FACTS ON APPLIED SIRE-EVALUATION PROCEDURES FOR DAIRY PRODUCTION TRAITS

COUNTRY	GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
Breed(s)	Black and White (SMR)
Traits evaluated and units of measurement	Milk, fat and protein yield (kg), fat $\%$, protein $\%$
Number of lactations	1
Genetic parameters applied	$h^2=0.25$ for yields, $h^2=0.35$ for %
Inclusion and extension of records	Age of calving 26-36 months All lactations 100-240 days extended to 305 days
Sire categories evaluated	All sires
Effects considered	
by preadjustments	Ageat calving, stage of pregnancy, effects of crossbreed
by model of evaluation	Herd-year-season, sire
Base for age adjustment	-
Use of genetic groups/ relationships/pedigree	-
Method of evaluation used	MCC
Expression of genetic merit	PD (kg, %)
Genetic base, kind/definition	Rolling, average 1:st lactations of all daughters of all bulls tested last year
Minimum requirements for official publication of sire proofs	40 eff. daughters
Use of selection index or total merit index	Total merit index for milk, fat and protein yield, fat %, protein %, milkability and udder condition
Name and address of organiza- tion responsible for sire evaluations and publishing of results	VVB Tierzucht 1551 Paretz DDR
Key references on methodology applied	Standard TGL 20834/01 - Testing of Performand and Breeding Value-Testing of breeding value AI-bulls of dual-purpose cattle

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Number of bulls tested, means and standard deviation of proofs by year			

		Predicted differences									
Year of		Milk	kg	Fat k	(g	Prot	. kg	Fat %		Prot.	%
first proof	No. of bulls	X	S.D.	-	S.D.	x	S.D.	x	S.D.	x	S.D.
1979 80 81 82 83 84	528 523 561 572 507 505	80 98 106 124 141 143	200 194 189 184 169 166	16 17 18 18 19	7.4 7.4 7.2 7.1 6.7 6.3	9 10 11 10 11	6.1 5.5 5.2 5.0 5.1 4.8	0.37 0.38 0.39 0.39 0.39 0.40	0.15 0.14 0.12 0.12 0.13 0.13	0.18 0.18 0.19 0.19 0.18 0.18	0.07 0.07 0.06 0.07 0.05 0.06

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Average phenotypic levels of (adjusted) production records included in the sire evaluation procedures

Year of production	Traits - 1st lactation							
	Milk kg	Fat kg	Prot. kg	Fat %	Prot. %			
1979 80 81 82 83 84	3514 3575 3643 3635 3578 3892	145 147 149 147 144 157	119 123 124 121 117 130	4.13 4.10 4.08 4.05 4.02 4.04	3.38 3.44 3.41 3.32 3.27 3.33			