Ultrasound Guidelines Council Update:

Systems Review Committee

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Ultrasound Guidelines Council

- Subcommittee of the U.S. Beef Breeds Council
- · Membership:
 - -4 Breed Association Reps
 - -3 Ultrasound Lab Reps
 - -3 Academic Reps
 - 1 Field Technician

UGC Systems Review Committee

- Subcommittee of UGC
- 3 Academic representatives
- 1 At-will member
- Approval of new ultrasound systems for IMF
- No requests from ~Aug. 2010 to mid 2016

Marbling EPD Calculation

Trait	Marbling Steer Progeny	UTS - % IMF Bulls, Steers, & Heifers
Marbling Steer Progeny	0.45	
UTS - %IMF Bulls, Steers, & Heifers	0.52 – 0.84	0.26 – 0.40

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Ultrasound "System"

- Ultrasound machine
 - Console
 - Transducer
 - Settings
- · Frame grabber board
 - Digitizes the images
 - Image storage method
- · Interpretation software

System Review Protocol - Highlights

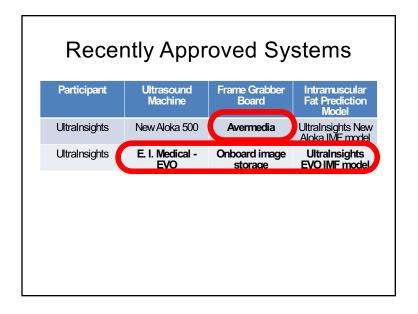
- Notice to SRC of intention to introduce a new system
 - Summary of developmental data
- Developer/participant pays for System Review Expenses
- Minimum of 70 animals with both ultrasound and chemical extracted fat
- Currently UGC approved system also scan same group of cattle

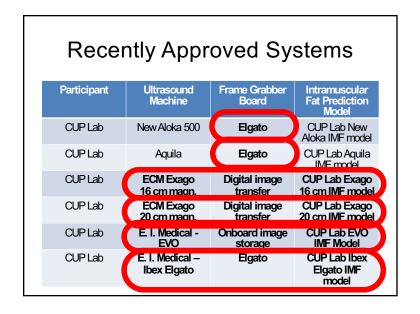
Since 2016

- · Identify the committee
- Review of protocol
- · Evaluate systems
- Notification

Statistics to evaluate

- Bias
- Correlation
- · Standard error of prediction
- Slope of ultrasound trait on carcass trait





New Features

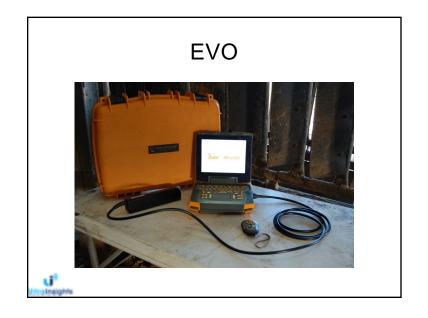
- · Ultrasound machines
 - Size and portability
 - Digital transfer of images (no frame grabber)
 - Availability
- Frame grabber boards
 - Work with latest Windows software









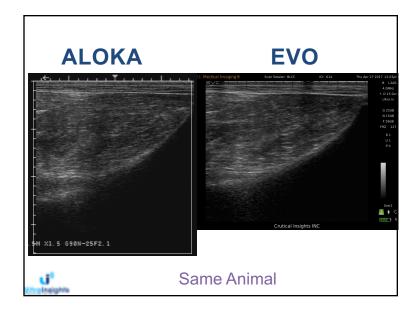


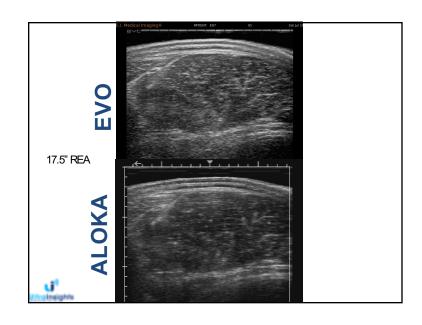
Some Videos and Images

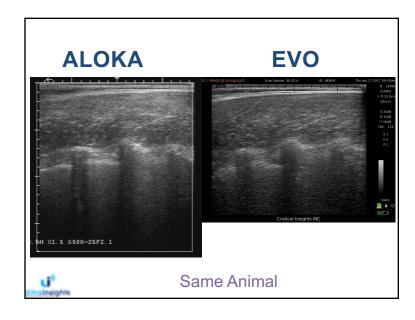


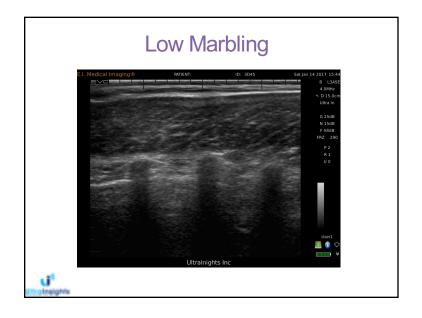


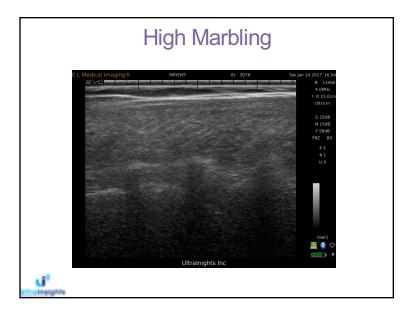












Overview

- New components and hardware becoming certified ensures future of these phenotypes for selection
- System review process is not a system comparison

Discussion