

### **CVB** program

From 2019 onwards a Dutch-Belgian cooperation





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### **General introduction CVB-program**

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#### Main tasks CVB

To **evaluate feed materials** for farm animals in a transparent and scientific manner and to **establish nutritional needs**:

- a) Collecting analysis results for animal feed raw materials
- b) Establish and update feed evaluation formulas for feed materials
- c) Establish and update nutritional needs for farm animals
- d) Publish CVB table → chemical composition, digestibility and feeding value of feed materials and feed raw materials.



# Importance of CVB

**Common hub** for business, research and education.

The feed values and nutritional needs described by CVB are a reference for many users, e.g. animal feed companies, consultants, livestock farmers, education and knowledge institutions.

CVB is a public reference!! (www.cvbdiervoeding.nl)



# Supporting organisations

















Sponsors



# Importance of CVB for livestock farming and animal feed businesses (i)

- An independent and scientifically based reference system for the evaluation of feed materials and the setting of nutritional needs for farm animals.
- **Uniform training** in feed evaluation for students. Everyone speaks **one language**. Basis for "capacity building" for the animal feed chain in the Netherlands and Belgium.
- An archive function to store the background information for feed evaluation and nutrient contents.



# Importance of CVB for livestock farming and animal feed businesses (ii)

- A scientifically based feed evaluation system / reference for formulating diets in **scientific trials**.
- A feed evaluation system that can be used to support
  policy issues and scenario calculations in animal husbandry
  and the animal feed chain
  - → e.g. use of VEM-system in Dutch "Kringloopwijzer"
  - → e.g. use of VEM and DVE-values as a basis for feed prices



# Importance of CVB for livestock farming and animal feed businesses (iii)

- Central position of CVB in knowledge in NL en BE
  - → connects business, veterinarians, eduction and research
  - → transfer of knowledge to industry/practice
  - → transfer of questions from business/practice to knowledge institutions

A strong Agri&Food cluster in BE/NL strengthens our position in the international markets



### Organisational structure CVB 2019



- Policy guidance and budget of CVB
- · Reflecting organizations that contribute to the CVB program
- · ILVO and WUR are advising the board
- Technical committee CVB (TC-CVB)
  - Content guidance of CVB
  - Expert representatives of organizations that contribute to the CVB program
  - ILVO and WUR are members of TC-CVB
- From 2020 onwards most likely called "Stichting CVB"





## CVB in Belgium

### Thanks to BFA

- Financial contribution for the Belgian sector in CVB
- Budget is used within ILVO-CVB

### **Personel**

- Dorien Van Wesemael = contact person for the sector
- Other animal nutrition experts



## Innovations for cattle in the past

- Chemical composition and feeding value of fresh and ensiled grass was remodelled
- Update of the feeding value for grass-clover-silages
- Energy- and protein value for DDGS and yeast-concentrates
- Evaluation of rapeseed straw





## Planned work for the near future (i)



#### **Energy**

- Update maintenance energy requirements (VEM) dairy cattle (ongoing)
- Update classification and composition maize silage

#### **Protein**

- Validation/Update protein system (DVE/OEB) (ongoing)
- Evaluation microbial efficiency with different types of fermented substrate (ongoing)
- Correction for microbial contamination when estimating the protein degradation in the rumen (ongoing)
- Update amino acid pattern grass and maize silage, and raw materials (ongoing)
- Update by-pass crude protein in rapeseed meal
- Establish calculation rule for VC-RE of grass-clover-silages

## Planned work for the near future (ii)



### Minerals/trace elements

- Phosphorus needs for beef- and rearing calves
- Update "Handleiding Mineralenvoorziening Rundvee, Schapen, Geiten" (COMV, 2005)

#### Feeds

- Energy- and protein-value sorghumsilage and soy-WCS
- Update chemical composition/feeding value triticale-WCS, fodder beets, alfalfa/lucerne

# Program "Themamiddag Rundveevoeding"

- General introduction
- Net energy requirements of Holstein Friesian dairy cattle
- Undegradable starch and protein in maize silage

#### Coffee break

- Amino acid levels in forages
- Update/validation of the DVE/OEB system







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