



LABOUR EFFICIENCY

The future belongs to larger farms... Don't be so sure!

Does the search for productivity gains inevitably lead to an increase in the size of farms? Here is what René Roy, an agroeconomist at Lactanet, said in his most recent post.

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FORAGES

Everything You Need to Know About Corn Silage Fungicides

With the planting of silage corn delayed this year due to a late spring, many producers are asking: should I apply fungicides? The following information can help you make a decision which is both informed and economically sound.

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ROBOTIC MILKING

Is heat stress different with robot milking systems?

On farms with robot milkers, the cows decide how many times a day they are milked by the robot. Like other stresses, (environmental, herd management or herd health) heat stress is likely to be more detrimental to herds with milking robots. Luckily,



ORGANIC DAIRY PRODUCTION

Demystifying the transition to organic milk production

What are the first steps in a transfer to certified organic milk production?

Learn more about the recommendations of our organic dairy expert, François Labelle, in his most recent article published in the July

you have access to more data that can help you detect the negative effects of heat stress earlier.

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GENETICS

When do your cows pay back their debt?

In April 2019, Canada's profit-based selection index, Pro\$, was updated to reflect current economic values and consider additional expenses and traits. Pro\$ is a tool to maximize genetic response for daughter lifetime profitability and is based on actual cow cumulative profit to six years of age or disposal. By adopting lifetime profitability as its definition, value is placed on longevity and a cow's ability to successfully survive multiple cycles of reproduction and production. However, there are additional metrics that can be explored when examining cow or herd economics, including the age at which a cow has generated sufficient revenue to pay back the debt accumulated due to the costs associated with her rearing. This point in a cow's lifetime can be referred to as her "breakeven age".

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Events not to be missed!

Hay Day organized by the CQPF - Pastures in 2019

September 11th, 2019 - Macdonald Campus Farm of McGill University located in Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue

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Symposium sur les bovins laitiers 2019 (in French)

October 29th, 2019 - Centrexpo Cogeco in Drummondville

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