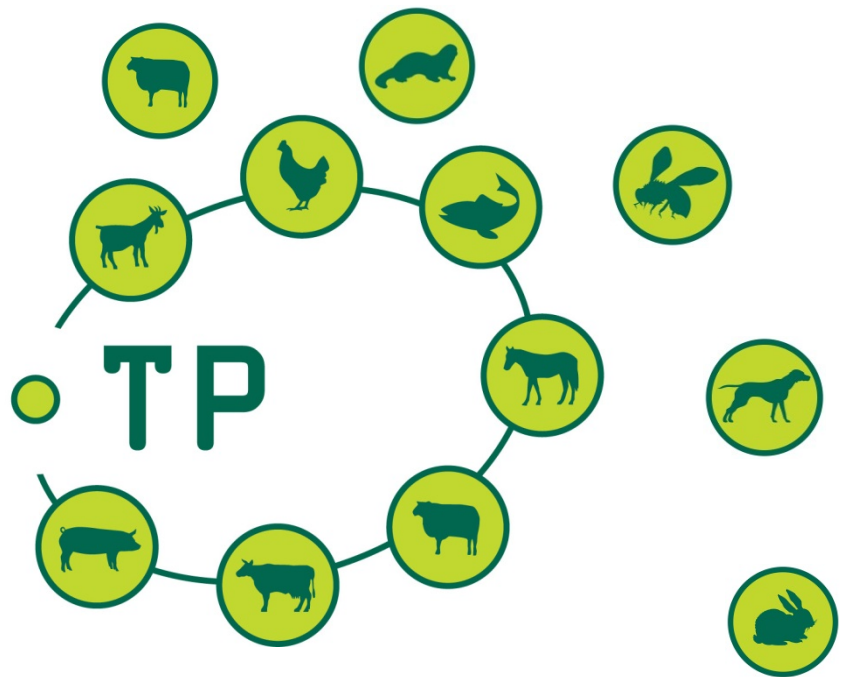


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WHITE PAPER

FOOD SECURITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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THIS PRESENTATION

- Animal Breeding and Reproduction
- White Paper
- Food Security and Climate Change
- How can Animal Breeding and Reproduction make a difference



ANIMAL BREEDING AND REPRODUCTION

- **Europe is on the forefront in animal breeding**
 - **Supplier** genetics
 - 30-50% European breeding populations
 - ▶ **global trade** of breeding stock
 - **Ownership** is often in European hands, esp poultry
 - + Strong **knowledge** nodes (across species)
 - Development genetics-reproduction + support
 - In house close relationships to EU/global universities/institutes



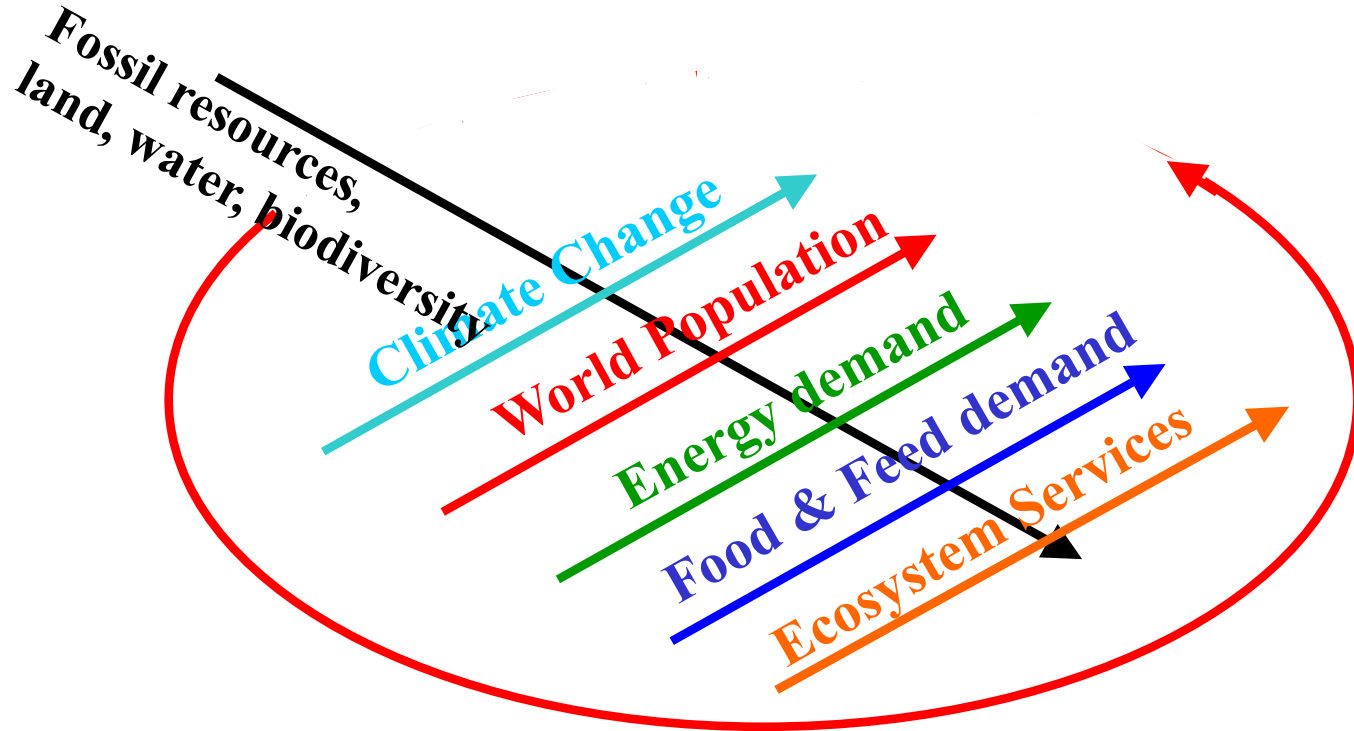
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FOOD SECURITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

- Further to the SRA work
 - 13 FABRE TP expert groups
- Detailing the challenges and opportunities coming from Food Security + Climate Change
- **Focused** basis for future research planning and funding
 - To offer informally to the **Joint Programming Initiative Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change**
 - National funding driven programme of 20 countries
 - www.faccejpi.com



A PERFECT STORM*



A "perfect storm" of food shortages, scarce water and insufficient energy resources threaten to unleash public unrest, cross-border conflicts and mass migration as people flee from the worst-affected regions.

Prof. John Beddington, UK Chief Scientific Adviser

* JPI Food Security and Climate Change ppt July 2011

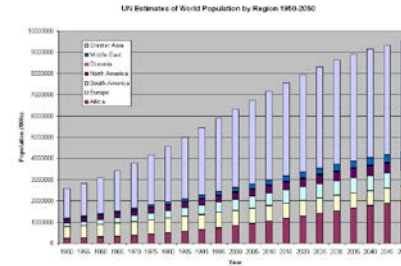


Food Security: Outlook Global Food Demand

Population Change 1950/2050

- **Population Change + 35-50%**

- 1 billion hungry
- ↑ 70% food production by 2050



- Demand driven **livestock** revolution (Delgado et al)

- Upcoming economies eating meat starting with chicken
- 2010-2019 renewed expansion of the meat sector is expected for non-OECD countries

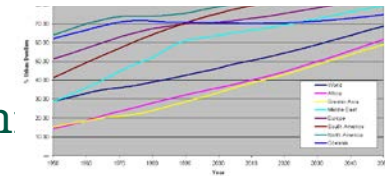
Urbanisation Rate 1950/2050

- Available agricultural land

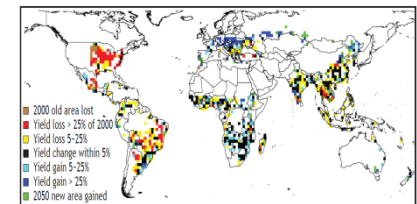
- Europe-Asia scarce vs Americas-Africa-Ocean
- Competition with other functions:

- urbanisation, nature, energy production

- Availability water, fertilisers, energy



Estimated Yield Effect of Climate Change – Un-irrigated Maize



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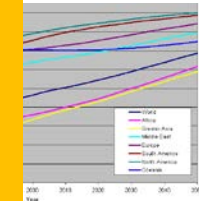
- Population
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- Availability
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- Availability
- Effect climate change on feed
 - Availability and price feed

Demand

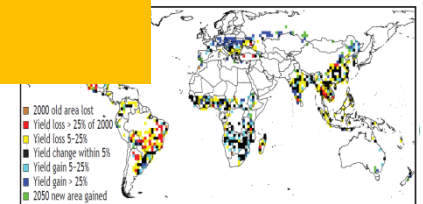
Scarcity



et al)
1950/2050



Effect of Climate Change on Irrigated Maize



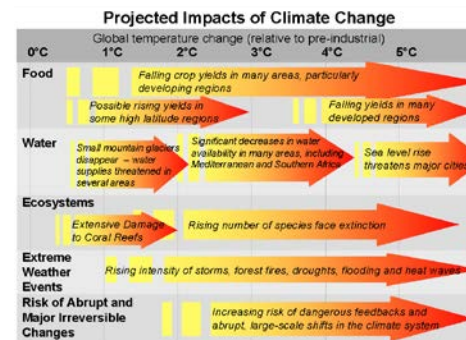
CLIMATE CHANGE

- *Agriculture + land use = 30% of emissions*
 - *need to be part of solutions*
 - *new and strong emphasis on agricultural research vital for sustainable global development*
- **Adapation to extremer/different climate/conditions**
 - Temperature – wet/dry
 - Fluctuations
 - Disease – Pathogens
 - Feed, management, population adaptation, reproduction, physiology

Robustness

○ **Input-output balance**

- ↓ use resources
- ↓ emissions
- ↓ waste
- ↑ efficiency



First Results



ADAPTATION TO EXTREME – DIFFERENT CLIMATE (1)

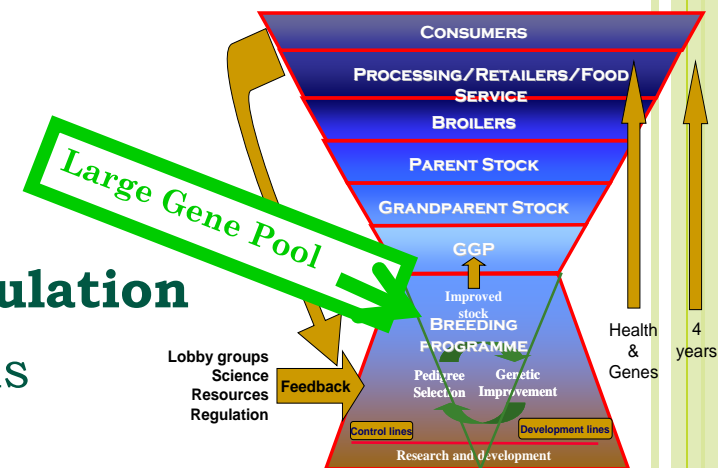
○ More **Robust** Animals

- Adaptation to high **temperatures** (reduction heat constraint)
 - Air (livestock) and water (aquaculture)
- Adaptation to **crops** with less impact on environment (less water dependent) and to reduced nutritional quality
- Increased **metabolic** functions
- Impact of environmental **epigenetic** effects (use of various genetic and gm models)
- Coping with **disease challenge, new pathogens, zoonotic organisms, host-pathogen interactions**
 - Animal itself
 - Carriers pathogen human food (gene network knowledge, phenotypic and genotypic predictors)
- Understand biology behind this



ADAPTATION TO EXTREME - DIFFERENT CLIMATE (2)

- **Food safety** in relation to changing environment
- **Reproduction** techniques for more varied and extreme climate conditions
- **Gene bank** maintenance + use
 - Knowledge + skills
- **Diversity** and 'resilience' of the population to adapt in time to changing conditions
 - Diversities of industry populations
 - Diversity of breeds and specialties
- **Disease free breeding stock and robust animals**
- Development adapted finetuned management knowledge
 - Constant adaptation of **management guides** to changing circumstances



CLIMATE CHANGE – INPUT OUTPUT BALANCE

↓ EMISSIONS

○ GHG and mineral emissions

- easy **measurable** indicator **traits** that can be included in selection

○ Understanding **biology**

- underpinning differences in animal environmental impact

○ **Data** on emissions and **options for reduction**

- in different environments – diets - per physiological stage (pregnancy, lactation etc) – age - G x E

○ **Combination** targeted genetic improvement of environmental footprint with

- ▲ production (food security demand)
- Basic principles and technology in principle available and implemented – needed:
 - Data to support estimation of relative weightings,
 - Covariances with production and functional traits



CLIMATE CHANGE - INPUTOUTPUTBALANCE

↓ **WASTE**

- **Re-use** animal products
- Utilisation of **by-products** food production
- Traits, methods to measure, genotypes



CLIMATE CHANGE – INPUT OUTPUT BALANCE

FOOD SECURITY



- Considerable improvements achieved
- Further improvements needed
- *Efficiency and other improvements should be obtained **simultaneously** in broad breeding programmes balancing antagonistic effects
e.g. growth and welfare*



Inputs

**Impacts & resources used
/ t of carcass, / 20,000 eggs (~
1 t)
or / 10m³ milk (about 1 t)**

**Beef Pig
meat Poult
meat Sheep
meat Eggs Milk**

Primary energy used, GJ

28 17 12 23 14 25

GWP₁₀₀, t CO₂

16 6.4 4.6 17 5.5 10.6

Eutrophication
potential, kg PO₄³⁻

158 100 49 200 77 64

Acidification potential, kg
SO₂

471 394 173 380 306 163

Pesticides used, dose ha

7.1 8.8 7.7 3.0 7.7 3.5

GWP=Global Warming Potential



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Beef Pig
meat meat Poul
t meat Sheep
meat Eggs Milk

40 years selection

FCR*

3,4 → 2,4 kg feed

/ kg meat

*Food Conversion Rate

Primary

GWP₁₀₀

Eutrophication
potential

Acidification
SO₂

Pesticides

	Beef	Pig meat	Poult meat	Sheep meat	Eggs	Milk
Primary	3	14	25			
GWP ₁₀₀	7	5.5	10.6			
Eutrophication potential	0	77	64			
Acidification SO ₂	0	306	163			
Pesticides	0	7.7	3.5			

GWP=Global Warming Potential



Life Cycle Analysis Modelling - Outputs

% change in emissions per tonne product through genetic improvement (1988-2007)

	Methane	Ammonia	Nitrous Oxide	GWP₁₀₀
Layers	-30	-36	-29	-25
Broilers	-20	10	-23	-23
Pigs	-17	-18	-14	-15
Dairy	-25	-17	-30	-16
Beef	0	0	0	0
Sheep	-1	0	0	-1

Project for Defra by Genesis Faraday and Cranfield University (AC0204), 2008
These figures exclude any post-farm-gate efficiencies such as reduced waste.
GWP=Global Warming Potential



EFFICIENCY AND ENVIRONMENT IMPROVEMENTS OVER TIME AT PRODUCTION LEVEL

Species	Trait	Indicative performance		
		1960s	2005	% Change
Pigs	Pigs weaned /sow/year	14	21	50
	Lean %	40	55	37
	Kg lean meat/tonne feed	85	170	100
Broiler chickens	Days to 2 Kg	100	40	60
	Feed conversion ratio	3.0	1.7	43
Layer hens	Eggs per year	230	300	30
	Eggs/tonne feed	5000	9000	80
Dairy cows	Milk/cow/lactation (Kg)	6000	10,000	67

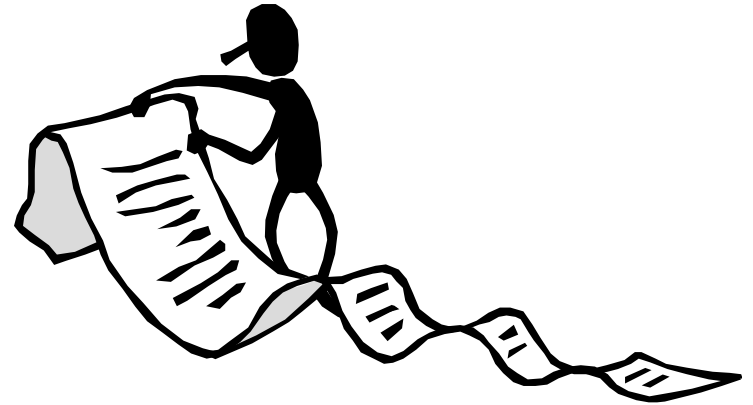
Modified from van der Steen, Prall and Plastow, 2005 J. Anim Sci 83: E1-E8



OPPORTUNITIES EFFICIENCY

○ Trait improvement on

- Feed efficiency
- Digestibility
- Water efficiency.....



○ Adaptation livestock to

- intensive production systems
 - Especially in highly dense areas, fast growing developing countries
 - For more effective control of GHG and mineral emissions
- reduced chemotherapeutics use



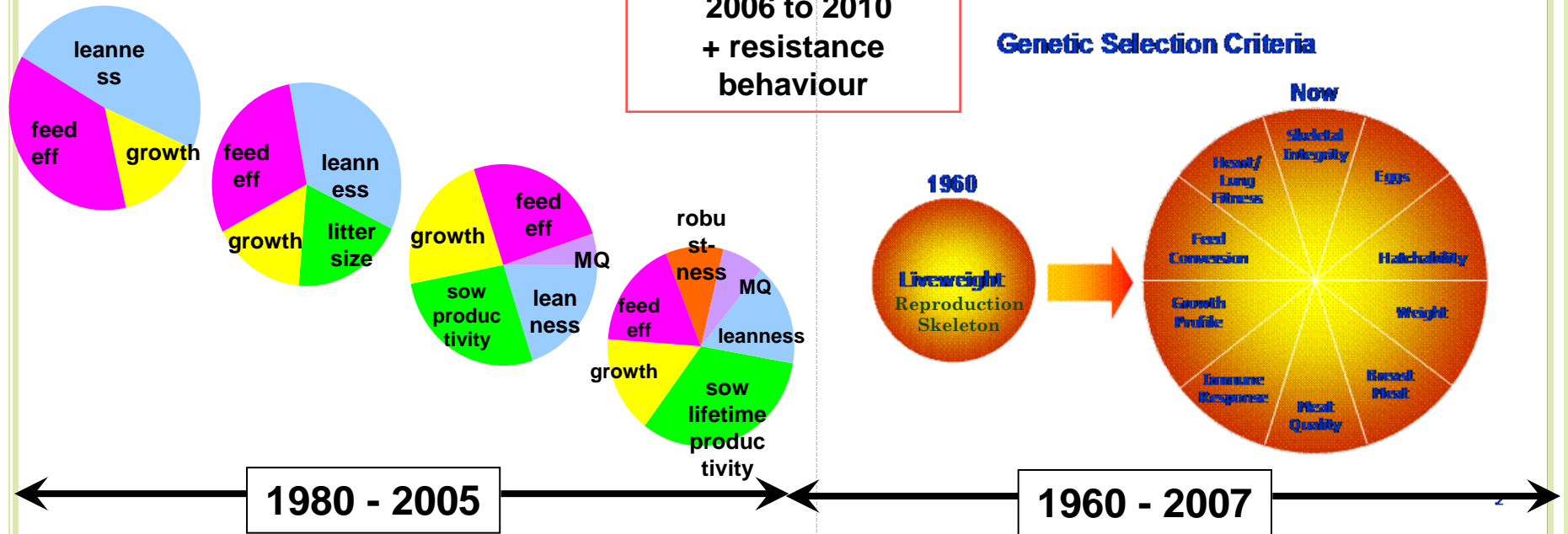
BROADENING BREEDING GOALS

PIGS

BROILERS

2006 to 2010
+ resistance
behaviour

Genetic Selection Criteria



Acknowledgement: Pieter Knap

Acknowledgement: Ken Laughlin



PREREQUISITES BROAD BALANCED BREEDING

○ Good **Traits**

- Reliable
- Repeatable,
- Easily measurable in large amounts

Use of the abundance
of company data

○ Powerful **Computers**

○ **Data**

- A steady flow **cost-effectively, reliably, repeatably** recorded traits on thousands of individually identified pedigreed animals, managed in a sophisticated data base

○ Good Breeding **Programming**

- Inclusion of new traits
- Implementation genomics
- Constant development + further finetuning



SCIENCE, AMONG OTHERS...

Genetic relationships change over time
Phenotypes always needed

- Genomes and way they function
- Genomics tools developments
- Tools for genetics and physiology
- Evaluate consequences of using new methods

- Effective and practical reproduction
- Data comparability
- Ontology

Standardisation public data
For science, transparency, visibility
improvements



- Moving from
 - Farming systems to production systems
 - Law only to Corporate responsibility
 - Descriptive to Solving research
 - E.g. welfare: from behaviour science to the right fit:
the optimal animal for a defined production system with fine-tuned management support
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Thank you for your attention

Success to the Expert Groups

Questions ?

