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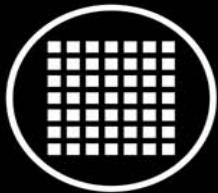
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CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT FOR ARGENTINE DAIRY LABORATORIES THROUGH REDELAC

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Dairy Sector in Argentina

The argentine dairy complex is an important and dynamic food chain of the argentine economy, because of

- the extension and distribution in the territory.
- the generation of employment.
- and the promotion of regional economies , where big, medium and small enterprises (milk producers and dairy industries) coexist.

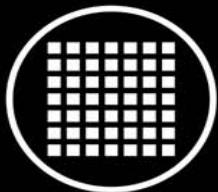
Milk Production



Milk production in Argentina: 10 billion liters.
11º place in the ranking of milk world producers.
2nd place in Latin America.
2.3 million dairy cows.
Most of them “holando argentina” breed (holstein).
95 % of the milk produced belongs to the “Pampeana”
Region (800.000 km²)
11.000 dairy farms

Argentina produce also goat, ewe and buffalo milk.





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Dairy Industry.

Important role in the food and beverage sector.

More than 900 dairies of different sizes (9%).

Different technologies, from high technology to artisanal equipment.

29.000 employees (10%) work in the dairy sector

Total income: u\$s 3.400 million dollars (13%)

Milk destination: cheese (45%), milk powder (24%), fluid milk (19%), others.

All dairy products are produced.

Exports (2007: 240.000 ton / u\$s 715 millions)



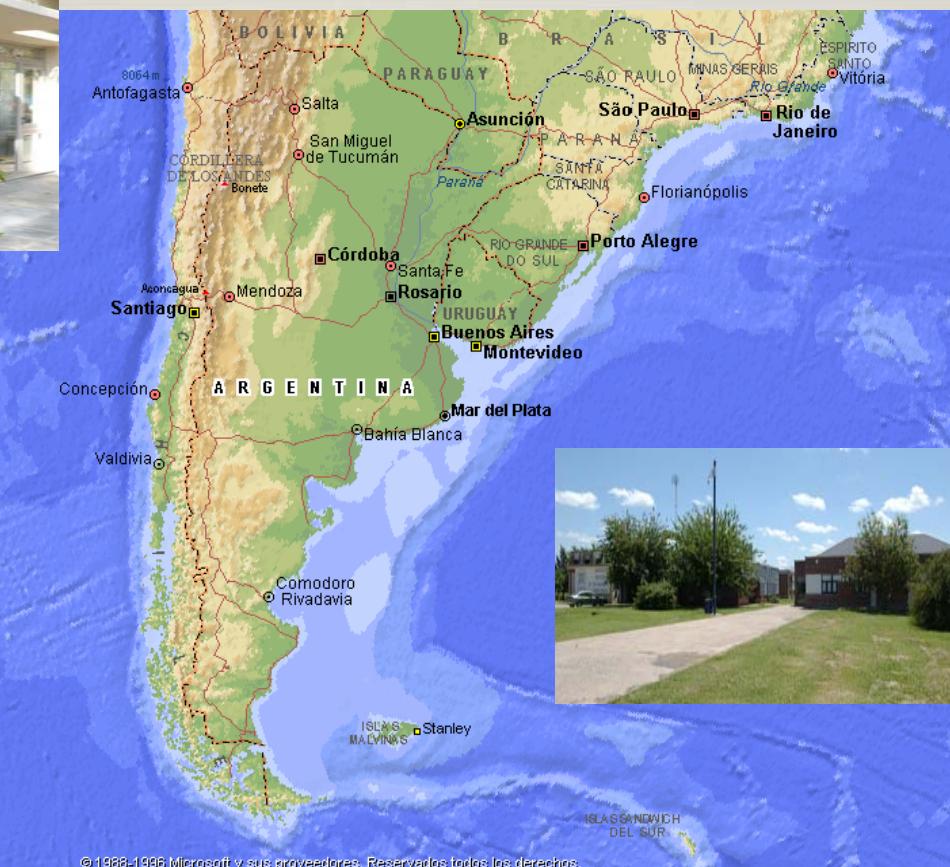


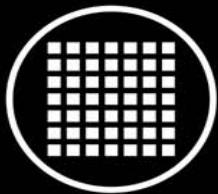
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- 2 work places (Buenos Aires and Rafaela)
- 92 professionals and technicians
- Laboratories for milk quality, physicochemical testing, microbiology, residues and contaminants, sensory evaluation, and others.





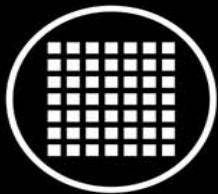
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- ➡ **Research and development (new products)**
- ➡ **Technical assistance to small and medium enterprises (technology, GMP, HACCP; ISO 22.000, ecc)**
- ➡ **Training courses.**
- ➡ **Quality assurance to laboratories.**





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THE REDELAC IS A COMPLETE INTEGRATED SYSTEM:

- ✓ Dairy National Reference Laboratory



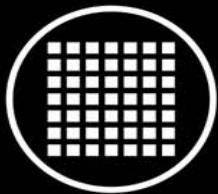
- ✓ Technical Assistance



- ✓ The first accredited proficiency testing provider ISO 17043 in Latin America



- ✓ SICECAL, The Argentine Centralized Calibration System



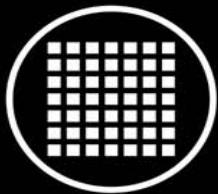
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- ➡ **Centralized calibration.**
- ➡ **Control of performance of laboratories.**
- ➡ **Evaluation of results.**

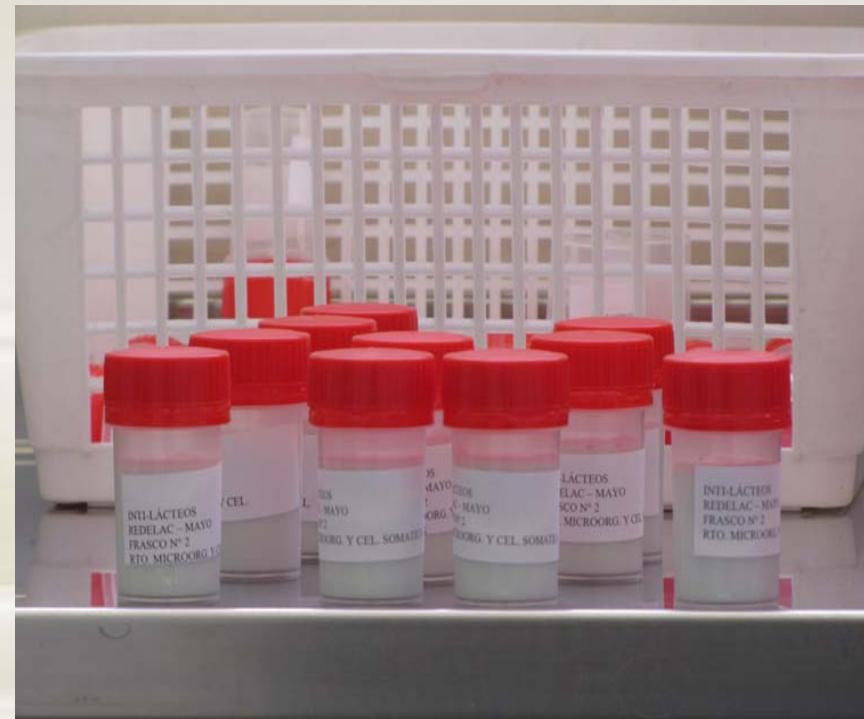


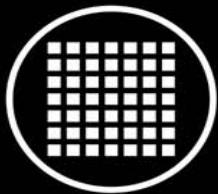


2009: Is focused on “continuous improvement of milk laboratories”

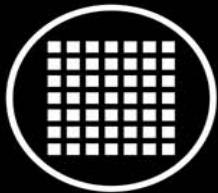
Proficiency Testing programmes related to raw milk quality:

***Monthly raw milk Control
Instrumental equipment Control***





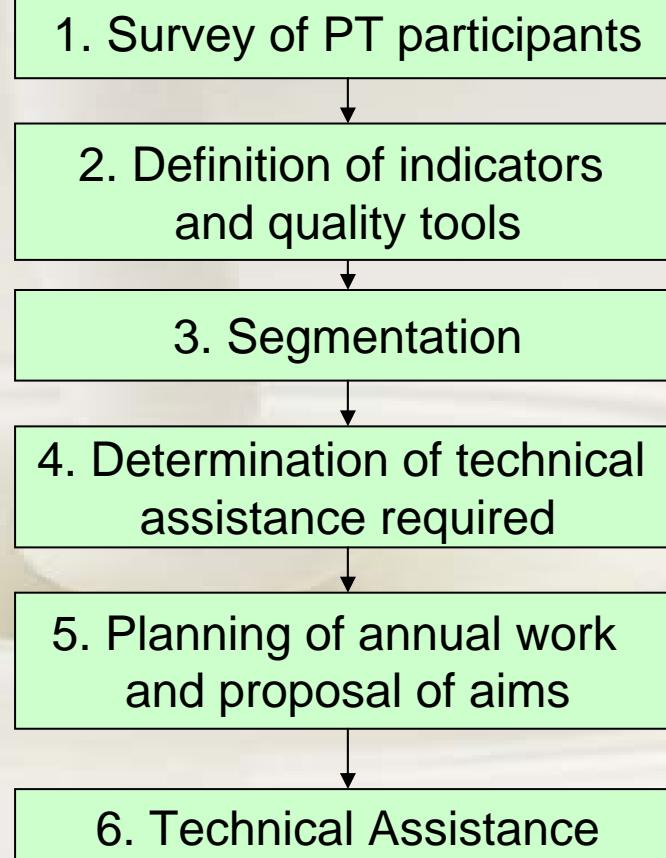
- Fat content
- Total protein
- Total solids
- Lactose
- Ash
- Presence of antibiotics
- Freezing point
- Enumeration of somatic cells
- Enumeration of microorganisms at 30°C

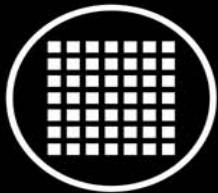


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To improve the
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laboratories

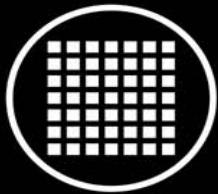




1. Survey of PT participants

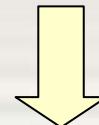
Laboratories's geographical location



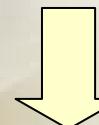


2. Definition of indicators and quality tools

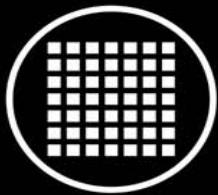
unsatisfactory results of a proficiency testing round



deviation from a requirement



evaluate as nonconforming work (NC).



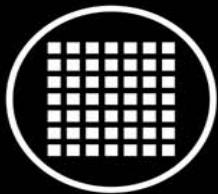
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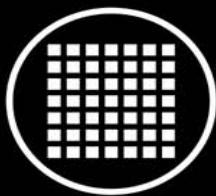
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INDEX	
1	ratio NC / total tests
2	ratio NC / total participant laboratories
3	ratio NC / each parameters

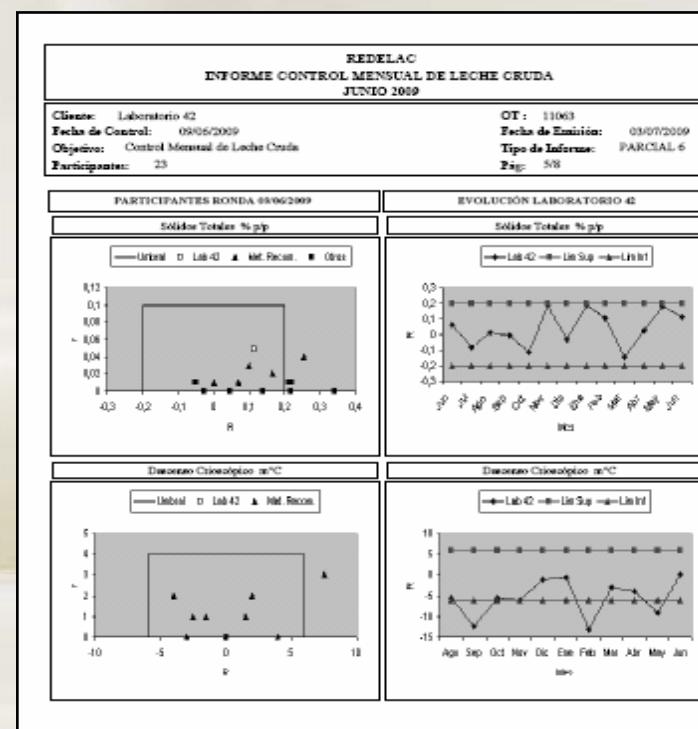


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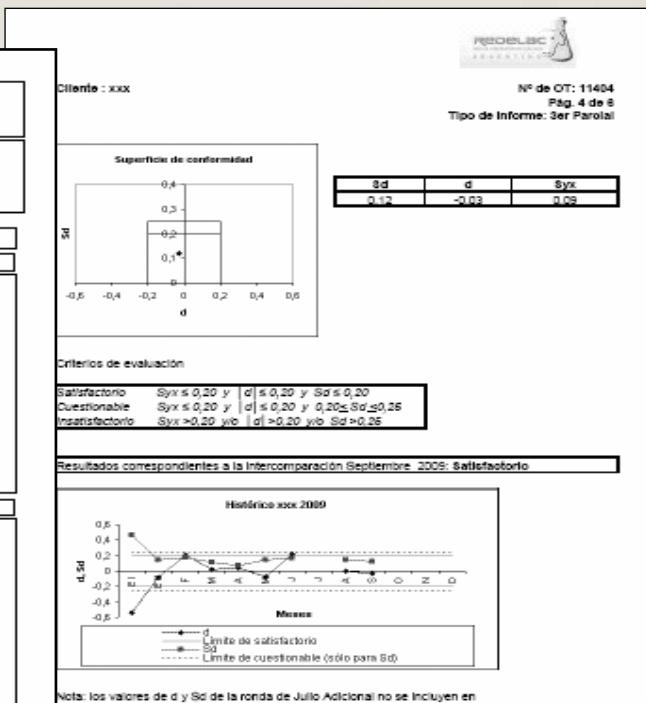
QUALITY TOOLS	Final reports of each round, where the historical performance for each parameter is included
	Monthly table of NC of all laboratories
	Annual table of NC of each laboratory
	Monthly graphic of NC of all the parameters
	Annual graphic of NC of each parameter
	Annual graphic of Index 1 for each laboratory
	Ishikawa diagrams for each parameter
	Check lists of each parameter



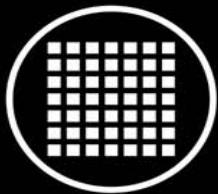
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Monthly raw milk control.



Instrumental equipment control.



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2. Definition of indicators and quality tools

Monthly table of NC of all laboratories
(July 2009)

ITEM	Registration N°	Laboratory name	tests N°	FC	TP	TS	L	A	FP	ESC	EM 30°C	DI	NC
		A	0										0
		B	8	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1
		C	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
		D	1								1		1
		E	7	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	2
		F	7	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	0
		G	1								1		0
		H	0										0
		I	8	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	0

	FC	TP	TS	L	A	FP	ESC	EM 30°C	DI	NC
Total tests	123	17	18	15	9	6	11	17	16	14
	2	4	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	12
%NC	11,8	22,2	0,0	0,0	0,0	9,1	5,9	25,0	0,0	9,8

Indice 1 = NC / N° de ensayos totales:

0,10

FC: Fat Content – TP: Total Protein – TS: Total solid – L: lactose – A: ash – FP: Freezing Point – ESC: Enumeration of somatic cells – EM 30°C: Enumeration de microorganismos 30°C – DI: Detection of inhibitors.

Indice 2 = NC / N° total de laboratorios :

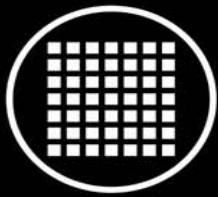
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Annual table of NonConformities - Laboratory X

Month	test N°	FC	TP	TS	L	A	FP	ESC	EM 30°C	DI	NC / month
January	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	1
Feb	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	1
March	0										0
Apr	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	1
May	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	1
June	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	1
July	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	0
Ag	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	0
Sept	7	1	1	1		1			1	1	1
	56	8	8	8	0	8	0	8	8	8	3
		2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	25,0	12,5									5,4

Index 1 = NC/N° total tests: 0,05



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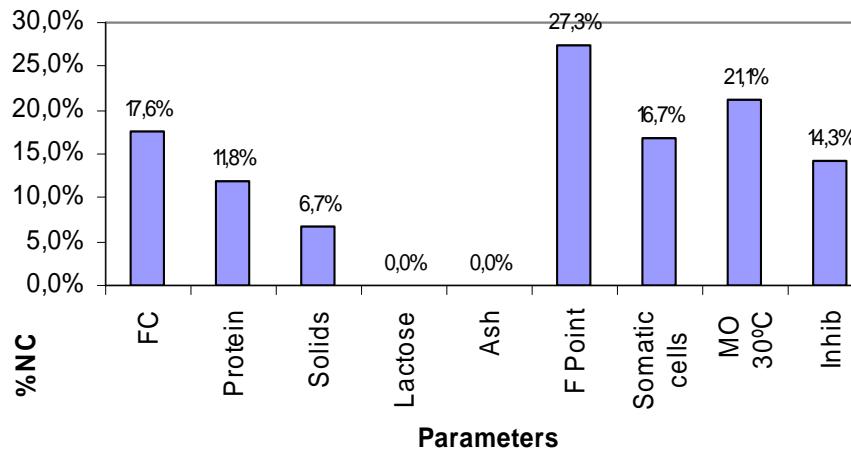
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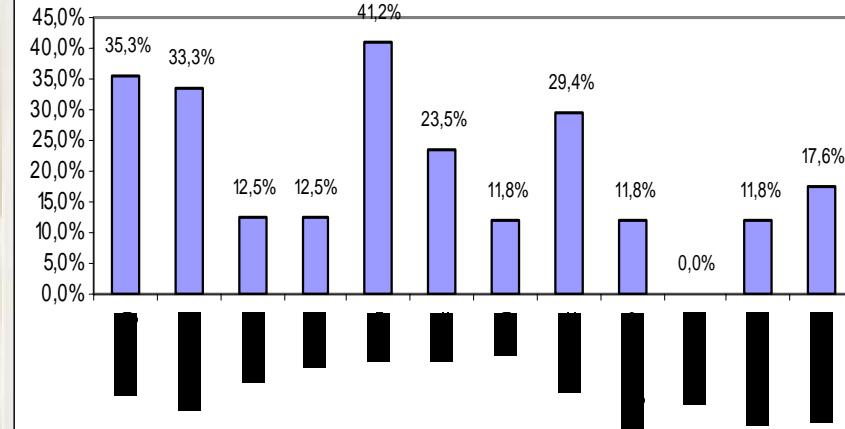
Monthly graphic of NC (for all parameters)

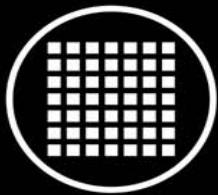
%NC for parameter - December 2009
(total: 23 labs.)



Annual graphic of NC (for each parameter)

%NC Fat content - 2009
(total: 17 labs.)





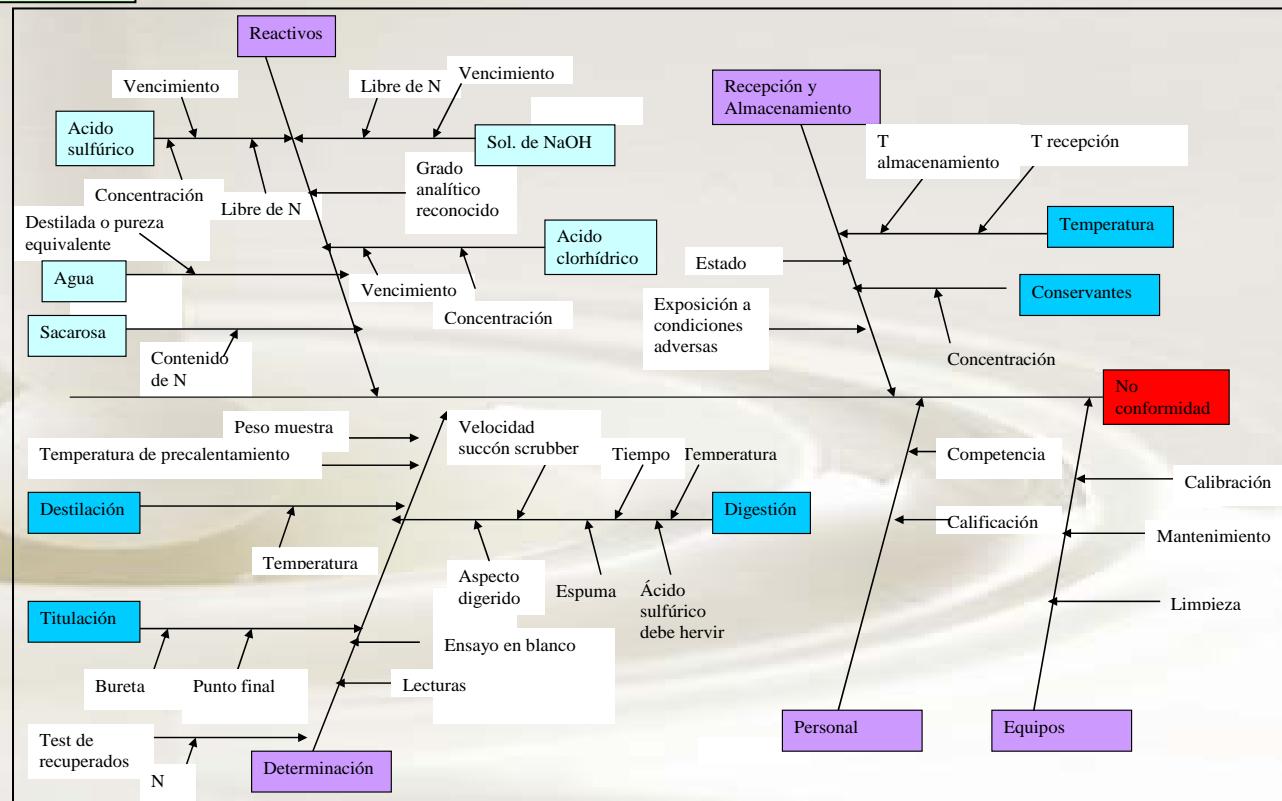
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Ishikawa diagram:
determination of total
protein





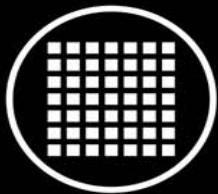
Check-list de la determinación de composición de leche por IR (FIL IDF 141C:2000) Versión 12.04.2010		
	SI	NO
1. Recepción muestra		
✓Es adecuada la temperatura de recepción de la muestra? (menor a 12°C)		
✓Se encuentra en buen estado? (no está cortada, derramada, etc.)		
✓Está cerrado herméticamente el envase?		
✓Se utilizan? ✓Dicromato de potasio (0.1% p/p)? Conservantes ✓Azida sódica (0.03% p/p)? ✓Bronopol (entre 0.02 y 0.06% p/p)? El equipo utilizado, ¿se ve influenciado por el agregado de conservante? ¿Está validado?		
2. Almacenamiento de la muestra		
✓Se almacenan las muestras refrigeradas hasta que se realiza el análisis?		
✓Se establecen tiempos máximos de almacenamiento hasta realizar el ensayo? ¿Se respetan?		
3. Condiciones ambientales		
✓Están establecidas las condiciones ambientales para la realización del ensayo?		
✓Se miden y controlan las condiciones establecidas? (temperatura, humedad, etc)		
4. Equipos y material de laboratorio		
✓Se cuenta con el equipamiento necesario de acuerdo a la norma? ¿Alcanza la exactitud requerida por el método?		
✓Está identificado únicamente?		
✓El laboratorio cuenta con instructivos para el uso y mantenimiento de los equipos?		
Soluciones de limpieza		
✓Se chequea su vencimiento?		
✓Es capaz de ser mantenido a (40 ± 1°C)? ✓Se lo mantiene con agua destilada, limpio? Calibración termómetro ✓Está calibrado? ✓Se cumple el plan de calibraciones? ✓Se utiliza la corrección especificada en el informe de calibración? ✓Se verifica que cumpla con la tolerancia de la norma? ✓Se utilizan la corrección y la incertidumbre, especificadas en el informe de calibración, para calcular el rango de trabajo del termómetro?		



Designed check lists are available as self-control tool

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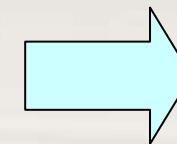
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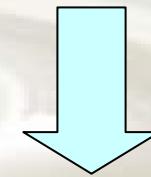
3. Segmentation

Using Index 1: ratio NC / total tests

GROUP	INDEX 1 (VALUE)
1	0,00 – 0,10
2	0,10 – 0,20
3	0,21 – 0,25
4	> 0,25
SIGALEC	0,08 – 0,12 *

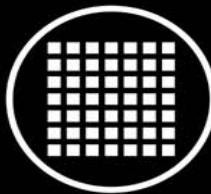


5 defined groups



4. Determination of technical assistance required

* Values found at the moment of survey



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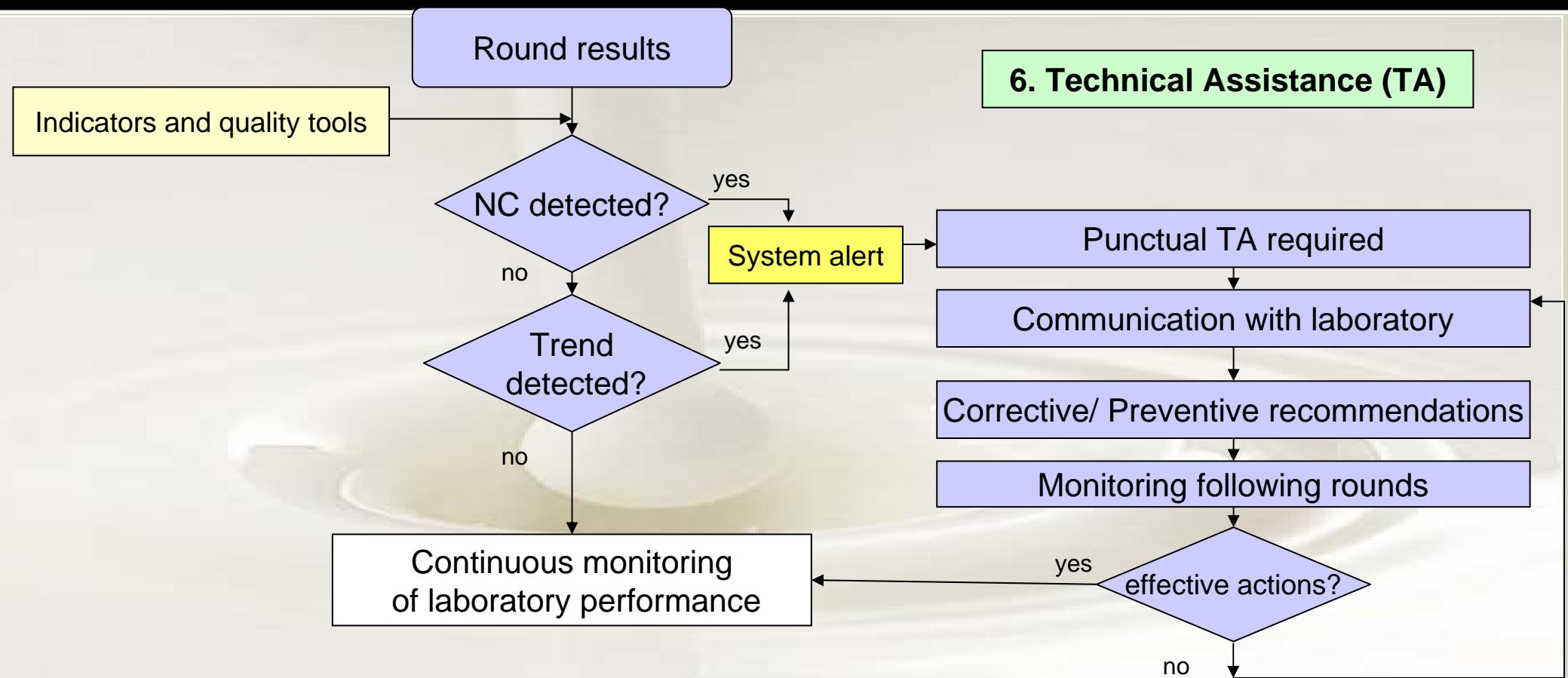
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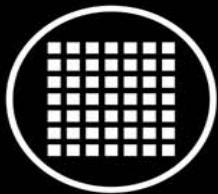


5. Planning of annual work and proposal of aims

PLANNING OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO LABORATORIES									
Proposed stages	2009								
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	Dec
1. Survey of participating laboratories in proficiency testing programs (Monthly raw milk and Instrumental equipment Control)									
2. Survey of laboratories participating in milk payment system									
3. Index definition to evaluate laboratory performance									
4. Analysis of the performance of each laboratory since January 2008									
5. Definition of groups using index 1									
6. Determination of technical assistance required									
7. Development of schedule									
8. Implementation of schedule									
9. Communication with laboratories depending on groups defined									
10. Definition together with laboratory, the type of assistance required									
11. Implementation of technical assistance									
12. Definition of evaluation indicators of the technical assistance									
13. Monitoring and evaluation of the assistance									

		quantity of laboratories	
Group	Value index 1	dec 08	aim- dec 09
SIGALEC	0,08 - 0,12	4	4
1	0,00 - 0,10	7	7
2	0,11 - 0,20	3	5
3	0,21 -0,25	3	6
4	>0,25	5	0



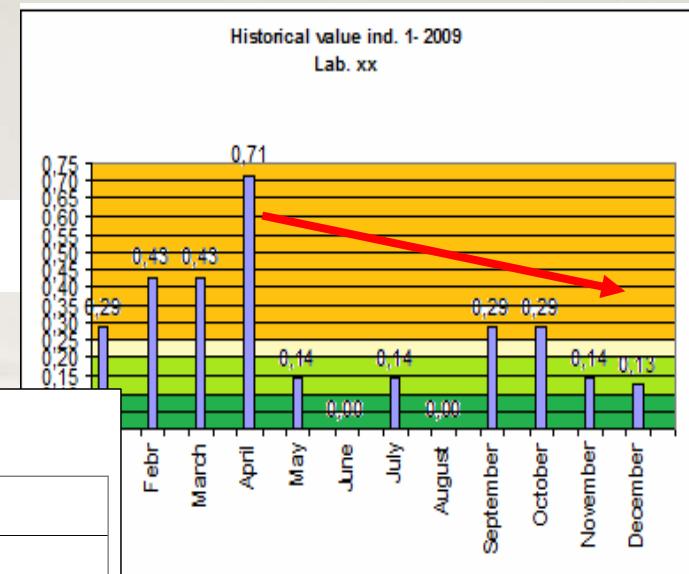
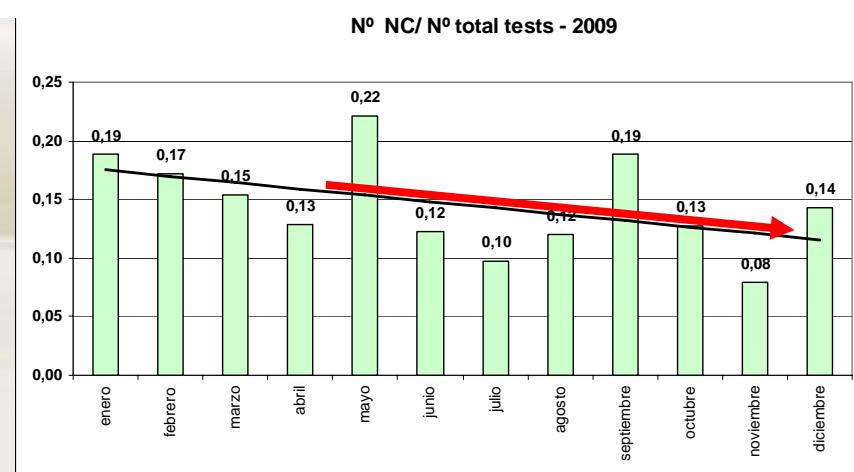


Results and discussion

- Less number of labs. with value of index N°1 > 0,21

- Some laboratories improve performance since the system implementation

- Tendency to decrease NC / total tests





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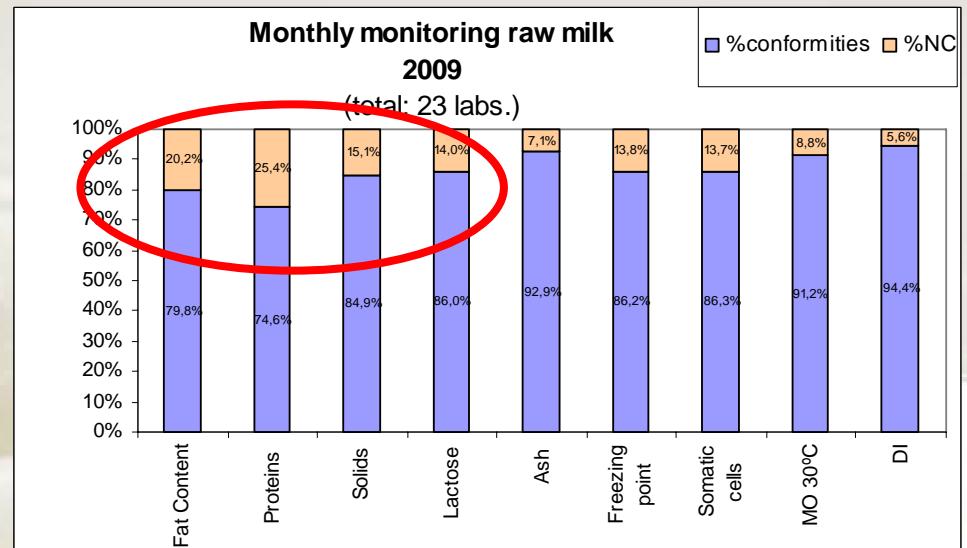
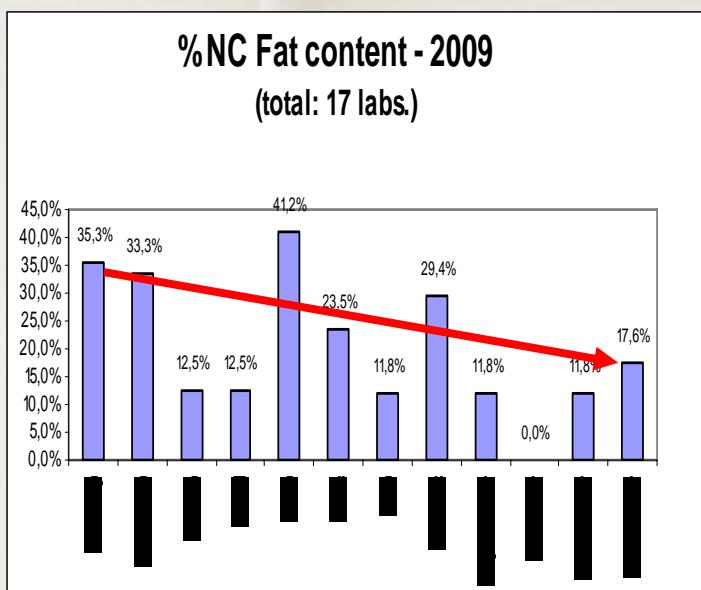
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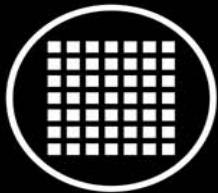
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- Decrease of %NC in the parameters with highest value at the starting point

Annual graphic of NC (for each parameter)



- Identification of tests which require more attention

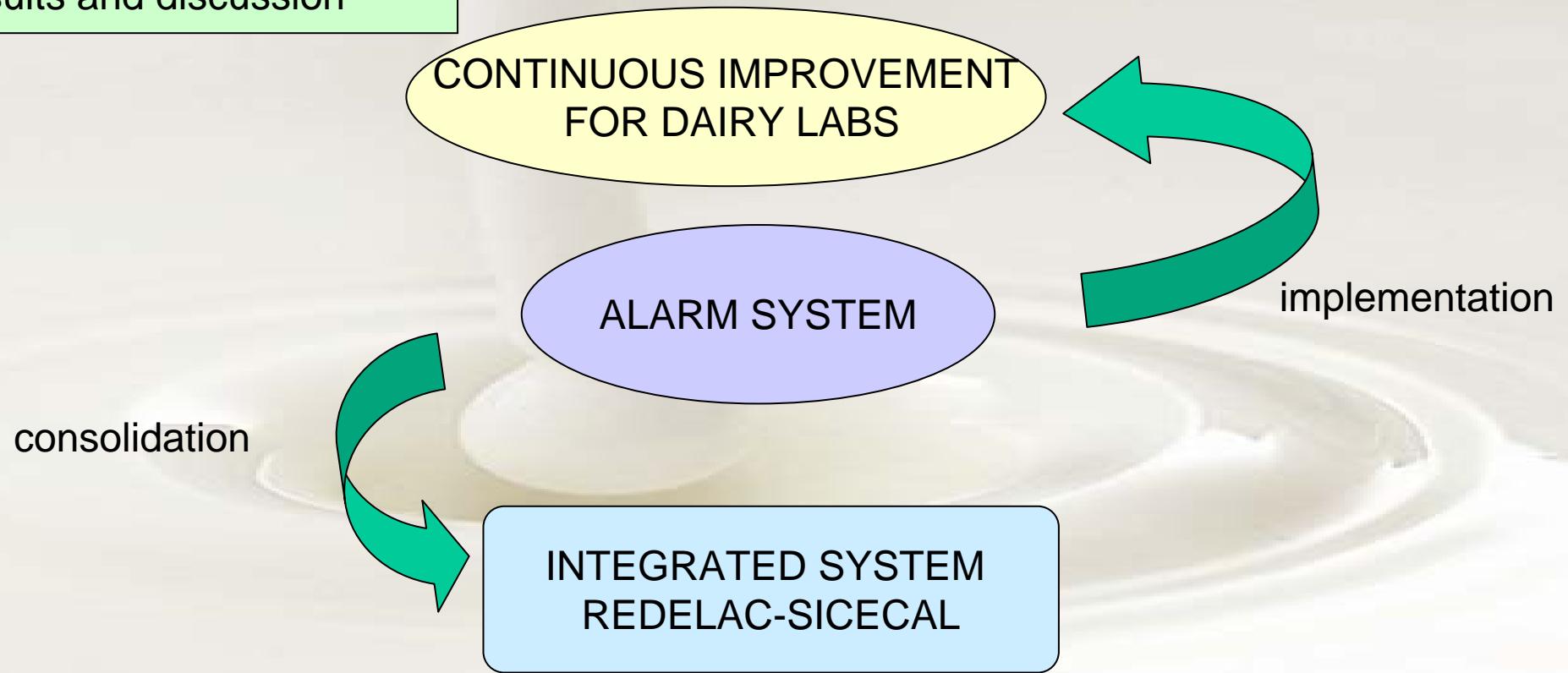


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Results and discussion





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