



PROFILab: More than just a question of nutrition

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We often tend to criticize the ration when the PROFILab curves do not exactly meet our expectations. However, many other factors can explain why some herds have higher or lower levels of *de novo* fatty acids compared to their neighbor...

PROFILab should be considered as an additional tool to complement on-farm observations.

And don't forget...

Overcrowding

**Feedbunk
competition**

**Feeding
behavior**

Water access

Lactation stage

Silage quality

**Temperature /
Humidity**

Ventilation

Comfort

**Feed push up
frequency**



**... other factors than
nutrition are also important**

(Woolpert et al., 2016, 2017 and our field experience)

To further understand these different factors of comfort, housing and other elements that can have an impact, we are currently in the process of visiting 100 Quebec farms to collect a broad range of data. [More details on this project are available here.](#)

In this video, you will find more examples of the use of PROFILab, including a specific case demonstrating the impact on the fatty acid profile following the addition of ventilators.



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