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LIVESTOCK BIOTECHNOLOGY WHY AND HOW?

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Selective breeding









Genomic selection



Associate SNP profile with phenotype Thousands of SNPs Thousands of phenotypes Generate prediction equation

Gather SNP profiles Apply prediction equation Generate EBV



Breed best animals











Genomic selection



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Biotechnology



Veterinary Studies

Transgenic

Expression cassette Targeted transgene Targeted insertion Small sequence exchange Targeted deletion Targeted indel Single nucleotide change

Edited



Transgenesis

Integration, stability and expression of the *E. coli* phytase transgene in the Cassie line of Yorkshire EnviropigTM



Transgenesis



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Editors allow us to re-write the genome







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Editors allow us to re-write the genome





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Development of genome editors ongoing

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Cancers Duchenne muscular dystrophy Thalassemia Haemophilia Transthyretin amyloidosis Leber congenital amaurosis HIV Huntington's disease Cystic fibrosis





Livestock applications require alteration of the germline



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Direct mammalian zygote editing

















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Birds (chickens)





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Mammalian SSCs and surrogate sires







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Just over the horizon









Perception

Views vary within and between societies

There is no such thing as "the public"

Efficiencies

Fine for making individuals for science

Not so fine for making large cohorts with identical edits

Targets

Causative SNPs are rare

Better understanding of genes vs phenotype

Polygenic traits

Regulations

A work in progress – why we are here today

Vary between jurisdictions



