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Evolving in to the Era of the Genome

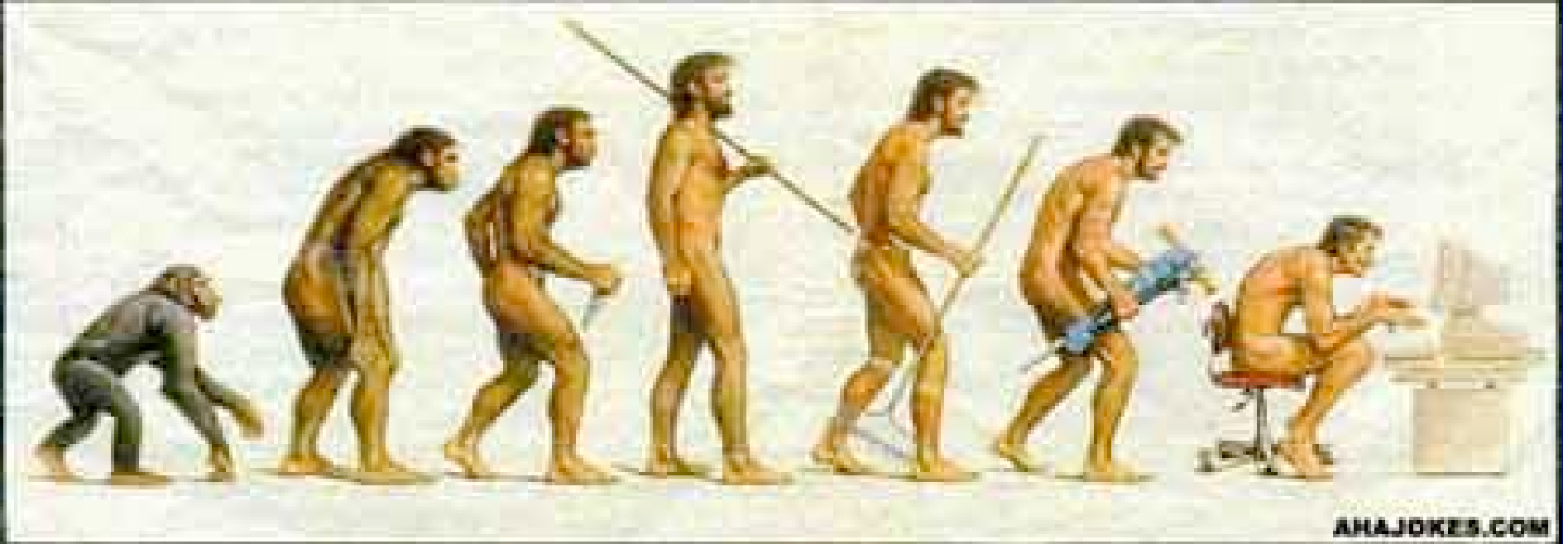


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*Late 1950s-
Early 1960s*

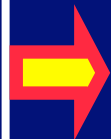




Quantitative Genetics— Reduced Animal Model



Phenotypic
data



“Breeding
Value”
for
unknown
polygenes



EPDs
Within
Breeds

Unknown
genes



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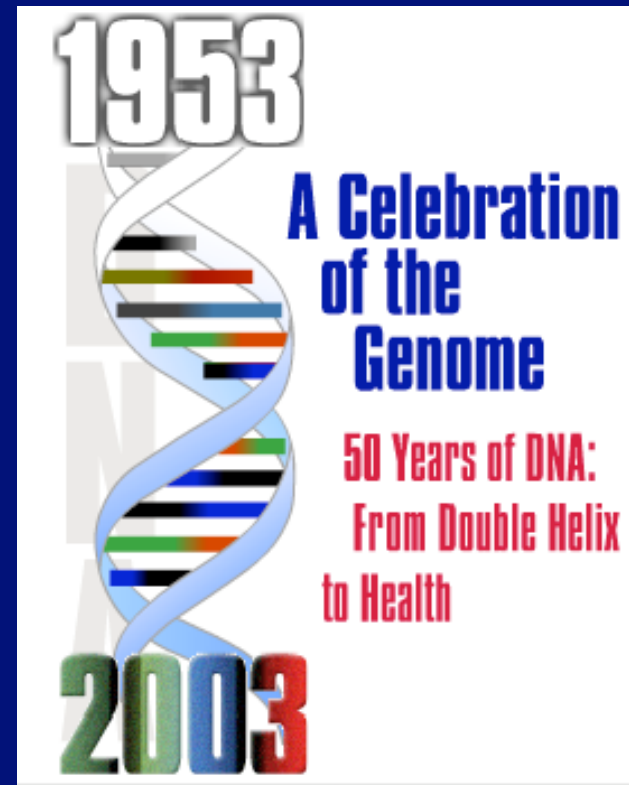
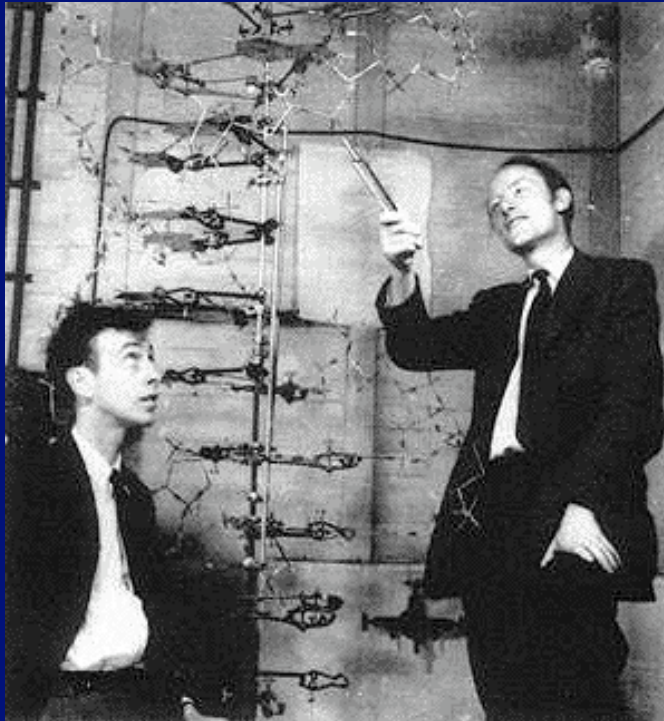
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Expected progeny difference (EPD) and \$Value averages, standard deviations (SD) and minimum/maximum.

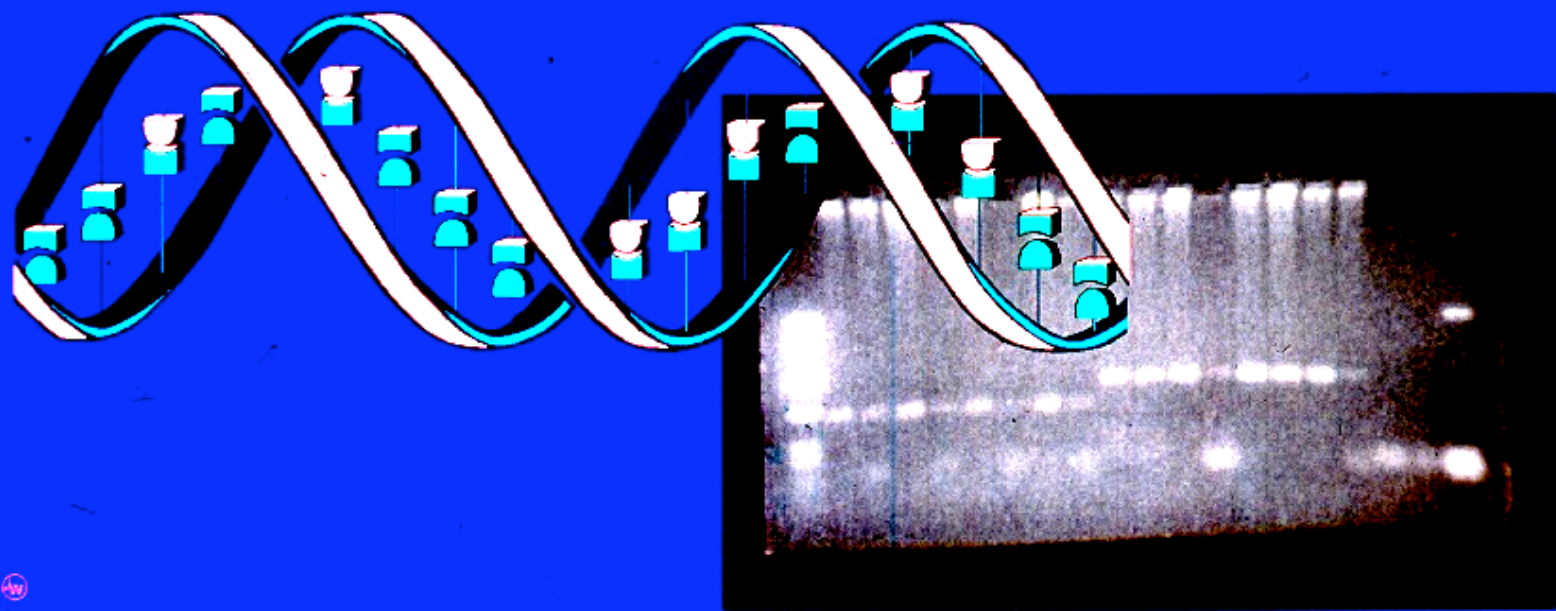
Trait	No. EPD	No. records	Avg.	SD	Min	Max
Birth weight, lb.	4,501,628	3,604,414	1.9	2.1	-10.2	13.7
Weaning direct, lb.	5,208,022	4,245,870	17	17	-60	80
Weaning maternal(milk), lb.	5,208,022		8	9	-38	44
Yearling weight, lb.	5,208,022	2,107,425	31	31	-80	138
Yearling height, in.	631,736	344,082	.3	.4	-1.9	2.5
Mature weight, lb.	2,477	21,165	4	29	-120	154
Mature height, in.	2,477	21,165	.7	.7	-2.3	3.9
Scrotal circumference, cm	574,081	282,021	.10	.43	-3.69	3.18
Carcass weight, lb.	5,767	76,109	2	9	-43	53
Marbling score	5,767	76,109	.07	.16	-.65	.99
Ribeye area, sq. in.	5,767	76,109	.07	.17	-.75	.87
12th-rib fat thickness, in.	5,767	76,109	.000	.019	-.111	.096
% retail product	5,767	76,109	.05	.31	-1.25	1.47
Ultrasound intramuscular fat, %	730,617	381,882	.00	.13	-.70	1.08
Ultrasound ribeye area, sq. in.	730,617	387,311	.03	.20	-1.05	1.29
Ultrasound fat thickness, in.	730,617	389,251	.000	.014	-.097	.112
Ultrasound % retail product	730,617	389,251	.03	.24	-1.43	1.40
Current Sires¹	No. Indexes					
Feedlot Value (\$F), \$ per head	21,041		12.79	11.98	-56.36	74.50
Grid Value (\$G), \$ per head	18,162		12.21	6.14	-25.85	42.58
Beef Value (\$B), \$ per head	18,162		24.39	10.70	-49.48	62.75



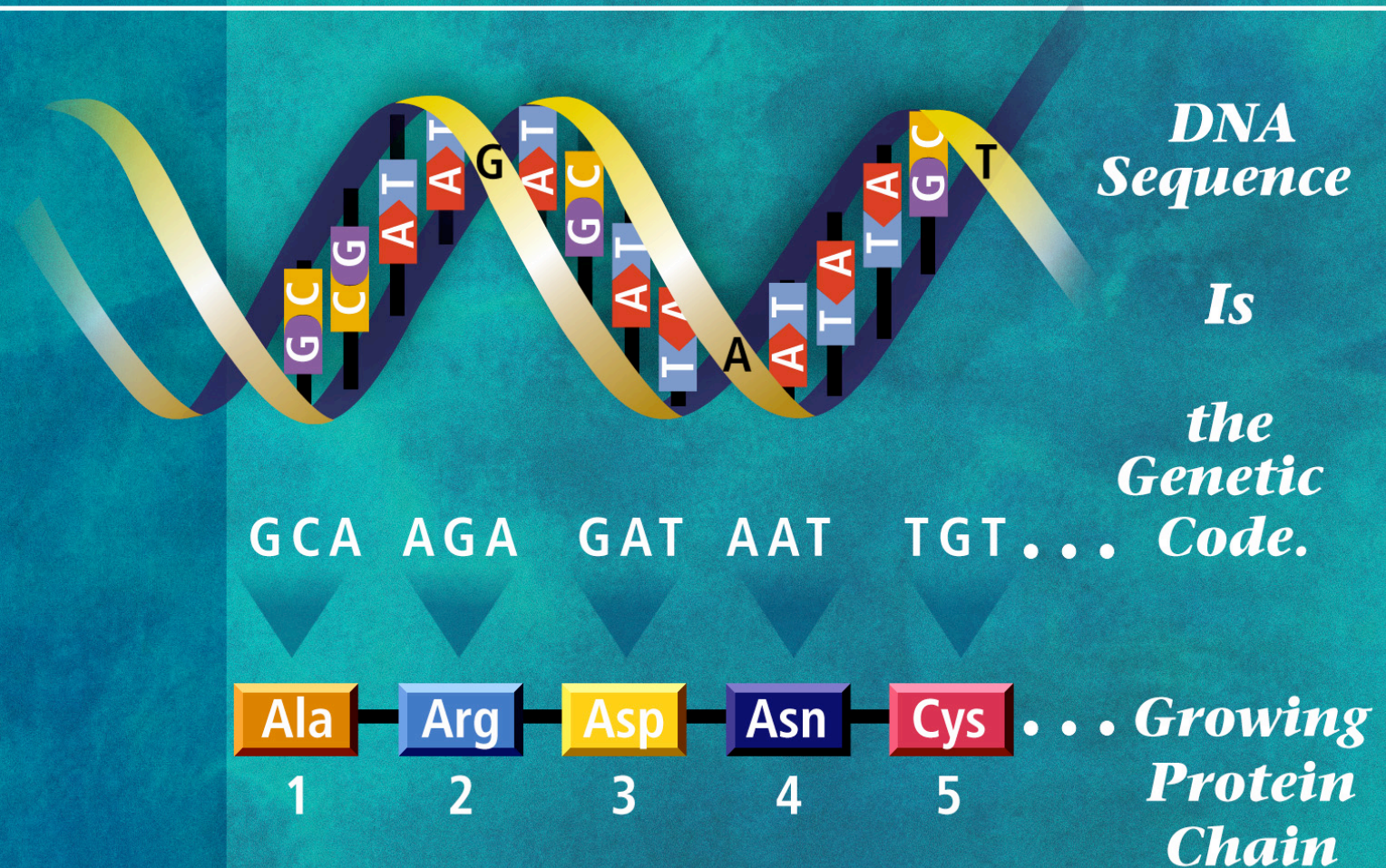
50th anniversary of DNA structure



DNA Technology for Livestock

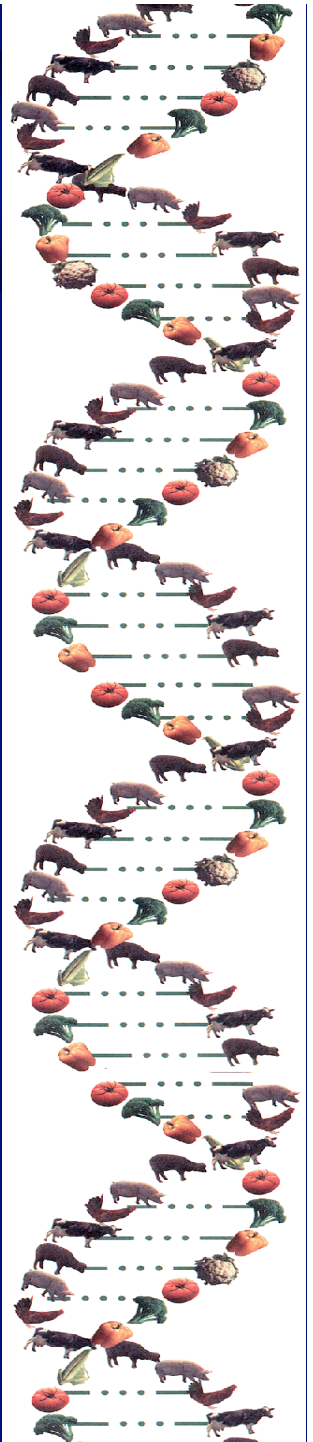


DNA Genetic Code Dictates Amino Acid Identity and Order



A Mammalian Genome

- ! 3 billion base pairs (A, G, C, and T)
- ! Every cell has two copies (alleles) of each chromosome
- ! Estimated 30,000 to 40,000 genes (two copies or alleles of each gene)
- ! Maybe 400,000 proteins produced



Genomics

- **Structural**
 - The construction of high-resolution genetic, physical, and transcript maps of an organism
 - Highest resolution physical map of an organism is its complete DNA sequence
- **Functional**
 - Global (genome-wide) approaches to analyze gene function and expression



Genomics Research

- ! Develop road maps of each chromosome (genetic linkage maps)**
- ! Utilize linkage maps to identify chromosomal regions**
- ! ‘Fine map’ the region to identify the gene**

Genomics Research

! Cattle linkage map

! First goal 300 markers

! Today > 9000 markers

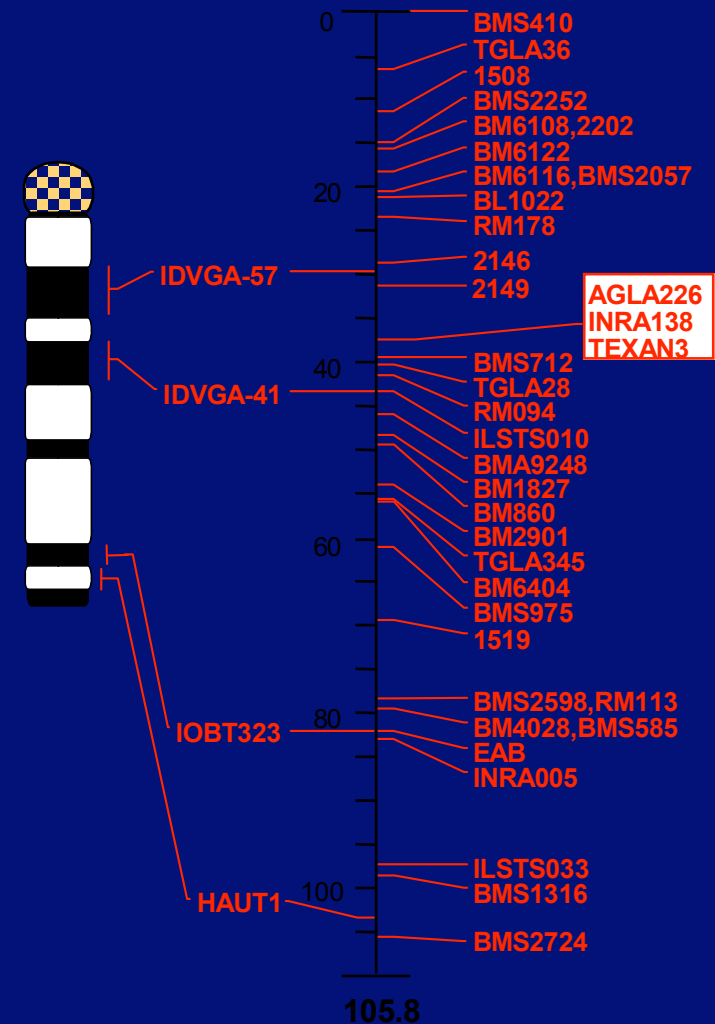
! Pig linkage map

! >5000 markers

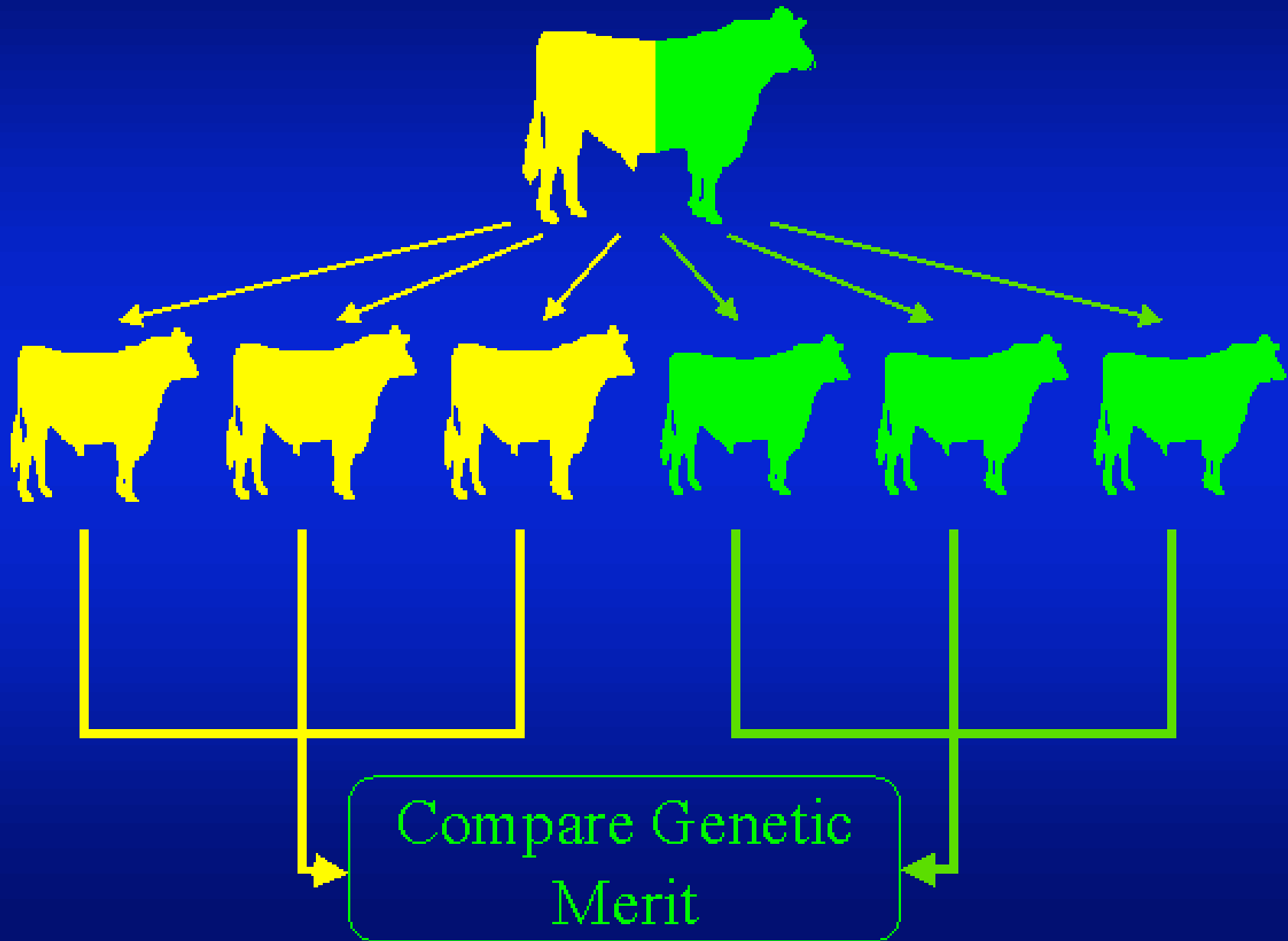
! Sheep linkage map

! > 1200 markers, ~50% bovine markers work

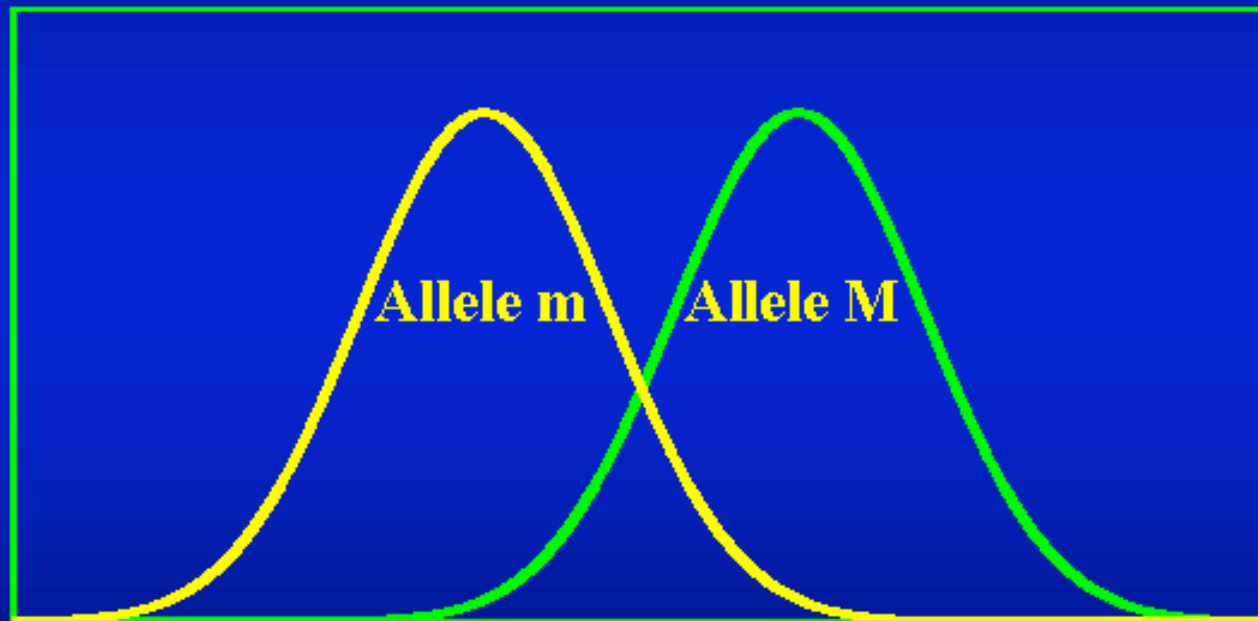
Cattle Chromosome 12



Marker Association



Marker Association



Genetic Merit

Family from sire 921690 (PA)



X



PA

X



n= 209

Traits Measured

Growth traits:

- Birth weight (kg)
- Weaning weight (kg)
- Yearling weight (kg)
- Postweaning average daily gain (kg/d)

Predicted carcass traits:

- Retail product yield (%)
- Fat yield (%)
- Bone yield (%)
- Dressing percent (%)

Measured carcass traits:

- Hot carcass weight (kg)
- Fat depth (cm)
- Marbling score
- Longissimus muscle area (cm²)
- USDA yield grade
- Est. kidney, pelvic, & heart fat (%)
- Rib bone
- Ribfat
- Ribmus
- Warner-Bratzler shear force
2 or 3 d postmortem (kg)
- Warner-Bratzler shear force
14 d postmortem (kg)

GENOME SCAN RESULTS IN ALL RESOURCE FAMILIES



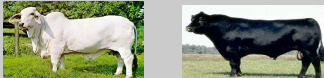
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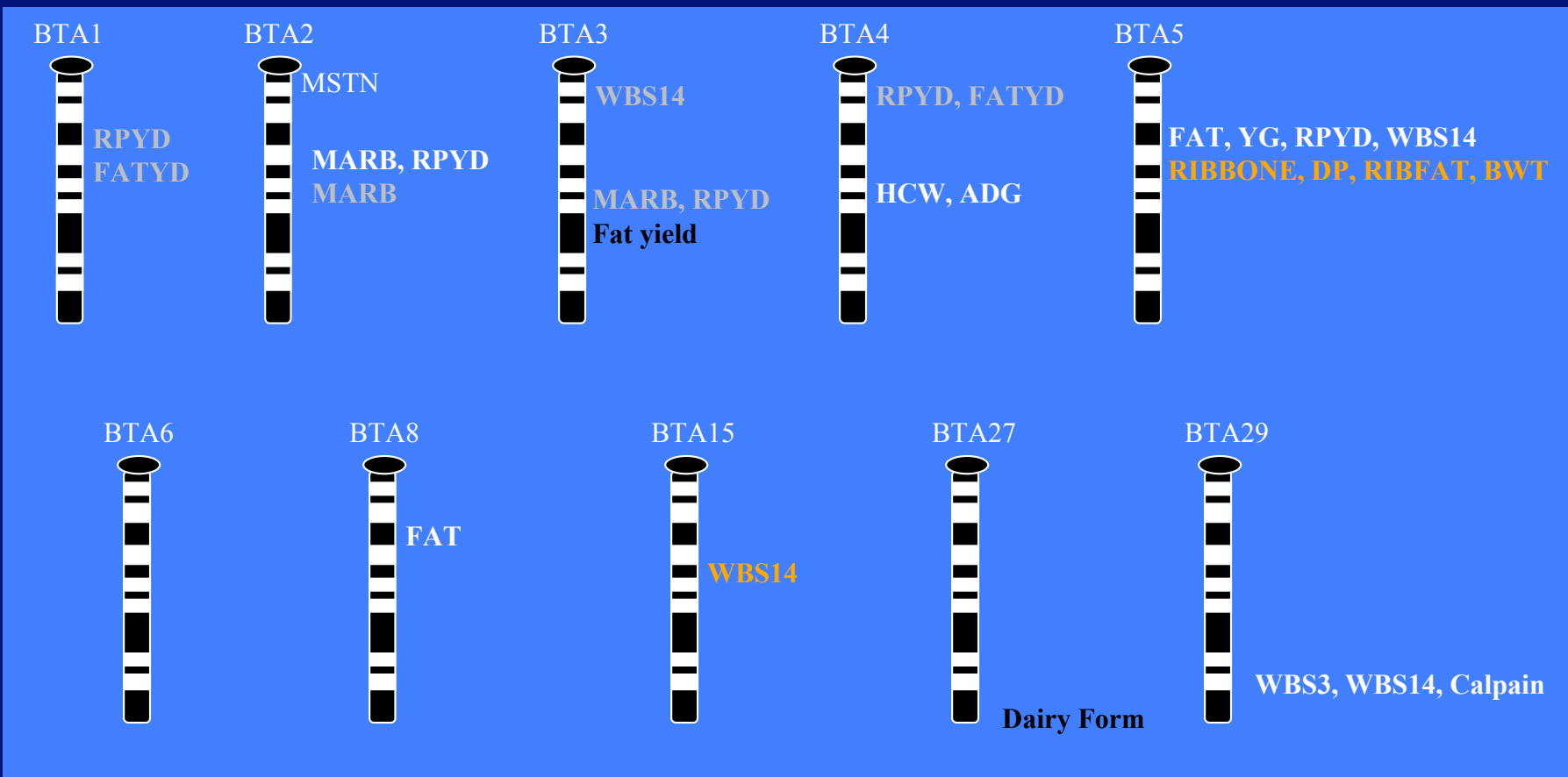
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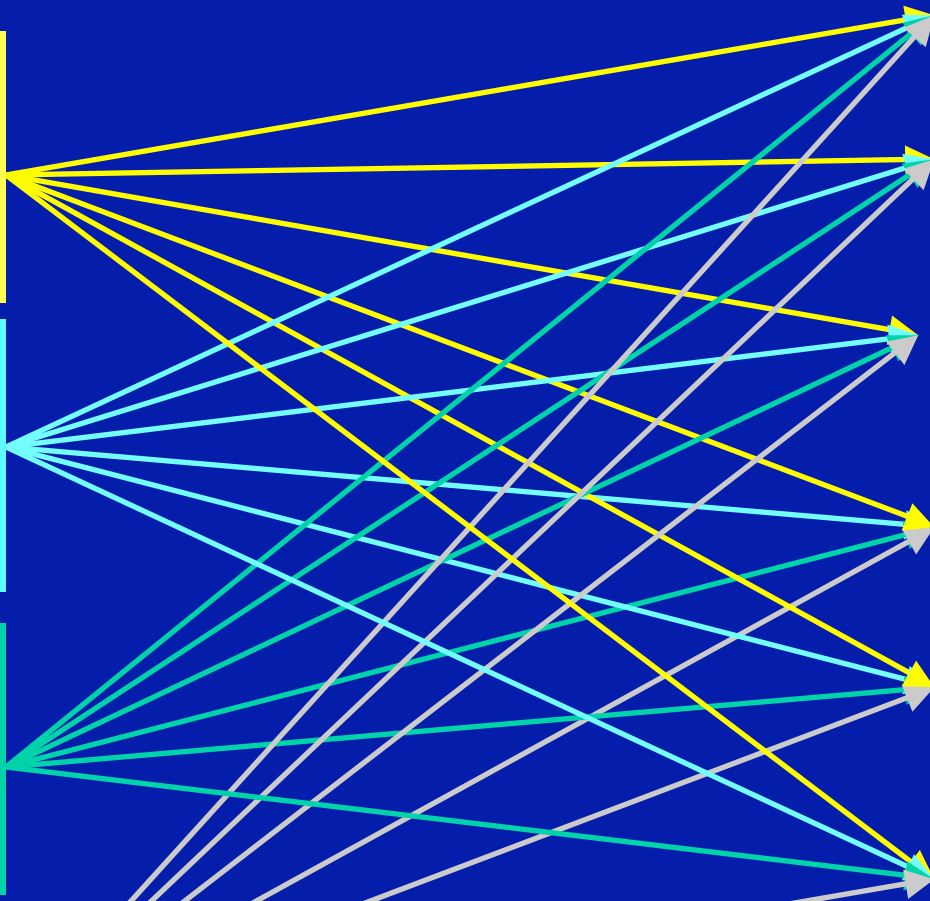


Bonzo



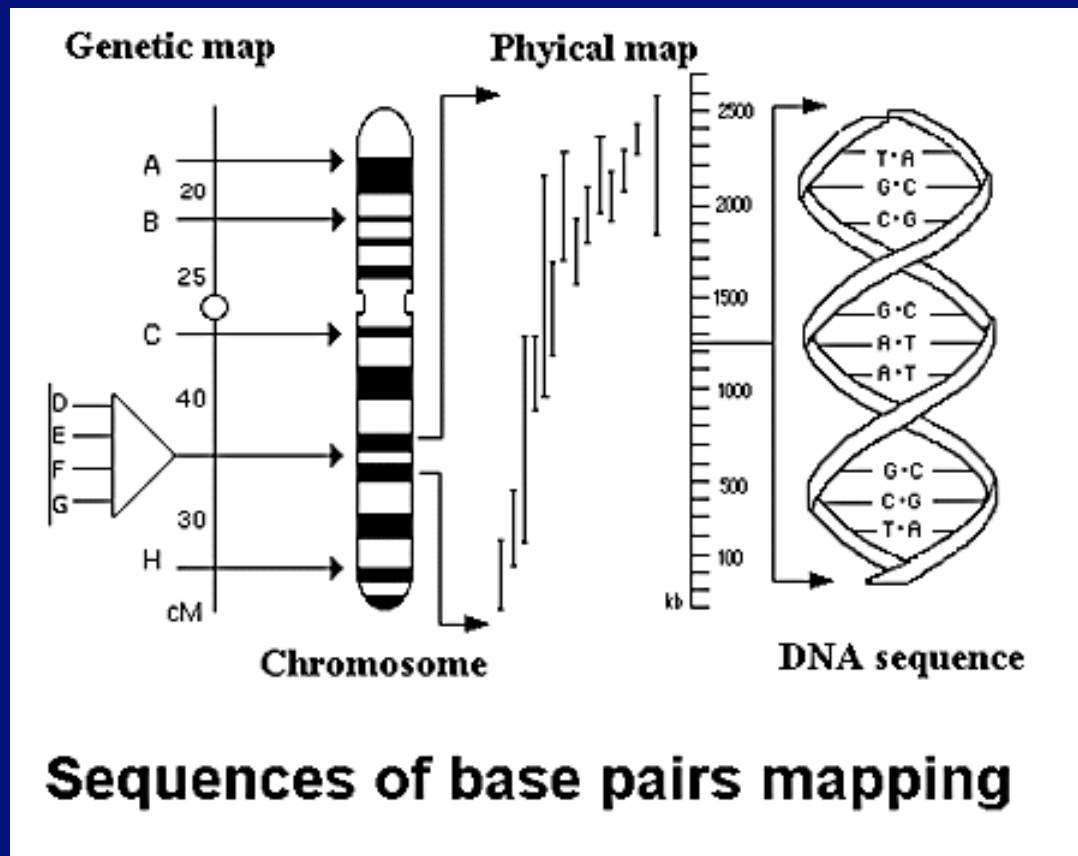
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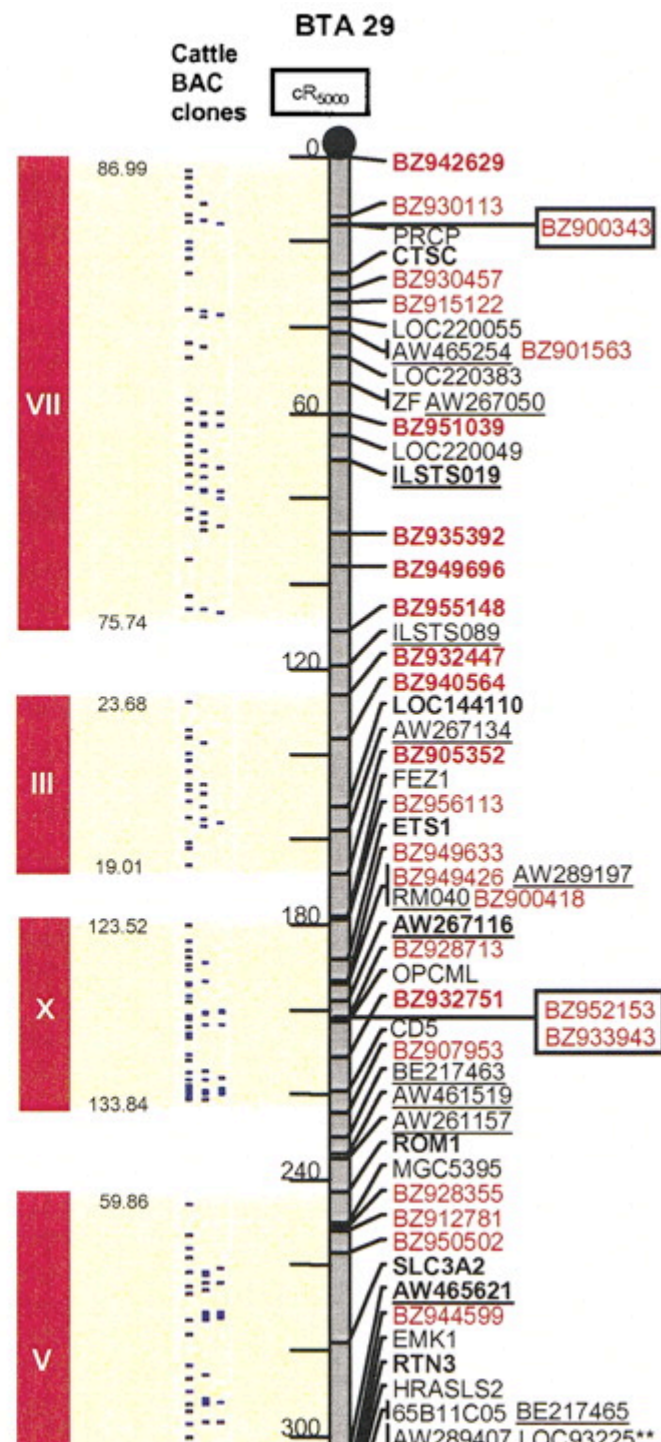
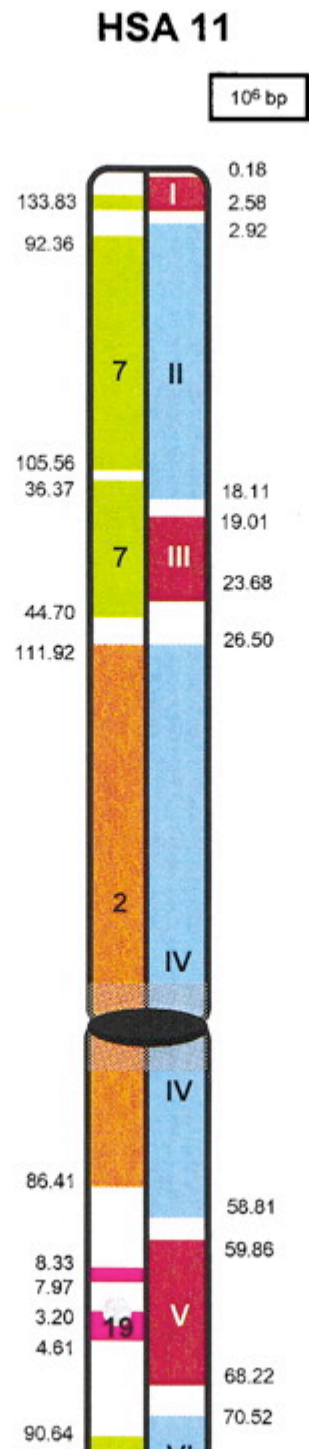
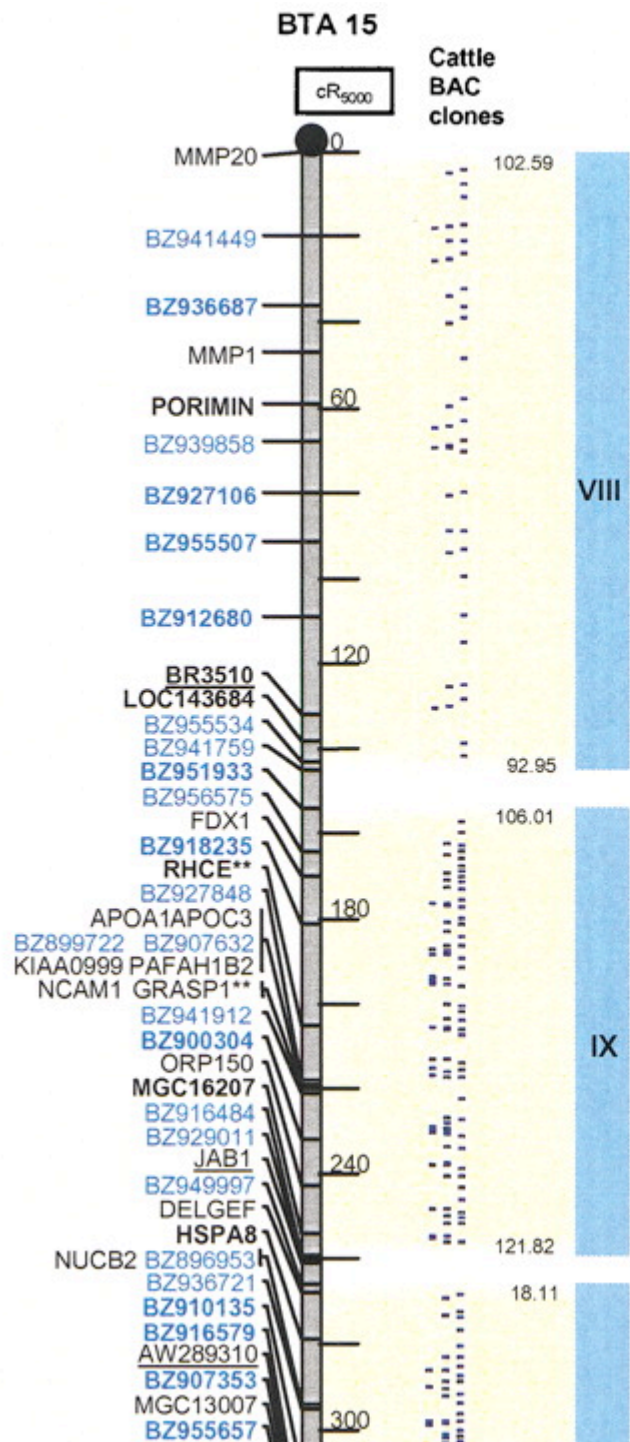
**Characterization of QTL variation
in resource populations**

Mapping a trait to a gene

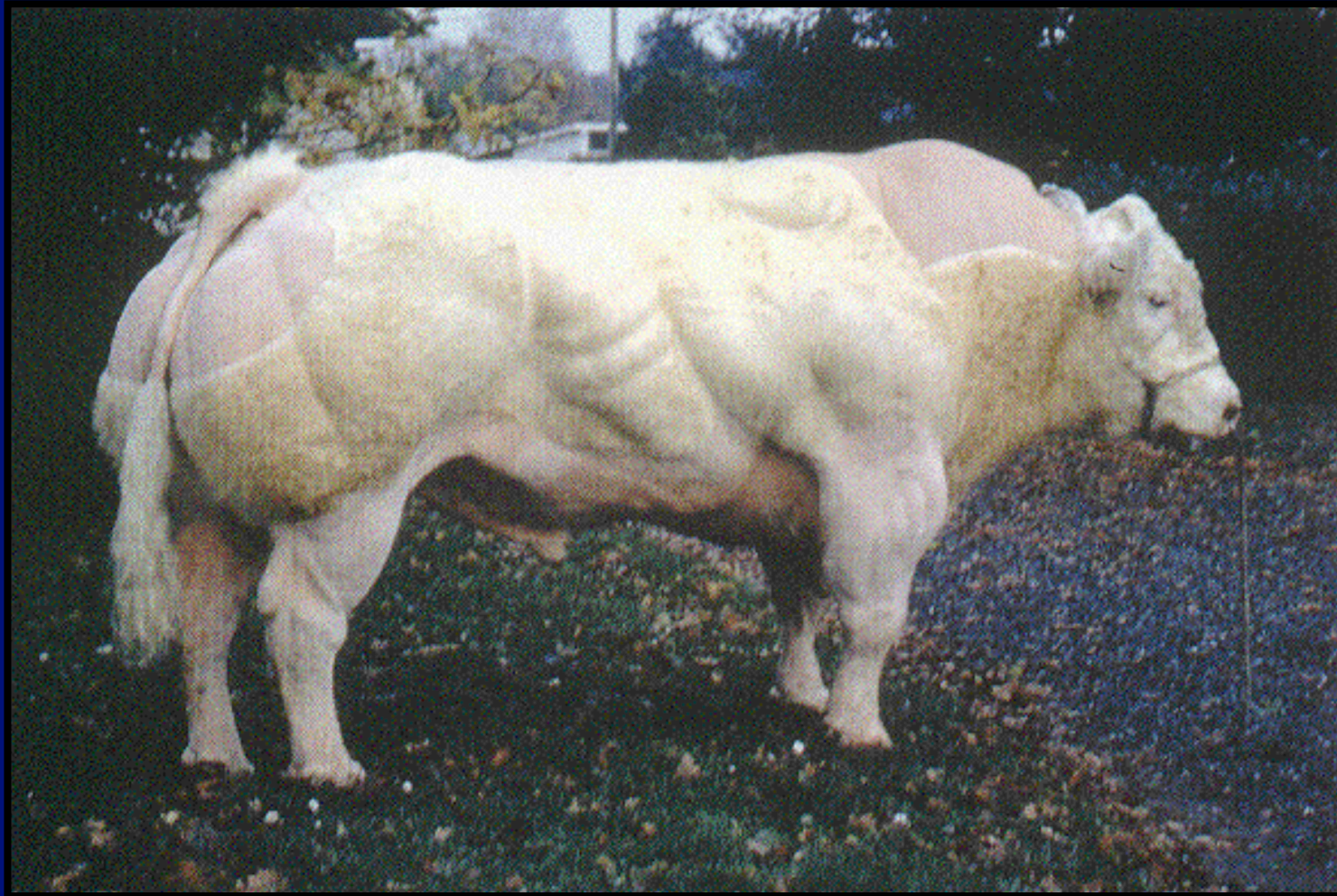


Fine Mapping

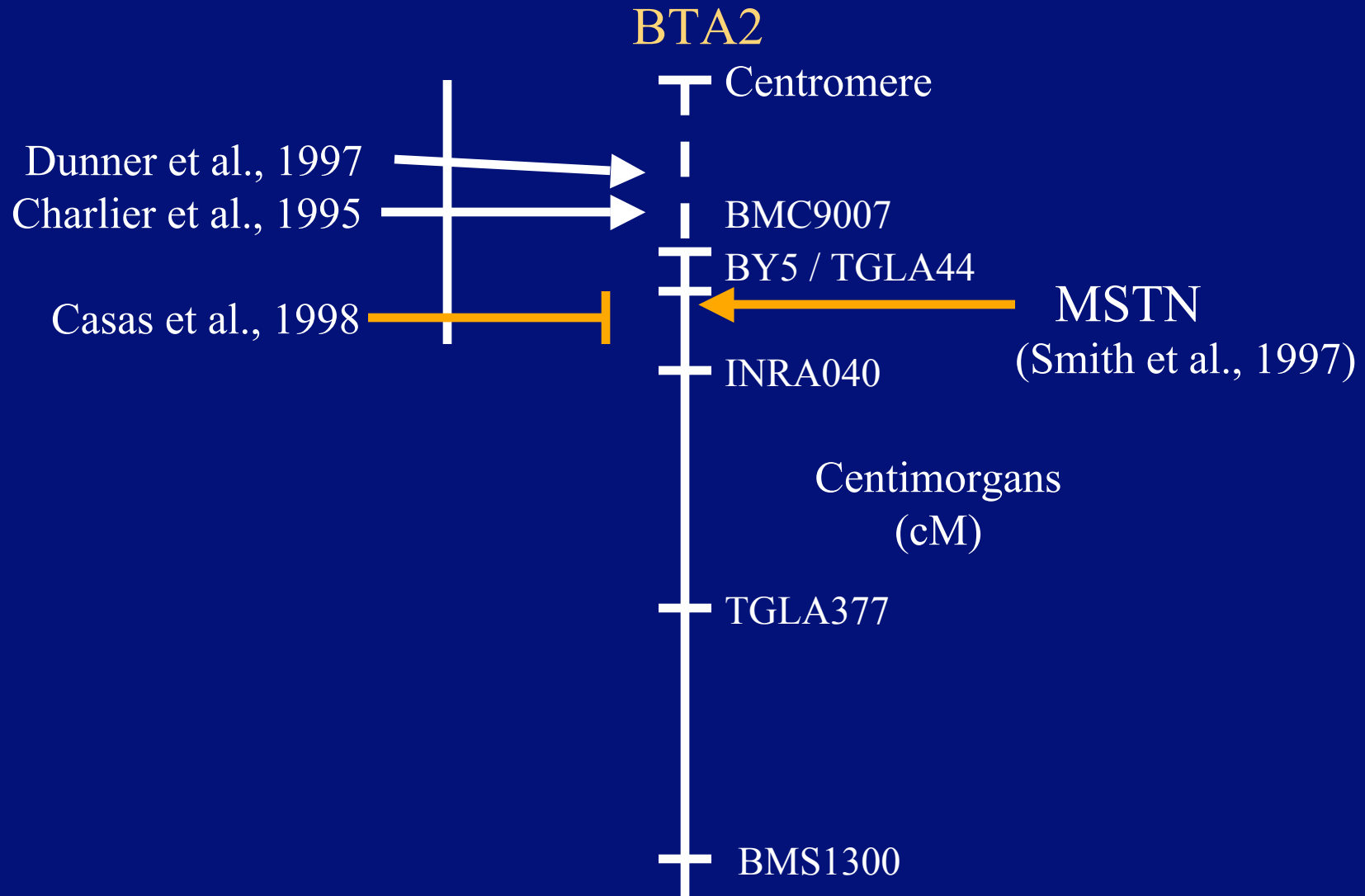
- ! Use additional DNA markers and animals to refine the location of the QTL (gene)**
- ! Use human and mouse mapping information (Comparative Mapping)**



Fine Mapping Double Muscling



Myostatin (MSTN) location on BTA2



Piedmontese Myostatin Allele

C313Y



	Tyr	Cys	Ser	Gly	Glu	Tyr	Glu	Phe	Val
Piedmontese	tac	tgc	tct	gga	gaa	t A t	gaa	ttt	gta
Normal	tac	tgc	tct	gga	gaa	t G t	gaa	ttt	gta
	Try	Cys	Ser	Gly	Glu	Cys	Glu	Phe	Val



Amino acid 313



MATERIALS AND METHODS

Selection and testing of progeny

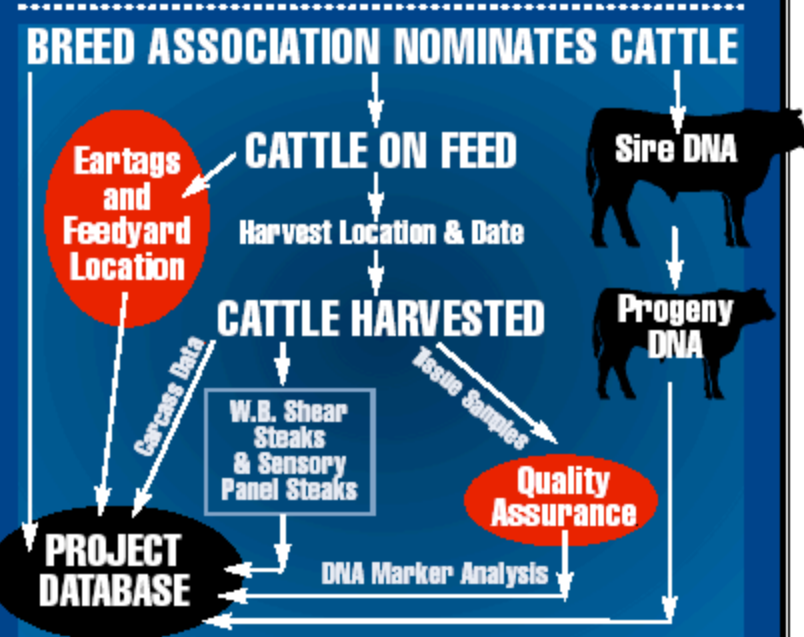
Thirteen breed associations (representing 14 breeds) provided over 8,500 progeny of the most widely used sires within their respective breeds, primarily from commercial cowherds, for this research. The final analysis excluded data from 883 progeny because of incorrect animal or carcass identification. One or more reference sires of each breed were used in each test herd to tie contemporary groups together within breeds. The number of progeny included in the study from each breed was dependent on registration numbers, where breeds with larger numbers of animals registered had a greater number of progeny. Each breed association coordinated the following aspects of the study for its respective breed:

1. *Sire selection*
2. *Progeny testing*

FIGURE 1:
CARCASS MERIT PROJECT OVERVIEW,
AND PARTICIPATING BEEF BREEDS.

Note: All U.S. beef breed associations were invited to participate.

ANGUS
BRAHMAN
BRANGUS
CHAROLAIS
GELBVIEH
HEREFORD
LIMOUSIN
MAINE-ANJOU
RED ANGUS
SALERS
SHORTHORN
SIMMENTAL
SIMBRAH
SOUTH DEVON



segregation, project guidelines specified first, that each breed designate 10 bulls as DNA sires and secondly, that each DNA sire have 50 progeny

discovers additional carcass merit QTL. Project managers advised breed associations to collect additional blood samples to keep on file for their

TABLE 2SIGNIFICANCE LEVELS OF QTL EFFECTS FROM MULTIPLE TRAIT HYPOTHESIS TESTS.^a

Trait	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11
Shear Force	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.32	0.25	0.008	0.5	0.040	0.16	0.49	0.5
Overall Tnd	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.37	0.44	0.001	0.5	0.030	0.49	0.004	0.5
Fat Thickness	0.1	0.5	0.48	0.043	0.030	0.12	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.34	0.33
Marbling	0.15	0.4	0.44	0.31	0.32	0.11	0.12	0.5	0.06	0.37	0.002
Ribeye Area	0.5	0.5	0.18	0.44	0.32	0.011	0.008	0.037	0.5	0.5	0.5
Hot Carc Wt	0.5	0.5	0.19	0.47	0.5	0.47	0.006	0.002	0.5	0.5	0.49
Flavor	0.5	0.45	0.5	0.5	0.28	0.3	0.34	0.022	0.32	0.11	0.33
Overall Tnd	0.5	0.29	0.5	0.5	0.45	0.01	0.35	0.015	0.5	0.24	0.5
Juiciness	0.5	0.33	0.46	0.11	0.5	0.107	0.024	0.49	0.5	0.050	0.41
Overall Tnd	0.5	0.37	0.49	0.31	0.5	0.021	0.45	0.09	0.5	0.14	0.46

^aSignificance levels expressed to one or two decimal places are textbook values, those expressed to three decimal places are from permutation tests.



TABLE 3

PERCENTAGE OF PHENOTYPIC VARIANCE ACCOUNTED FOR BY EACH QTL.

Trait Name	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11
Shear Force	1	0	1	3	3	12	0	6	3	1	0
Overall Tnd	0	1	1	1	0	10	2	8	0	4	0
Myofib Tnd	1	2	0	1	0	9	2	8	0	4	0
Cn Tiss Tnd	3	1	0	0	0	12	4	8	0	2	0
Cooking Loss	4	2	5	0	3	1	0	0	2	2	1
Flavor	1	1	0	3	2	1	3	3	2	5	3
Juiciness	0	4	1	6	0	6	7	0	0	5	3
Marbling	1	2	2	2	1	4	4	1	4	1	8
Fat Thick	3	1	3	5	6	4	3	2	2	2	2
Internal Fat	0	7	0	3	5	2	0	1	2	1	1
Hot Carc Wt	1	0	2	0	0	2	6	10	0	1	3
Ribeye Area	0	0	4	2	3	7	7	3	0	1	1



TABLE 4

CORRELATIONS AMONG EFFECTS OF QTL 6
(PROPORTION OF PHENOTYPIC VARIANCE ACCOUNTED FOR BY QTL 6 ON THE DIAGONALS).

Trait Name	Trt	WBSF	OT	MT	CT	CL	FL	JC	MB	FT	KPH	HCW	REA
Shear Force	WBSF	0.12											
Overall Tnd	OT	-0.96	0.10										
Myofib Tnd	MT	-0.99	1.00	0.09									
Cn Tiss Tnd	CT	-0.89	0.95	0.96	0.12								
Cooking Loss	CL	0.67	-0.86	-0.84	-0.76	0.01							
Flavor	FL	0.31	0.62	0.32	0.57	-0.57	0.01						
Juiciness	JC	0.11	0.04	0.04	0.27	-0.74	0.79	0.06					
Marbling	MB	0.23	-0.57	-0.41	-0.62	0.90	-0.85	-0.24	0.04				
Fat Thick	FT	-0.40	0.43	0.28	0.03	0.18	0.85	0.70	0.84	0.04			
Internal Fat	KPH	-0.79	0.93	0.99	0.70	-0.90	-0.43	-0.66	-0.19	0.41	0.02		
Hot Carc Wt	HCW	-0.23	0.18	0.02	-0.16	-0.51	-0.35	-0.45	0.87	0.54	1.00	0.02	
Ribeye Area	REA	0.17	0.09	0.14	0.06	0.47	-0.57	-0.77	0.35	0.91	0.21	-0.02	0.07



Important genes affecting beef production traits

- ! Thyroglobulin- marbling (GS Marbling)**
- ! Calpastatin- tenderness (GS Tenderness)**
- ! Calpain- tenderness (two SNP)**
- ! Leptin- fat deposition (SNP)**
- ! DGAT - fat deposition in milk**
- ! Somatostatin -- marbling**
- ! ROCR (Marbling) – Australia CSIRO??**

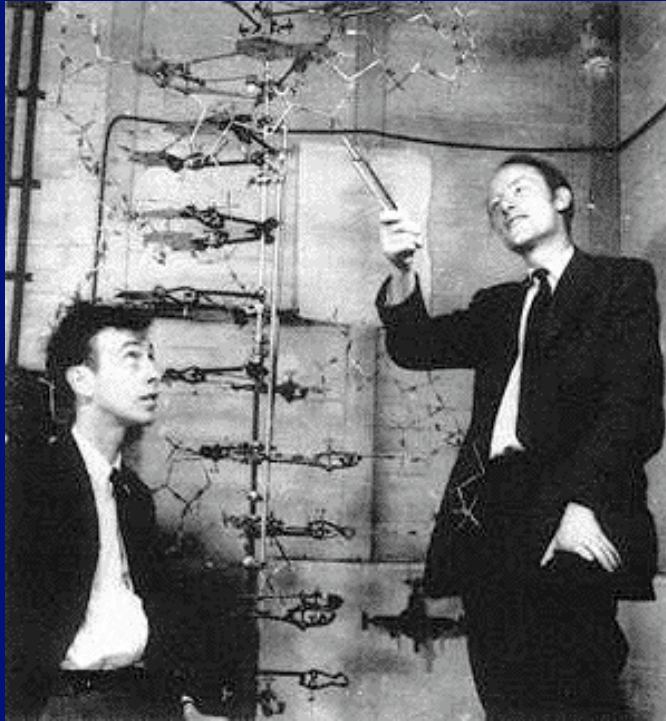


**We are
at a
Critical
Juncture.**

Current limitations in genomics research

- ! The few genes that we have been identified only explain a small part of genetic variation**
- ! Time and expense to identify the majority of genes that affect a single trait**
- ! Need for more genomics-enabling infrastructure**

50th Anniversary of DNA Structure – THE FINISHED HUMAN GENOME



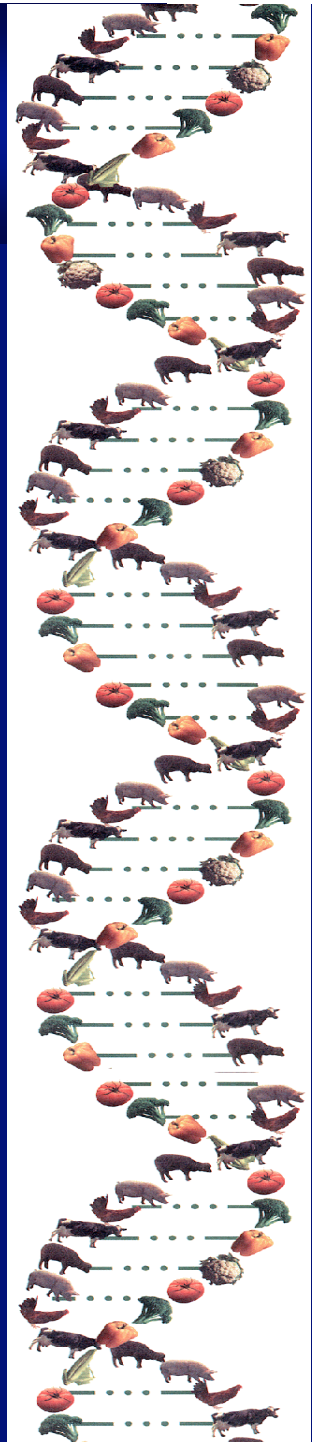
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**A Celebration
of the
Genome**

**50 Years of DNA:
From Double Helix
to Health**

2003

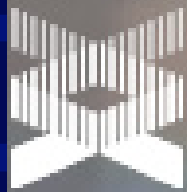
Genomic Sequencing?



Interagency Coordination Essential....

- *Interagency Working Group on Domestic Animal Genomics*
 - Executive Office of the President
 - Office of Science & Technology Policy (OSTP)
 - National Science & Technology Council (NSTC)
 - Committee on Science (co-Chairs NIH, NSF, OSTP)
- Established in winter 2002
- Charter members
 - DOE, FDA, NIH, NSF, OMB, OSTP, USDA
- Chairperson -- Joseph Jen, USDA/REE
Executive Director – Ronnie Green, USDA/ARS

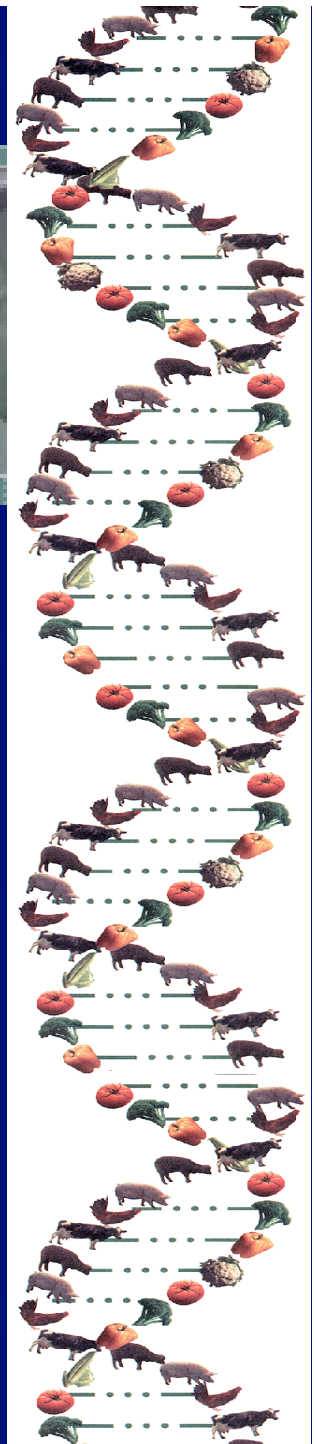




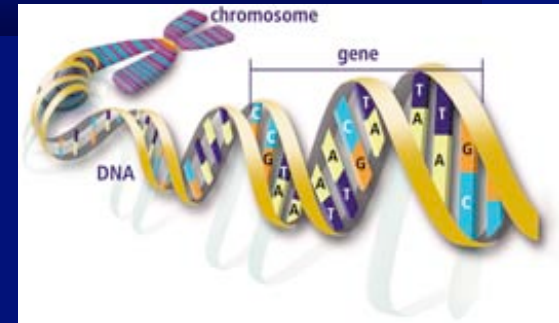
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International Collaboration



- *Australia -- \$1M*
- *Genome Canada -- \$5M*
- *New Zealand -- \$1M*



Domestic US Collaboration

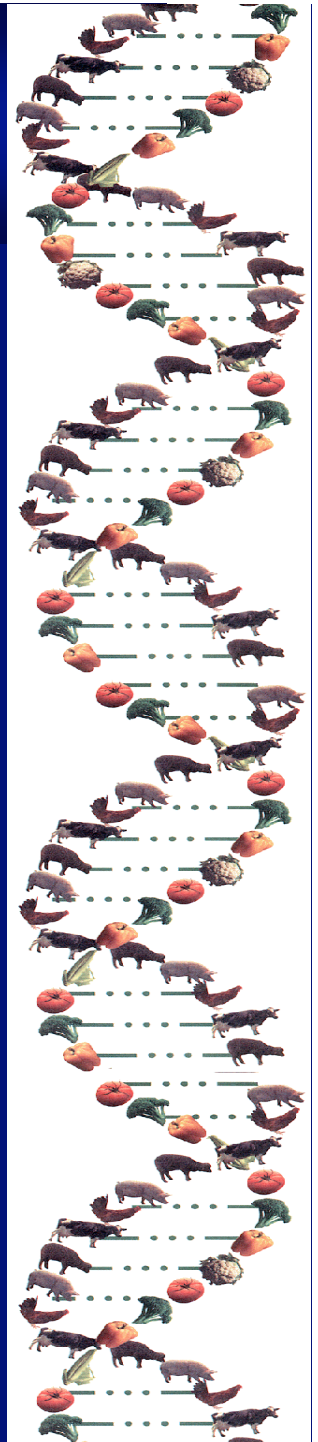
- *NIH / NHGRI -- \$25M*
- *State of Texas – \$10M*
- *USDA -- \$11M*
- *Beef Councils (Natl., TX, SD) – \$0.8M*



Project Total = \$53M

Genomic Sequencing?

Launch: Dec. 2003
Expected Finish: early 2005



An aerial photograph of a custom-built baseball field in a rural setting. The field is surrounded by green grass and is bordered by a fence. In the background, there are rolling hills, trees, and a few buildings, including a large white house and a red barn. The sky is clear and blue. The text "Build It and They Will Come" is overlaid in yellow at the top of the image.

Build It and They Will Come

Vs.

Custom Building

Breeding on a Chip

Meat Quality

Red Meat Yield

**R
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O
N**

**Disease Resistance/
BRD Susceptibility**

**Growth Curve
Benders**

**Cost of Gain /
Days to Finish**

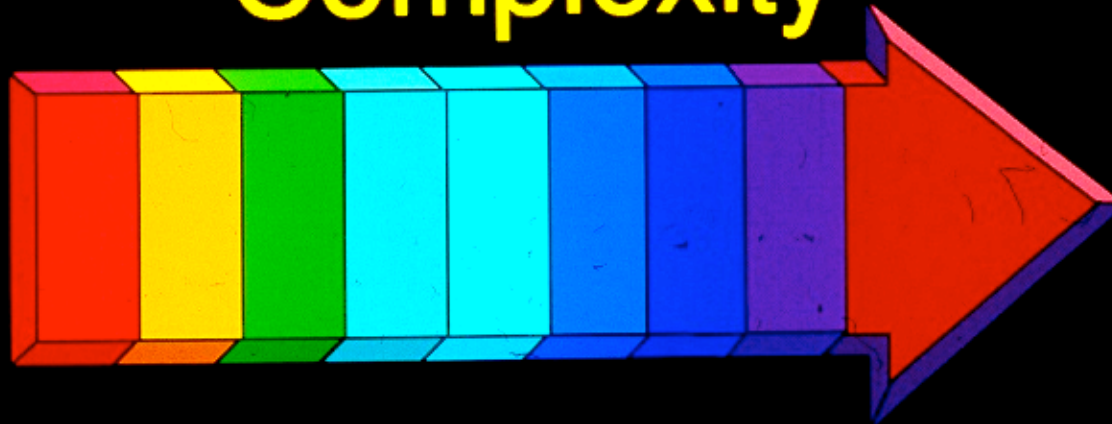
E. coli Resistance

Simplicity



VS.

Complexity

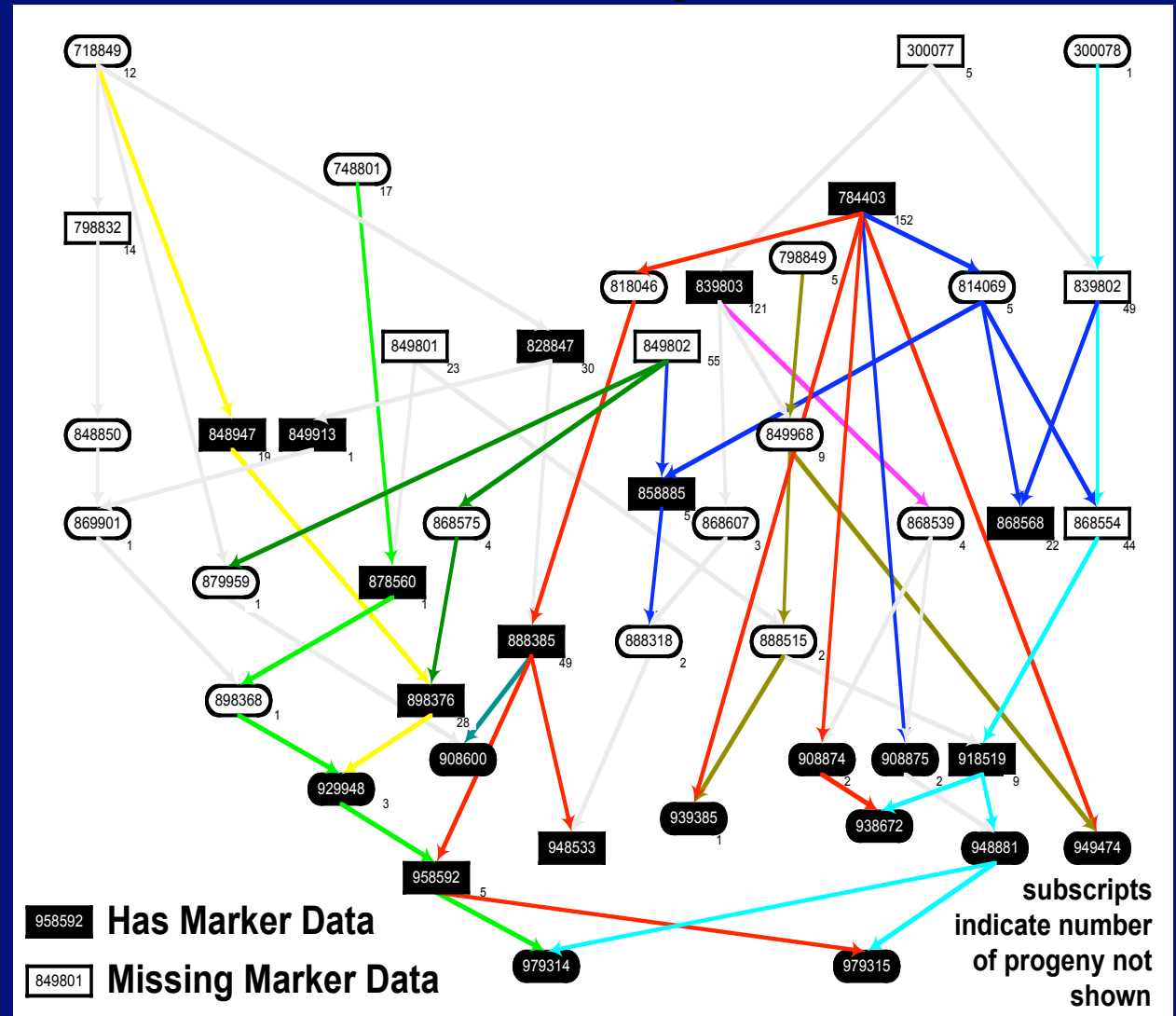




Challenges in Applying MAS in the Beef Industry:



- Complex Pedigree
- Many Small Families
- Missing Marker Data
- Censored Data



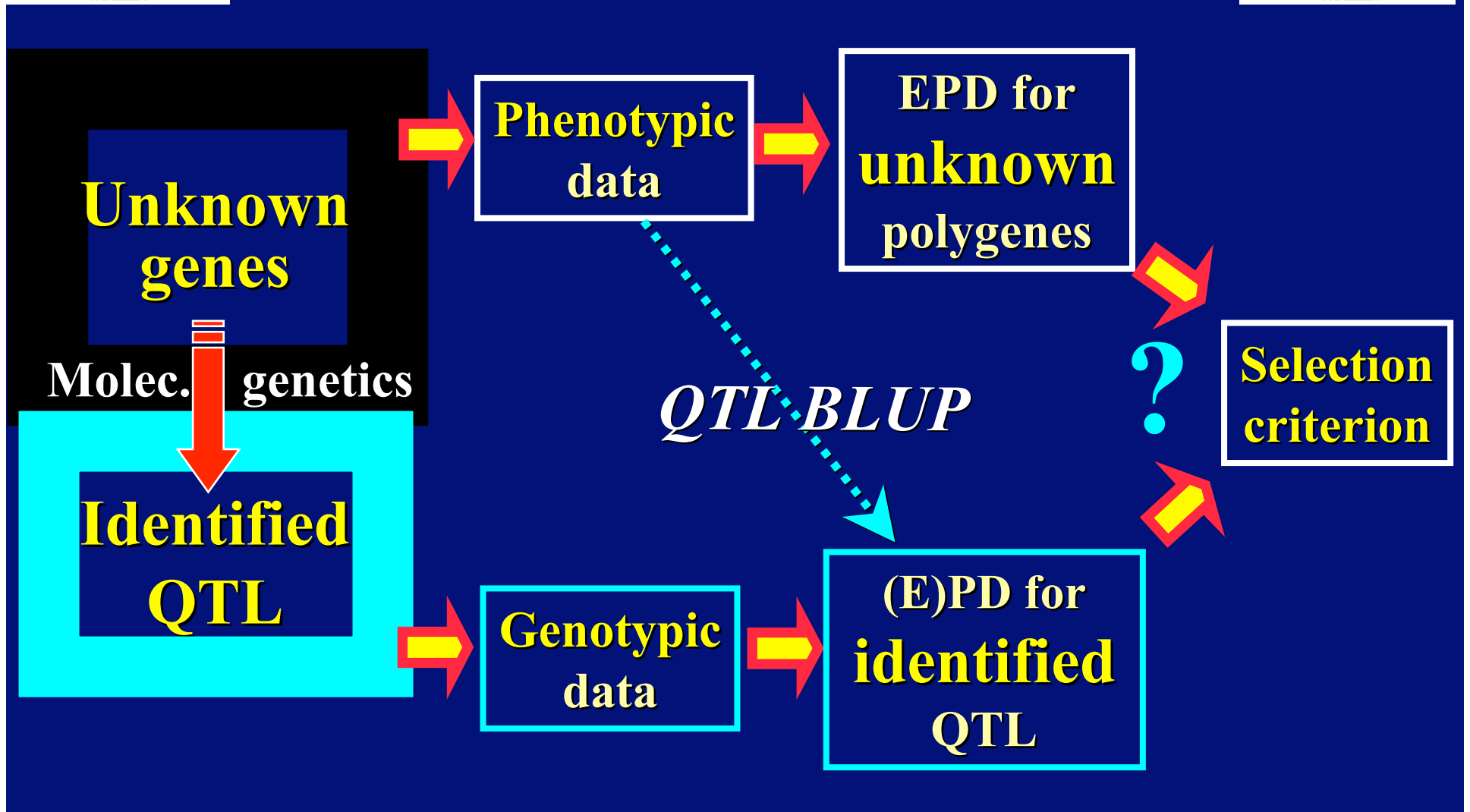


Marker Assisted Selection in the Twinning Population



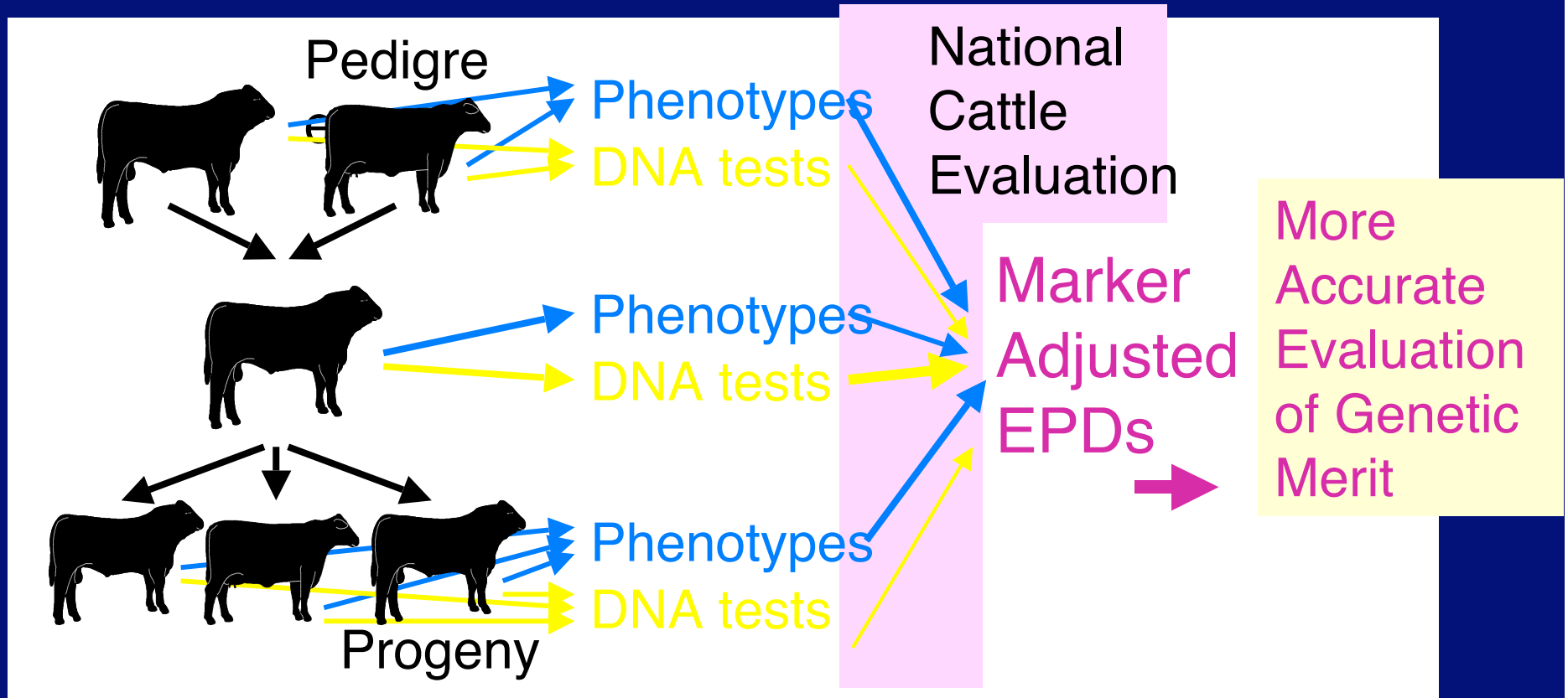
Animal	Residual EPD	Chr. 5:40	Chr. 7:60	Chr. 7:125	Marker Adjusted EPD
979447	22	+6	+5	+3	36
979405	27	+3	+5	-2	33
979413	20	+6	+3	+2	31
979328	19	+4	+3	+1	27

Genetic Improvement -- DNA Based Gene Selection





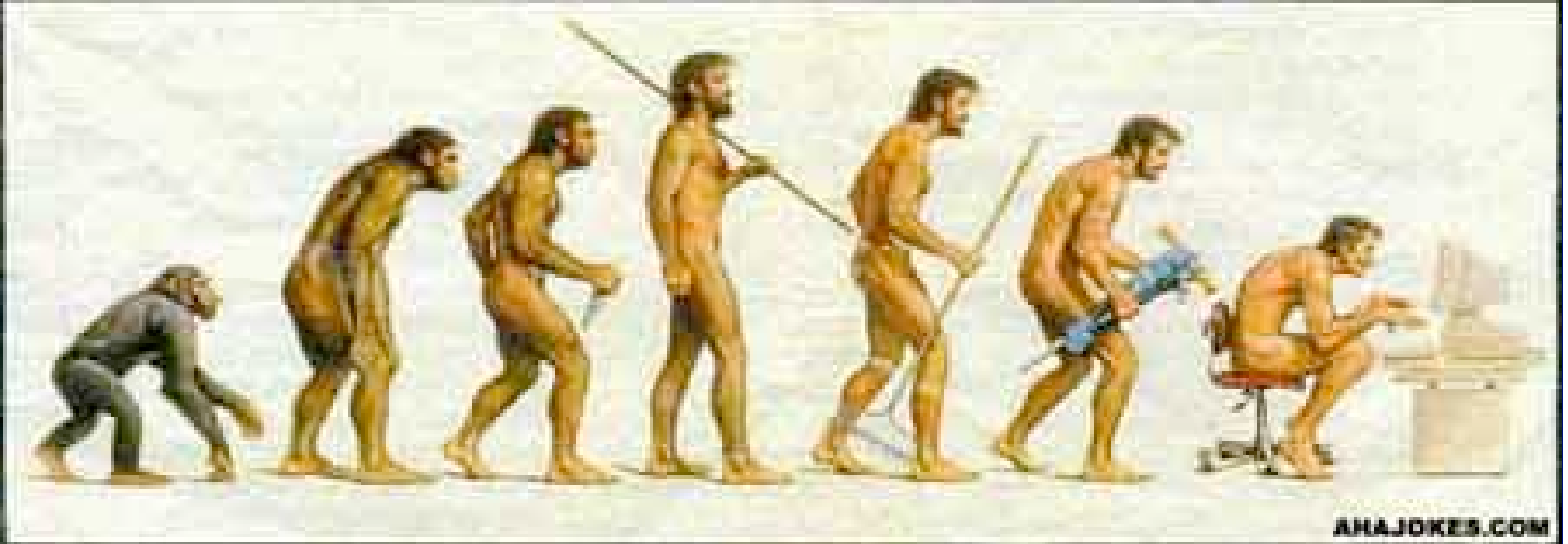
National Beef Cattle Evaluation Consortium (NBCCEC) QTL Team



- Incorporation of DNA test results into National Cattle Evaluations







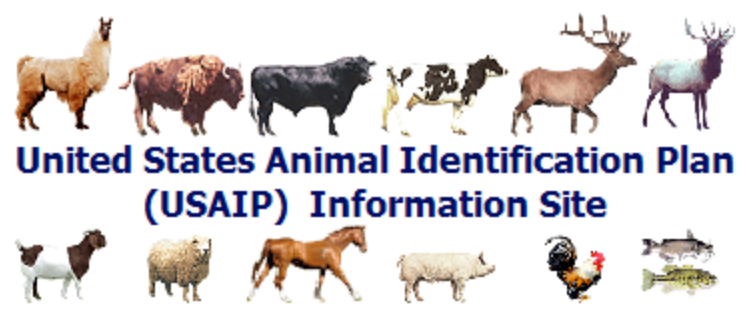
Genomics Research

- ! Carcass traits- marbling , tenderness
- ! Growth – bend growth curve
- ! *Feed efficiency – expensive to measure*
- ! *Reproduction- dissect components*
 - ! *Twinning – heritability from 7 to 35%*
- ! *Animal health- difficult to measure*
- ! Select for multiple traits
- ! Management “by genotype”



Genomics Research -- Health

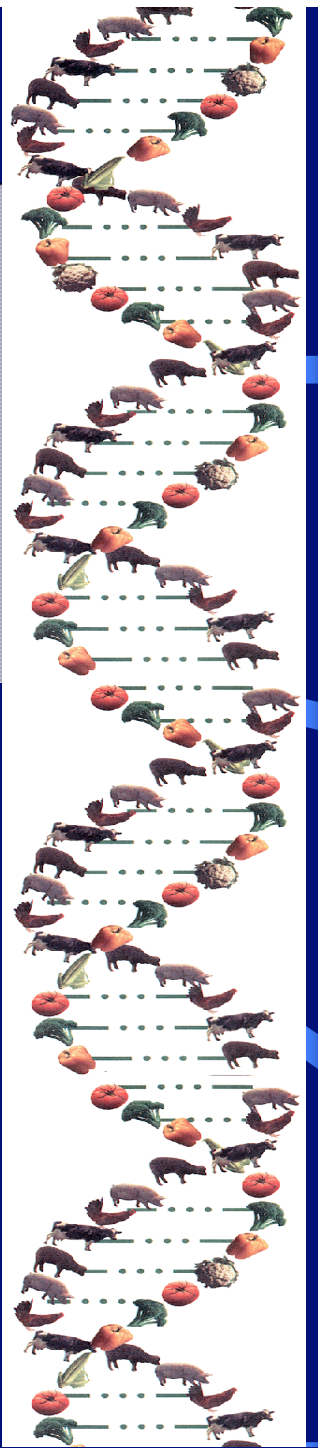
- ! PrP Gene – Scrapie, CWD, BSE?
- ! HEXA – UK identified for BSE?
- ! *FMD*
- ! *Fescue Toxicosis*
- ! New vaccine development
- ! New drug targets



Click on animal to view proposed USAIP Plan under development.

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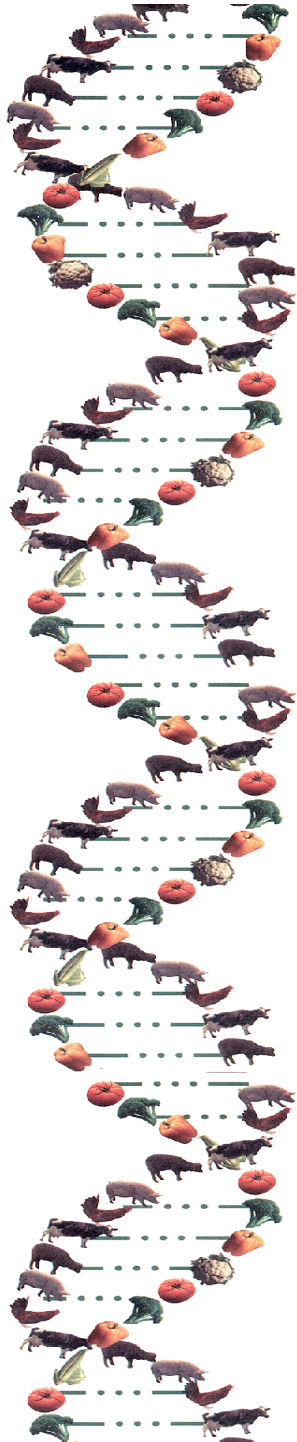
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Long-term Sustainability



Business Models???





SAVAGE, Md. and MINNEAPOLIS - June 11, 2002

MetaMorphix signs deal to develop genetic selection tool using cattle genome -- *Exclusive agreement with Cargill's Caprock Cattle Feeders and Excel Corporation expected to result in superior beef for consumers*

MONSANTO
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PIC

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GENESEEEK

Molecular Solutions for Breeding and Genetics



BOVIGEN
SOLUTIONS, LLC

advancing beef science solutions

Enter site in:



- ➔ Online Ordering - International
- ➔ GeneSTAR Pricing - International

GeneSTAR Marbling

No. of Samples	Price per sample US \$
25 samples or less	US\$85.00
26 to 100 samples	US\$65.00
101 to 500 samples	US\$55.00
Over 500 samples	US\$45.00

GeneSTAR Tenderness 2

No. of Samples	Price per sample US\$
25 samples or less	US\$100.00
26 to 100 samples	US\$80.00
101 to 500 samples	US\$70.00
Over 500 samples	US\$60.00

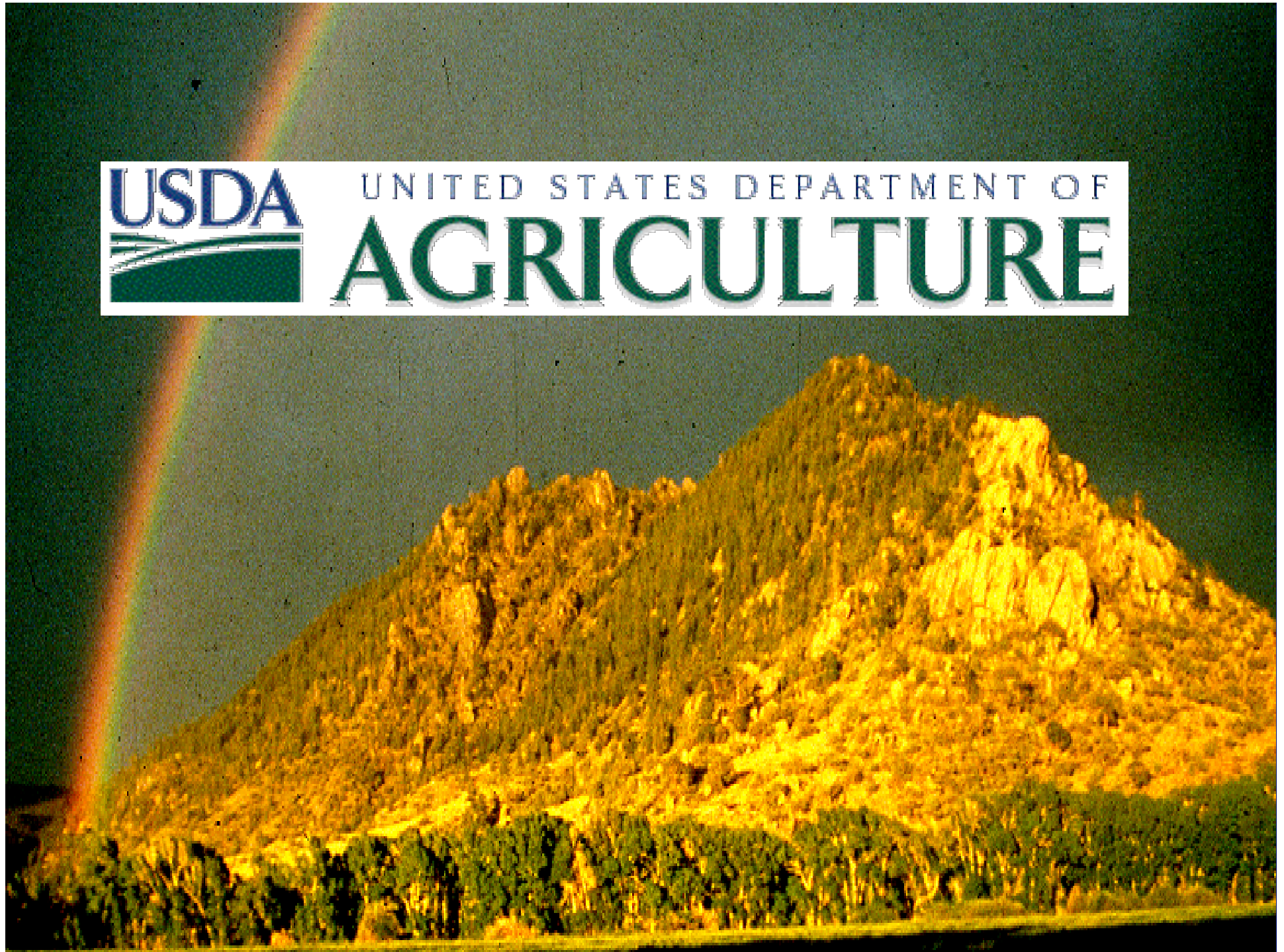
GeneSTAR Marbling and GeneSTAR Tenderness 2

Price for tests submitted as a single sample

No. of Samples	Price per sample US\$
25 samples or less	US\$160.00
26 to 100 samples	US\$120.00
101 to 500 samples	US\$95.00
Over 500 samples	US\$80.00



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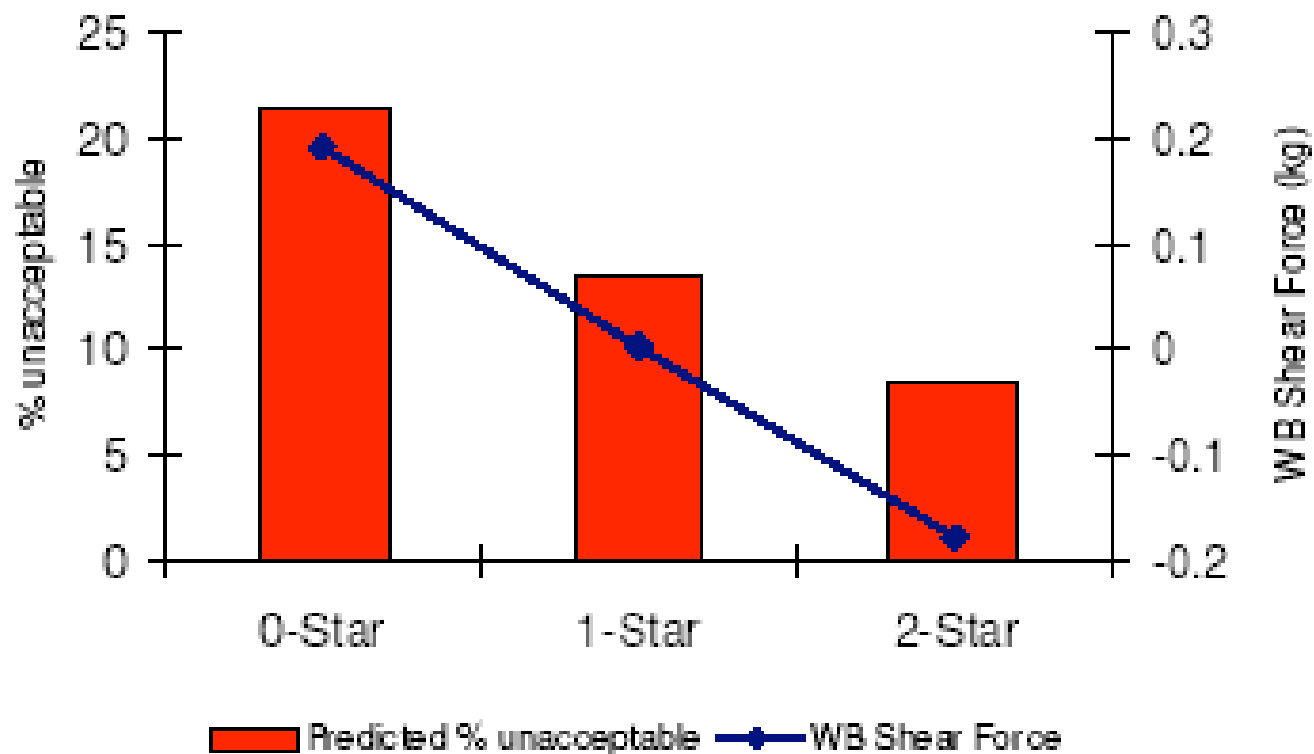


Figure 2. Relationship between % unacceptable carcasses as judged by consumers and Warner Bratzler (WB) Shear Force values (deviation from mean) for 0, 1 and 2-STAR animals