

Whose milk is in the vial? Workshop, ICAR Prague 2019

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Växa Sverige





Facts about...

Växa Sverige

- Official breeding organisation - Sweden
- Members, farms 6400
- Cows in Milk recording 200 000 (2200 farms)
- Cows in AI 280 000
- Employees, 300 full-time
- Offices working areas 27 Skånesemin, Rådgivarna Sjuhärad organises Milkrecording, AI locally.
- Milkrecording
 - 33 000 cows, 300 farms

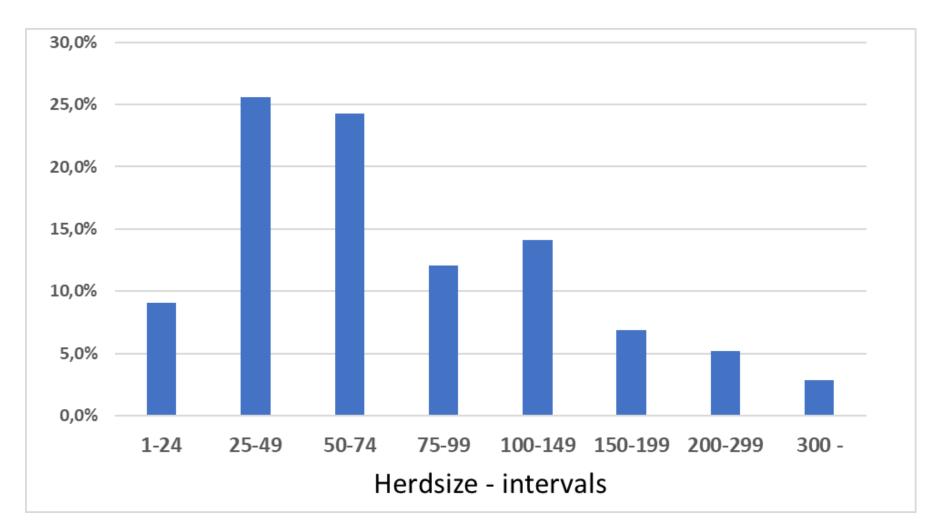




Milk recording 2017/2018

- 2427 herds, full year, 77 % of all herds
 In total 2713 herds incl. herds with part of year
- 233 000 cows, 79 % of all cows (Sweden)
- Average production 10146 kg ECM
 9827 kg milk
- Average herd size, milkrecording 91,6
 cows

Distribution of herds according to size – Large variation!



Milk recording - Sweden

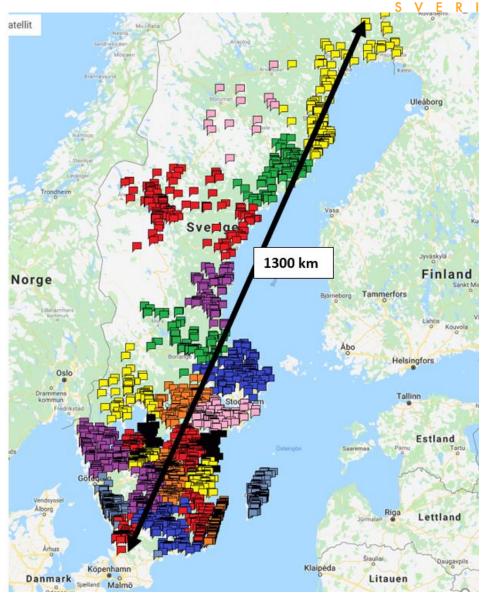


- B4, 100 %
- Variety of methods for recording and sampling
 - Stand-alone milkmeters, TrueTest models, DeLaval
 - Fixed installed meters
 - AMS-samplers
- All milkrecording equipment owned by farmers...
 - ... with few exceptions as AMS-samplers (DeLaval, Lely) and a few TT Ezi-scanners.

VÄXA sverige

Sweden

- Large country
- Large distances
- Växa Sverige has 2200 herds in milkrecording in area shown!
- Cost for A4 milkrecording would be to high!





Milkrecording Support - Supervision

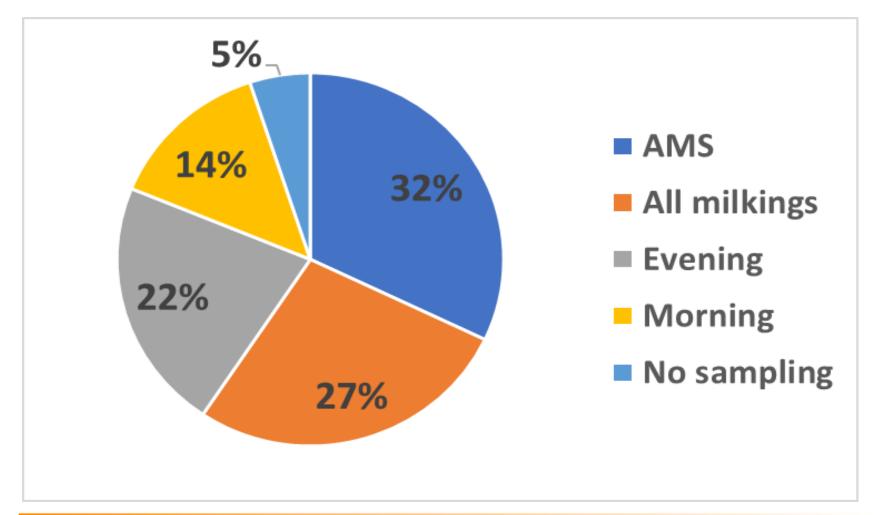
Support by Phone, E-mail, Skype, Teamviewer - remote support tool

- 1. Supervision by Dairy factory comparison
 - Produced milk Delivered milk
 - Milk-yield, kg
 - Fat, protein content
- 2. If necessary or wanted visits on farm!

Milk recording – Sampling!



Farmers can choose to sample at all milkings or either evening or morning, ex. March 2019



Securing Cow-Id - Vial



- Starts with preparation of testmilking!
- Since last testmilking....
 - All calvings reported
 - All cullings reported
 - All purchased cows reported
 - All dried off cows reported

Testmilking can be stressful! If everything is well prepared at start the lower the risk for errors on testday!

Testmilking with Cow Id. – Order of vial

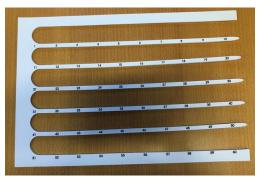


Cow Id - Vial

Using order of vials for connecting to Id of cow:

- Cassetes supplied by Eurofins
- Red side of cassette with vials Always to the left!
- Numbering Top left always vial nr 1
- Second row nr 11
- Template for numbering available





• Vials secured with lid and elastic rubber band!



Testmilking with cowid. – order of vial



Mostly farmers has a paper during testmilking as base for reporting: Paper for skanning, printout from webb/MinGård (MyFarm).

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502	SE-37126-502-0	6				28.1
505	SE-37126-505-3	7				22.5
506	SE-37126-506-1	8				21.8
516	SE-37126-516-0	9				23.3
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Cow Id - Vial Order of vials

By cow id, serial nr

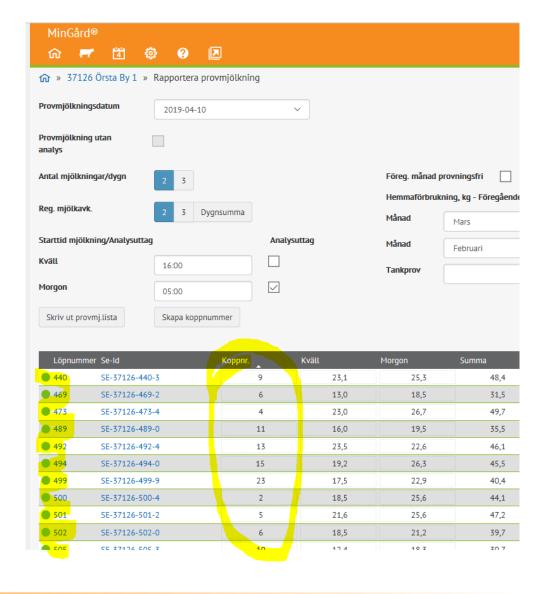


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Cow Id - Vial

Order of vials: Set as order of milked cows at sampling!





Barcode reader: Cow id - vial

Used by herds with fixed meters and management systems.

- TT Ezi-Scanner.
- Can be combined with reporting of milk yield or only for linking Cow-id with vial.





AMS-Link: Cow Id - Vial

By AMS-Link - barcode reader

- Data from AMS-sampler with position for vial and associated cow-id.
- Barcode is scanned and connected to test records
- Screenview of vials in cassette – possible to follow reading barcodes



AMS-Link: Cow Id - Vial



- Vials connected to cows without milk or not used is shown
- Registering of dry cows possible
- Possible to add cows milked outside AMS

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AMS – Milkrecording. Handling of vials



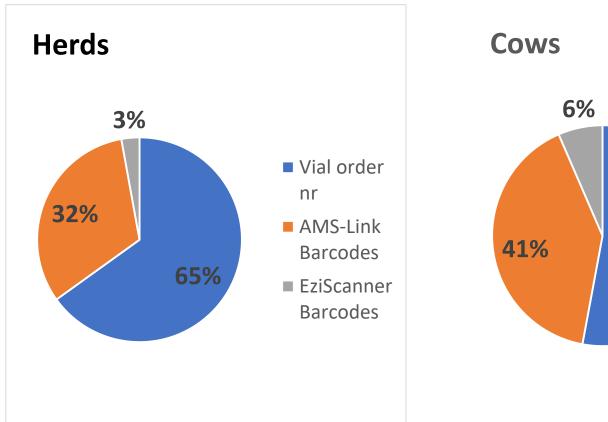
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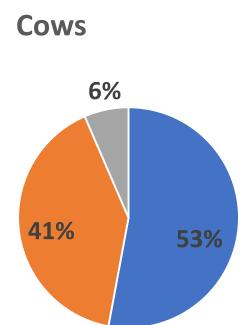


Lely Shuttle, vials has to move to shuttle and back to cassette



Cow Id. – Vial **Methods used in Swedish milkrecording**





Conclusions, cow-vial link



PAG, pregnancy analyses introduced 2015, done on milksamples from milkrecording!

Approx 1000 herds subscibe for PAG Approx 9000 – 10000 analyses each month

No complaints about suspiscion on results for pregnancy tests nowadays!

-> Evidence that methods works!



Future plans for improvement?

 Registering through MinGård/MyFarm webpage introduced 2018/19

– Further development planned

- Develop new system for using barcodes connected to MinGård/MyFarm
 - Use of Smartphones/Tablets or other handheld devices!?
- Searching for suitable barcode-readers



Thank You for your attention!

