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ON AGRICULTURAL GREENHOUSE GASES

Flagship Project title:

Technical guidelines to develop feed additives to  
reduce enteric methane

# Overview of project

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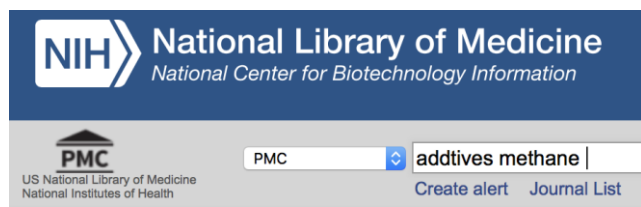
**1st September 2022 – 2 years**



# Overview of project

## Background:

- *Increasing interest in developing feed additives to reduce enteric CH<sub>4</sub> emissions worldwide*
- *Feed additives: Extensive research effort over the last decades that has not resulted in many additives in the market (Hegarty et al., 2021)*



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An evaluation of evidence for efficacy and applicability of methane inhibiting feed additives for livestock

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Additive	Efficacy			Potential animal welfare risks	Potential food safety risks	Potential co-benefits	Production system applicability <sup>4</sup>	Development needs
	CH <sub>4</sub> reduction potential <sup>1</sup>	No. of academic papers <sup>2</sup>	Confidence in efficacy <sup>3</sup>					
3-Nitrooxypropanol	Very High	> 20	5	None known	None known	Improved feed efficiency.	TMR systems immediately. Grazing systems in future.	Validation in large-scale TMR systems required. Formulation for grazing systems.
Asparagopsis	Very High	< 10	1	Damage to rumen wall	Bromide & iodine residues in animal tissue/products	Improved feed efficiency.	TMR systems immediately. Grazing systems in future.	Validation in large-scale TMR systems required. Formulation for grazing systems.
Nitrate	High	< 20	4	Toxicity in non-adapted animals	None known	Can reduce need for urea supplementation in animal feed.	TMR systems immediately. Grazing systems in future.	Validation in large-scale TMR systems required. Formulation for grazing systems.

- Can we accelerate the development of feed additives to reduce CH<sub>4</sub>?
- How can we monitor and accurately account for the reductions achieved?

Essential oils	Low	< 5	1	None known	None known	Reduced risk of bloat & acidosis.	TMR & grazing systems (where supplements are administered)	Microalgae supply dependent on use in renewable energy sector.
Microalgae	Low	< 5	1	None known	None known	PUFA levels in meat improved. Enhanced antioxidants in food products.	TMR & grazing systems (where supplements are administered)	Microalgae supply dependent on use in renewable energy sector.
Biochar	Low	< 5	1	None known	None known	Toxins & heavy metals absorption prevention in animals. Enhanced soil quality when excreta is applied to soils.	TMR & grazing systems (where supplements are administered)	Engineering of an acidified biochar required to achieve adequate efficacy.
Bacterial Direct Fed Microbes	Low	< 15	2	None known	None known	Improved productivity (though inconsistent). Improved calf health. Reduced incidence of E.coli in manure.	TMR & grazing systems (where supplements are administered)	Development of high efficacy bacterial strains.

# Objectives of the project

**Facilitate the development and use of feed additives to reduce enteric methane emissions**



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## Feed and Nutrition Network (LRG):



Review article

Design, implementation and interpretation of *in vitro* batch culture experiments to assess enteric methane mitigation in ruminants—a review

Yáñez-Ruiz D.R.<sup>a,\*</sup>, Bannink A.<sup>b</sup>, Dijkstra J.<sup>c</sup>, Kebreab E.<sup>d</sup>, Morgavi D.P.<sup>e</sup>, O'Kiely P.<sup>f</sup>, Reynolds C.K.<sup>g</sup>, Schwarm A.<sup>h</sup>, Shingfield K.J.<sup>i,j</sup>, Yu Z.<sup>k</sup>, Hristov A.N.<sup>l</sup>



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### Symposium review: Uncertainties in enteric methane inventories, measurement techniques, and prediction models<sup>1</sup>

A. N. Hristov,<sup>a,2</sup> E. Kebreab,<sup>†</sup> M. Niu,<sup>†</sup> J. Oh,<sup>\*</sup> A. Bannink,<sup>‡</sup> A. R. Bayat,<sup>\$</sup> T. M. Boland,<sup>#</sup> A. F. Brito,<sup>||</sup> D. P. Casper,<sup>¶</sup> L. A. Crompton,<sup>\$</sup> J. Dijkstra,<sup>€</sup> M. Eugène,<sup>¥</sup> P. C. Garnsworthy,<sup>\*\*</sup> N. Haque,<sup>††</sup> A. L. F. Hellwing,<sup>‡‡</sup> P. Huhtanen,<sup>§§</sup> M. Kreuzer,<sup>##</sup> B. Kuhla,<sup>|||</sup> P. Lund,<sup>‡‡</sup> J. Madsen,<sup>††</sup> C. Martin,<sup>¥</sup> P. J. Moate,<sup>¶¶</sup> S. Muetzel,<sup>§§</sup> C. Muñoz,<sup>€€</sup> N. Peiren,<sup>¥¥</sup> J. M. Powell,<sup>\*\*\*</sup> C. K. Reynolds,<sup>\$</sup> A. Schwarm,<sup>##</sup> K. J. Shingfield,<sup>†††</sup> T. M. Storlien,<sup>‡‡‡</sup> M. R. Weisbjerg,<sup>‡‡</sup> D. R. Yáñez-Ruiz,<sup>§§§</sup> and Z. Yu<sup>###</sup>



Review

Modelling the effect of feeding management on greenhouse gas and nitrogen emissions in cattle farming systems

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Review article

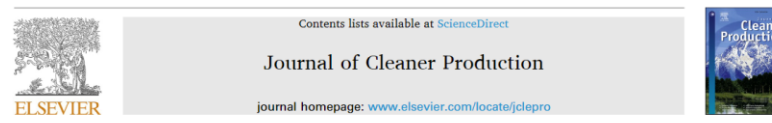
Review of current *in vivo* measurement techniques for quantifying enteric methane emission from ruminants

K.J. Hammond<sup>a</sup>, L.A. Crompton<sup>a</sup>, A. Bannink<sup>b</sup>, J. Dijkstra<sup>c</sup>, D.R. Yáñez-Ruiz<sup>d</sup>, P. O'Kiely<sup>e</sup>, E. Kebreab<sup>f</sup>, M.A. Eugène<sup>g</sup>, Z. Yu<sup>h</sup>, K.J. Shingfield<sup>i,j</sup>, A. Schwarm<sup>k</sup>, A.N. Hristov<sup>l</sup>, C.K. Reynolds<sup>a,\*</sup>



Prediction of enteric methane production, yield and intensity of beef cattle using an intercontinental database

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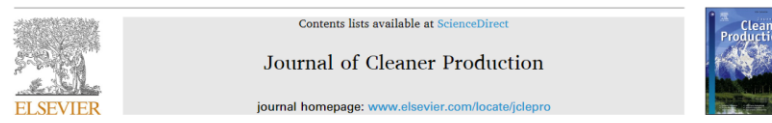
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## Brief description of project steps (2 years)

- Define structure and sections of the Technical guidelines → **COP27 – 6-18 Nov., Egypt**
- Allocate contributions for each section to participating partners (not only FNN members)
- Working groups
- Data gathering, processing, discussion & writing
- Deliver technical guidelines and position scientific paper(s) on feed additives

# Structure of Guidelines

- **Block 1: Experimental / Testing**
  - Chapter 1: Identification/screening of candidates
  - Chapter 2: Testing at animal level
  - Chapter 3: Uncovering modes of action
- **Block 2: Modeling/C accounting /Implementation**
  - Chapter 4: Testing at farm level
  - Chapter 5: Registration and accounting



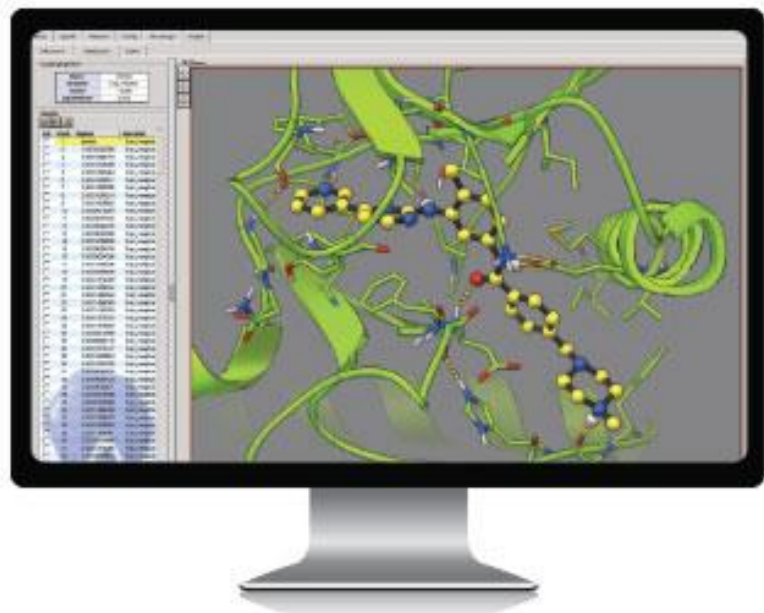
# Block 1: Experimental /Testing

## Chapter 1: Identification and screening of new bioactive compounds

*In silico* screening/chemical modeling

*In vitro* screening/ Dose selection / Range of substrates

Chemical characterization - Formulation seeking stability



# Block 1: Experimental /Testing

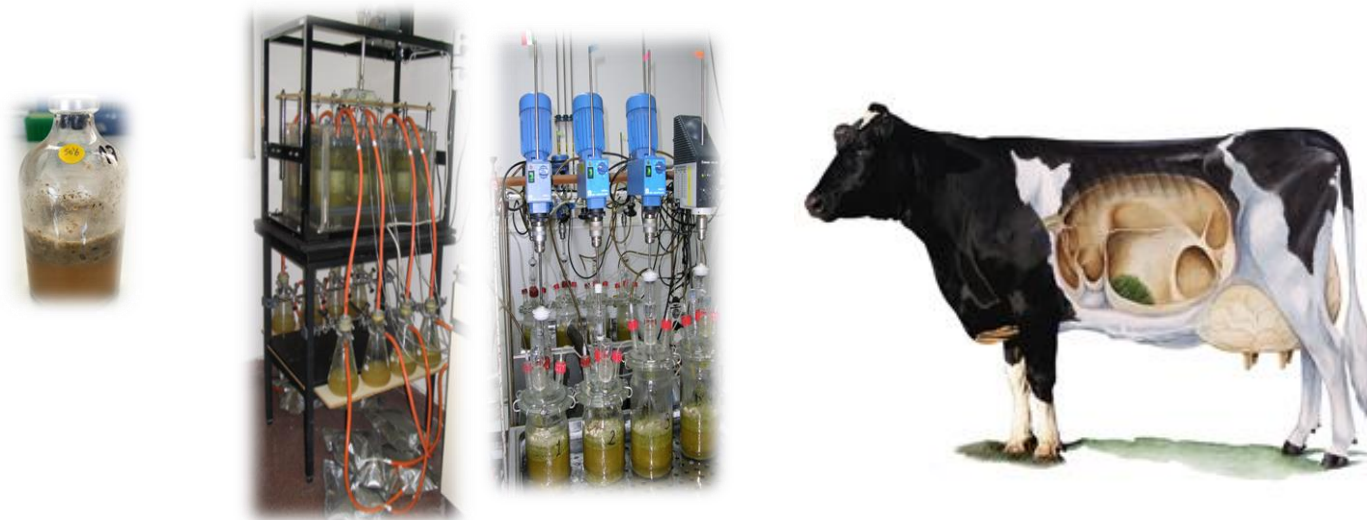
## Chapter 2: Testing at animal level

Transforming doses at different levels (diet / rumen volume)

Short and long term *in vivo* experiments (Dairy/Beef- Confined/Grazing) // Statistical designs

Early life interventions

Other aspects: Delivery methods, Persistency/residual effects, animal health



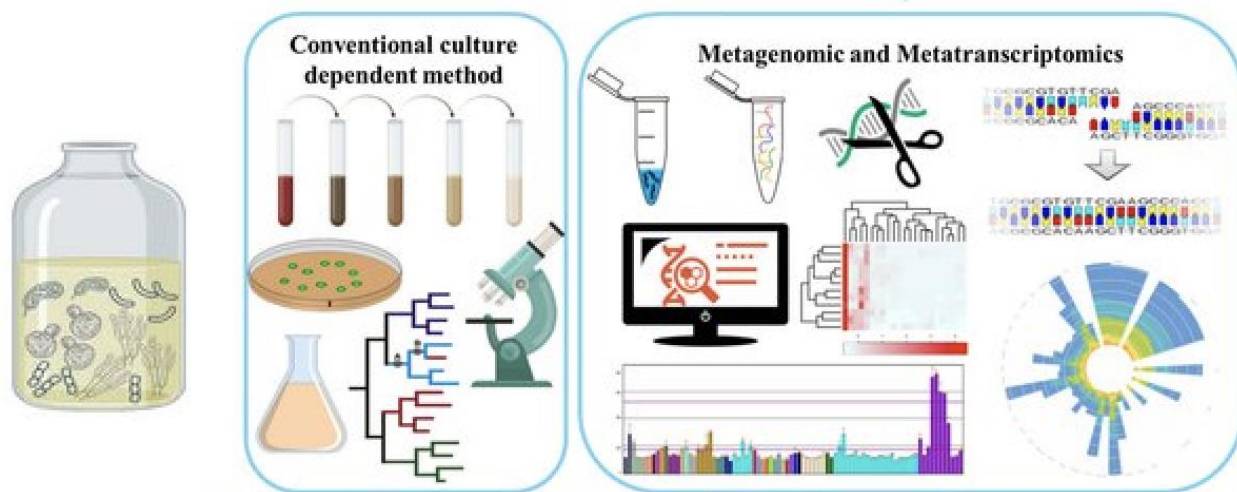


# Block 1: Experimental /Testing

## Chapter 3: Uncovering their mechanisms of action

Microbial pure culture assessments/Effect on the rumen microbiome

Mechanisms of methanogenesis inhibition and their biological consequences in other digestive processes

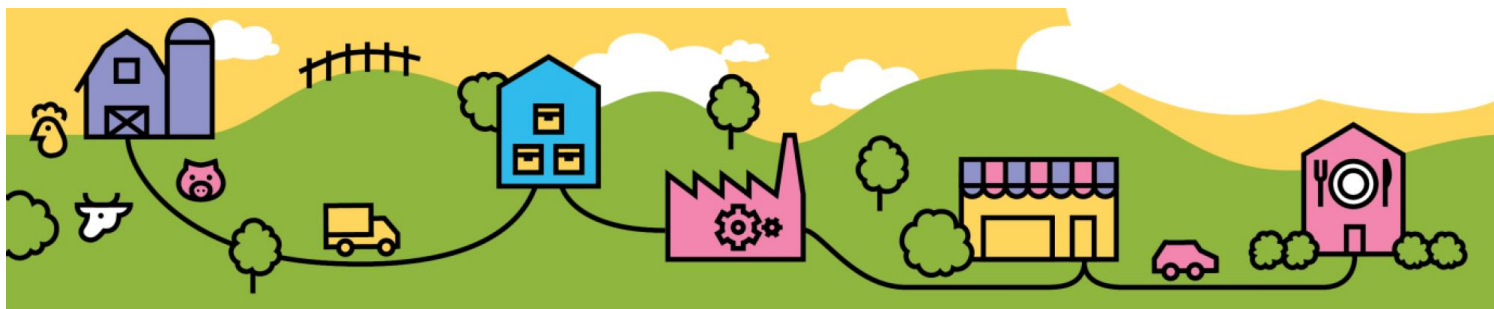




# Block 1: Experimental /Testing

## Chapter 4: Testing at farm level

Assessing the impact of mitigation through modeling at farm level (LCA)/Farm level cost assessment



# Proposed structure of the Guidelines

## Chapter 5: Registration and accounting

Regulatory contexts around the world

Linking the impact at farm level to their impact at regional and/or national mitigation targets

Adoption barriers for the use of feed additives and strategies to overcome those limitations.

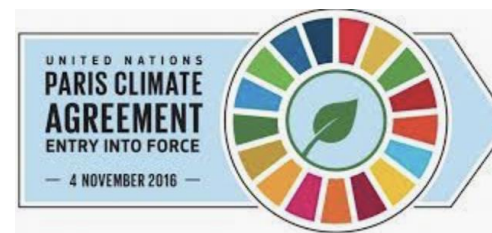
How to scale-up their use?



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Australian Pesticides and  
Veterinary Medicines Authority



# Conclusions

**Project conceived to help both academy and industry**

**Ambitious, wide range of expertise**

**Open for new collaborators**



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How can we collaborate and join our efforts?

Thank you!

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