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**OPTIMAL  
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FOR SPRINGERS**

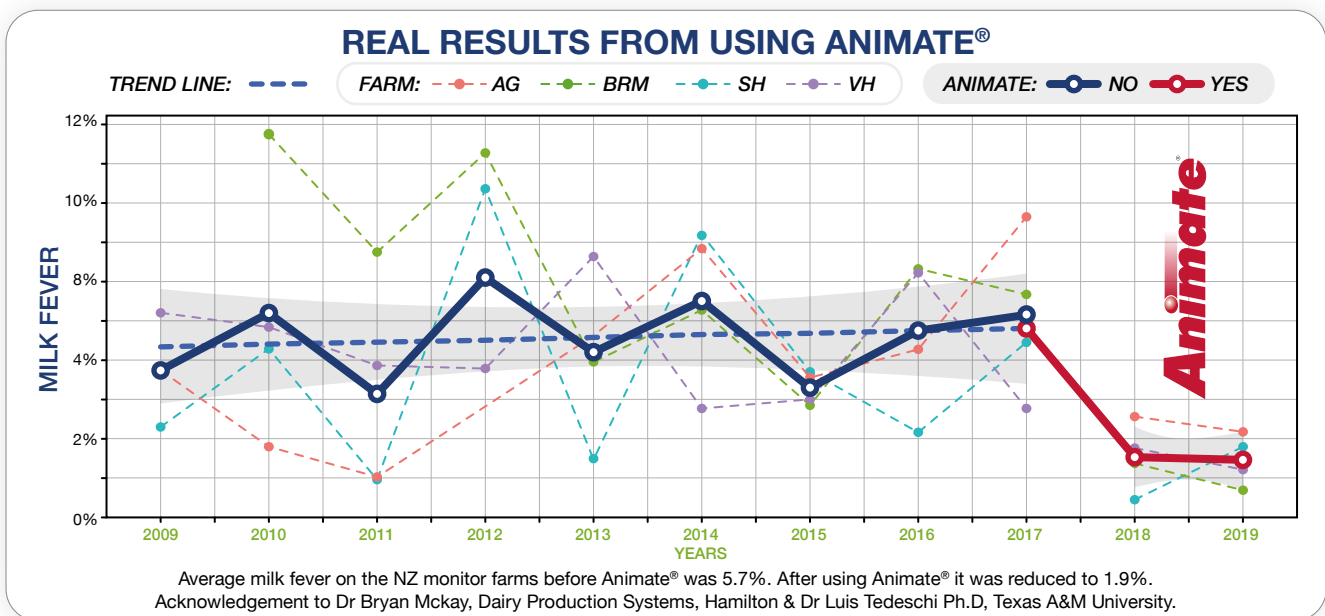
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# Animate®

Smart nutrition for a healthy transition!

The link between hypocalcaemia and associated health disorders including mastitis, ketosis, dystocia, retained placenta, prolapsed uterus, metritis, udder oedema, displaced abomasum and fatty liver has been well established (Horst *et al.*, 1997; Curtis *et al.*, 1985). Lean and DeGaris (2010) described these graphically and also illustrated the link between hypocalcaemia and reduced feed intake and milk yield.



*Block (1984) reported a 14% loss of production in clinically affected cows while New Zealand researchers reported a 7% drop in production in subclinically affected animals. Both New Zealand and International researchers have reported a high incidence of sub clinical hypocalcaemia in dairy herds.*

It has been reported that sub clinical hypocalcaemia occurs in **25% of first-calf heifers** and more than **50%** of second lactation and older cows. It was concluded that although, “on average, only **2% of cows** are diagnosed with milk fever”, analysis of serum calcium levels indicated that as many as **4% of cows** “have milk fever but do not become downer” cows while “**33% of cows** are sub clinically affected.”

Proper feeding and management of dry cows are essential management tools which help to ensure that the risk of metabolic disease is minimized and that cows are primed to perform throughout their next lactation. Given the dramatic impact which both clinical and sub clinical hypocalcaemia can have on profitability, management and nutrition of Springers (within 14 - 21 days of calving), in particular, should be viewed as an investment in the future performance of the herd.

## What is Animate®?

Designed to help optimise the health and performance of transition cows, the Animate® feeding programme combines strategic diet formulation with the use of a proprietary nutritional supplement, Animate®.

A unique and patented anionic mineral supplement, Animate® is a homogeneous and palatable product which contains the three important macrominerals (chloride, sulphur and magnesium), necessary for proper mineral formulation of negative DCAD diets.

## How is it fed?

Animate® can be mixed with a range of feeds during transition either directly or in a palletised form. Animate® can also be fed in trailers on its own.

## Best results are achieved by?

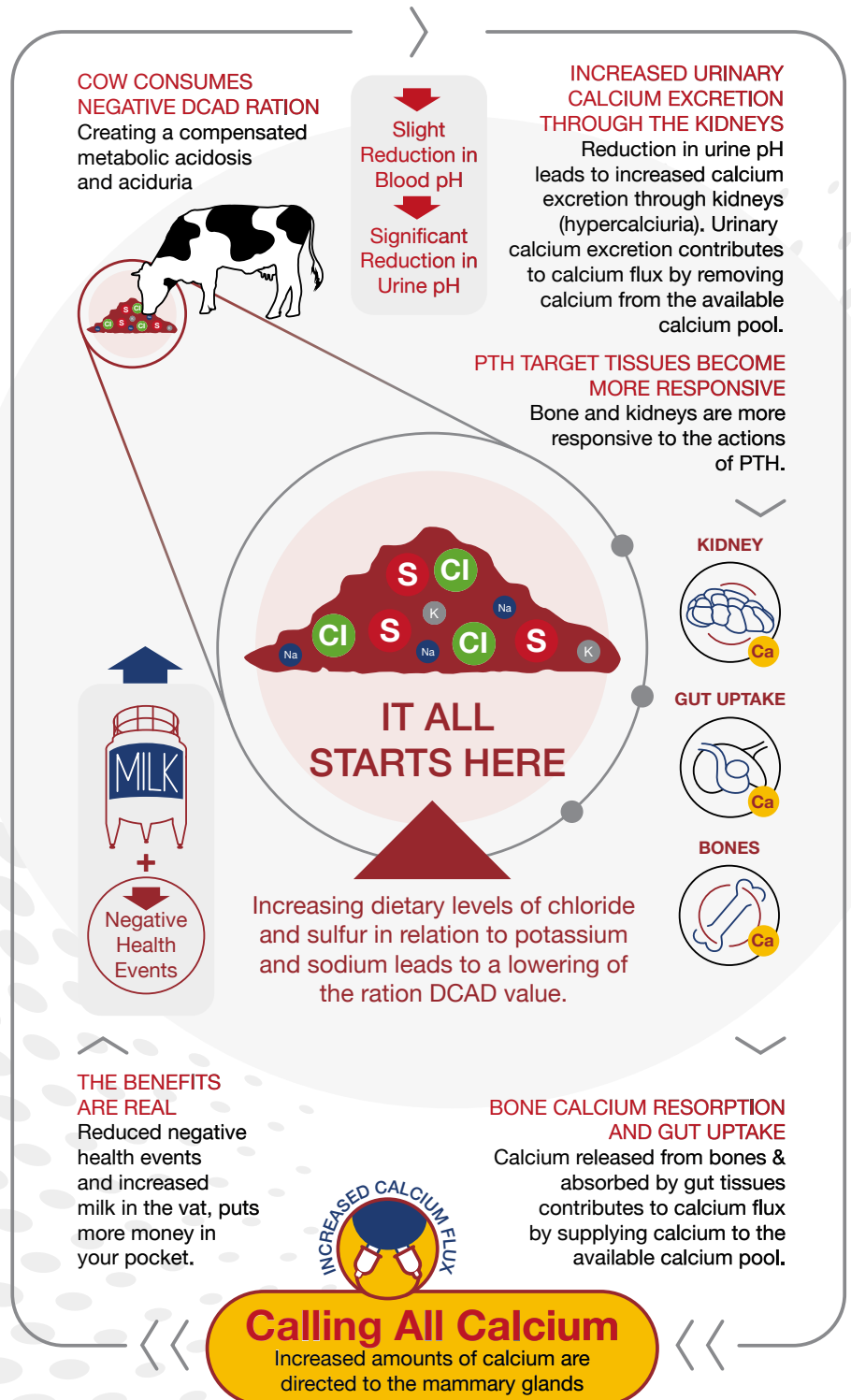
Animate® mixed in the diet and consumed by cows for at least 14 - 21 days prior to calving.

Implementation of the Animate® feeding programme as part of the management of springers has been shown, through university research, field trials and commercial application to help reduce the incidence of clinical and sub clinical milk fever around calving, with a subsequent reduction in the incidence of metabolic and non-metabolic disorders associated with hypocalcaemia.

Overall, improved calcium status of cows around calving helps to support better pre- and post calving feed intakes, greater milk yield and cow health.

# HOW A FULLY ACIDOGENIC NEGATIVE DCAD DIET CAN HELP KEEP YOU PROFITABLE

A PREPARTUM NEGATIVE DCAD DIET IMPROVES THE CALCIUM STATUS OF TRANSITION COWS AND HELPS REDUCE NEGATIVE HEALTH EVENTS AND IMPROVE MILK PRODUCTION.



**Calling All Calcium**  
Increased amounts of calcium are directed to the mammary glands

**Animate®**

SMART NUTRITION FOR A HEALTHY TRANSITION™



# DAIRY



## Talk to us today to find out how the Animate® Feeding Programme can help you

- Maintain higher pre- and post- calving serum calcium concentrations
- Reduce the incidence of metabolic diseases in early lactation
- Improve total lactation milk yields in your herd.

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