ANCA: the Dutch way

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The Dutch dairy sector

- 65% of agriculture area is used for dairy farming
- Mainly specialised dairy farms
- Land price: 50,000-70,000 €/ha
- 16,500 dairy farms
- Tradition of family farms
- AA per farm: 50 ha; maize 0 – 20 % of farm area



■ Intensive: 14,000 kg milk/ha; 850,000 kg/farm





ANCA: Annual, Nutrient, Cycling, Assessment

- The cradle of ANCA:
 - Experimental farm De Marke
 - Cows & Opportunities
- Stimulating conditions
 - Cooperation of government, dairy sector and science
 - Respect for agricultural and ecological interests







Project 'De Marke'

Development of a dairy farming system for sandy soils (40 % of Dutch Agriculture area):

 acceptable from an environmental point of view (ecologically sustainable)

with an acceptable income (economically

sustainable)

1992 - ?







Experimental farm -> Commercial farms

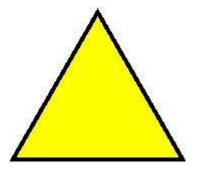






Cooperation Cows & Opportunities: golden triangle

- Research: Wageningen UR
- Government: ministries agriculture, environment
- Dairy sector: farmers unions, dairy industry



Financed by the government and the dairy sector (each 50%)





Tasks Cows & Opportunities

- To demonstrate best practices
- To develop innovations and implementation on farm scale

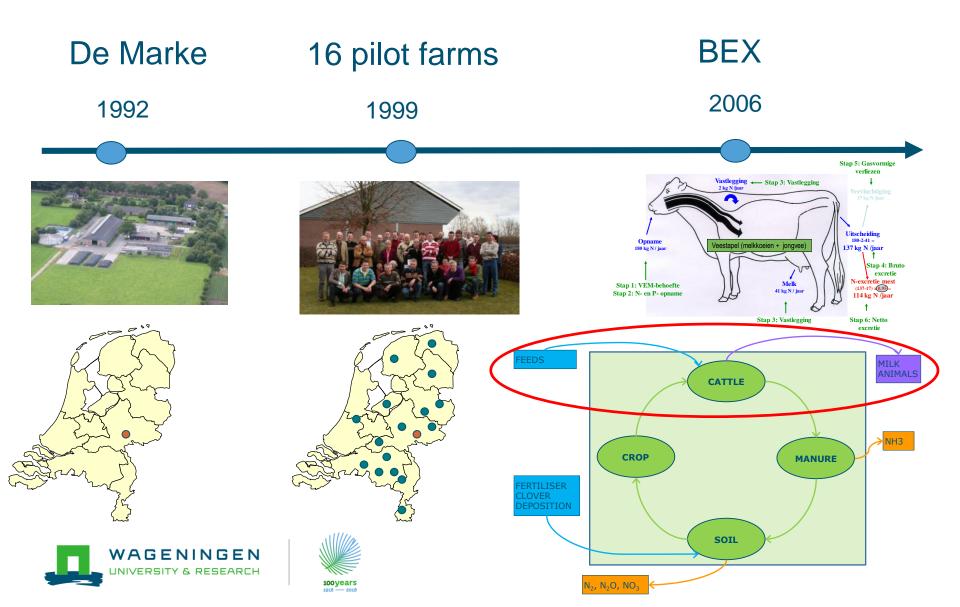
To explore opportunities for improvement of environmental legislation







Experimental farm -> Commercial farms -> Farm Specific Excretion (BEX)

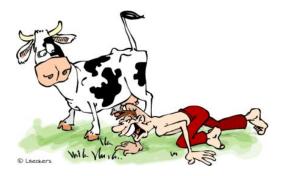


Excretion standards versus a farm specific approach

- Dutch excretion regulations based on standards
- Deviation from standards observed
 - Due to decrease in N and P input
- In agreement with the Dutch government:
 - Decrease environmental losses from animal husbandry
 - Stimulate farmers to cause low excretion rates
 - Reward farmers who achieve low excretion rates







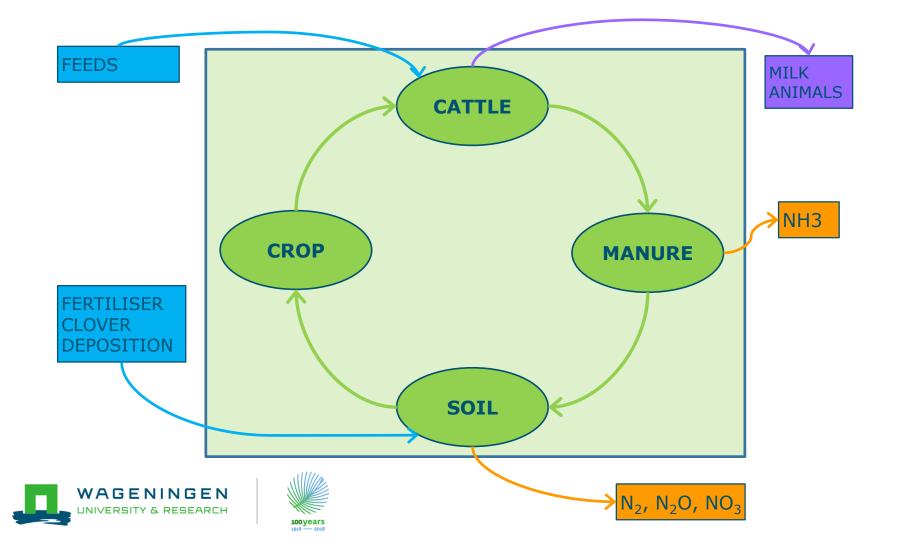
Challenge for

Dairy farming:

Optimizing the nutrient cycles:

less losses = less pollution,

less inputs = less costs



First steps of ANCA: 9 March 2011

- A meeting with....
 - Wageningen UR
 - Milk processors
 - Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Environment
 - Cooperation CRV breeding values
 - Farmers union
 - Dairy industry
 - Advisory companies







Agreement (1 July 2013 – onwards): obligation to use ANCA







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Aldus overeengekomen:

Datum: 1 juli 2013

LTO Nederland

Nevedi

VLB

C.C. 't Hart

C. Romijn

H. Flipsen

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Milk processors

Farmers union Feed suppliers

Accountants

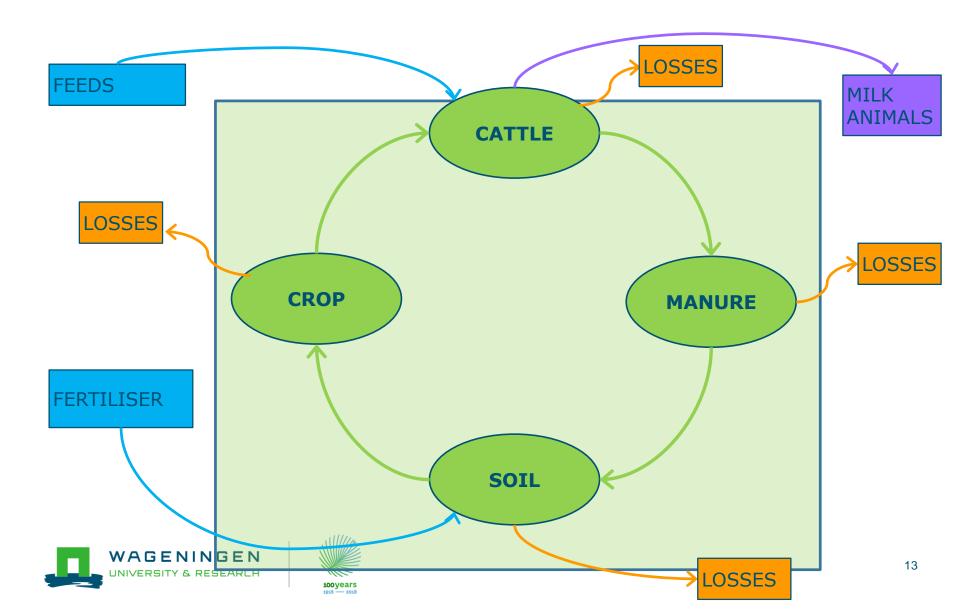
From 2016 onwards: ANCA mandatory for all dairy farms

<u>Penalty</u>: milk will be refused by milk processors





ANCA quantifies the cycles of N, P and C



Why ANCA?

- To demonstrate, with values for indicators, that milk is produced in a sustainable way ('Licence to Produce')
- To stimulate (or force) farmers to use resources most efficient

- To change legislation from generic to farm specific, particularly:
 - Excretion norms
 - Fertilisation norms







Performances to be presented (in comparison with normative values)

- Feed consumption, Feed efficiency
- Excretion of N and P
- Ammonia losses
- Crop yields
- Fertiliser applications and efficiency of turn over into crops
- Surpluses of N and P on farm and soil balance
- Nitrate content groundwater
- Input of effective organic matter
- Green House Gas emissions







In summary, what does it tell?

The efficiency of the utilisation of feed, fertilisers, land and cattle.

The levels of losses from farm to environment

Comparisons with values of colleagues and normative values

What should be done better







Data to be supplied; by independent professionals (as much as possible!)

- Year
- Animals (number/breed)
- Milk production
- Grazing hours/yr
- Farmland, land use (ha)
- P status soil
- Feed stocks: harvest and import
- Contents of feed stocks (Energy/N/P/Ash)
- Feed stocks storage changes
- Export of farm feeds
- Soil type
- Cropping plan, Legumes
- Farm organic/artificial manure (input/output)
- Type of housing

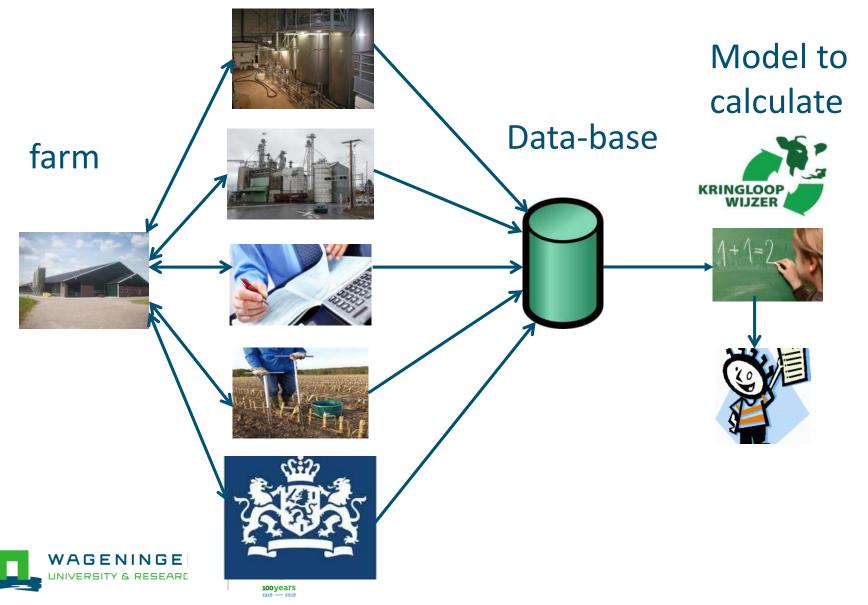








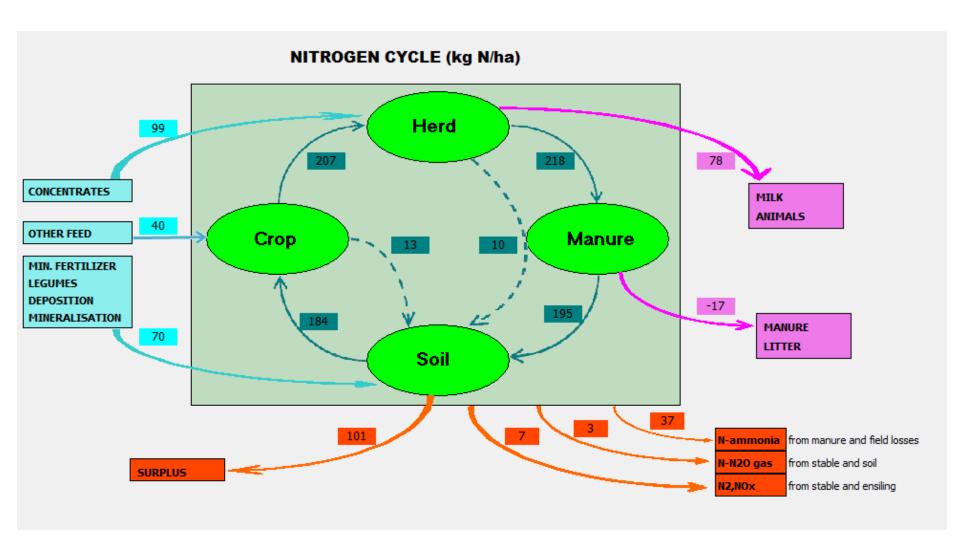
Feed supplier, milk processer, accountant, government, etc.



Output of ANCA (1)

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Farm specific:	Advantage farm specific excretion: nitrogen		+12%	+13%	+6%	+3%
- excretion	Advantage farm specific excretion: phophate		+12%	+4%	+26%	+11%
- appl. standards	Advantage farm specific appl. standard: phosphate		-10%	-17%	-26%	-5%
	Excretion per ton milk: nitrogen (kg N)	V	16.4	15.7	17.4	21.0
	Excretion per ton milk: phophate (kg P2O5)	V	5.8	6.1	5.1	7.0
	Milk production per excretion: phosphate (kg milk)	V	173	163	197	143
Whole farm surplus	Surplus per ha: nitrogen (kg N)	V	147	93	140	188
	Surplus per ha: phosphate (kg P2O5)	V	5	3	-3	8
Herd efficiency	Nitrogen use efficiency (%)	V	26	27	24	22
	Phosphate use efficiency (%)		33	31	35	30
Yield grassland	let yield per ha: dry matter (kg dm)		8226	8774	9666	8855
	llet yield per per ha: KVEM (kvem)		7717	8188	9249	8286
	Net yield per ha: nitrogen (kg N)	X	183	235	258	247
	l et yield per ha: phosphate (kg P2O5)		76	83	83	76
ield maize land	l et yield per ha: dry matter (kg dm)	X	13231	16693	13665	14985
	let yield per ha: KVEM (kvem)		13840	16724	13925	14636
	Net yield per ha: nitrogen (kg N)	X	118	172	141	173
	let yield per ha: phosphate (kg P2O5)		61	70	59	64
Goil surplus	litrogen surplus per ha (kg N)	V	101	41	88	133
	Phosphate surplus per ha (kg P2O5)	V	5	3	-3	8
	Input of effective organic matter per ha (kg EOM)		3894	3976	4448	4318
Soil efficiency	Nitrogen use efficiency (%)		64	85	72	65
	Phosphate use efficiency (%)		94	96	104	90
Ammonia	Whole farm emission: total (kg NH3)	V	2171	2300	2682	2638
	Emission per ton milk: total (kg NH3)	V	3.71	3.40	3.96	4.98
	Emission per LSU: stable+manure storage (kg NH3)	Х	10.7	9.8	10.4	9.3
	Emission per LSU: other losses (kg NH3)	V	13.9	13.9	15.4	17.9
Greenhouse gasses	Emission per ton milk: on-farm methane (kg CH4)		27.9	23.6	26.6	30.5
	Emission per ton milk: on-farm N2O (kg N2O)	V	0.52	0.40	0.53	0.92
	Emission per ton milk: on-farm energy (kg CO2)		123	99	125	114
	Emission per ton milk: total on-farm (kg CO2-eq)	V	1042	866	1008	1209
	Emission per ton milk: total off-farm (kg CO2-eq)	V	234	250	420	373
	Emission per ton milk: total farm (kg CO2-eq)	v	1276	1117	1428	1582

Output of ANCA (2)







ANCA is a joint effort of the dairy sector and......













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Partners



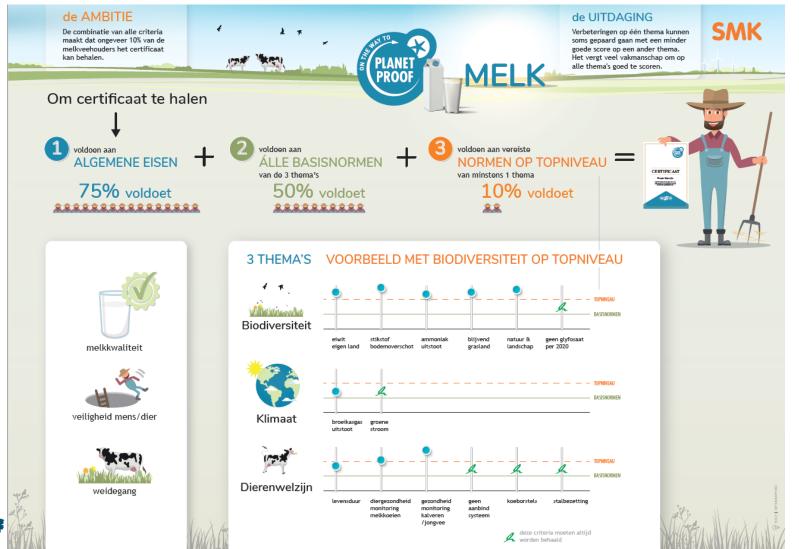






On the way to planetProof...

Independent environmental quality label for agri/food





Dashboard Environment and Climate



- Initiated by ZuivelNL/DairyNL, organisation of the Dutch dairy supply chain
- Indicators (with targets):
 - N surplus soil surface balance (kg N/ha)
 - Ammonia losses (kg/ha and kg/LSU
 - Home grown protein production (protein production / protein use; %)
 - Permanent grassland (%)
 - Carbon food print (gr CO₂-eq / kg FPCM)





Benefits for dairy farmers... (members of Friesland Campina)



- Grazing (>120 days, 6 hr/day): € +1.5 cent/l
- PlanetProof Milk (ANCA results): 1st year € +1 cent/l; 2nd year € +2 cent/l (regional)









Thank you for your attention!







