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The Facts About the Future ... “The Unknown Un-Knowns” ...

...”There are known knowns — there are things we know we know”...
...”We also know there are known unknowns — that is to say, we know there are some things we do not know”...
...”But there are also *unknown* unknowns, the ones we don’t know we don’t know”...

Donald H. Rumsfeld, (former) US Secretary of Defense, February 2002

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experienced supply chain disruptions. The war in Ukraine underscores the need for a European food system that is sufficiently resilient to shocks and is able to feed the world sustainably. At the same time, the consequences of the war call for short-term solutions to solve acute food insecurity. Some interventions may be at odds with the transition of our food system.

Responses to the Consequences of the War So Far

The question now is: considering these developments, will actors delay or accelerate the food system transition? Some argue that the food system transition will be put on the back burner for now to contribute to short-term food security. Others claim that the transition will be accelerated to reduce dependence on fossil fuels and improve resource efficiency to make the food system more resilient.

... many 'futurists' think that a leading industry in upcoming decades will be
– Agribusiness ... so it will be ... Livestock/Meat Industry...???

What are the forces pushing
the Livestock/Meat Industry to change??

ONE SIMPLE FACT: Food and Nutrition are necessary for Life!
...it is in the interest of our existence to CONTINUOUSLY improve:

- **Availability**
- **Cost/Affordability**
- **Nutritional Value**

"Incentivizing Food system Transformation", World Economic Forum, Davos, January 2020)

What specific changes will we see in
the Livestock/Meat Industry?

NO SIMPLE FACTS:

- Meat Industry must adapt, innovate, diversify and/or completely re-make itself, become dynamic-cutting-edge, attractive to new ideas for inputs to production means and for outputs **leading to consumer-recognized value**

How will emerging changes in the
Livestock/Meat Industry affect the Global
Markets'?

NO SIMPLE FACTS:

- **Meat affordability** focused on global markets will endure; **diversification is the key**
- **'Natural & High-Tech' or 'Health-Claims & Low-Cost'** meat products do NOT have to be, or perceived to be, mutually exclusive
- Cross-over between **'Specialist-Channel Credibility'** with **'Mass-Market Volume'** will succeed
- Opportunities exist for the Meat, Fitness and Pharmaceutical industries to successfully introduce 'the better nutrition/diet' products
- *Etc. Etc. Etc.*

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NO SIMPLE FACTS but 4 KEY PRIORITIES:

1. **ESG (Environmental-Social-Governance) is a key driving force fostering the change**
 - **Environmental Compatibility**
 - *Livestock/Meat Agriculture must continue to reduce its tracks on environment*
 - **Social responsibility:**
 - *Livestock/Meat Agriculture must fully understand and address its impact on communities (real and perceived)*
 - **The Importance of Animal Welfare**
 - *Livestock/Meat Agriculture must fully understand and address its consumer markets*
2. **Focus on Production Efficiency**
 - *Produce safe, abundant meat supply*
3. **Economic Viability**
 - *Livestock/Meat Industry are cornerstone for numerous national/regional and global economies (food security)*
4. **MACRO economic prosperity supports rising meat demand**
 - *World meat consumption rise 1-2% annually over long term with cyclical influences*



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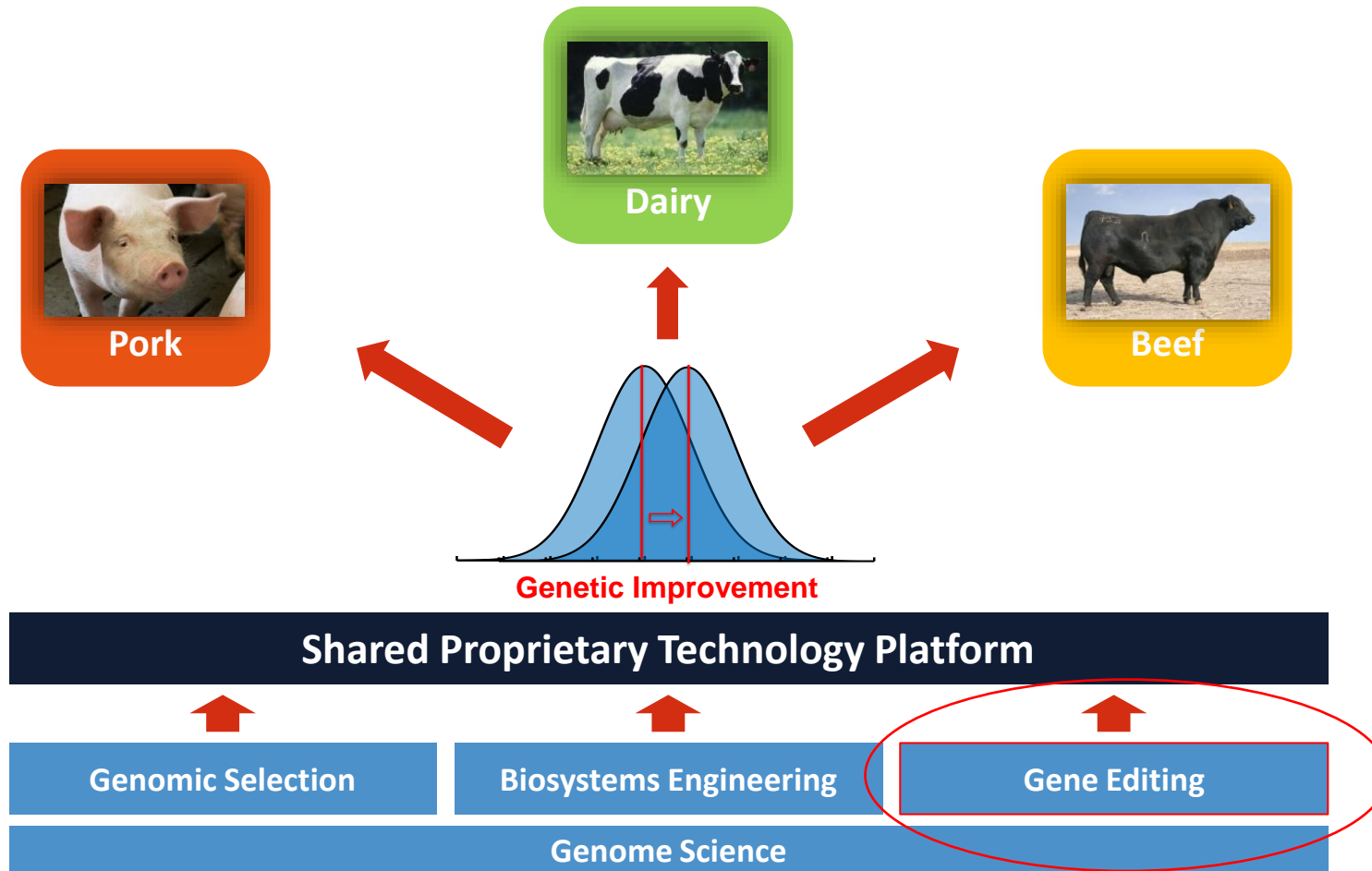
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Meat Science & Technology Inspiration Symposium: *The power of meat – innovations and legacies paving the way for the future of meat. Wageningen, May 6, 2022.*

Andrzej Sosnicki, & Matt Culbertson, Genus-PIC

Genus' strategy: Drive Genetic Gain with Own Technology
(Internal 'Chain-Link' Model)



We Continue to Accelerate Genetic Gain with These FOUR Foundations

Investing in large, diverse populations, diverse phenotypic traits, and best selection tools...

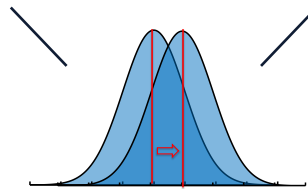
...which results in accelerated genetic gain

Selection intensity

Our elite populations doubled,
and we select less boars / sow

Index deviation

We add differentiated
germplasm, e.g., Møllevang



$$\Delta G = \frac{\text{Selection Intensity} * \text{Index Std} * \text{Accuracy}}{\text{Generation Interval}}$$

Generation interval:

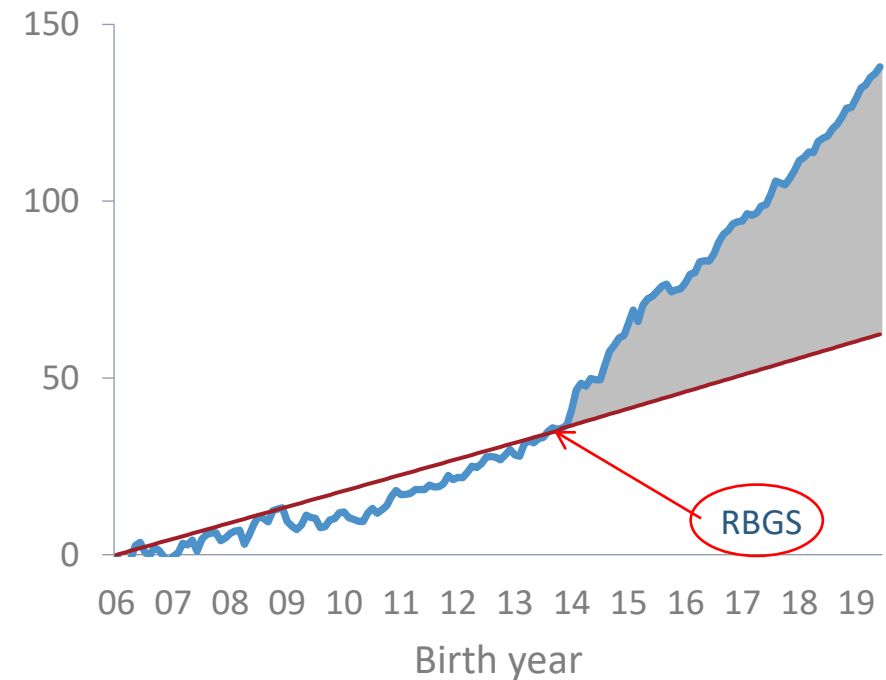
We use higher replacement
rates in sow farms and studs

Selection accuracy:

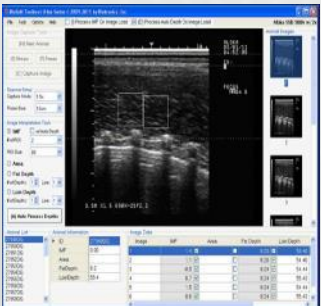
We combine extensive data capture of
well established and new traits with
the latest genomics technologies

PIC Genetic Index

Commercial pig index trend



Breeding for Optimum Saleable Carcass Yield & Eating Experience



- **Saleable Lean Yield**
 - Bone-in primal contribution
 - Boneless primal contribution
- **Fresh Pork and Processing Quality**
 - Ultimate pH
 - Lean color
 - IMF
 - Physiological Fitness/Lactate Testing/MHC evaluations, etc.
- **Consumer Eating Satisfaction**
 - Warner-Bratzler Shear Force

...The Future: Pork production ~2020-2030 (and beyond)

... 2020-2030 (and beyond) Pork Production
... Will Increasingly Require:



Faster & more accurate pork production improvement **TECHNOLOGIES**
better aligned with the needs of GLOBAL consumers' meat supply and value chains

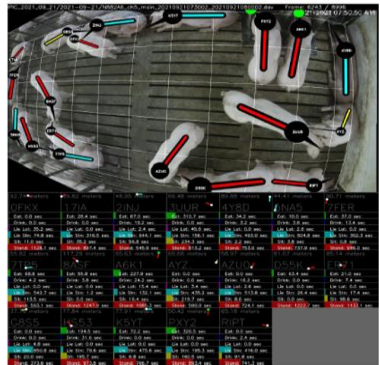
- *High levels of disease resistance*
- *High levels of reproductive performance*
- *High levels of sow, piglet and growing pig survivability*
- *More efficient pig growth rate*
 - *Improved feed conversion rate*
- *Improved animal welfare standards*
- *Less impact on the environment*
- *Less use of energy*
- ***High carcass value, market-desirable meat quality (for pork product innovations)***

Contribution of genetic technologies to sustainability of meat production



Emerging Traits to be Included in Genetic Selection:

Key Areas of Interest



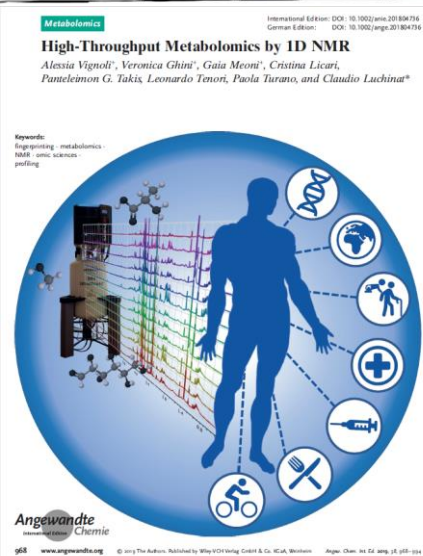
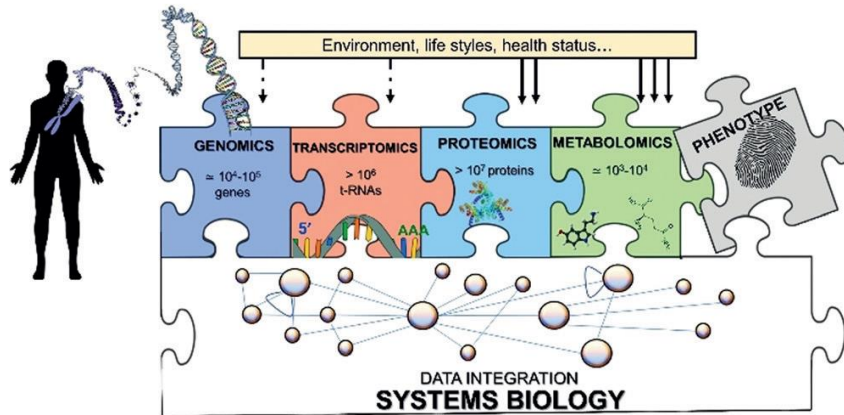
- **Body dimensions**
 - including weight, length, width, muscle composition & MHC microstructure
- **Structural components**
 - including feet and leg structure, kyphosis, hip and shoulder structure
- **Behavior and social interactions, social competence**
 - including pig activity, feeding and drinking behavior, and vices
- **Traits we measure today that can...**
 - Be Automated
 - Increase accuracy through serial measurements
- **Reliable identification detection is key to these areas**

Can social competence be improved through pig management and breeding?

...in collaboration with the **School of Biological Sciences at Queen's University Belfast** and the **Pig Improvement Company**, (research) will focus on pigs, which have complex social lives involving a range of positive and negative forms of social interaction...

...News release, [Scotland's Rural College](#) (SRUC), 04/2022

Emerging Research:



- Genomic sequencing
- Phenomics
 - Epigenetics
 - Microbiome
 - Metabolomics

Genome Editing: The Next Frontier for Animal Health and Meat Production

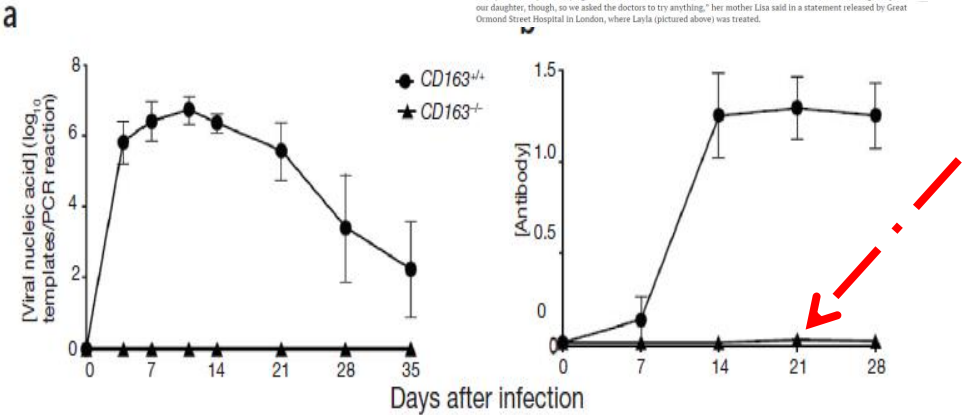
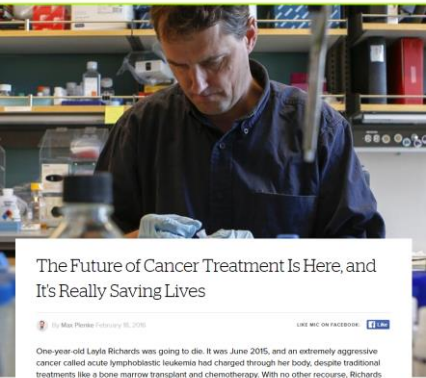


Figure 3 PRRSV-specific nucleic acid and antibody. (a,b) Mean and s.d. of PRRSV nucleic acid concentrations (a) and antibody (b) in serum from $CD163^{+/+}$ ($n = 7$) and $CD163^{-/-}$ ($n = 3$) pigs (one replication) are shown. Sample to positive ratio = the median fluorescent intensity (MFI) of the sample divided by the MFI of the positive control.



VIRUS-CELL INTERACTIONS



Pigs Lacking the Scavenger Receptor Cysteine-Rich Domain 5 of CD163 Are Resistant to Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome Virus 1 Infection

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ABSTRACT Porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus (PRRSV) has a narrow host cell tropism, limited to cells of the monocyte/macrophage lineage. CD163 protein is expressed at high levels on the surface of specific macrophage types, and a soluble form is circulating in blood. CD163 has been described as a

CORRESPONDENCE

Gene-edited pigs are protected from porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus

To the Editor: Porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome (PRRS) is the most economically important disease of swine in North America, Europe and Asia, costing producers in North America more than \$600 million annually¹. The disease syndrome was first recognized in the United States in 1987 and described in 1989 (ref. 2). The causative agent, porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus (PRRSV), was subsequently isolated and characterized in Europe in 1991 (ref. 3). Vaccines have been unable to control the disease. It has been suggested that disease syndrome and porcine circovirus-associated disease, and can establish a lifelong subclinical infection⁴. In 2006, a more severe form of the disease, called highly pathogenic PRRS, decimated pig populations throughout China⁵. Although genetic selection for natural resistance is an option, success to date has been limited, possibly due to the genetic diversity of the virus⁶. It had been proposed that PRRSV infects alveolar macrophages using the surface protein SGLR1 (CD163) as the primary viral receptor⁷. In this proposed model, after binding to CD163 and being taken into the cell, the virus is released by homologous recombination and somatic cell nuclear transfer) were infected with PRRSV and compared with infected wild-type pigs, no difference in virus replication was found⁸. To test the role of CD163 in infection, we previously created 45 live-born piglets with insertions ranging from 1 bp to 2 kb, deletions from 11 bp to 1.7 kb, as well as a partial domain swap in CD163 using CRISPR-Cas9 technology⁹. One founder male and one founder female, both of whom had mutations in exon 7 of CD163, were bred to produce offspring (Supplementary Methods). The founder

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Status

Technology

- University of Missouri discovery confirmed by academics in US, EU, China
- Optimized the gene edit
- Created founder populations in the US

Regulatory

- Engaged with FDA for US regulatory approval
- Initiated contact with international regulators

Market/Consumer Acceptance

- Conducted consumer sentiment surveys in US and other countries
- Engaged with key industry stakeholders

Market Implementation

- Developed genetic dissemination strategy



- **We believe this technology has the potential to eliminate a major disease in the swine industry which benefits the well-being of the animals, pork producer productivity, and consumers**
- **Genus and PIC are committed to responsible development of technology, adherence to regulatory standards, and responsible management of animals while we work through these developments**



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... Livestock/Meat Industry BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT...

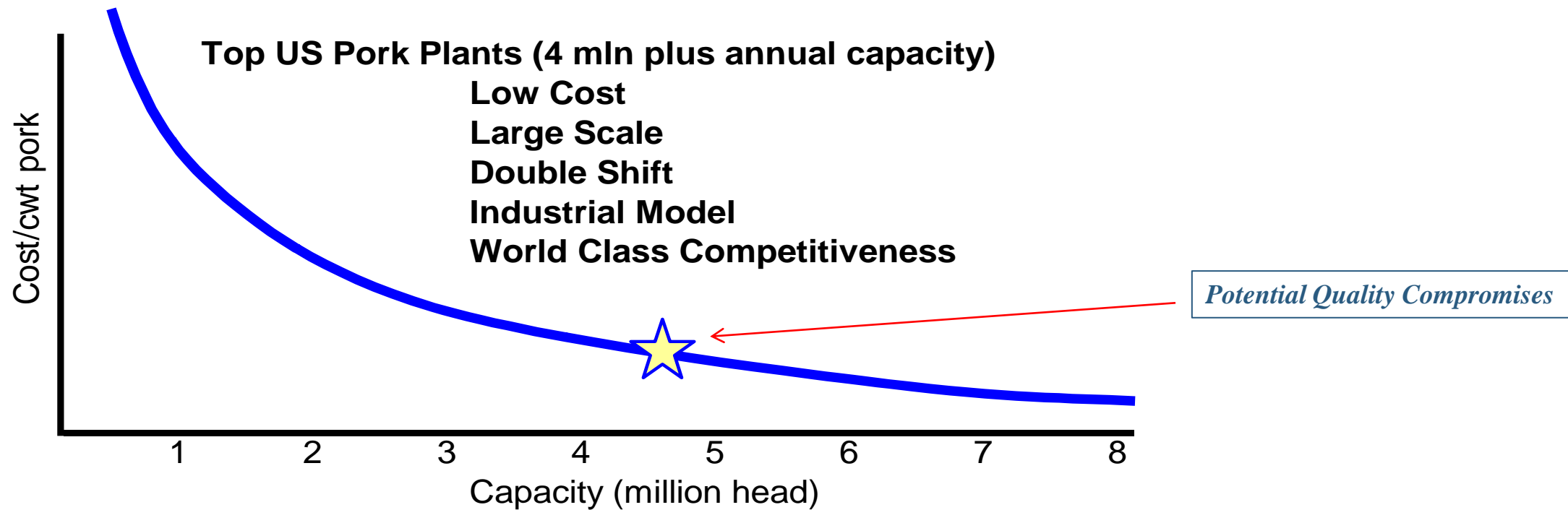
...Meat industry is a competitive, high-volume, commodity-driven, low-margin business...

The global meat market is highly complex & can be segmented by:

- Governance
- Species
 - *beef, pork, poultry*
- Distribution channel
 - *retail, food service, commodity, international*
- Type of processing
 - *slaughter, fresh meat, further processing*
- Type of products
 - *bulk parts, retail packaged, raw meat, packed processed meats*
- Geography
 - *country, continent, export, global*

U.S. FSIS-Regulated Pig Slaughter Line Speed is 1,006 pigs/hour (2021 YTD)

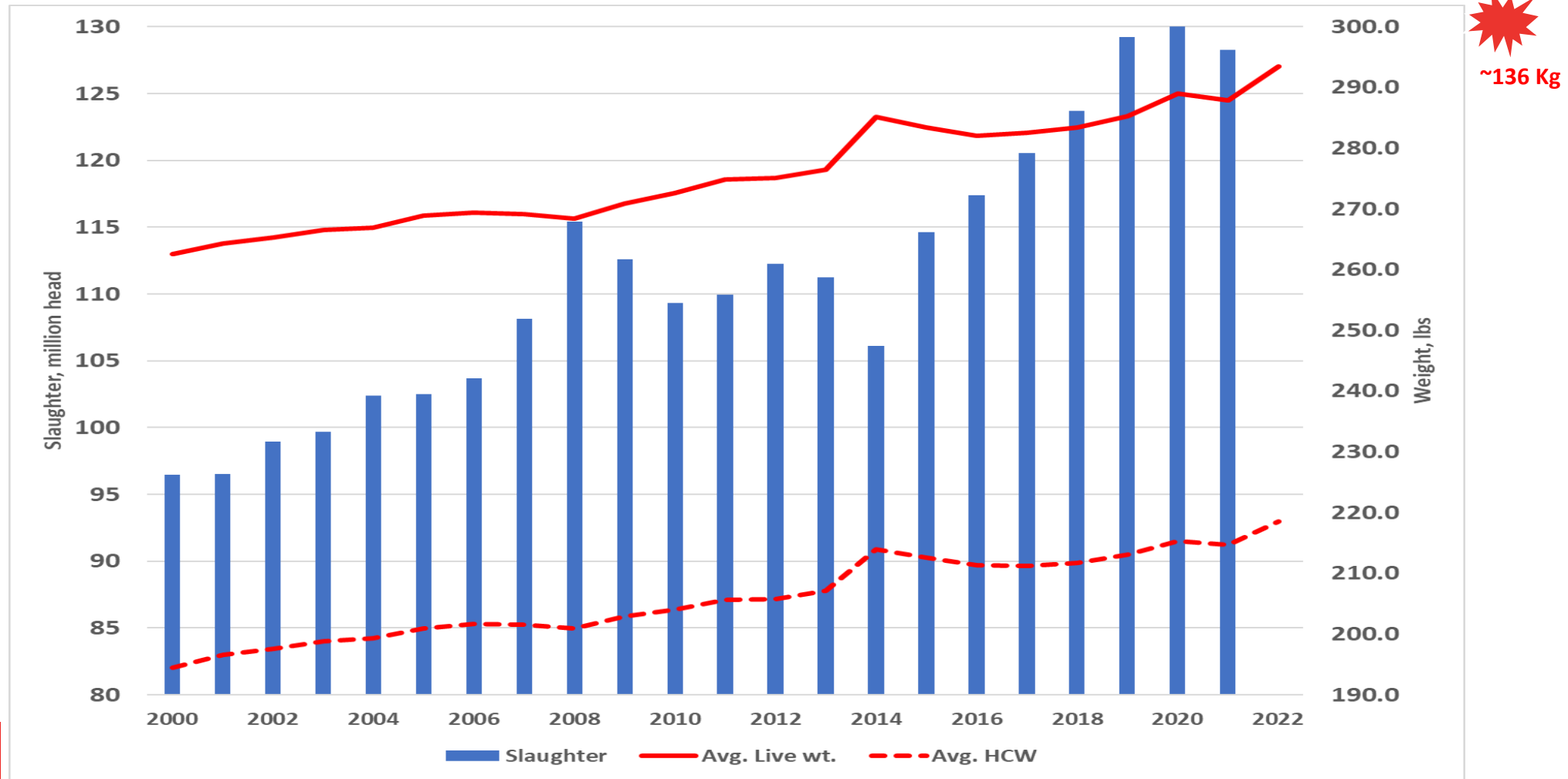
The Large-Scale High-Throughput Model



Dr. Dennis DePietre, University of Missouri, 2000

Throughput = Kg Pork Processed/Hour/Shift = Carcass Weight & its Variation

Commercial Pig Slaughter – United States



... Livestock/Meat Industry BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT...2022 ...Into the Future..

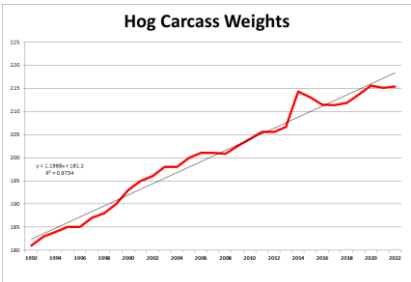
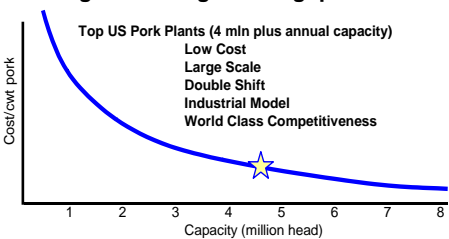
VALUE DEFINED

Quality + Service
COST

*NORTH & LATIN AMERICAN (and increasingly the EU) Pork Industries are:
Dominated by large multi-species Food enterprises*

- *Focusing on long-term sustainable growth*
- *By developing value-added products & consumer brands*

The Large-Scale High-Throughput Model



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COST

... 2022 ...Into the Future

...Further Developing Meat Value Chains vs. ‘Traditional’ Meat Supply Chains

Meat Supply Chain
(1990's ~2010)

Meat Supply Chain management focuses mostly on increasing the efficiency of current operations

- *Its core focus is on reducing costs while retaining the systems and processes already in place*

Meat Value Chain
(~2010-YTD)

Meat Value Chain management is based on creating value from consumers' perspective

- *Its core focus is on developing the systems necessary to satisfy consumers' expectation*
- *Cost reduction is an outcome of this approach, as is superior quality and competitiveness through focusing resources on efficiently producing goods that offer superior consumer-recognized value*
- *A closely-aligned value chain often contains vertically and horizontally linked players such as genetics and genetic improvement program(s), livestock producer(s), processor(s), distributor(s), and retailer(s)*

KEY Factors of High Performing Firms:

- *Core competencies: knowledge of the strong points ... and weak points*
- *Value Chain Relationships: often contain vertically and horizontally linked players such as genetics and genetic improvement program(s), livestock producer(s), processor(s), distributor(s), and retailer(s)*
- *Technology Adoption: .. Willingness to invest in technology, people, systems, communication, .. to lead the industry*

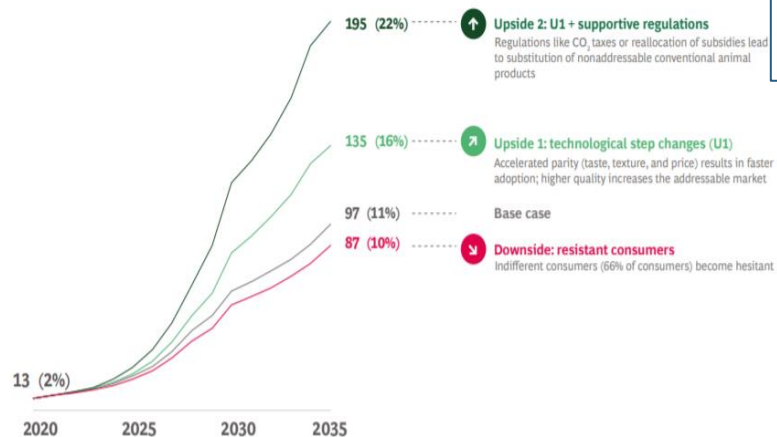
Meat Value Chain
What Constitutes a Leading Firm with
Great Overall Results Over time??

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Alternative proteins

Exhibit 11 - Alternative Proteins Could Claim as Much as 22% of the Overall Protein Market by 2035

Global consumption of alternative proteins
(million metric tons and penetration of conventional protein in %)



Sources: Blue Horizon and BCG analysis.

Source: Food for Thought, The Protein Transformation, BCG March 2021

Compelling Value Proposition?

- ***Sustainability and carbon emissions***
- ***Social goals and food access***
- ***Health concerns around diet choices***
- ***Pressure on industrialized farming***



...”Products like the Impossible Burger, with its 80-plus ingredients, are now in supermarkets and fast-food establishments worldwide”...

...”Lab-grown chicken has been on the market in Singapore since late 2020 and will likely soon be approved in the U.S.

“The IPES-Food report noted that the alternative protein sector has witnessed an influx of investment, with high-profile backers including Bill Gates, Sergey Brin, and Richard Branson. ...It has also attracted support from US, Chinese and European governments.

But, if you follow the money, you find that the market has seen significant investments and acquisitions from the world’s big meat processing companies, including JBS, Cargill, and Tyson”...

...Yet plant-based food companies may come with greater (ESG) risks for investors, at least if you consider the case of Tyson Foods (TSN) and Beyond Meat (BYND)...

.. Sustainalytics assigns Beyond Meat an even worse rating of Severe ESG Risk...

Morningstar....April 14, 2022. Data shows relative performance of BYND and TSN from March 31, 2021, through March 31, 2022



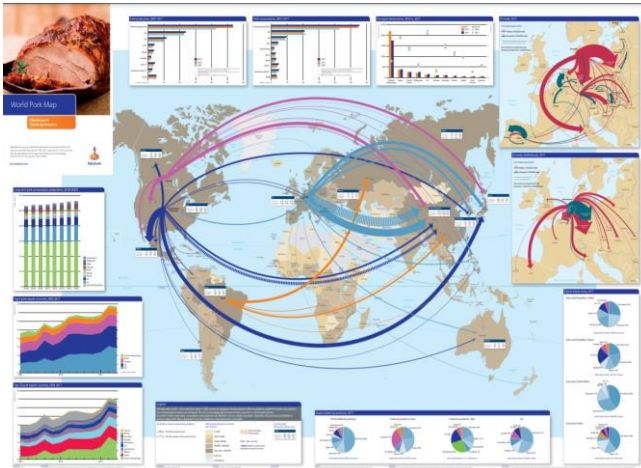
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Realities of On-going Evolution of Global Meat Market



Source: Rabobank 2018 World Pork Map

- ESG rules in wealthy countries, although critical for the future success of Meat Industry, need to acknowledge the trade-offs
 - *Increasing realization of competing priorities leads to more technical innovations and definitions of trade-offs across food value chains*
 - *Consumer demands are the “compass”*
 - *Transparency and trust*
 - *Quality and familiarity*
- ‘New’ attitude must be fostered among Meat Industry professionals worldwide who share the same passion, commitment, persistence, and desire to service their customers – and ultimately consumers, globally
 - *Increase cross-functionality between basic and applied meat science & business development programs*
 - *Technical and business skills are most often NOT ENOUGH, success also depends on building relationships with all parties involved*
- Self-sufficiency is rarely an option
 - Diversification is the goal
 - The power of partnering is clearly a prerequisite for industry success
 - *New partnerships (i.e., forward contracts)*
 - *Dramatic changes in import/export (contracts)*
 - *Etc. Etc.*

FINAL COMMENTS (for the SCIENTISTS): Analytical Conundrum

Lots of Data and Many Questions

- *Are these independent or dependent variables?*
- *Are these causative, responsive, or associative?*
- *Are our existing biological explanations plausible?*
- *Are there simple analytical solutions?*
- *Does machine learning, neural networks, provide the best analytical solution?*

What is the final objective?

- *Is it a route to greater understanding of the animal that leads to better husbandry, better welfare, better (meat) quality, and sustainable improvements in animal proteins production*





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