# Milk spontaneous lipolysis in dairy cows : variation factors and biochemical mechanisms

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 Evaluation of lipolysis : Titration of FFA mEq/100 g of fat = mmol/100 g of fat

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#### LIPOLYSIS, A ZOOTECHNICAL PROBLEM

- FFA are responsible for <u>off-flavour</u> (oxidized) in milk and dairy products (Mac Leod et al., 1957; Connolly et al., 1979; Santos et al., 2003)
- Partial glycerides and FFA are responsible for <u>technological</u> <u>abilities impairment</u> (Buchanan, 1965; Deeth and Fitzgerald, 1995; Deeth, 2006)
- Lipolysis is a milk quality issue and an economical issue (farmers, dairies)
- Key figures:
  - 1.2 1.5 mEq/100 g fat: threshold of acceptance for consumers (Chilliard & Lamberet, 1984; Santos et al., 2003; IDF)
  - 0.89 mEq/100 g fat: threshold for milk payment to farmers (CNIEL) 2 to 15% of farmers penalized according the period of the year.
- Quality problems cannot be harness by the downstream part of the sector (techn. Imposs.).

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## **SCIENTIFIC PROBLEM :**

1- Which husbandry factors are modulating spontaneous lipolysis ?

2 - What are the biochemical mechanisms ?







Murphy et al., 1979 ; Arhné et Björck, 1985



Arhné et Björck, 1985; Chazal et Chilliard, 1986; Bachman et al., 1988







Stobbs et al., 1973 ; Deeth et Fitzgerald, 1976; Chazal et al., 1987; O'Brien et al., 1996; Ferlay et al., 2006







#### Arhné and Björck, 1985; Ferlay et al., 2006







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