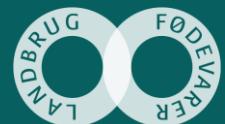


Organic pig production in Denmark

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Organic farming and production in Denmark, 2017



Production

- 11% of all cow's milk production was organic – 575 million kg
- 1% of all pig production was organic – 175,000 pigs
- 0.8% of all broilers were organic – 1.3 million broilers
- 30% of all egg production was organic – 19.0 million kg
- 27% of all vegetables production was organic

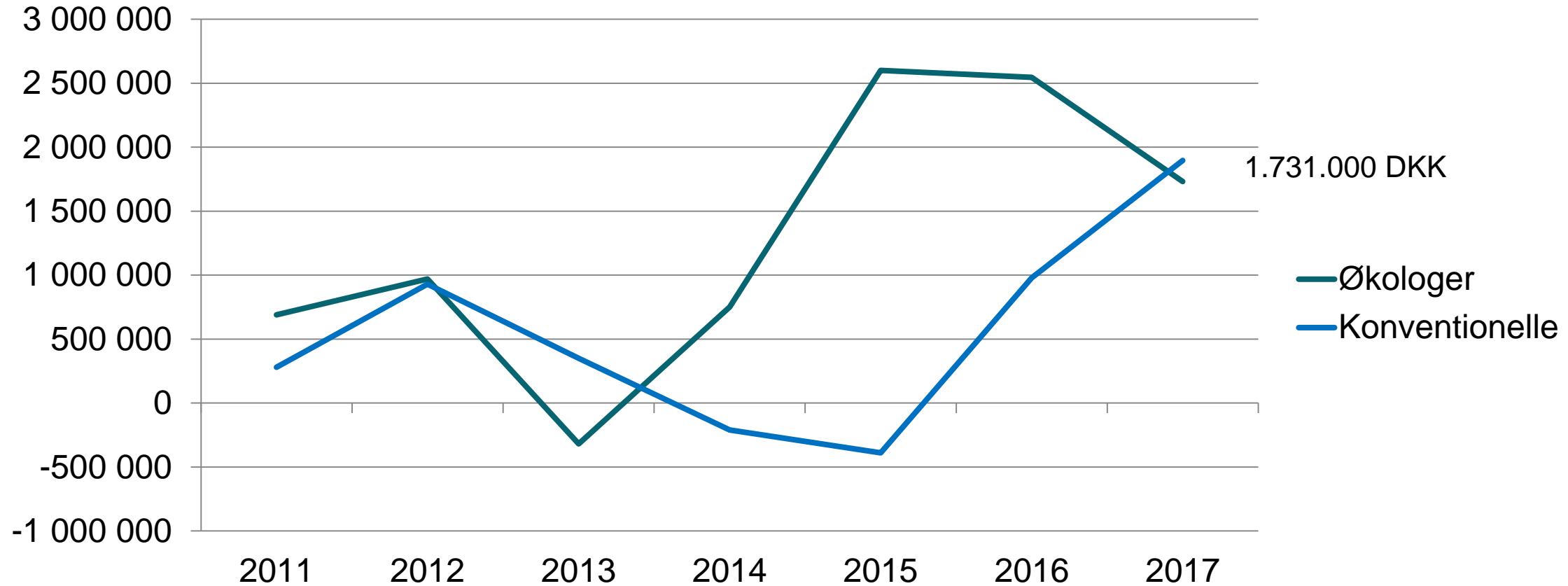
A photograph of several white pigs in a lush green field. Some pigs are in the foreground, looking towards the camera, while others are partially hidden in the dense grass. The scene is bright and sunny.

Organic pig production

- In 2017 approx. 175,000 organic pigs were slaughtered – mainly at Friland abattoir
- The production is expected to increase by 15-20% over the next few years
- Sale in Danish retail food shops increased by 25% in 2016, but most meat is exported



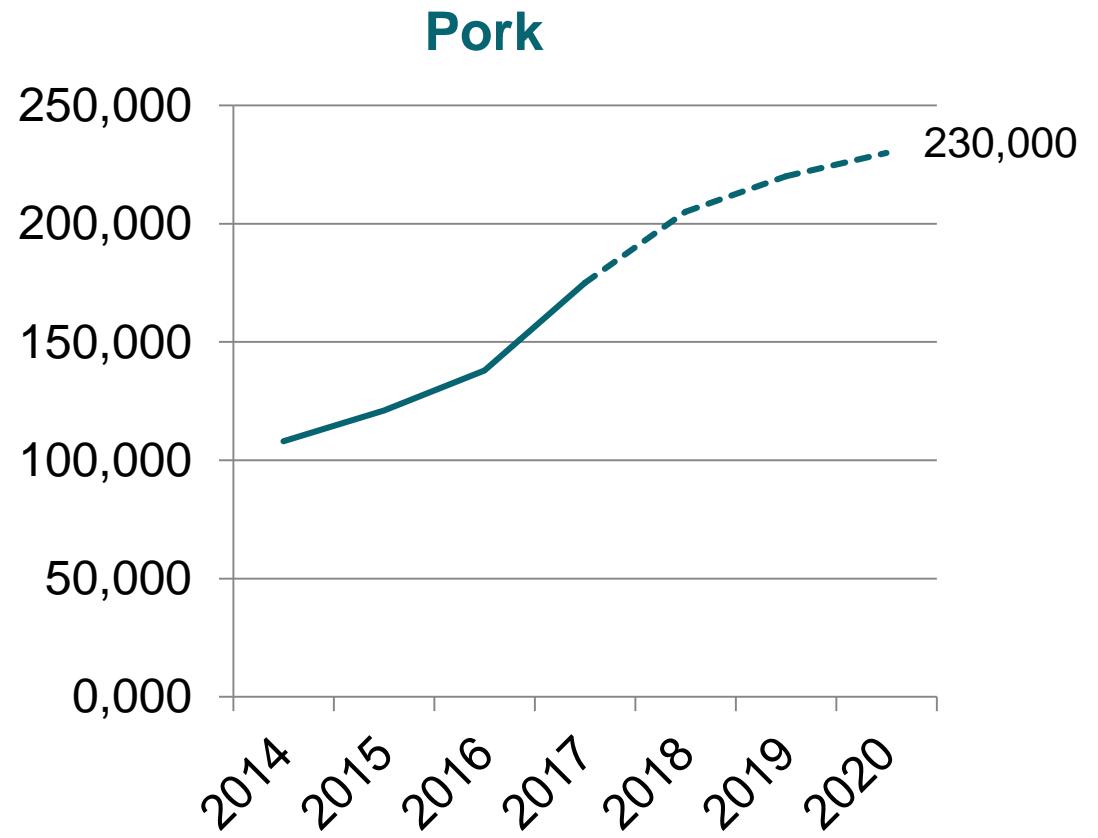
Operating result for full-time pig producers



Source: SEGES



Expected development



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The Danish organic pigfarm

- Around 70 organic farmers have a significant income from pig production – 230 org. farms has registered pigs
- 10-1000 sows/holding, but a fair share with approx. 200 sows and production of 4600 finishers
- 12% of the producers counts for more than 75% of the production
- Largest producer deliver 25.000 finisher/year

Danish production rules

EU regulation with some national amendments:

- Sows and piglets are free range – 300m²/sow
- Shadow on the farrow field
- 7 week weaning period for piglets
- 100% organic feed
- Reduced time for transportation
- Mandatory health advise programs
- View from outdoor areas
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Source: Branchebefalinger
for økologiske grise der
opdrættes i Danmark





The sows are kept on free range, and in groups when they are in between piglets





Predators can be a problem; foxes and ravens in particular





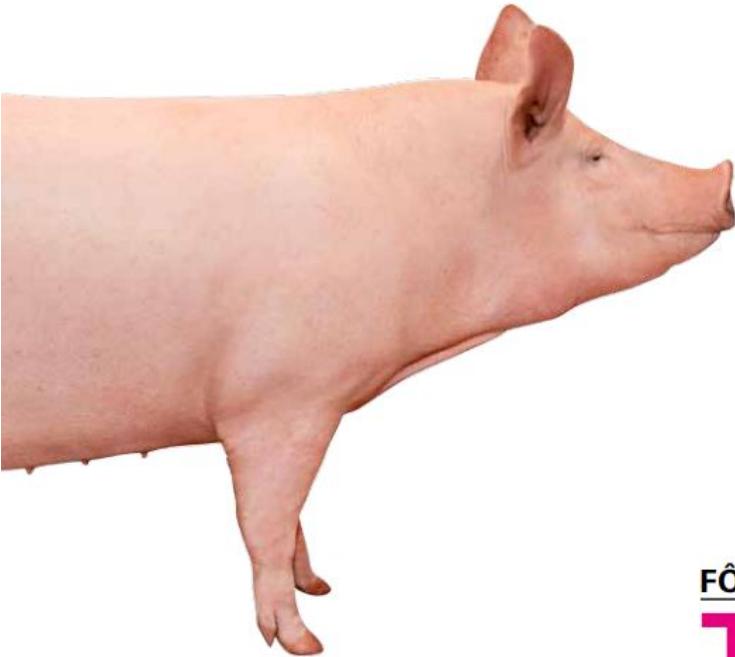
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High mortality rate is mainly due to a high number of piglets/litter.

Focus on breeding,
- maternal behaviour, design
of pig huts and management



Breeding for a better organic pig with targeted goals



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**Økologiske svineproducenter skifter til ny type gris:
Får færre, men større grise**

60 procent af de økologiske svineproducenter har skiftet til den nye svin, der er mere robust og giver smågrisene bedre chancer for at overleve.

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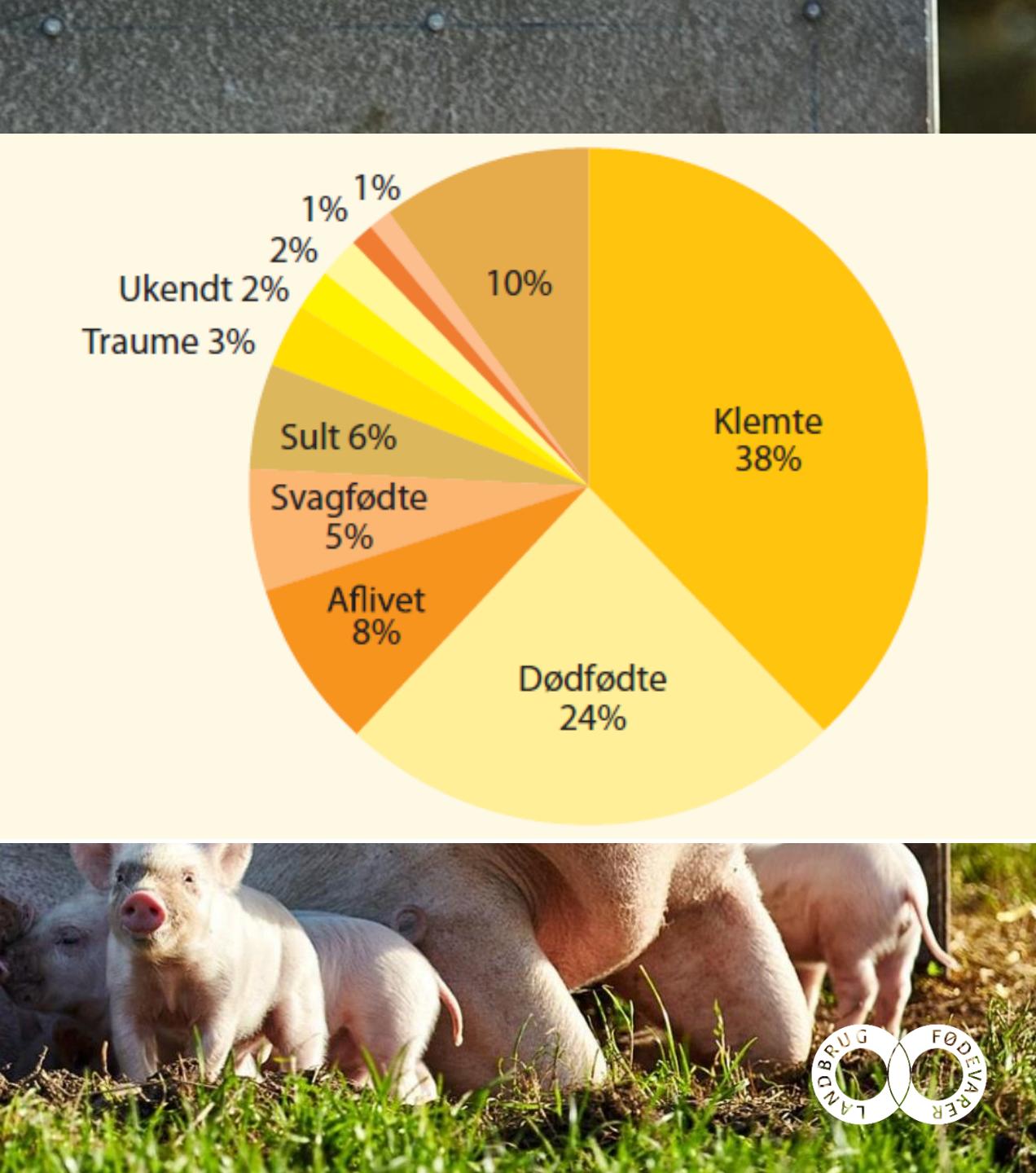
A photograph of a pig farm. In the foreground, a large, light-colored sow is lying on a patch of dirt and low-lying green plants. Several small, pink piglets are scattered around her in the grass. In the background, more pigs are grazing in a large, open field of tall green grass under a cloudy sky. Some small, dark structures are visible in the distance.

Most sows have a ring in the nose due to environmental concerns

Research and development areas – sows and piglets

- Post-weaning diarrhea – phasing out Zink
 - Sea weed for Zink: <https://tangnu.dk/about/>
 - https://cordis.europa.eu/project/rcn/215946_en.html
- Piglet mortality
 - <http://icrofs.dk/forskning/dansk-forskning/organic-rdd-2/vipiglets/>
 - https://www.landbrugsinfo.dk/Oekologi/Svin/Produktionsstyring/Sider/Soen_og_pattetgrisene_i_oekologisk_produkt.aspx
- Natural needs, health and roughage
 - https://www.landbrugsinfo.dk/Oekologi/Svin/Foder/Sider/5752_tos_Groft_er_godt.aspx
- End of castration? For now local anesthetic and pain relief

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Production of finishers

How do we combine the best environmental practice with the higher animal welfare?







Research and development areas – finishers

- **Attractive outdoor areas**
 - pECOSYSTEM:
<http://agro.au.dk/forskning/projekter/pecosystem/>
- **And indoor areas**



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Prevalence of lesions recorded during meat inspections in 2012/2013 in organic/free-range (N=201,160) and conventional raised finishing pigs, (N=1,173,213)

(Alban et al., *Porcine Health Management* 2015, 1:4)

- Parasites
- Eczema/insect bites
- Chronic pleuritis
- Tail biting

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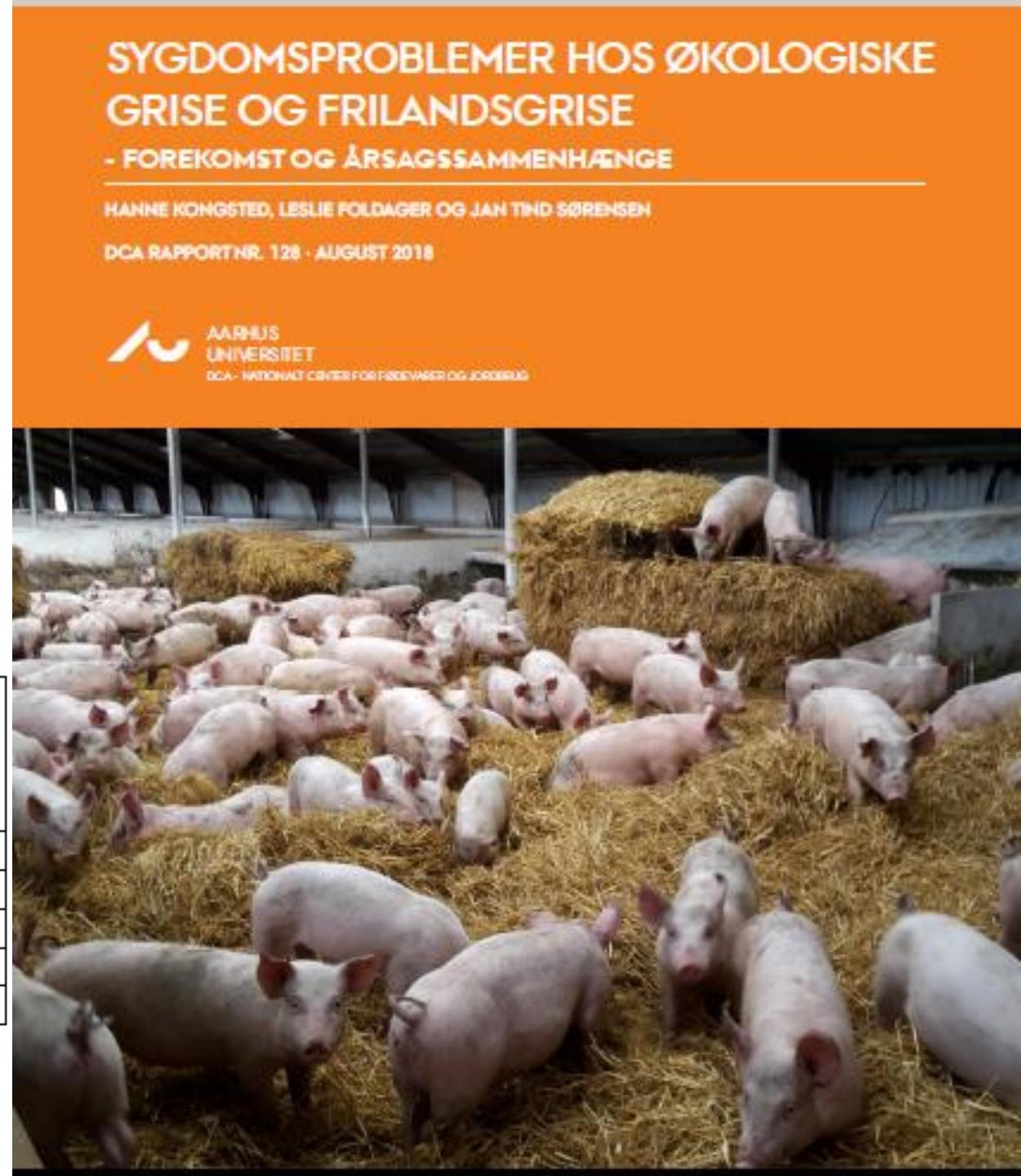
Lesion type	Prevalence (%)		Odds Ratio	P-value for comparison
	Organic/free-range	Conventional		
HIGHER RISK*				
Healed rib fracture	0.73	0.19	3.8	<0.0001
Eczema/insect bite	2.41	0.73	3.4	<0.0001
Tail lesion – local	2.37	0.76	3.2	<0.0001
Chronic infectious arthritis	0.87	0.27	3.2	<0.0001
Milk spotted liver	2.60	0.90	3.0	<0.0001
Old fracture	0.20	0.09	2.2	<0.0001
Osteomyelitis	0.34	0.16	2.1	<0.0001
Tail lesion/tail infection	0.18	0.09	2.0	<0.0001
Skin corrosion	0.10	0.06	1.8	<0.0001
Abscess in mid-part	0.47	0.30	1.6	<0.0001
Abscess in hind part	1.30	0.82	1.6	<0.0001
Chronic peritonitis	1.11	0.74	1.5	<0.0001
Chronic pericarditis	1.67	1.32	1.3	<0.0001
EQUAL RISK*				
Chronic pneumonia	0.35	0.30	1.2	0.0006
Abscess in head and ear	1.81	1.90	0.9	0.0039
Fresh fracture	0.13	0.17	0.8	<0.0001
Chronic pleuritis	19.06	23.94	0.8	<0.0001
LOWER RISK*				
Abscess in leg/toe	0.74	1.03	0.7	<0.0001
Hernia	0.93	1.36	0.7	<0.0001
Pyemia	0.01	0.02	0.5	0.0007
Scar/hock lesion	1.47	3.41	0.4	<0.0001

New report on challenges in organic pig production – DCA Rapport nr. 128, august 2018

- Respiratory diseases like pleuritis (15-40%) and coughing must have more attention – the effect of dust and humidity
- Tail biting is a larger problem at some producers

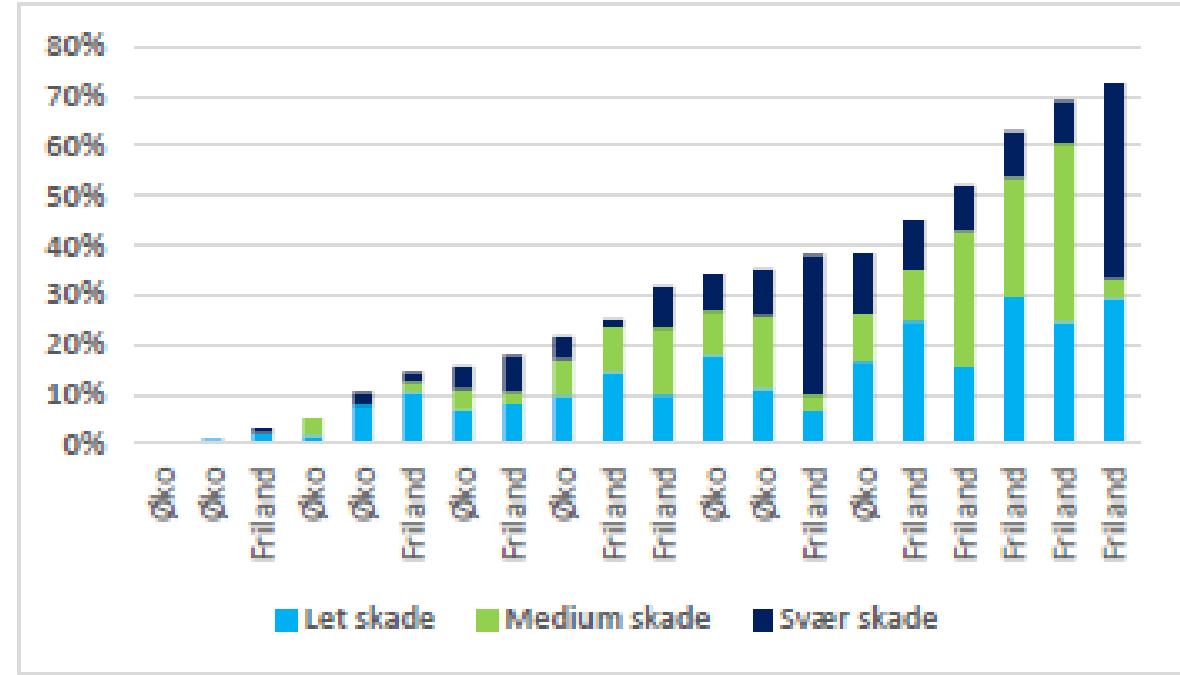
Haletilstand	Fravænningsgrise 10-20 kg (N=1688 i 10 besætninger)	Ungevin 25-50 kg (N=1606 i 12 besætninger)	Slagteavin 70-100 kg (N=3215 i 20 besætninger)
Normal	93% [62%; 100%]	86% [49%; 100%]	70% [27%; 100%]
Let skade	1% [0%; 5%]	3% [0%; 19%]	12% [0%; 30%]
Medium skade	3% [0%; 22%]	4% [0%; 20%]	9% [0%; 36%]
Svær skade	2% [0%; 13%]	7% [0%; 25%]	8% [0%; 39%]
Totalt unormale	7% [0%; 38%]	14% [0%; 51%]	30% [0%; 73%]

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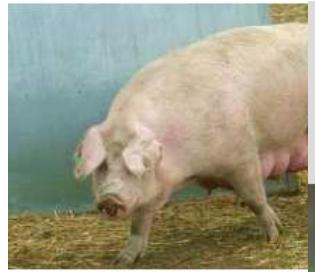
What trigger tail biting, according to – DCA Rapport nr. 128, august 2018

- Free range conventional vs organic (weaning period 5/7?)
- Stocking density in weaning period
- Feeding facilities in weaning period
- Amount of water nipples (25-50 kg)
- Farmers includes "draft" and "shifting temperatures" as parameters to catalyse tail biting



Tail biting (3 levels) on 70-100 kg pigs at farm level.

Research and development in close collaboration



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Her er samlet faglitteratur målrettet økologisk svineproduktion, men størstedelen af stoffet er også relevant for konventionelle frilandsproducenter.



Der er tale om en database med samling af eksisterende viden skrevet af forskellige forfattere gennem de sidste ca. 10 år. Derfor er sprog og layout forskellig fra dokument til dokument.

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Spørgsmål og kommentarer er altid velkomme til Tove Serup, M 2124 2611, E tos@vfl.dk

Der rettes hermed en tak til alle involverede som har bidraget med viden fra deres daglige virke. Arbejdet er gennemført med støtte fra Videncenter for Svineproduktion.



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