

SCIENCE UPDATE Roll out of low methane genetics in the sheep flock

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Our strategy

Vision

Sustainable and profitable farmers, thriving rural communities, valued by New Zealanders



Priorities



Supporting farming excellence



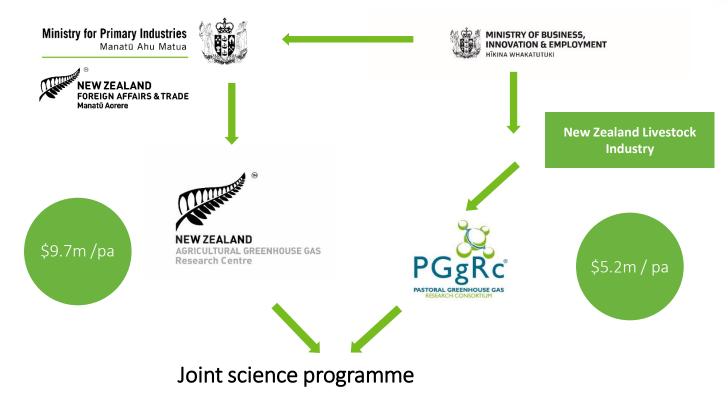
Championing the sector



Increasing market returns

Partnership & Collaboration





What is the mitigation solution

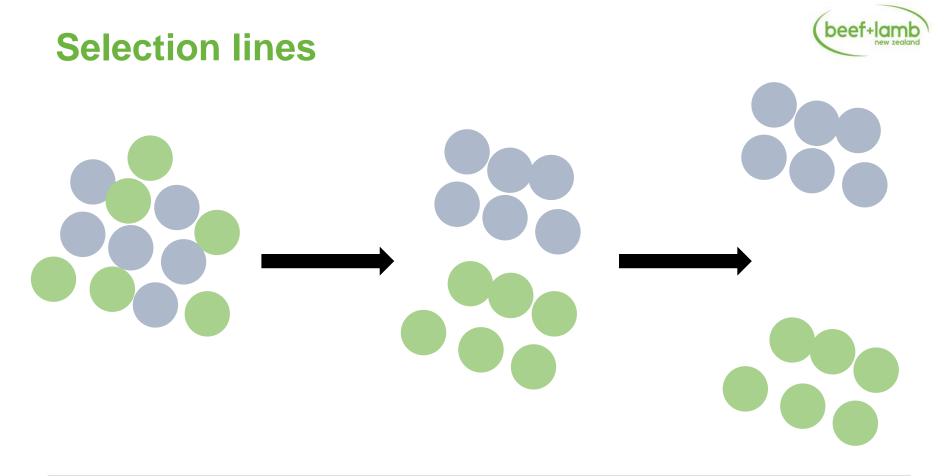
- Breeding for low methane sheep
- Holy grail
- AgResearch selection lines











Where are we at now

Providing BVs now

	Animals sampled
	2,263
2020	3,737
2021 completed	2,700
2021 booked	1,300
Total	10,000



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• Low input progeny test – breeder facing

 B+LNZ Future Farm demonstration – commercial farmers



Next steps

- B+LNZ Genetics and PGgRc green index
- Phenotyping
- Genotyping
- Calculators

