

# **CATTLE AND SMALL STOCK ASSOCIATED R & D projects and publications NOT FUNDED BY THE RMRD SA For the period 2012 to 2018**

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## **A. PROJECTS LISTED BY INSTITUTION**

### **ARC – Irene:**

- Comparison of the effects of two levels of the beta-adrenergic agonist ractopamine and zilpaterol, over three exposure periods, on meat quality.
- Comparison of yield and quality tests using Salbutamol, Zilpaterol and no beta agonist.
- Cryo-gene banking of Indigenous Livestock germ plasma.
- Conservation of Namaqua Afrikaner Sheep.
- Prediction of fertility in SA indigenous goats using semen and phenotypic parameters (Namaqua sheep).
- Characterisation and conservation of animal genetic resource (Unimproved indigenous and Tankwa goats).
- Indigenous Livestock Data Collection (Addressing low fertility in smallholder enterprises using assisted reproduction technologies).

**Eastern Cape** [*The list is not all inclusive. The comprehensive list is in the Minutes of the Meeting of the RPO Extended Executive Council of 23 August 2017*]:

- Improvement of the Dohne Merino by performance testing.
- The effect of different selection criteria for body weight and clean fleece weight on production parameters in the Dohne Merino stud.
- Maintenance of a biological bank for Dohne Merino sheep in SA.
- Blood and DNA bank for genomic research in sheep and goat breeds in SA.
- Establishment of a Boer Goat flock and the comparison with indigenous goats (Imbuzi) in a heartwater infested region.
- A genetic evaluation of the improved Boer Goat in the grass bush communities of the Eastern Cape.
- Studies on the detection, control by vaccination and the genetics of ovine Johne's disease (OJD).
- The development of a Nguni herd at Dohne A.D.I. where the unique reproduction and production characteristics of the Nguni breed shall be preserved and developed.
- The development of a Nguni herd under heartwater conditions at Bathurst R.C. where the unique reproduction and production characteristics of the Nguni breed shall be preserved and developed.
- Phase D Performance (test D 1 growth test) of male progeny of the Dohne Nguni Stud.
- The economic viability, reproduction, and production parameters of a beef breeding herd (Bonsmara breed) on the pastures and natural veld at the Bathurst Research Centre.
- Support to the Departmental Livestock Improvement Scheme (LIS).
- The reproduction and production potential of Nguni Cattle on *Karroid danthonia* mountain veld in the East Cape Province (Wolwehoek Research Farm).
- The development and management of an adapted farming system at Campagna in the High Rainfall sourveld areas of the Eastern Cape Region.
- Development of a flock improvement model for the Eastern Cape communal areas: A case study of Isinqumeni: Masimanyane community.
- Establishment of a sheep breeding unit on Land Redistribution and Agricultural Development (LRAD) farming areas of the Eastern Cape.
- Evaluating the production levels and income contribution of livestock to rural households: Case study of LRAD farms in the EC Province.
- The use of molecular genetics techniques to quantify offspring production from genetically superior males introduced into uncontrolled communal breeding systems.
- Effect of dietary Diatomaceous Earth on growth performance and parasite levels of lambs under a semi-intensive production system.
- The development and evaluation of an exogenous hormonal control regime for the medium- to long-term regulation of the reproductive cycle in communal sheep.
- The effect of vegetation type and structure on the species composition and geographic distribution of economically important ticks on cattle in the Eastern Cape Province.
- Longitudinal study on population dynamics of native tick, the *Rhipicephalus (Boophilus) decoloratus* and the invasive cattle tick, *Rhipicephalus (Boophilus) microplus* in the Eastern Cape Province.

- Prevalence and seasonal changes in the population of gastro-intestinal parasites and flukes of ovine and caprine spp. on three different veld types under communal farming areas of the Eastern Cape.
- The effect of *Aloe ferox* extract product to control *Haemonchus contortus* species in sheep and goats in the Eastern Cape Province, South Africa.
- Benchmarking communal livestock productivity.
- The effect of biogas slurry on yield and quality of oats and fescue planted in Macubeni, Eastern Cape, South Africa.
- Forage improvement on old lands in the Eastern Cape province of South Africa.
- National lucerne cultivar evaluation programme.
- The herbaceous yield and soil nutrient content contribution of various leguminous pastures planted in two communal areas of the Eastern Cape.
- Mixed legume pasture on old arable lands as a source of supplementary feed for sheep during winter in Döhne sourveld of the Eastern Cape.
- The effect of fertilization on Kikuyu (*Pennisetum clandestinum*) foggage for overwintering the Döhne sourveld.
- The effect of *Acacia karroo* tree density on grass species composition, forage yield and quality throughout different rainfall regimes in the Eastern Cape region.
- The control of undesirable karroid shrubs.
- Ecosystems, carbon and nitrogen responses to bush encroachment in the semi-arid areas of the Eastern Cape.
- Grazing capacity sensitivity of veld types, for example Valley Thicket: Means and norms to recover and re-establish deteriorated areas.
- The effects of seasonal burning in Döhne sourveld.
- Use of camels (*Camelus dromedaries*) to control *Acacia karroo* encroachment in the Eastern Cape Province Thornveld.
- Control of bush encroachment in the coastal areas of the Eastern Cape.

#### **EcoHealth Alliance:**

- Understanding Rift Valley Fever (RVF) in the Republic of South Africa
- Understanding the Effects of Climate and Weather
- Investigating Vegetation Ecology
- Investigating Wetland Soil Properties
- Investigating Ecological Characteristics of RVF Virus Vector Mosquito Species
- Determining the Seroprevalence of RVF Virus Antibodies in Farm Workers
- Baseline zero survey of Farmed and Free-Ranging Wild Ruminants and Domestic Livestock
- Investigating the Change in RVF Virus Antibody Levels in a Sheep Cohort
- Comparison of Cattle & Buffalo Zero status in the Free State and Limpopo
- Laboratory Comparison of NP-based Indirect ELISA

#### **KwaZulu-Natal:**

- Evaluation of fescue for finishing beef steers

- Mineral composition of kikuyu in different environments
- Investigate the potential of *Sericea lespedeza* as summer grazing for sheep
- The effect of different management / breeding strategies on Nguni cattle performance
- An investigation into the effect of different breeding strategies on a Nguni herd's performance
- The effect of night time kraaling on cow productivity and fertility of cattle at Kokstad Research Station.
- Establish the effect an unrestricted breeding season in a system with no fencing vs a restricted breeding system for sheep on the Kokstad Research Station.
- DEMO: The grazing of Nguni and Hereford beef breeding cows on kikuyu for 12 months of the year.
- Genetic conservation and characterization of indigenous sheep.
- Determining coat colour inheritance in Nguni Cattle.
- The characterization of the indigenous Zulu sheep (Imvu) in Zululand.
- Utilization of cover crops by livestock.
- The effect of cattle to sheep ratio and stocking rate on veld condition (simulation trial) on Kokstad Research Station.
- Plant Introduction.
- Control of *Senecio* species in the Dry Highland Sourveld of KwaZulu-Natal.
- The effect of a two-camp "graze and blaze" system on veld condition, animal performance and soil loss, on Kokstad Research Station.
- Lucerne cultivar evaluation at Kokstad Research Station.
- Evaluation of the effect of round-up, soil temperature and soil moisture on the establishment of ryegrass oversown into kikuyu.
- Evaluation of medium and long duration forage cereal varieties to be grown in a mixture with forage legumes.
- Elite pasture cultivar evaluation trials.
- Manure as alternative fertilizer for pastures.
- Performance of goats supplemented with sweet potato vines.
- Germplasm introduction, conservation and screening demonstration on research stations.
- Evaluation of kikuyu cultivars for chemical composition, yield and adaptability to cold environments.
- Value of inclusions of legumes in pastures and secondary veld (old land – applicable to LRAD farms and degraded communal veld)
- Control of *Seriphium plumosum* in the Sandy sourveld.

#### **North West Province:**

- Improvement of fertility in the Afrikaner beef herd at Potchefstroom.
- Determination of animal production norms for Boer goats at Armoedsvlakte.
- The performance of Bonsmara steers finished on veld at Armoedsvlakte Livestock Improvement Centre in the North West Province.

- The performance of Nguni steers finished on cultivated pastures at Melton Livestock Improvement Centre in the North West Province.
- The role of various lick ingredients in the manifestation of knee arthrosis in beef cattle fed mineral supplements during winter and summer- Armoedsvlakte.
- The role of various lick ingredients in the manifestation of knee arthrosis in beef cattle fed protein supplement during winter and mineral supplements during summer – Potchefstroom.
- The biological and economical assessment of early mating of Bonsmara heifers in the western parts of the province – Armoedsvlakte.
- The biological and economical assessment of early mating of Nguni heifers in the arid western grasslands of the province.
- The quantification of reciprocal crossbreeding in beef cattle.
- Drought preparedness of farmers in the Nguni Cattle Development Project and the Sire Subsidy Scheme.
- Reproductive and growth performance of beef cattle herds participating in the Sire Subsidy Scheme in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District.
- Bagasse as roughage in the finishing of lambs [partially funded by Molatek].
- The management of acidosis as a result of excessive grain consumption by ruminant animals.
- The performance of Dorper lambs finished in a feedlot.
- Evaluation of an ionophore in a winter lick.
- Comparison between a TMR and an increased level of lucerne in beef cattle in the feedlot.
- A comparison between rumensin and capsicum in beef fattening rations.
- Cafeteria system in beef fattening.
- Influence of pellet size on sheep fattening.
- The performance of SAMM lambs finished in a feedlot.
- The performance of beef weaners in the feedlot at different levels of lucerne inclusion.
- The performance of weaned beef cattle steers on irrigated rye grass pastures.
- The scientific determination of grazing capacity norms for the North West Province.
- Development of a long-term veld monitoring programme for the North West Province.
- The influence of various veld management approaches, within a weaner calf system, on veld condition and available *Cymbopogon-Themeda* veld in the Potchefstroom district.
- Determination of grazing capacity norms for the Vryburg Shrub bushveld [Armoedsvlakte] with a weaner calf production system.
- A review of seeding ratios for Rhodes and Smuts finger grass pastures.

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