

# **MEGA-ENERGY** RESEARCH EVIDENCE

Many types of fat supplement are used in dairy diets and it is important to consider the response expected when supplementing with a particular fat type.

Mega-Energy is a rumen-protected fat supplement and its effect on performance of dairy cows was evaluated in a 6-week feeding trial at Schothorst Feed Research, the Netherlands.

#### The treatments

## **Control** vs **Mega-Energy**

Control diet (no added fat)

Control diet including Mega-Energy at 375 g per cow per day

#### The cows

• 20 Holstein-Friesian mid-lactation dairy cows offered diets for 6 weeks

#### The diets

 Mega-Energy incorporated into the concentrate component of the diet at 5% (approx. 375 g of Mega-Energy/day)



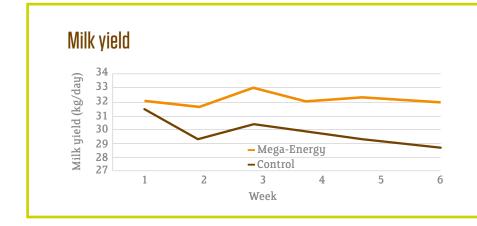
#### The results

	Control	Mega-Energy
DM intake (kg/day)	22.5	22.8
Milk yield (kg/day)	30.0	32.1
Milk fat (%)	4.39	4.41
Milk fat yield (kg/day)	1.31	1.41
Milk protein (%)	3.60	3.51
Milk protein yield (kg/day)	1.08	1.12
Feed efficiency (kg milk/kg DM intake)	1.33	1.41
Body condition score	2.6	2.6

in milk production

**Cows suffered** a period of heat stress around week 2 - Mega-Energy cows maintained higher intake during this period

#### Dry matter intake Dry matter intake (kg/day) 23.5 23 22.5 22 21.5 21 - Mega-Energy 20.5 - Control 20 2 3 5 6 Week



**Mega-Energy cows** produced more milk even during heat stress around week 2

### THE CONCLUSION

Supplementation of diets with Mega-Energy improves milk production.

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More milk and milk solids