FACTS ON SIRE EVALUATION PROCEDURES APPLIED FOR GROWTH AND BEEF PRODUCTION TRAITS

	GROWIN AND BEET TRODUCTION	
COUNTRY: SLOVENIA		
Breed(s):	Simmental, Brown breed	
Trait definition and unit(s) of measurement	Daily gain (g) Net daily gain (g)	
Type of evaluation	Performance and progeny test (Daily gain); Progeny test (Net daily gain)	
Time period for data inclusion		
Animal groups considered	Age from 165 to 365 days (Performance); Weight from 50-120 kg to 500-600 kg (Progeny test)	
Genetic parameters assumed	h ² : 0.30 (progeny test) h ² : 0.34 (performance)	
Sire categories evaluated	Only AI	
Environmental effects considered by pre-adjustment	Rolling average gain in the last 3 months (Performance)	
by evaluation model	Season (progeny test)	
Base for age adjustment	-	
Use of genetic groups and/or relationship	No	
Method of evaluation	Combined index from individual test of bull and from his paternal half-sibs in the same station (Performance); CC (Progeny test)	
Expression of proof	EBV and RBV standardized to mean=100, SD=12	
Genetic (reference) base	Average daily gain in station and year	
Criteria for official publication of sire proofs	Eight sons (progeny test)	
Number of evaluations/ publications per year	One	
Use of total merit index	Yes	
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Key references on methodology applied	Pogačar, J. 1989. Sire evaluation in Slovenia.	