#### VikingGenetics innovative breeding

#### NTM





# Focus in our breeding programmes



Genetics to support profitable and sustainable dairy business



Reliable data behind breeding programmes



Natural defence against diseases



#### High production



### What drives longevity?

Trait	<b>Correlation %</b>
NTM	63
Udder health	47
General health	42
Daughter fertility	39
Udder	35
Hoof health	30
Youngstock survival	20
Feet & legs	20
Production	1
Frame	-19

Source: NAV 2019. Figures from Holstein bulls born 2016, 2017 or 2018.



### NTM works in real life

#### VikingRed

The most profitable red cow in the world

## PROCROSS

MONTBELIARDE / HOLSTEIN / VIKINGRED VIKINGRED / HOLSTEIN / MONTBELIARDE





#### Gives you fewer management costs and more time to focus on optimising your business

Makes your dairy business climate-friendly, sustainable and profitable



#### Naturally healthy

Excellent health, fertility and calving ease



#### High producing

Highest production of milk and solids



#### **Trouble-free**

#### Resilient, long-lasting cows



# Ideal for crossing

Boosts health, fertility and efficiency in crossbreds





### VikingRed



Finland – 90,000 VR cows



Sweden – 84,000 VR cows

Denmark – 30,000 VR cows



#### **VikingRed – Champions in Production**

#### VikingRed 2020

 No. cows
 204

 Milk (305 days)
 9,62

 Fat kg
 419

 Fat %
 4.32

 Protein kg
 338

 Protein %
 3.51

 Fat + Protein kg
 757

NAV January 2020

204,000 (DNK, SWE, FIN) 9,627 kg / 10,121 kg ECM 419 kg 4.35 % 338 kg 3.51 % 757 kg







#### Milk yield per cow, 305 days – Red Dairy Cattle

305 days, RDC, all registered cows



Source: ICAR (2018), NAV (DK, SE, FIN) & Australian National Herd Recording Statistics (2017)



#### Kg fat + protein 305 days - RDC



305 days Fat + Protein kg - RDC

Source: ICAR (2018), NAV (DK, SE, FIN) 2019 & Australian National Herd Recording Statistics (2017)

### **Superior production**

- VikingRed has the **highest** genetic level in the **production** index.
- What's more, VikingRed is the only RDC population that has shown a positive development in genetic level for production in the period from 2014 to 2019.



### **VikingRed** #1 around the world for red breeds



	Production index	Fat index	Protein index
	104	103	103
	95	94	95
*	87	91	86
	93	95	92

- The Nordic countries at the top of the list when it comes to total production
- Bulls from VikingRed are superior in production of both fat and protein



- VikingGenetics is be far the best for udder health
- VikingRed cows have outstanding udder health with only 7% of clinical mastitis in average in the first 3 lactations.
- VikingRed combines the best udder health with the best production and milking speed
- Denmark, Sweden and Finland are at the top of the Interbull list when it comes to longevity.
- With the average genetic level for Longevity equal to 100, the Nordic countries are far ahead of other countries.





	Calving direct	Calving maternal
	101	101
	99	88
*	95	97

- VikingGenetics bulls are the top performers in both Calving Direct and Calving Maternal
- Especially, for Calving Maternal Denmark, Sweden and Finland are superior with the average genetic level for Calving maternal equal to 101



Frame	Feet & Legs	Udder
99	100	102
101	98	86
100	103	107

- VikingGenetics have for many years been breeding for good functional types
- Canada have been very focused on type traits
- VikingRed give good production udders that can handle the high production.



	Milking speed	Temperament
	101	100
	96	96
*	92	93

- VikingGenetics bulls are easy to work with
- VikingRed have a good milking speed and is at the top for udder health at the same time.
- VikingRed cows are curious with a good temperament

Interbull, April 2020





- VikingGenetics bulls are superior on NTM
- With 4 NTM units in genetic progress per year VikingRed is 3.5 year in front of Norway and 5 years in front of Canada

### -Thank you!