 % (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	2.00 Scale	47 % (Too Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
	Expected Dau	ghter Performand	e		
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	2.9 %	63 % (High)		
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	-4.3 Kg	48 % (7.6)	$\star \star \star \star \star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-3.4 days	46 % (290)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
Intermediate Champion Christmas Cracker Scan QR Code  for most					



Oran Son, Glera Riano

Maternal sister to Oran, Glera Princess

- 2019
- First calves suggest he follows his sire, LZF, for easy calving

Cavelands Fenian

Progressive Ataxie: Result Pending

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Glera Ikea

 Oldstone Egbert -Maerdy Ela

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Code: **CH2216** Pedigree Status:

Myostatin: Q204x/+





Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Replacement Index	€91	73% (High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	Terminal Index	€164	84% (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	DairyBeef Index	€62	68 % (High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
	Expected Pro	geny Performanc	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 384)	7.8%	73% (High)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 384)	3.9%	96% (V High)	171 Records
*****	Gestation Length (days)	0.7 days	94% (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.07 Scale	86 % (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	42.6 Kg	92 % (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.98 Scale	91 % (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performand	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	2.7 %	68 % (High)	
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	-1.6 Kg	77 % (High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-1.1 days	47 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$

- An exceptional bull to improve growth
- Progeny have massive performance with good muscle development
- Suitable for second calvers





Daughter



First son from VMO Dam, Sebana Moynagh

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VOIMO DOB:15/10/04 Code: **VMO** Pedigree Status:







Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Replacement Index	€123	81% (V High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
*****	Terminal Index	€128	88% (V High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
*****	DairyBeef Index	€21	68 % (371)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Pro	geny Performance	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 3&4)	9.9%	82% (V High)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	3.9%	98% (V High)	384 Records
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Gestation Length (days)	1.8 days	97% (V High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.09 Scale	93 % (V High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	31.6 Kg	96 % (High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.83 Scale	96 % (V High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performanc	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	3.5 %	74 % (Average)	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	5.1 Kg	88 % (7.6)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-1.9 days	58 % (290)	$\star \star \star \star \star$

Voimo has stood the test of time as a very safe Scan QR Code for most recent proof

 Voimo daughters make great cows, correct with excellent calving ability & milk

- Voimo ranks in the top 1% of Charolais for Daughter Milk
- Short gestation sire





Daughter



Voimo

# Meloman

MELOMAN DOB:02/10/2016

Code: CH6115 Pedigree Status: Myostatin: +/+





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Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)	
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Replacement Index	€117	37% (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
****	Terminal Index	€155	42% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
****	DairyBeef Index	€49	34 % (Low)	****	
	Expected Pro	geny Performance	e		
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 384)	10.5%	29% (Low)		
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	5.7%	69% (High)	0 Records	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Gestation Length (days)	1.4 days	32% (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.02 Scale	30 % (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	46.2 Kg	40 % (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.45 Scale	39 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$	
	Expected Dau	ghter Performand	e		
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	4.7 %	51 % (Average)		
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	1.6 Kg	38 % (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-2.4 days	30 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$	
An excellent option for pedigree maidens Scan QR Code  for most					

- An excellent option for pedigree maidens
- Easy calving, good growth and conformation
- Excellent legs and feet





Meloman Son



Meloman Son

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Giono

GIONO DOB:08/01/2011



Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
****	Replacement Index	€98	45% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
<b>*</b> ****	Terminal Index	€108	54% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	DairyBeef Index	-€9	42 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Pro	geny Performance	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 3&4)	13.6%	29% (Low)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	5.6%	81% (V High)	4 Records
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Gestation Length (days)	2.4 days	32% (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.04 Scale	31 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	32.5 Kg	60 % (High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
<b>*</b> ****	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.26 Scale	59 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performanc	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	4.4 %	51 % (Average)	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	2.9 Kg	57 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-2.5 days	30 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$

- Giono transmits exceptional growth and shape Scan QR Code for most recent proof
- A high muscle bull free of myostatin!
- Heavily used bull in France





Giono Son





# Merlin P

MERLIN P DOB:03/11/2016 Code: **CH6121** Pedigree Status:





Myostatin: Q204x/+

Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
****	Replacement Index	€100	37% (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Terminal Index	€142	43% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	DairyBeef Index	€73	35 % (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
	Expected Prog	geny Performance	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 3&4)	11.5%	29% (Low)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	7.1%	79% (High)	0 Records
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Gestation Length (days)	2.8 days	32% (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.05 Scale	30 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	42.8 Kg	39 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.65 Scale	39 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performanc	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	3.6 %	48 % (Average)	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	1.4 Kg	38 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-2.2 days	30 % (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star$

- An excellent quality heterozygous polled bull
- Average calving, suitable for 2nd calvers
- Start your polled programme without compromising on quality

Liceberg Pp Feerie Forgeot P Flamme P Robustin Buvette Scan QR Code

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Son

Progressive Ataxie: Non-Carrier





Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Sep '21 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Replacement Index	€91	58% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	Terminal Index	€148	90% (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	DairyBeef Index	€85	85% (V High)	****
	Expected Pro	geny Performance	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 3&4)	7.9%	85% (V High)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	4.6%	99% (V High)	2733 Records
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Gestation Length (days)	2.2 days	99% (V High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.06 Scale	98 % (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	38.6 Kg	95 % (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	2.16 Scale	93 % (V High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performanc	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	5.5 %	50 % (Average)	
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	0.1 Kg	40 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	0.5 days	41 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$

- Lapon has the dream rare combination of calving ease and super quality
- A complete bull, weight, shape, correctness and docility
- Outcross pedigree
- Easy calving CH, suitable for pedigree maidens

-Howard Douce

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Eperany EPERNAY Code: CH6130 DOB:13/09/2009 Pedigree Status:

Myostatin: Q204x/+





Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
$\star\star\star\star\star$	Replacement Index	€123	46% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	Terminal Index	€159	56% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	DairyBeef Index	€62	43 % (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
	Expected Pro	geny Performance	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 384)	15.2%	29% (Low)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 3&4)	6.0%	83% (V High)	5 Records
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Gestation Length (days)	2.1 days	51% (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.02 Scale	31 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	49.7 Kg	61 % (High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.68 Scale	60 % (High)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performanc	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	2.9 %	56 % (Average)	
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	4.4 Kg	60 % (High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-1.9 days	31 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$

- Epernay is a high performance bull from France
- Progeny have super performance, weight & shape
- He transmits excellent legs & feet
- Use on cows only, will improve skeletal development

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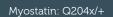
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Progressive Ataxie: Carrier, One Copy

# Hamel

HAMEL DOB:28/10/2012 Code: CH6298 Pedigree Status:







Star Rating (Within Breed)	Index ICBF, Oct '20 Genotype Incl.	€ Value	Rel	Star Rating (Across Breed)
****	Replacement Index	€113	46% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	Terminal Index	€181	55% (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
****	DairyBeef Index	€45	44 % (Average)	$\star\star\star\star\star$
	Expected Pro	geny Performance	e	
Calving	Beef Heifers (% 384)	10.8%	31% (Low)	
Difficulty	Beef Cows (% 384)	5.5%	76% (High)	0 Records
*****	Gestation Length (days)	1.9 days	33% (Low)	$\star\star\star\star\star\star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Docility (Scale)	0.05 Scale	31 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Weight (Kg)	55.2 Kg	63 % (High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Carcass Conf. (Scale 1-15)	1.77 Scale	62 % (High)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
	Expected Dau	ghter Performanc	e	
	Daughter calving diff (% 3&4)	3.1 %	58 % (Average)	
$\star\star\star\star\star\star$	Daughter milk (Kg)	-0.3 Kg	56 % (Average)	$\star \star \star \star \star$
$\star \star \star \star \star$	Daughter calving interval (d)	-2.5 days	31 % (Low)	$\star \star \star \star \star$

- Hamel is a very complete bull, good on growth, Scan QR Code shape, temperament and milk
- Easy calving CH, suitable for 2nd calvers
- Top 1% of the CH breed on Terminal Index





Hamel son, Orbi CH6490



Hamel Son

### **Myostatin Gene**

Myostatin Variants "Double Muscle", reduced fat Possibly Harder Calvings,

**Disruptive Variants** 

nt821, Q204X, C313Y,

E226X, E291X, NT419

Non-Disruptive Variants Identified as +/+ F94L, S105C, D182N

F941.

Common in Limousin

More Muscle, No

adverse effect on

Calving

The Myostatin (MH) gene is a recessive gene found in all mammals & influences the production of a protein that controls muscle development. Natural mutations cause a deletion in the bovine myostatin so the muscles keep growing, resulting in the double-muscled phenotype.

#### **Effects Of Myostatin**

The carcases of double-muscled cattle kill out up to 19% higher than cattle that don't exhibit double muscling. This is due to a combination of increased muscle mass, reduced body fat, reduced bone mass & smaller internal organs. When muscle weight gain per unit energy intake is taken in to account, double-muscled cattle have better feed efficiency. Meat from double-muscled cattle tends to be of better quality due to a combination of increased tenderness, reduced fat content & a higher proportion of polyunsaturated fats.

The presence of Myostatin mutations has a beneficial effect on the carcass traits. However, difficulties may occur when carriers of the six disruptive MH variants are mated to each other leading to the potential for calving difficulty as a result of increased birth weight/compromised calving ability. This however can be avoided through knowledge of the status of both the male & the female in the mating.

#### Variants

Variant F94L, sometimes called 'the profit gene' has a high frequency in Limousin cattle; many have two copies i.e. are homozygous. This variant has been found to increase the size of muscle fibres with no associated increase in calving difficulty, or lowered fertility or longevity (non-disruptive).

Variant nt821 is commonly found in the Belgian Blue & Parthenaise breeds with lower frequency occurring in the Limousin, Shorthorn & Angus breeds. Homozygous animals exhibit: greater loin depths, large rounded rump & thighs, reduced fat cover & greater meat tenderness. However, unlike F94L, homozygous animals may also have slightly heavier birth weights & compromised calving ability in the females. Heterozygous animals (nt821/+) exhibit the above characteristics albeit to a lesser extent.

Variant Q204X is commonly found in the Charolais breed & with lower frequency in the Limousin breed. Homozygous animals exhibit: greater loin depths, large rounded rump & thighs, reduced fat cover & greater meat tenderness. However, they may also have heavier birth weights & slightly reduced milking ability & calving ability in females. Heterozygous animals (Q204X/+) exhibit the above characteristics albeit to a lesser extent.

#### Recommendations

Genotype all of your females. The myostatin status can be ascertained by Weatherbys once the genotype has been done. If you want a MH-free herd (+/+), eliminate the carrier breeding females & use non-carrier sires only.

If you want to reap the improved carcass benefits of MH+ animals whilst limiting the negative aspects, then work with heterozygous animals e.g. (nt821/+), (Q204X/+). Do not mate heterozygous males with heterozygous females. Mate noncarrier females with heterozygous/homozygous bulls. Continue to genotype both breeding females & males to establish the MH status pre-breeding. In addition, assess calving ability of the female using visual assessment & the daughter calving index.

Moticeable effects muscling may result in increased birth weights & reduced calving ability of females.

A Myostatin genotype is a further item of information that will help you achieve your breeding goals, when used in conjunction with the index, knowledge of the pedigree & visual assessment.

**The status of our sires is available in the catalogue** & online. In line with our policy of providing all of the information we have available on our sires, we have printed the Myostatin status of all of our bulls in our beef catalogues for the past year.

The status of your females can be ascertained through genotyping. Knowing the status of both parents helps you, the breeder, to tailor the desired outcome of a mating to your preference.

### Help your AI technician, do the job for you!

Q204X

Most common in Charolais

Higher Muscle, less fat

Heavier birth weight &

lower calving ability/Milk

#### **Proper Restraint**

Proper placement of the semen is one of the main factors influencing success rate. Placememt is a very specific procedure, it is crucial that the cow is properly restrained to maximise success. Proper restraint means that side to side, forward & backward movement are minimized. Concentration is required for precision, please avoid speaking with the technician as the insemination is being carried out.

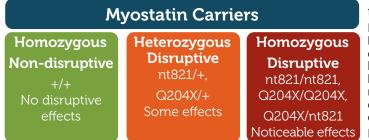
#### Safety

To ensure adequate restraint & the comfort & safety of man & beast, the crush should have a non-slip floor.

Avoid penning a suckler cow/heifer on her own for AI as she may become stressed & difficult to handle & inseminate.

#### Timing Of Al

The best time to inseminate a cow is when she is in standing heat  $\mathcal{E}$  up to twelve hours later. If it is longer than twelve hours after the end of standing heat the results from A.I. will be reduced.



nt821

Most common in Belgian

Blue & Parthenaise

Higher Muscle, less fat

Slightly heavier birth weight & lower calving

ability

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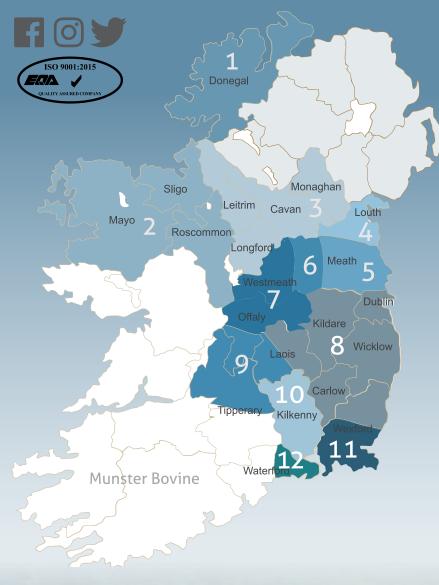


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