

HOLSTEIN / RED HOLSTEIN PROOF RELEASE

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From April 2025, the breeding values for German Holsteins will be estimated using the new single-step method. But what will single-step change in the breeding value estimation? Depending on the trait, the number of genotyped cows in the database includes between 380,000 (mastitis) and 1,120,000 (calf fitness). In addition, there are genotyped bulls with progeny performance, which are also included in the estimate. The main difference between the new single-step method and the previous multi-step method lies in the linking of this data.

WHAT ARE ADVANTAGES OF SINGLE-STEP?

The biggest advantage of the single-step procedure is that the breeding values are even more reliable. Especially for health and functional traits, an average increase in reliability of up to 14% can be expected. Young, genomic bulls in particular benefit from this safety boost.

CONCLUSION ON THE SINGLE-STEP INTRODUCTION

dEBV

(dZW)

genomic breeding

value estimation

Multi step (MSM)

Phenotypes Pedigrees Genotypes

re-regressed proofs

gEBV

(gZW)

conventional breeding value estimation

EBV

(ZW)

The changeover to single-step changes the method of calculating breeding values, but the interpretation and work with the breeding values remains the same. The single-step breeding values provide dairy farmers with an effective and reliable tool for the genetic improvement of their own herd. The switch to Single-Step is a significant step forward for German Holstein breeding and enables even betterbreeding for high-performance and healthy dairy cows.

DAUGHTER PROVEN BULLS ON GERMAN BASE

Pellegrino



He remains the #1 RZG

Single step (SSM)

Phenotypes Pedigrees Genotypes

single step breeding value estimation

gEBV

(gZW)

Topnotch x Router x Muscadet	RZG 145
Strong & wide cows with style and potential to mature with age	RZE 125
His offspring keeps to impress with outstanding udders	Milk +1727 kg
High in many European countries	RZR 118
< Daughter: Cavitella Pellegrino Lally VG-89	AB A1/A1

SHA Zivet EX-90



The complete package when it comes to proven and polled

 AltaZarek x Skywalker x Gatedancer Outstanding daughter group at Schau der Besten 2025 Production improver with +0,11% Fat and +0,17% Prot. Outcross pedigree 	RZG 146 RZE 119 Milk +1935 kg RSV 104
< Daughter: Reine VG-86	BB A2/A2



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NEW GENOMIC TOP BULLS ON GERMAN BASE

Pennywise



Continuing the #1 genomic RZG bull

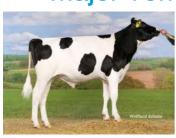
Picard x Nexus x VH Crown	RZG 165
The complete package of RZG value, production/components and type	RZ€ 3291
 Will bring offspring with smaller stature and width 	RZE 123
Semen will be available soon	
	AB A2/A2

Negroni

Keeps to be one of the breed leaders

-	Nexo x AltaPlinko x Kenobi	RZG 157
	Great combination of milk and components	RZ€ 2883
- Ann	Modern size cow with strength and width	RZE 119
Instituted actilize	Outstanding for health and livability	BB A1/A2

WEH Major Tom



Outstanding production

the second	Milo x Adaway x Casino	RZG 157
	High production in combination with great RZS and RZD	Milk +2873 kg
An Har	Perfect linear profile for AMS farms	RZE 122
Sec. Sec.	Unique feet & leg improver	
Wolfbarst Scholen	REW SP Sector	AB A2/A2

Alster

Alanjo x Guitar x Freemax

- Great combination of production and components
- The linear profile is promising a modern dairy cow with wide and ٠ slopy rumps

· Fertility improver

Soranjo



Soysauce x Adaway x Huey

- High milk production with positive Fat% ٠
- Very complete linear profile •
- Reducing stature but still gaining strength ٠

Production and type in one package

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Faultness bull with different pedigree

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RZG 157

RZE 127

BB A2/A2

Milk +1657 kg



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Sega P RDC x Sinan PP x Freemax

Smaler, compact cows

Great fertility and calving ease

Outstanding in RZHealth and Livability



NEW GENOMIC TOP BULLS ON GERMAN BASE

Smartie P



Skinny PP

Polled sire of sons

RZG 155

RZE 111

BB A2/A2

AB A1/A2

Milk +1759 kg

Sega P RDC x Arrozo x Freemax	RZG 157
Outstanding components	RZE 118
Different pedigree for the polled population	RZN 128
• Going back to none other then Commander Diva Mr EX-90, mother of	
Salvo RDC	AB A2/A2

Homozygous polled and completed package

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NEW

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	Walthard Stranley
	Webbard Meinler

EHL Mob Red PP

Complete red PP package

	Member PP x Star P RDC x Gywer RDC	RZG 145
A Mar	The perfect homozygous package	RZE 124
	High daughter fertility and very easy calving	Milk +1783 kg
	Great udder health and milking speed	AB A2/A2

Dean Red P



Faultness bull with different pedigree

~	Dragon P x Beachboy x Gywer RDC	RZG 151
	Outstanding production with great udders	Milk +2025 kg
	Very correct and complete body traits	RZE 122
	Very complete in functional traits	BB A1/A2

vox Pedri Red

Outcross pedigree on the highest level in every trait



Pike x Augustus P x Swingman **RZG 156** High Fat% and Prot% with oustanding daughter fertility **RZE 134 RZS 136**

- On top of top RZS, also a positive RZD ٠
- Calving ease and great livability