

Animal science in the blood; an appreciation and celebration

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Prof André-Max Leroy, 1892-1978



First President of FEZ (EAAP),
1949-1961

Chaire de Zootechnie à l'Institut
National Agronomique de Paris

Commandeur de la Légion
d'Honneur

Rainy



There was a job to be done!

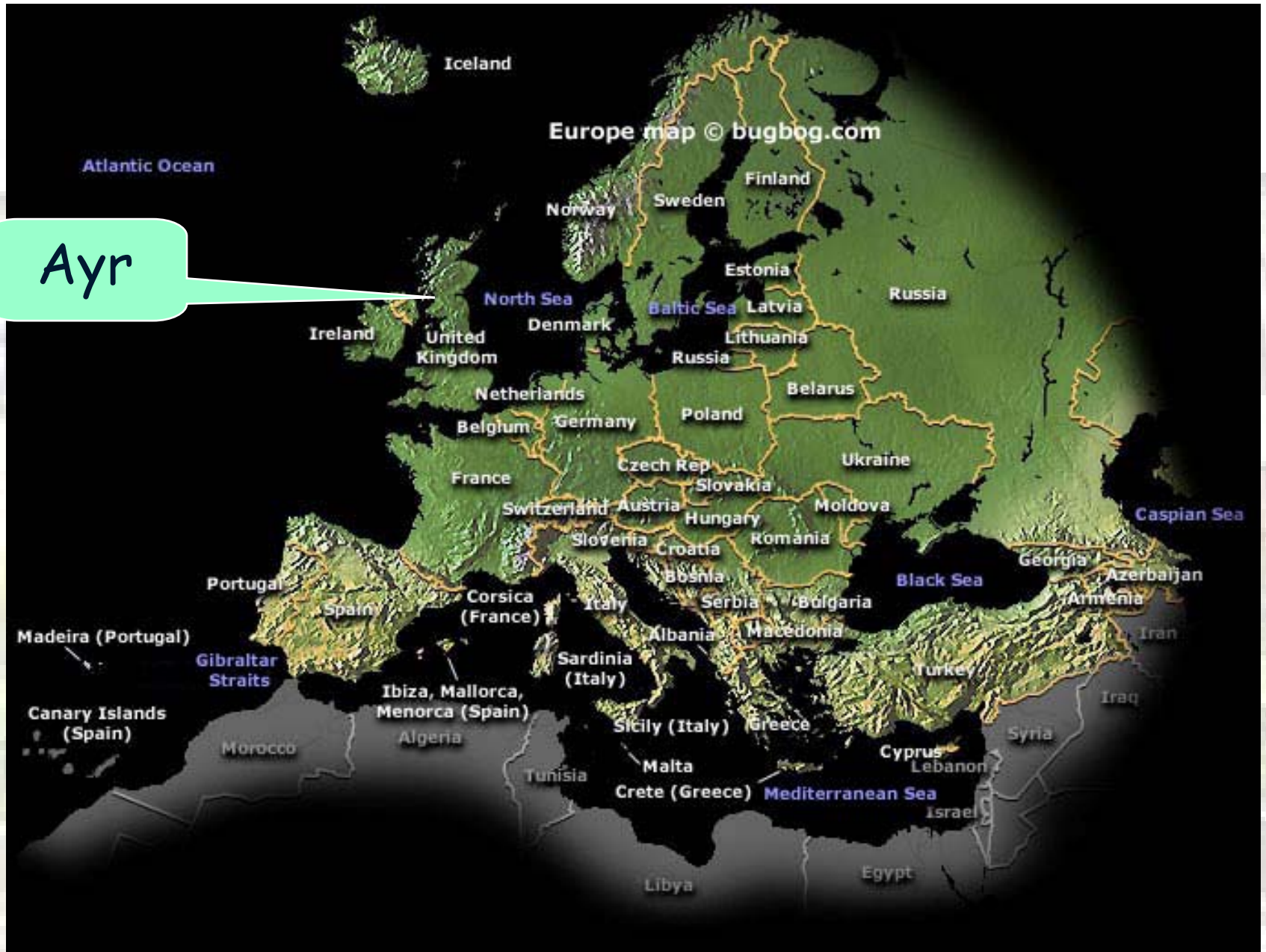


ECMBR: the birth of quantitative animal production data?



3rd session of ECMBR (now ICAR), Ayr, 1953
Chairman: Prof Leroy

Ayr



Robert Bakewell (1725-1795): the birth of animal production?

www.le.ac.uk/elh/newdishley



Dishley Grange

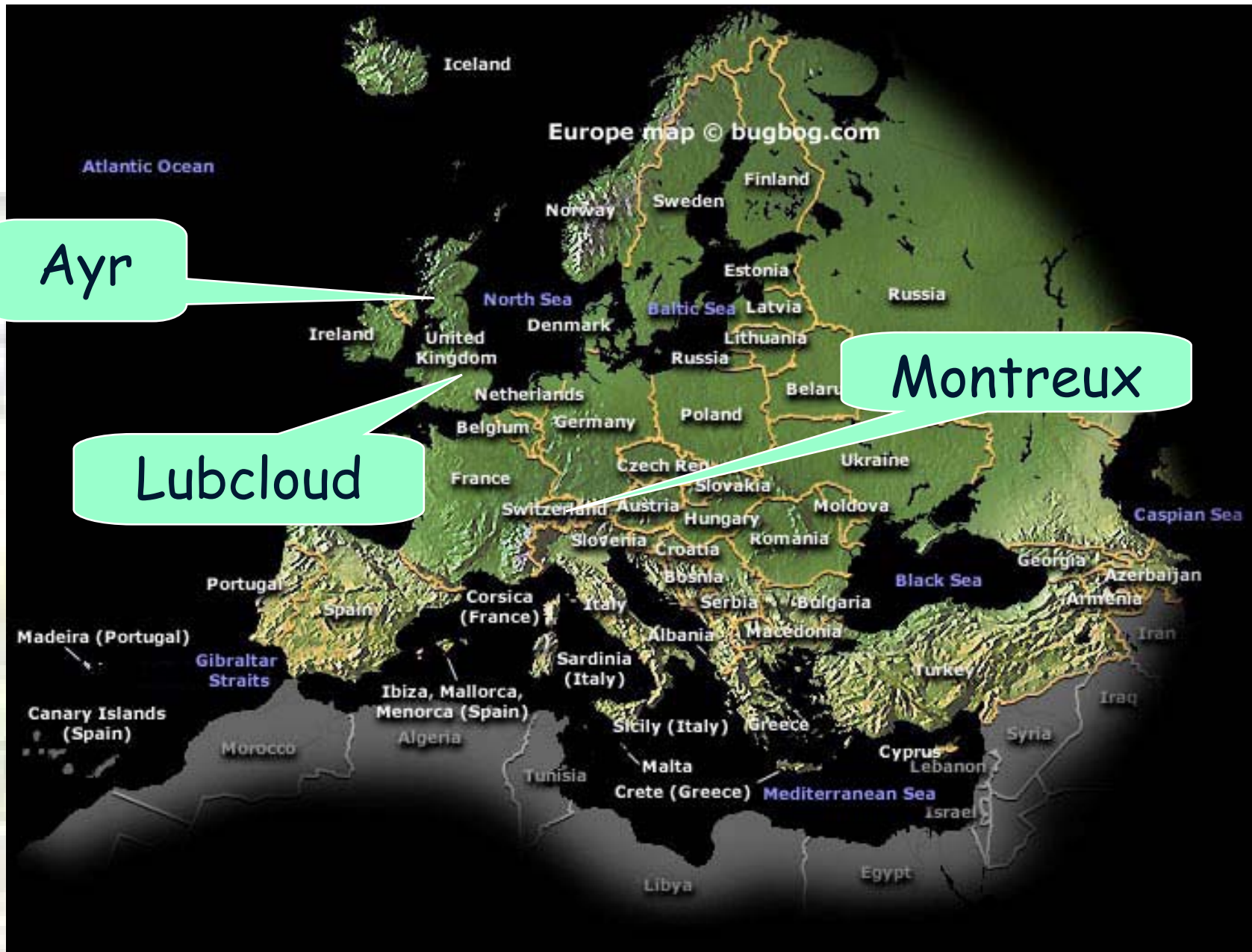


1960 (ish): the birth of my agricultural career (or was it 1085?)



International Dairy Federation, Montreux 1979



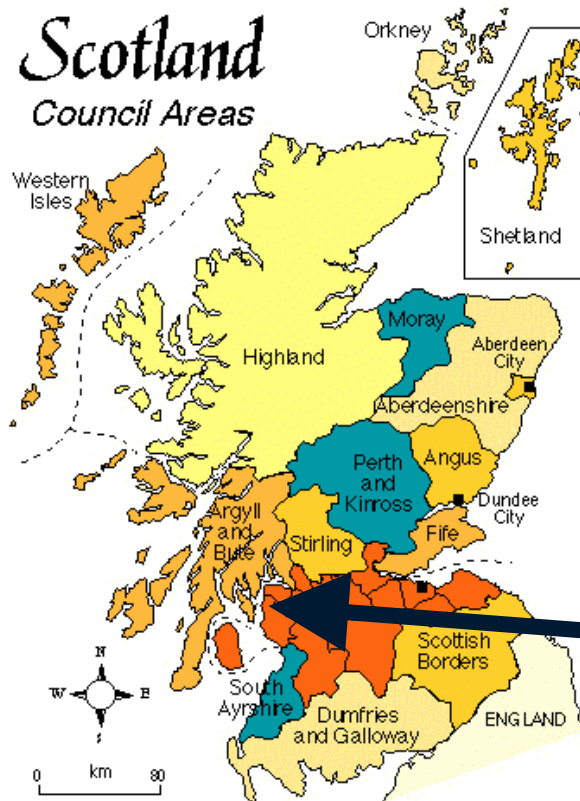


Ayr

Lubcloud

Montreux

The Hannah Research Institute, 1928-2006



The Hannah: Evolution in Action

www.hannahresearch.org.uk

Hannah Trust
funding science

www.strath.ac.uk

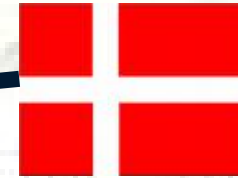
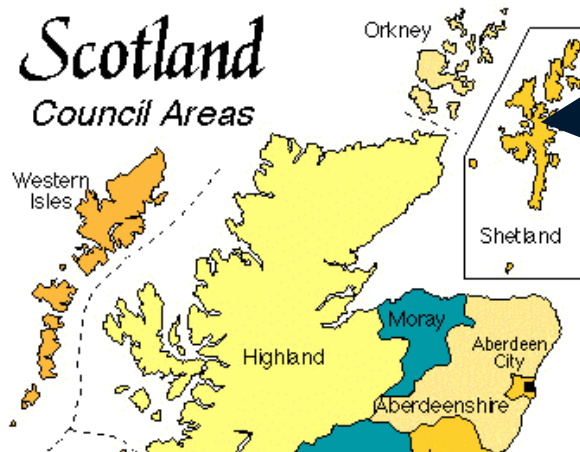
Dairy
science

Lactation
science

Clinical
science

University
science

The Hannah Research Institute, 1928-2006



New rules (by order of the President):

EAAP is hereby re-named DAAP

The official language will be Danish

2007: My Evolution and Migration

Hannah

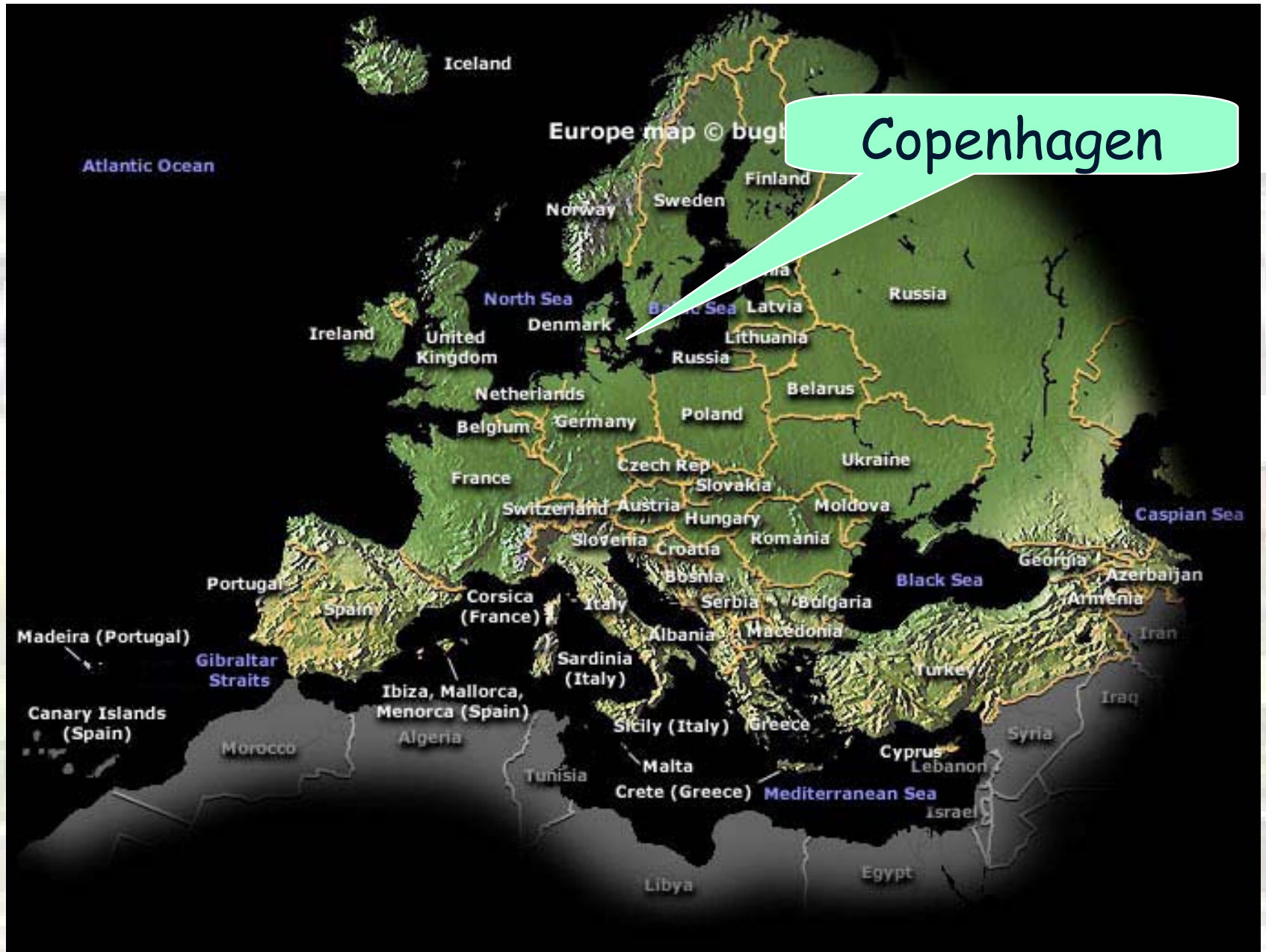


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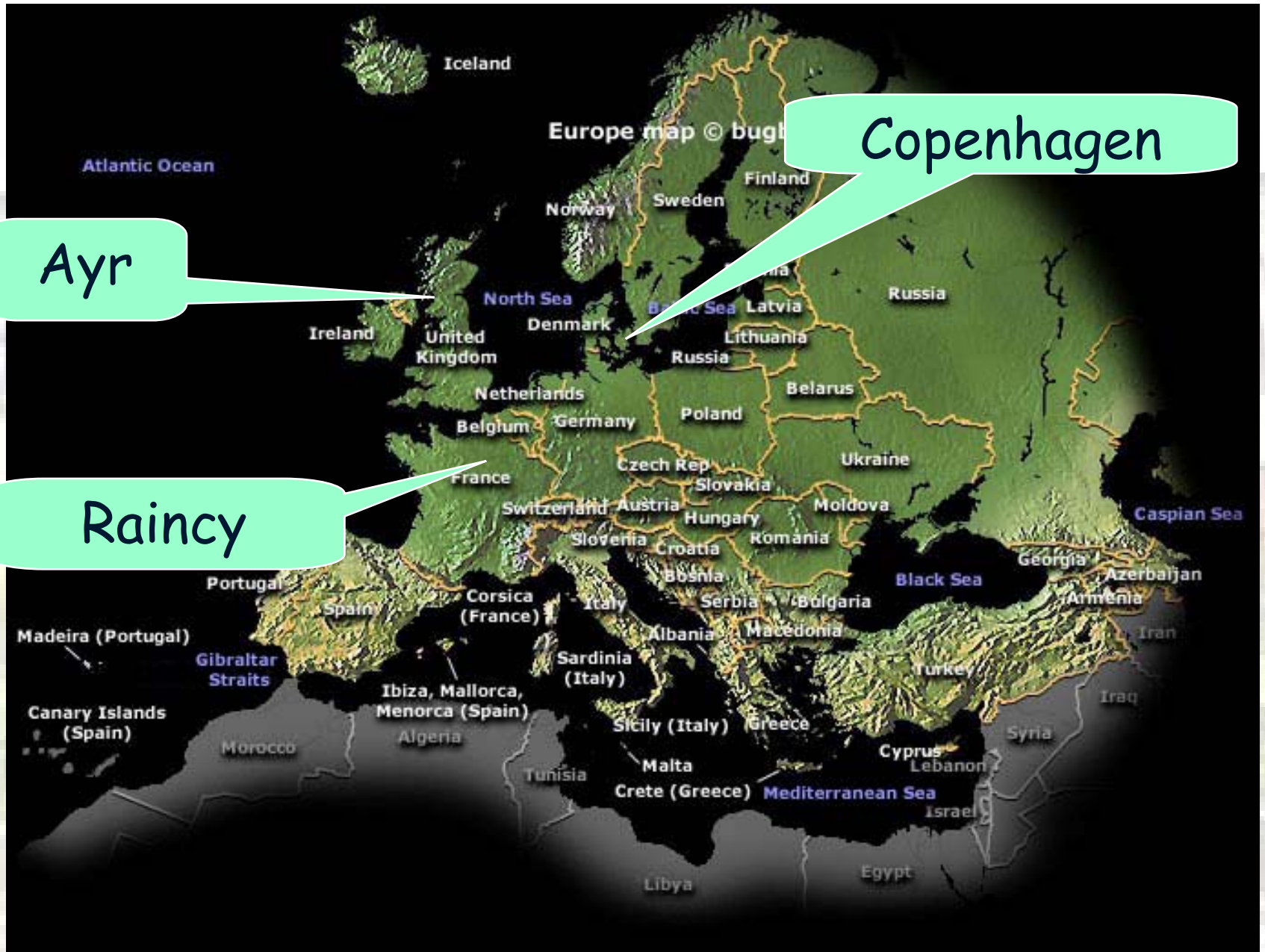
Mælkepige
kommer hjem!

Copenhagen



Scotland, Denmark, ECMBR and EAAP

- First President of EAAP and first Chairman of ECMBR: Prof Leroy
- First Secretary-General of EAAP: Dr Holger Aersøe, Denmark
- First Vice-Chair of ECMBR: J.A. Paterson, Scotland
- First Secretary of ECMBR: Tage Andersen, Denmark
- First International Congress organized by EAAP: Copenhagen, 1952



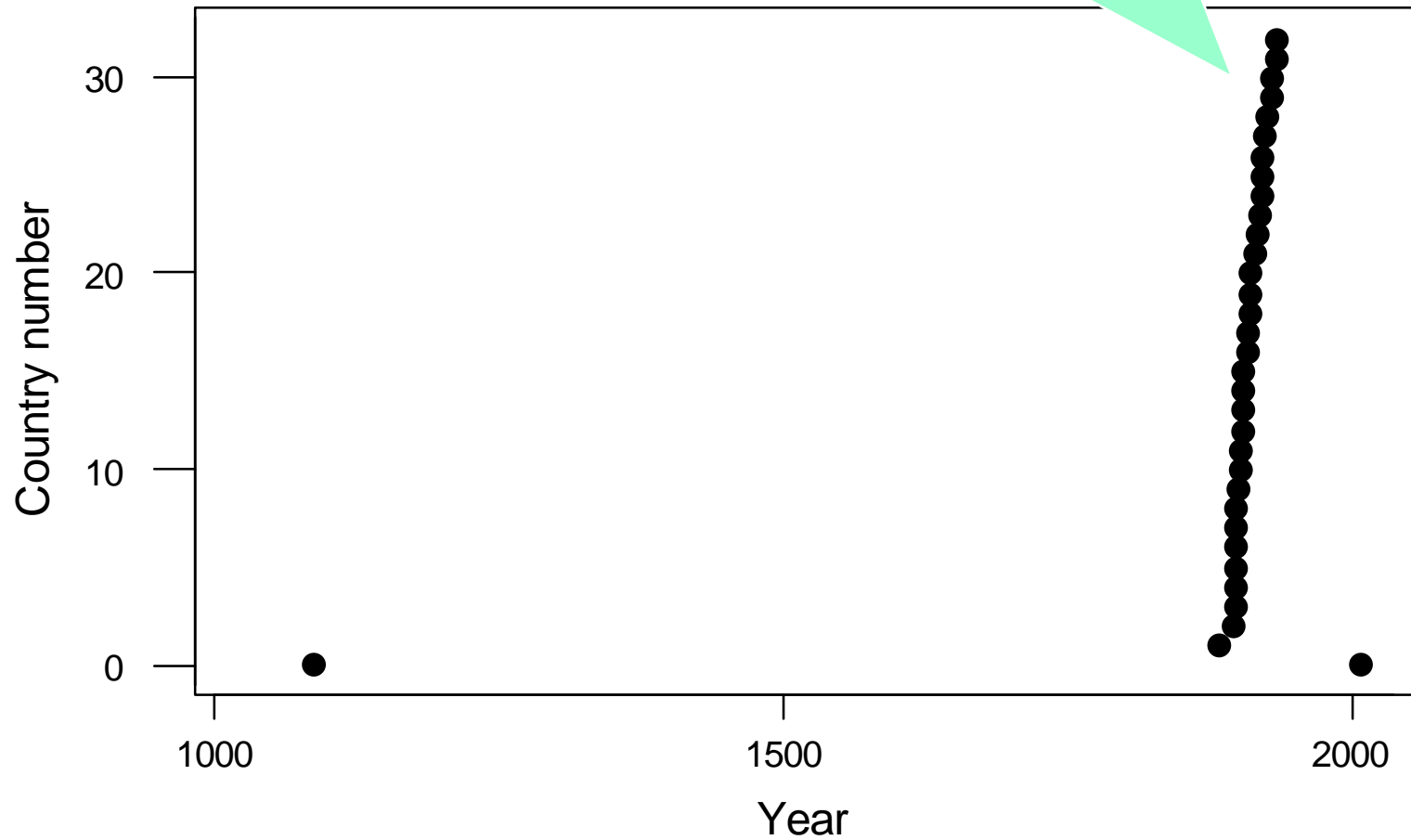
Ayr

Copenhagen

Raincy

Timeline

National milk
recording schemes



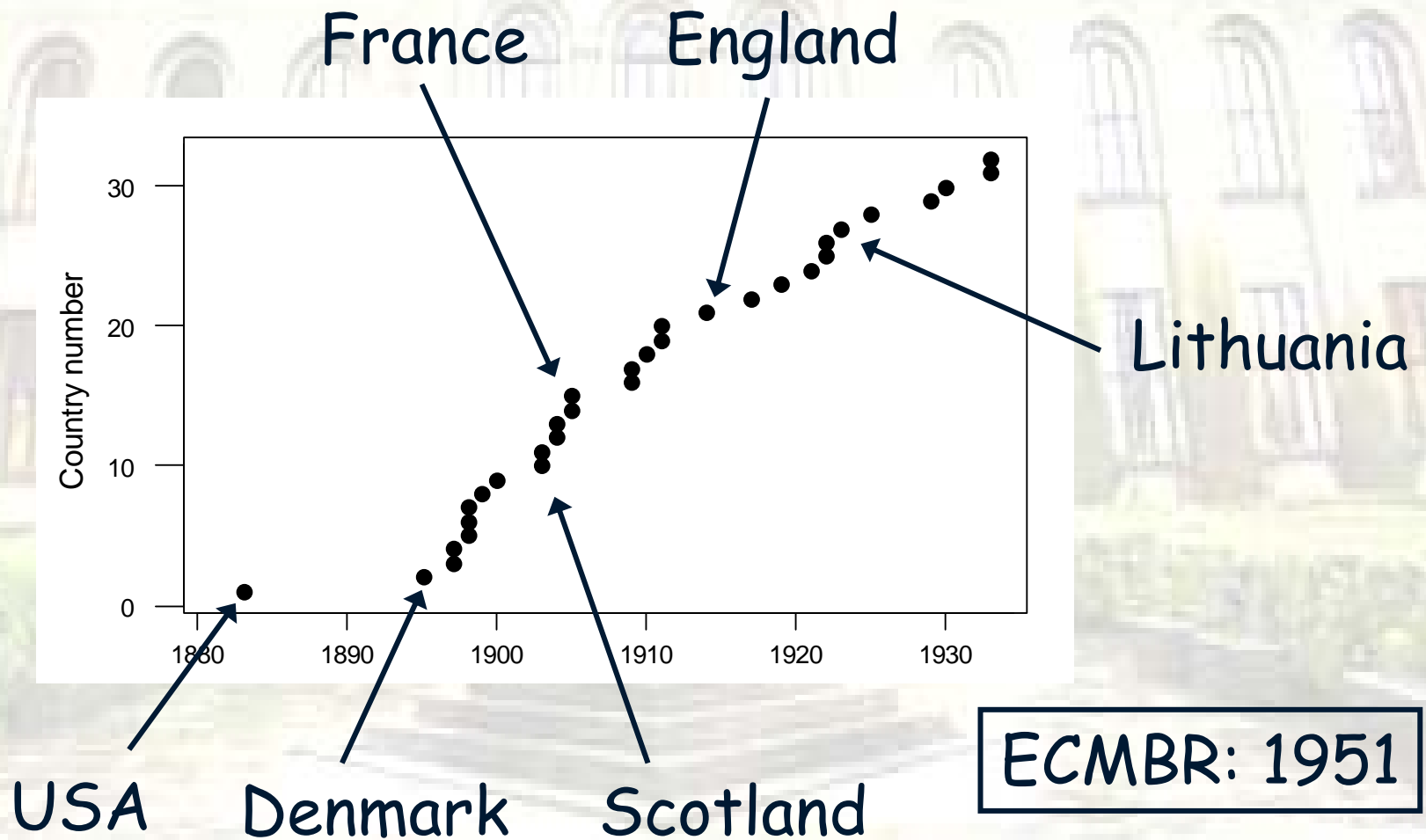
Milk recorded cows, 1935

1 "dot" = 2500 cows

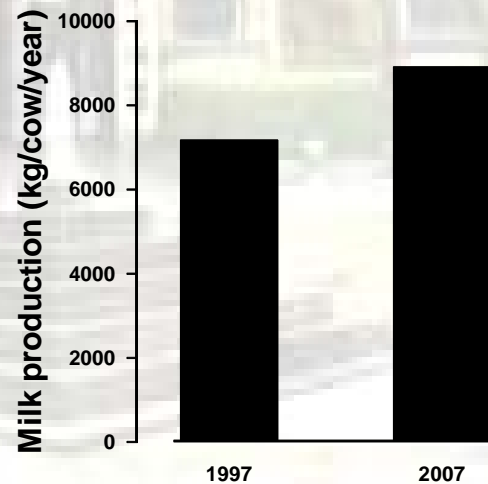
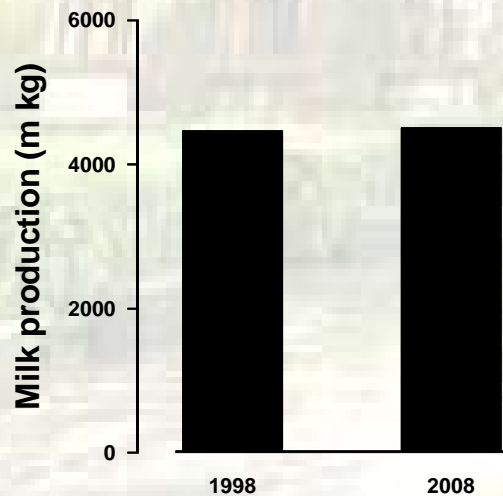
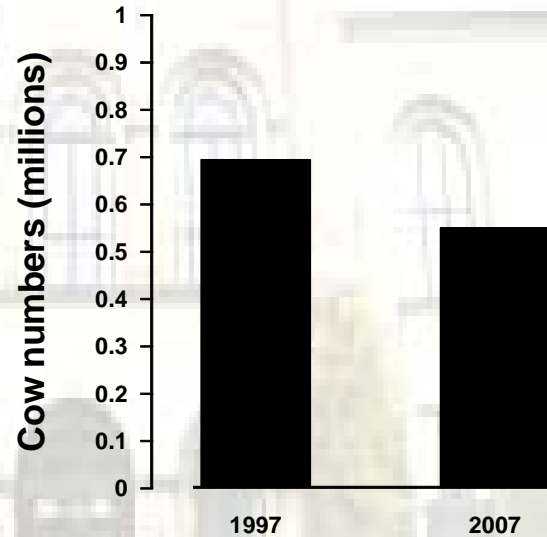
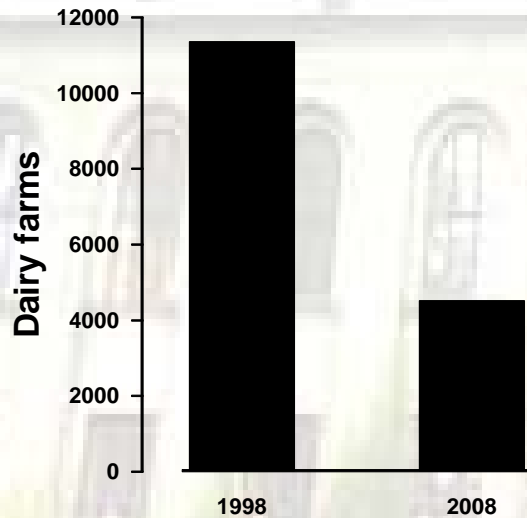
Denmark 2007:
551,000 cows,
= 220 dots



Uptake of national milk recording



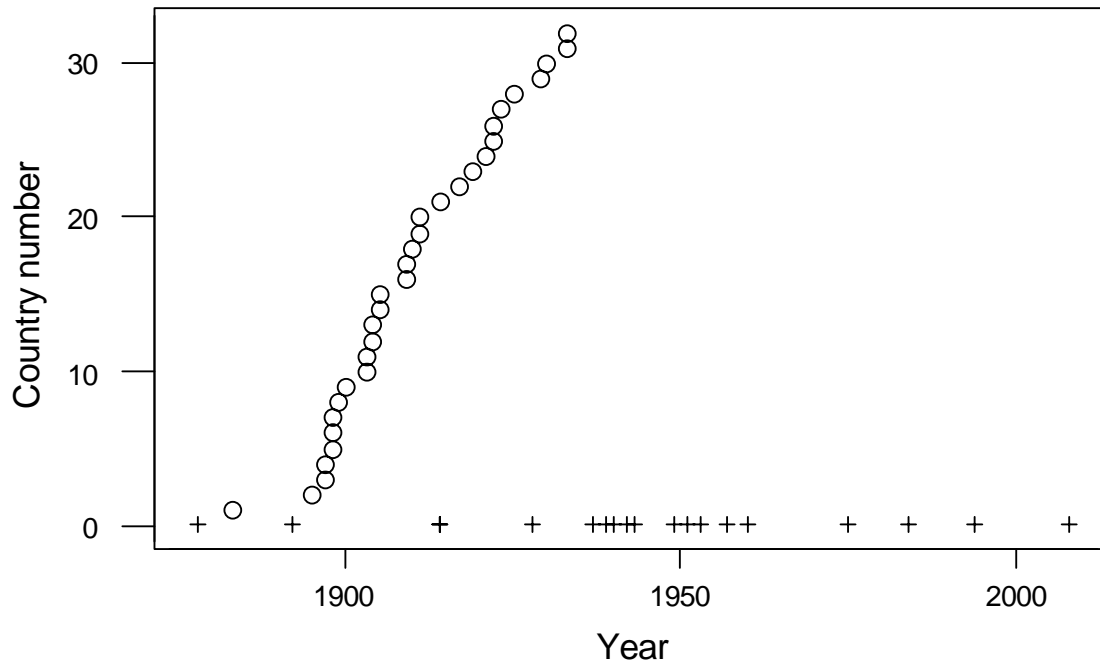
Evolution in (Danish) dairying



Evolution: does it work?



Significant events



Row	Year	Event
1	1878	separator
2	1892	leroy
3	1914	1st ww
4	1928	hannah
5	1937	gh
6	1939	2nd ww
7	1940	mcdonalds
8	1942	computer
9	1943	ai
10	1949	eaap
11	1951	emcbr
12	1953	rationing
13	1957	eec
14	1960	cap
15	1975	microsoft
16	1984	quota
17	1994	posilac

Food supply

Use of galactopietic hormones to increase milk production

(I, 1952)

ANNALES DE ZOOTECHNIE

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INFLUENCE DES PROTÉINES IODÉES SUR LA PRODUCTION ET SUR LA COMPOSITION DU LAIT DE VACHE

PAR

A. FRANÇOIS, H. HEIM DE BALSAC, A. M. LEROY, M. PAREZ ⁽¹⁾

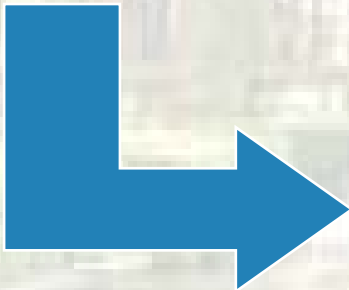
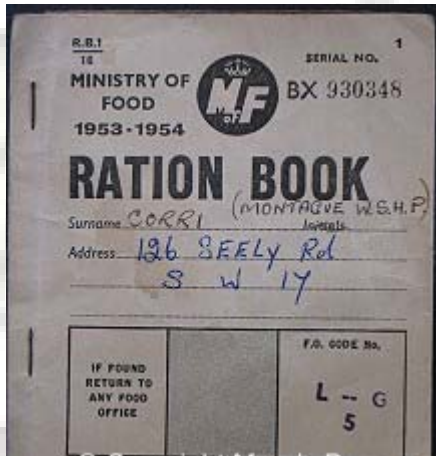
Laboratoire de Zootechnie de l'Institut National Agronomique
et Centre d'Etudes de Biologie Industrielle et Agricole du C. N. A. M.

Today, 33% of America's 9M
cows are treated with BST

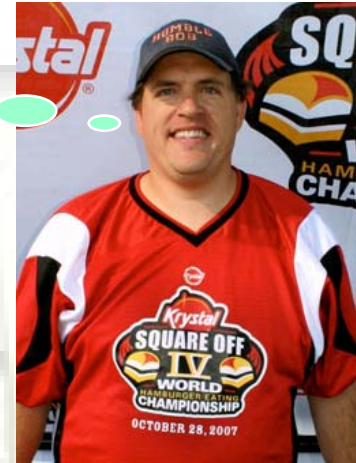


Job done?

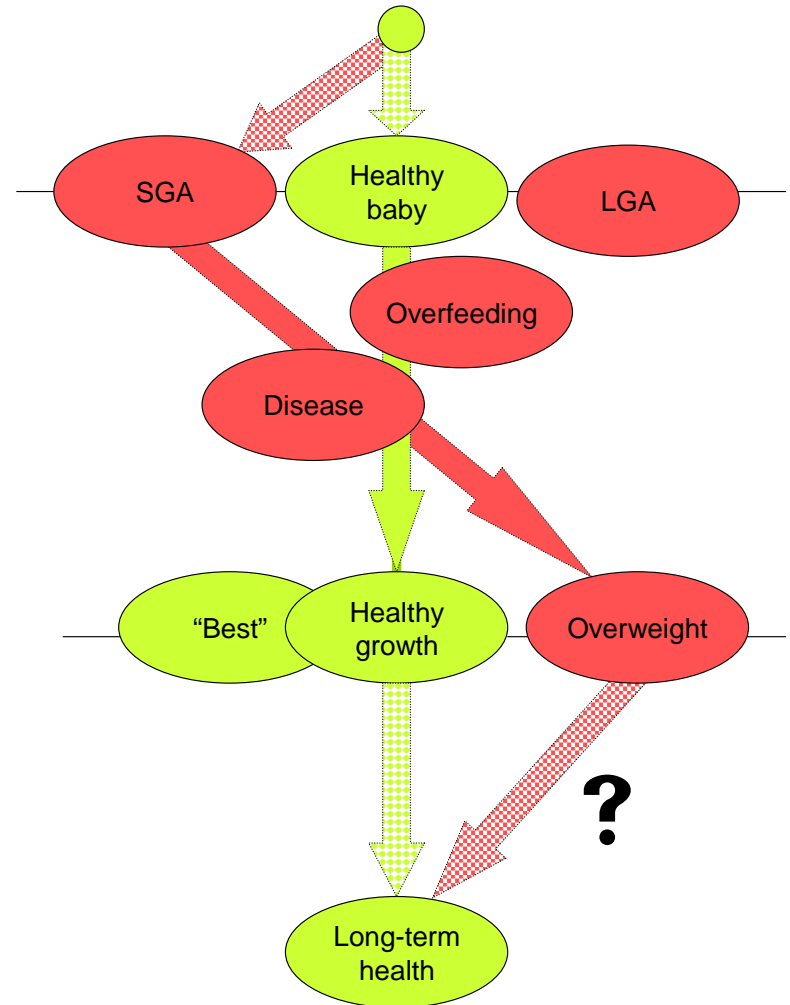
Super-size
me!



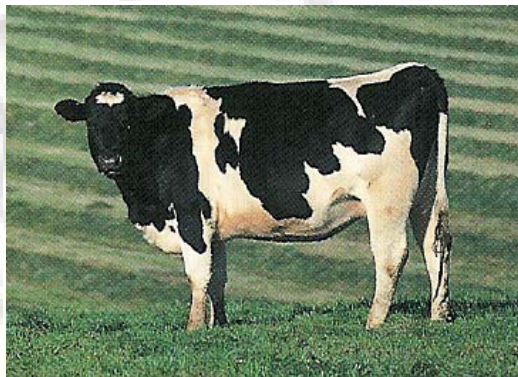
Georgia Davis weighs 210 kg at just 15 years of age, which makes her the world's fattest teenager.



Nutrition, genetics, growth & development: beyond “production”



Milk production and the over-fed heifer



High prepregnant body mass index is associated with early termination of full and any breastfeeding in Danish women¹⁻³

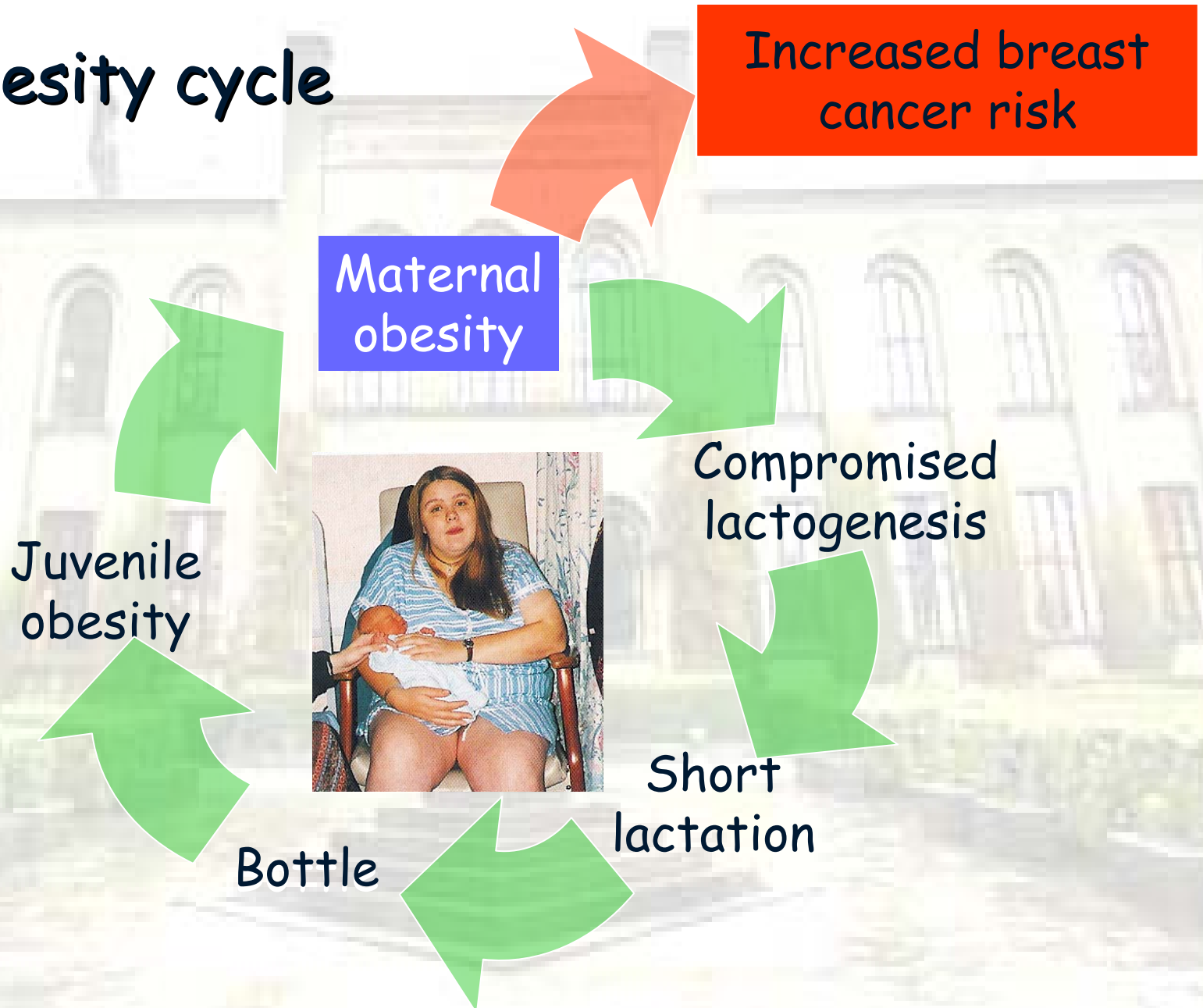
Jennifer L Baker, Kim F Michaelsen, Thorkild IA Sørensen, and Kathleen M Rasmussen

ABSTRACT

Background: An association between high prepregnant body mass index (BMI) and early termination of breastfeeding has been observed, but this finding may have depended on the sociocultural

This association is of particular concern in the United States where the proportions of overweight and obese women at reproductive age remain exceptionally high (51.7% and 20.9%, respectively), according to the latest available national data (1999-2004).

The obesity cycle



Mastitis

Major economic loss
(£400M pa in UK)
Compromised product
Antibiotic resistance



Common
Painful
Significant disease vector

Increased breast
cancer risk?



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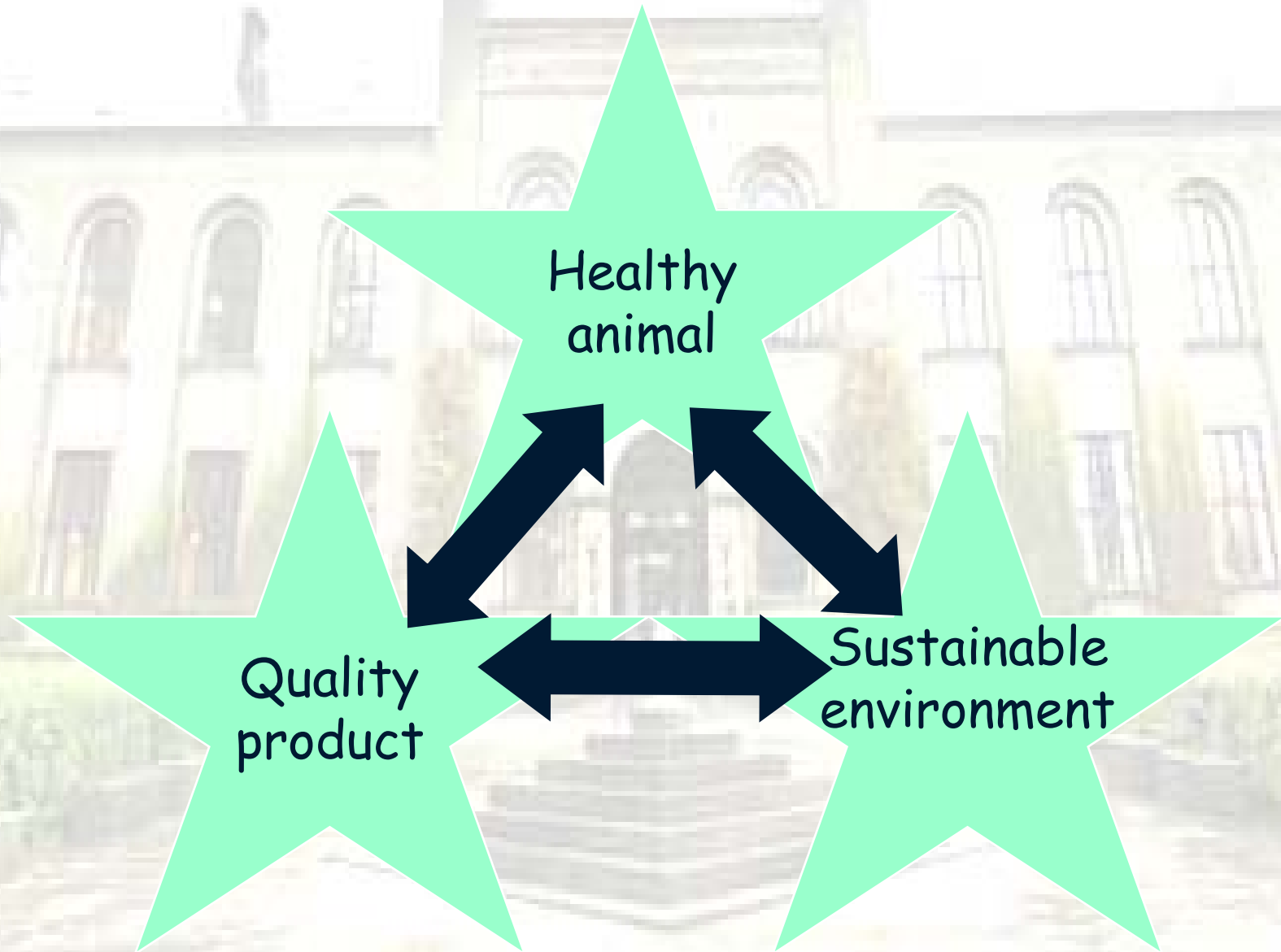


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New priorities in production animal science



Extended lactation



The welfare-friendly and economically competitive strategy of the future?

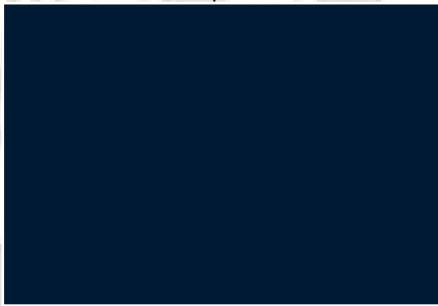


The past, the future or a bit of both?



Made-in-China.comTM
Connecting Buyers with China Suppliers

386 dairy products listed

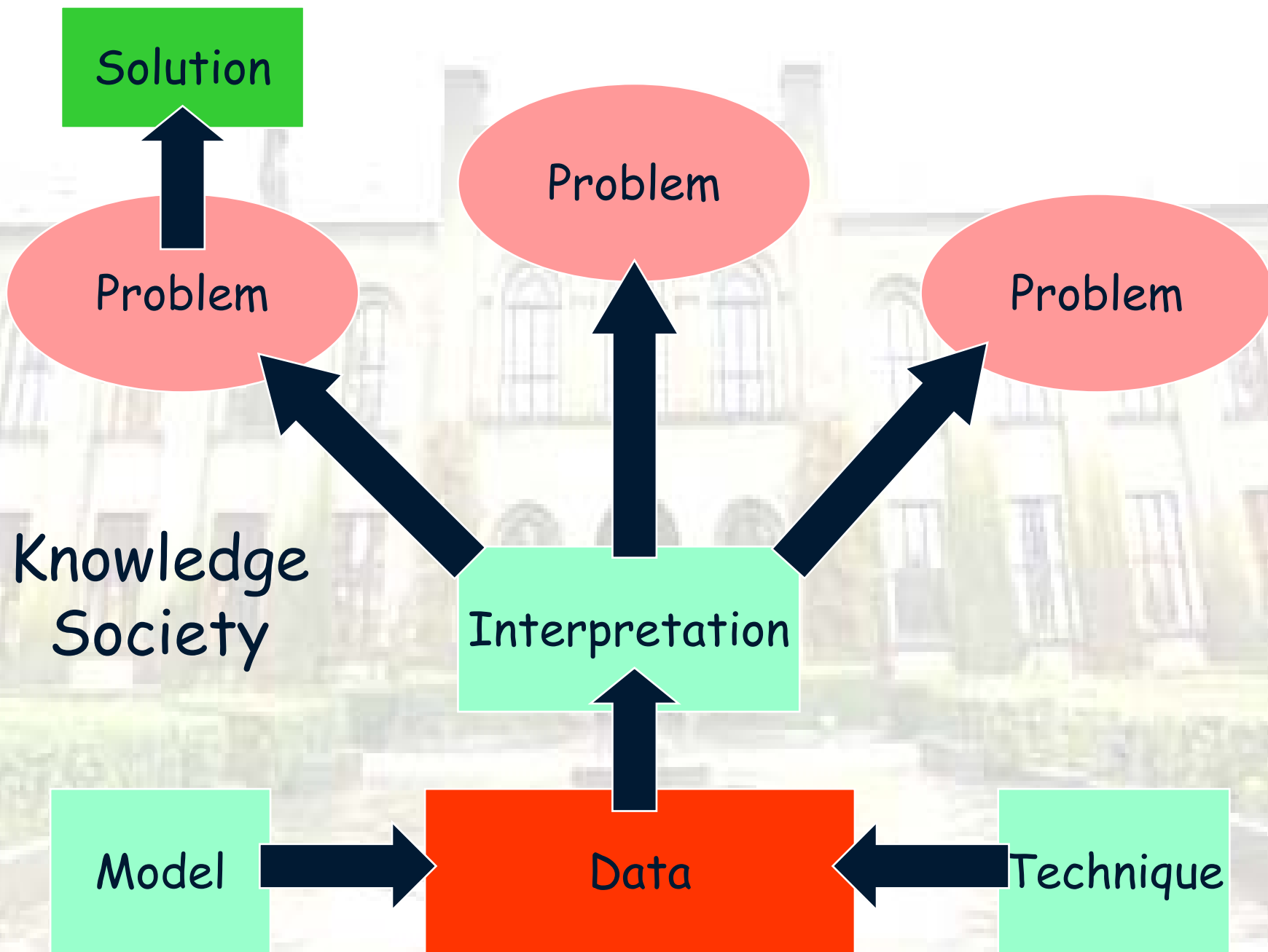


Production-driven
research

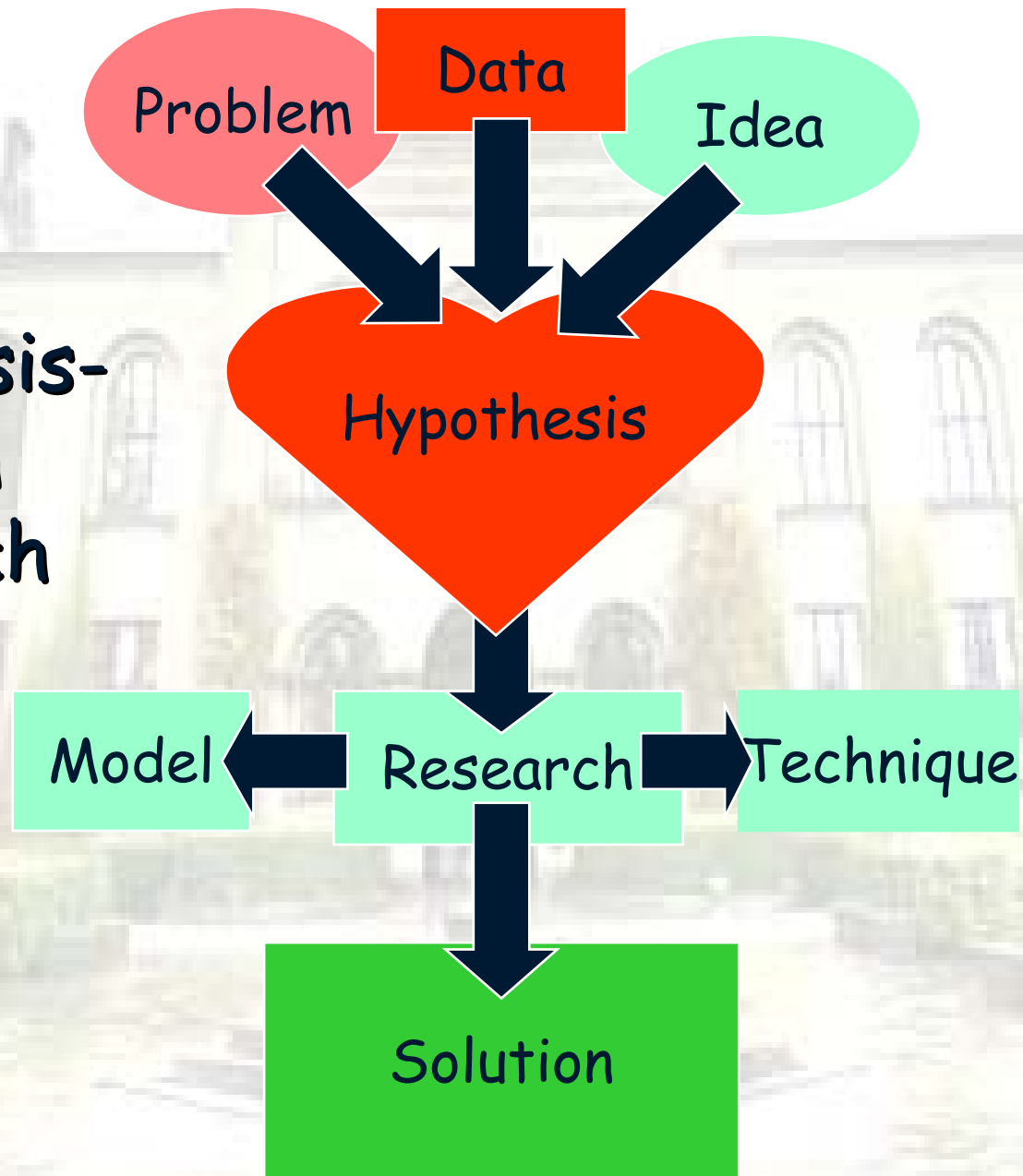


Health-driven
research

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Hypothesis-driven research



Lateral thinking: lactation research in ducks!



Avian salt gland:
Secretes copiously
Grows rapidly

Helped to understand
milk secretion

May help to enable
extended lactation

There are still jobs to be done!

- Feed those who need to be fed
- Improve the diet (and health) of those who need it improved
- Introduce modern production methods where they are needed
- Ensure the safety and security of food supply chains
- Improve the health and welfare of our domestic animals
- Protect the environment
- Continue to support European agricultural industries

Retire or rejuvenate?



An agenda for EAAP in 2009:
Celebrate 60, rejoice in animal science and be
confident in our ability to help solve new problems