

The usefulness of the CoQ for a local beef cattle breed: the case of Avileña-Negra Ibérica

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How is our breed?

- *Beef cattle*

- *Extensive production
(highland + grassland)*

- 47,453 dams alive in the
herdbook



Grassland



Heifer rearing center

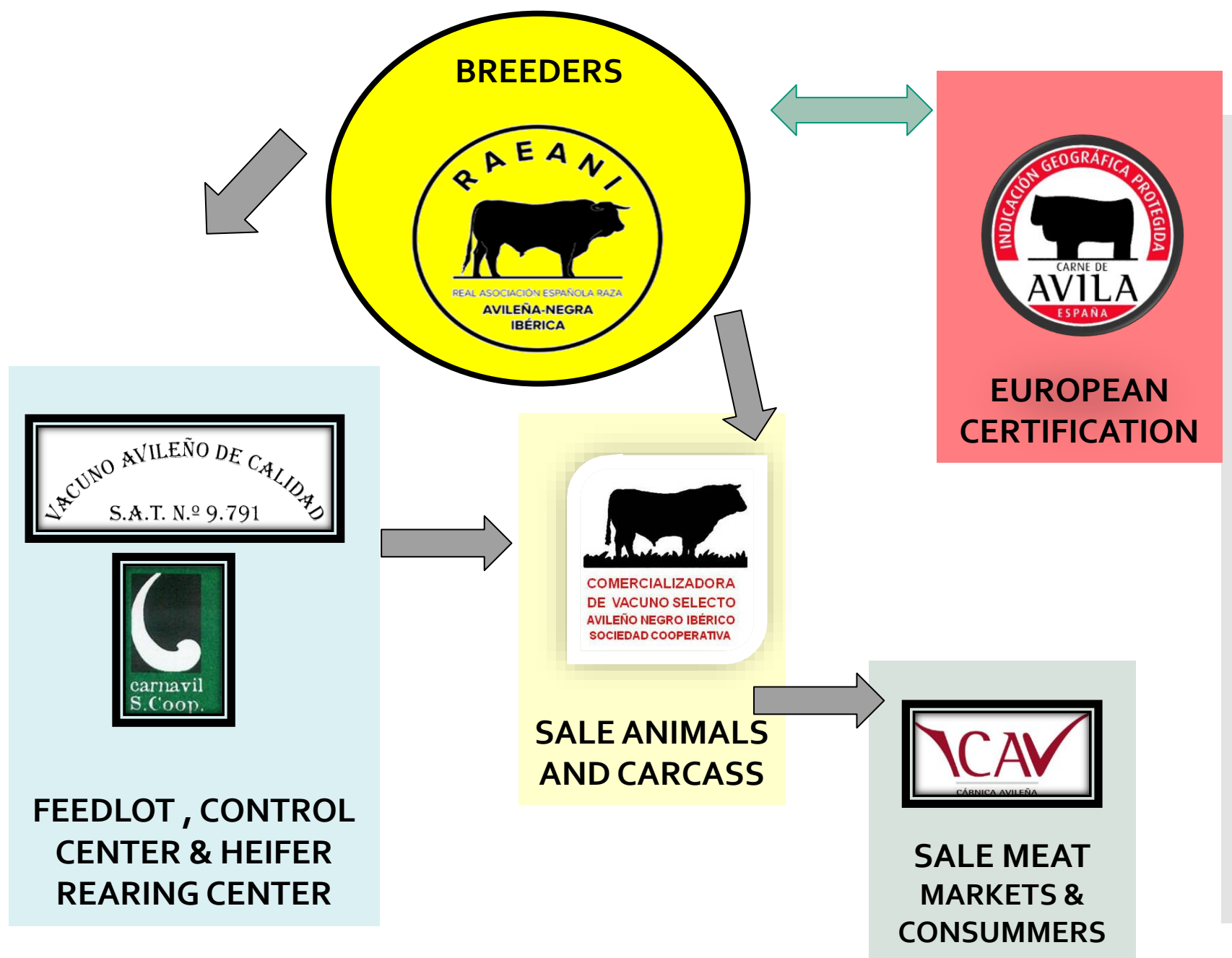


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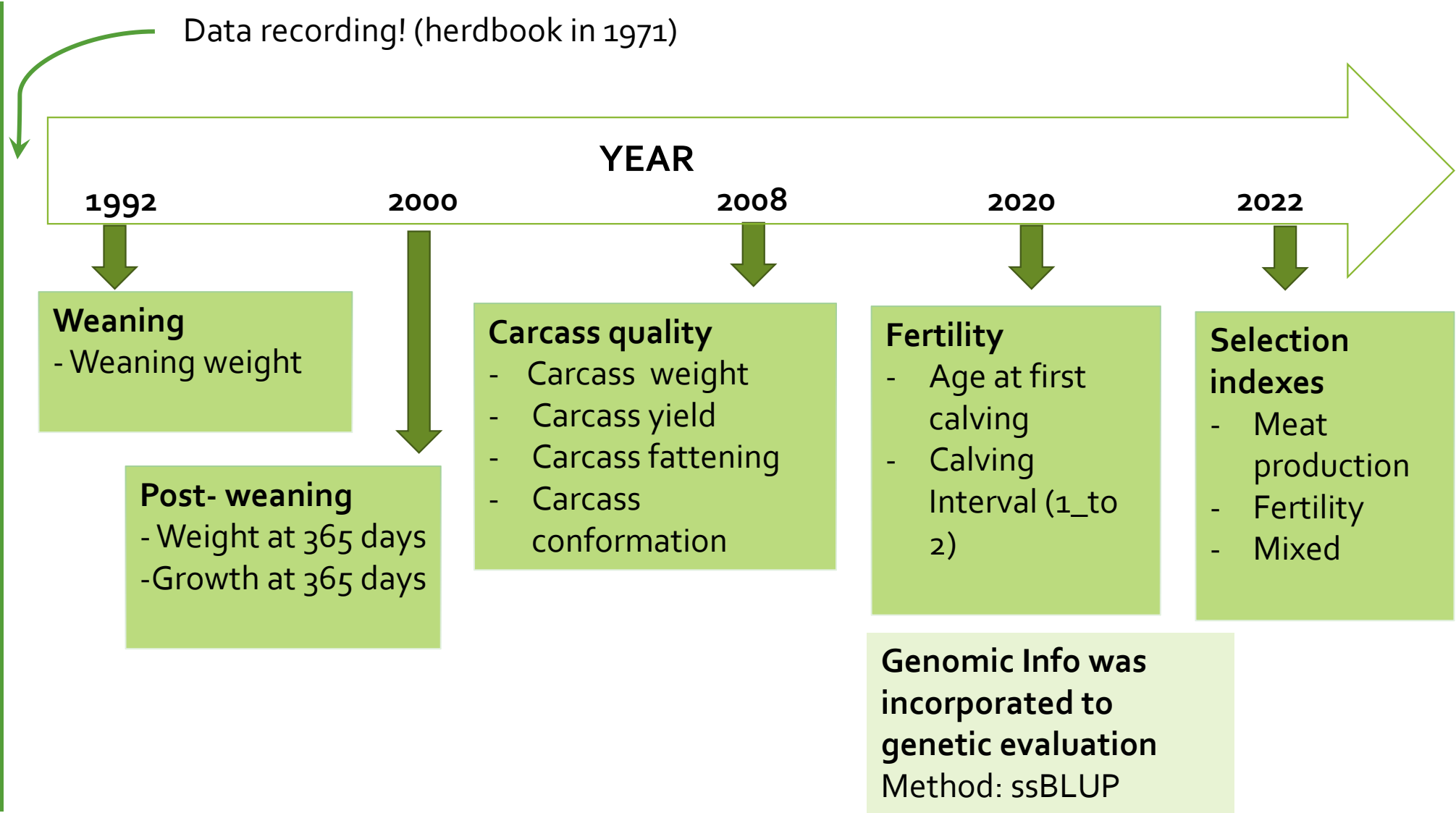
Transhumance

*How is our production system?
- From farm to fork*



How is our production system?

How is our breeding program?



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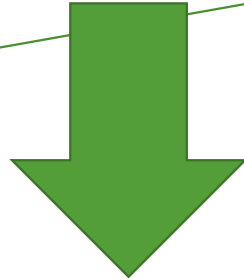
How do we start the process to get the CoQ?

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Evaluate status quo of breeding programs

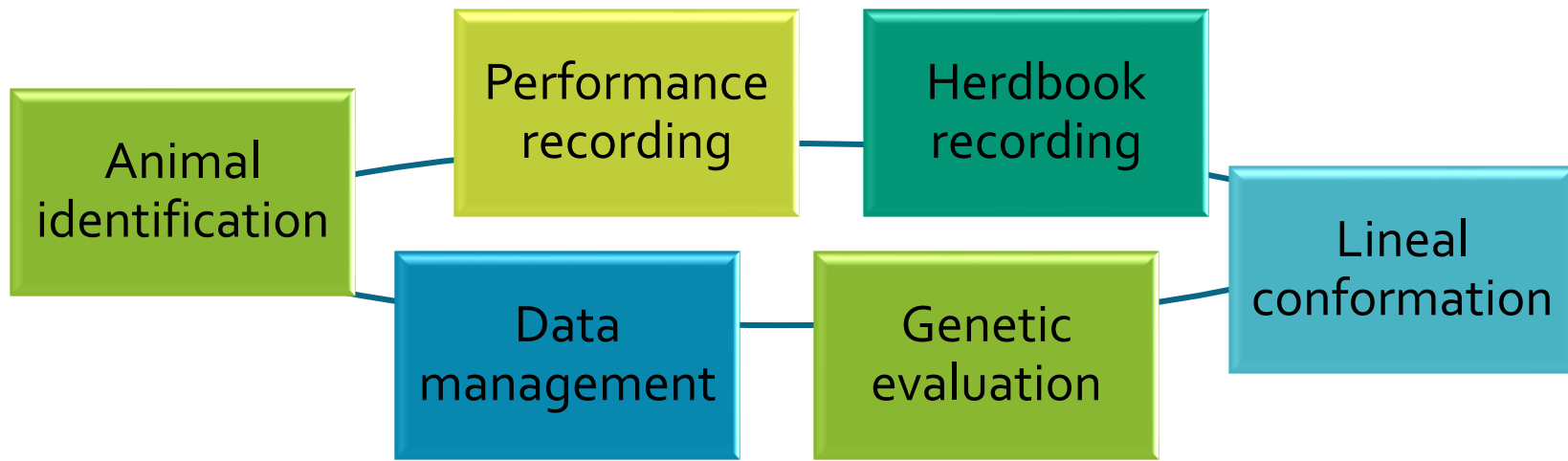
Impact of incorporation genomic inf.

Incorporate new pheno to max the invest. in genomic



To evaluate our working procedures in relation to an international standard ICAR certification

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The process

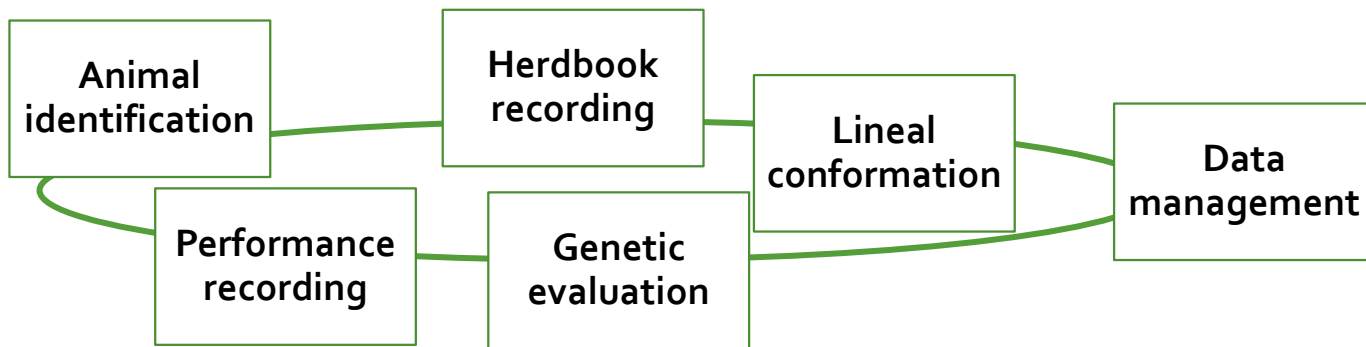
STEP 1 - Survery



STEP 2 - Virtual meeting with the auditor



STEP 3 - On site visit with the auditor



*OUR process
INTERNAL AUDIT*

1. Survery: reflexion

- Analyzed our system
- Evaluation of our weakness & strengths

2. Virtual meeting with the auditor: for the auditor to understand

3. On site visit with the auditor: Learning experience

- Exchange ideas
- Knowledge contribution
- Identify aspects to be improved & new ideas to continue our improvement



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➤ **CoQ ICAR to January 2027**



- **POSITIVE**
- **ENRICHING**
- **SATISFACTION** of being in the correct way of improve our LOCAL breed
- We realized the work in group is the best way to maximize the benefic (as a local breed, as breeder)

- Identify **aspects to be improved** & new ideas to continue our improvement

..... and we really hope to renew in 2027

*The final
balance*





Thank you for your attention

Our breed, our culture