



Euro Maito

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Savonia University of Applied Science does not have a research farm. However, in RDI projects we co-operate with e.g., Natural Resources Institute Finland (<https://www.luke.fi/en/>), especially Maaninka Research Station, and Ylä-Savo Vocational Collage (<https://www.ysao.fi/In-English>).

LINK WITH ED'S MAIN TOPICS

-  Energy and nutrient efficiency
-  Leadership and management on dairy farms
-  Animal health welfare

Savonia University of Applied Sciences (Savonia UAS) is participating and coordinating multiple innovative projects, e.g., EuroMaito project (<http://euromaito.savonia.fi/in-english>) and Thermal Imaging of Cattle (KuNa)

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Soil: High organic matter content, loam

Precipitations: 700 mm per yr

Climate: Temperate continental climate / Humid continental climate

Altitude: 218m



FARM CHARACTERISTICS (ONLY FORAGE CENTER)

Total area (ha): 492 ha
Crop rotation: 3 years of ley followed by 1 year of barley and 1 year of wheat
Milking cows: 440 (Holstein, Red Vikings, Montbéliarde X Jersey)
Young Stock: 265 Heifer 500 Calves
Bulls: 0
Production intensity: 11,300 kg ECM per cow and year
Grassland area: 292 ha
Permanent grasslands: 42ha
Grazing period: Early May to mid-August
Grazing hours: free access h24
Workers: 10

SPECIAL EQUIPMENTS

- Biocontrol individual automatic feed scales for research projects with the dairy cows.
- Cow activity monitors for checking heat, automatic scale for registration of body weights of the cows

FACILITIES

- A modern stable for housing of heifers from 3 months of age. Calves in individual pens for 16 days before moved to group pens (igloos) in outdoor facility until 80 days of age.

EDUCATION CAPABILITIES

- Presentation of the forage demonstration plots, of on-going and performed feeding trials with the dairy cows. Nötcenter Viken is open for other agricultural organisations to organize seminars and meetings with farmers and advisors.
- The farm manager have visits from pre-schools, elementary schools and high schools when the students learn about farming.
- Meetings and courses to increase the competence for advisors and farmers.

More details on: www.eurodairy.eu

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