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Samenvatting

De Herbabolus bestaat uit een mengsel van plantcomponenten op een drager. De bolus is bedoeld om de gezondheid van de koe in de transitieperiode te ondersteunen. De bolus bevat o.a. knoflook (Garlicine), oregano en yucca.

Om de effecten van de bolus op de melkkwaliteit te onderzoek zijn er melkmonsters van koeien met en zonder bolus verzameld en onderzocht op smaak en geur, op antimicrobiële eigenschappen en er is een NMR en LC-MS spectrum gemaakt van melk en van de bolus om te kijken of er signalen van de bolus in de melk waren terug te vinden. Melk van 5 koeien met en 5 koeien zonder bolus is verzameld op dag 0 (voor de bolus), 1, 3, 7 en 14 dagen na de bolusgift. De melk is bij -20°C bewaard tot analyse. Daarnaast zijn twee bolussen geanalyseerd.

Geur en smaak analyse is uitgevoerd met de E-Tong en de vluchtige componenten zijn geanalyseerd met PTR/MS. Gemiddeld over de monsters is er slechts 1 smaakverschil met een waarde die groter is dan 1: richness, voor dagen 1 en 3. Omdat het verschil ook maar net boven de 1 is, en het de ene keer voor het monster met en de andere keer voor het monster zonder bolus is, lijkt dit niet significant, daarvoor is de variatie tussen de 6 monsters te groot. De conclusie is dus dat er geen significante smaakverschillen zijn waargenomen tussen de verschillende melkmonsters met de PTR-MS en de E-tong. Bij de PTR-MS analyse zijn de profielen op elk van de dagen (t=0, 1, 3, 7, 14d) gemiddeld over de koeien in essentie gelijk.

De melkmonsters in dit project zijn getest met de DelvoTest[®] van DSM. De DelvoTest[®] wordt door Qlip gebruikt voor de melkcontrole in het kader van de uitbetaling boerderijmelk. Daarnaast is de Multi plaat test uitgevoerd. Alle monsters waren met beide testen negatief.

NMR onderzoek aan de bolus: De bolus is bemonsterd en conform het interne protocol voor regulier monsteronderzoek geanalyseerd t.o.v. de huidige bibliotheek van ca. 1000 spectra van stoffen. Er zijn geen aanwijzingen gevonden voor de aanwezigheid van de stoffen opgenomen in de bibliotheek.

LC-MS (positieve mode ionisatie UHPLC Orbitrap-MS: resolutie 70000) onderzoek aan de bolus: Op basis van element samenstelling zijn annotaties verricht met de complete lijst van de drugbank. Er zijn geen aanwijzingen dat de bolus belangrijke werkzame componenten uit de drugbank bevat.

LC-MS (positieve mode ionisatie UHPLC Orbitrap-MS: resolutie 70000) onderzoek aan de melkmonsters ten behoeve van detectie van bolus-gerelateerde stoffen. Voor dit onderzoek zijn 6 koenummers genomen bij tijdstippen 0, 1, 3 en 7 dagen. De 50+ hoogste LC-MS signalen uit punt 2 (bolusprofiel) zijn hiervoor als marker gebruikt. Slechts 2 stoffen (chemische samenstelling resp. C17H34O4 en C19H38O4) bleken boven at random ruis uit te komen in melk. Echter deze 2 kwamen in alle monsters voor (dus ook onbehandelde en onafhankelijk van tijdstip).Er zijn geen signalen gevonden, die direct van de bolus afkomstig zijn

Conclusies

- Er zijn geen significante smaakverschillen waargenomen tussen de melkmonsters van koeien met en zonder bolus, zoals gemeten met de E-tong en PTR-MS.
- De melk monsters van bolus koeien en koeien zonder bolus waren allemaal negatief in de Multi plaat test de DelvoTest[®] voor antimicrobiële werking.
- Er waren geen verschillen in LC-MS profielen van melk van koeien voor en na de bolus. In de melk van bolus koeien zijn geen signalen gevonden die afkomstig leken te zijn de bolus.

Summary

The Herbabolus is a mix of plant components for cows to improve their health during the transition period. The bolus contains a mixture of herbs including garlic (Garlicin), oregano and yucca.

To investigate the effect of the bolus on milk quality, milk from cows with and without a bolus (control cows) were analysed for odour and taste, for antimicrobial effects and an NMR and LC-MS spectrum was made from the bolus and from the milk to see if similar components were present.

Milk from 5 bolus cows and 5 control cows was sampled at day 0, 1, 3, 7 and 14 and frozen at -20°C until analysis. Moreover two boluses were analysed.

Analysis of taste and odour is performed with the E-tongue and volatile compounds were analysed with PTR/MS. The mean values over all the samples rendered only one taste difference with a value higher than 1 (richness) for day 1 and day 3. Because the difference is just above 1 and it occurs one time in a treated cow and another time in a control cow this does not appear to be significant. Therefore, no significant taste differences were found between milk samples using the E-tongue and PTR-MS.

To investigate possible antimicrobial activity of the milk two tests were performed, the Multi (7) plate test and the tube test (DelvoTest[®]). None of the samples were tested as suspect in either of the tests.

To analyse the composition of the bolus an Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (NMR) profile conform regular sample analysis and an LC-MS profile was made in threefold. The bolus was sampled conform the internal protocol for regular sample analysis and analysed for known spectra of 1000 compounds currently present within the reference library. We did not find any known spectra matching these compounds.

LC-MS (positive mode ionisation UHPLC Orbitrap-MS: resolution 70000) investigation of milk samples for retrieving bolus related compounds in the milk. For this 6 cow numbers (2 control and 4 bolus) have been analysed at day 0, 1, 3 and 7. The 50+ highest LC-MS signals from the bolus profile were used as a marker for this. Only two compounds (chemical composition resp. C17H34O4 en C19H38O4) appeared to be present above background noise in the milk. But these compounds were present in all milk samples and unrelated to treatment or time of sampling. We concluded that in the milk of treated cows no signals were found that appeared to come directly from the bolus.

Conclusions

- No significant taste differences were found between milk samples using the E-tongue and PTR-MS.
- The milk samples of bolus and non-bolus cows were all negative in the Multiplate test and DelvoTest[®] for antimicrobial activity.
- There were no differences in milk profiles from cows before or after the bolus. In the milk of treated cows no signals were found that appeared to come directly from the bolus.

1 Introduction

An inventory of the use of antibiotics in dairy cattle showed that 60 % of the total use was preventive use in the dry period. Since January 13th 2014 the preventative use of antibiotics is no longer allowed in the Netherlands. The aim of drying off cows with antibiotics was 1) curing of new infections and 2) prevention of new infections.

Reduction of the use of antibiotics will require better management from the farmers. Products that reduce the risk of new infections will be highly appreciated.

The company Biochemproducts B.V. sells a Herbabolus as a means to reduce the somatic cell count in dairy cows and to protect the animals in the dry period. The bolus is given to the animal 7 days before the dry period.

This bolus contains a mixture of herbs including garlic (Garlicine), oregano and yucca. Garlic and oregano have antimicrobial effects (Wichtl, 2002), yucca has antimicrobial and anti-inflammatory effects (Cheeke, P.R, 2001). These effects may be beneficial for the cow but antimicrobial effects may influence the suitability of the milk for cheese making. The herbs used have a strong odour which might influence the odour and quality of the milk. Moreover residues of the product might be excreted via the milk.

To investigate the effect of the bolus on milk quality, milk from cows with and without a bolus (control cows) were analysed for odour and taste, for antimicrobial effects and an NMR and LC-MS spectrum was made from the bolus and from the milk to see if similar components were present.

2 Material and Methods

2.1 Animal experiment

To investigate the differences between cows supplied with a bolus and cows without a bolus two groups of 5 animals (5 with bolus and 5 without bolus) were followed in time.

During 14 days animals were sampled at day 0, 1, 3, 7 and 14 and also a sample of the milk tank was taken, see Table 1. The data of the cows are listed in Annex 1.

Table 1 Sampling scheme milk.										
Sampling day	0	1	3	7	14					
Bolus	Х	Х	Х	х	Х					
Control	х	Х	х	Х	Х					
Tank milk	Х	х	Х	Х	Х					

2.2 Flavour compound analysis

Analysis of taste and odour is performed with the E-tongue. The electronic tongue is an instrument that measures and compares tastes. Chemical compounds responsible for taste are detected by human taste receptors, and the seven sensors of electronic instruments detect the same dissolved organic and inorganic compounds. Like human receptors, each sensor has a spectrum of reactions different from the other. The information given by each sensor is complementary and the combination of all sensors' results generates a unique fingerprint. The detection thresholds of sensors are similar to those of human receptors.



Figure 1 E-Tongue.

The tastes that can be recognised by the E-Tongue are: sourness, bitterness, saltiness, umami taste enhancer, astringency, and several aftertastes thereof (astringency (aftertaste a) and bitterness (aftertaste b) and umami (richness).

For the E-tongue all samples are measured in undependable replicates for 4 times. The first cycle is a conditioning step for the sensors. The mean potentiometric signals of the other cycles are recalculated into taste values using the specific E-Tongue software. The absolute values are not relevant, we focus on possible differences between the samples. Differences in taste values > 1 ale likely to be discerned by humans, whereas smaller differences generally do not influence the observed taste.

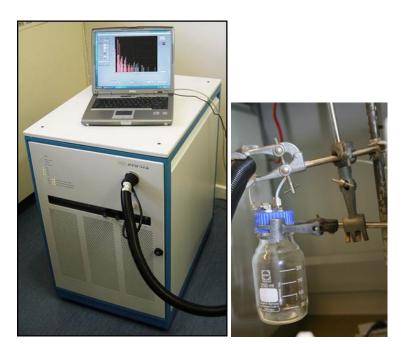


Figure 2 PTR/MS and left the headspace sampling (thin layer of milk in a 250 ml bottle).

PTR/MS: Proton Transfer Reaction / Mass Spectrometry is the benchmark method for simultaneous real-time monitoring of volatile (organic) compounds. The PTR measures all volatile organic compounds present in the headspace. Before transferring the milk to the machine it is kept for 30 minutes at room temperature in a closed bottle in shaking bath. All measurements are performed in duplicate with the PTR full scan mode of m/z 20-160. The PTR/MS detects volatile compounds (possible aroma compound) and is largely complementary to the E-tongue, which measures non-volatile taste compounds.

2.3 Antimicrobial analysis

To investigate eventual antimicrobial activity of the milk two tests are performed:

- Multi (7) plate test
- Tube test

Both tests are based on bacterial growth inhibition. The multi plate test consists of 7 plates that are specific for a group of antibiotics. This test will detect almost all antibiotics at their EU Maximum Residue Limit (MRL). The method (SOP A0717) is used by RIKILT Wageningen UR to test milk samples on behalf of the NVWA (Dutch Food Safety Authority)within the framework of the National Monitoring Program. The method used is an improved version of the method published by Nouws (1999).

Milk samples are applied into holes in each of the 7 plates and after overnight incubation the samples are evaluated. The presence of an inhibition zone indicates antimicrobial activity of the sample (Figure 3).

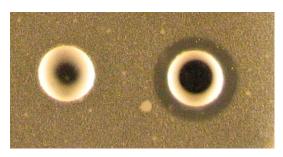


Figure 3 Example of a negative sample (left) and an inhibition zone due to antimicrobial activity (right).

Next to the Multi plate test we performed a tube test, in this case the DelvoTest[®] from DSM. This is an ampule which contains a test bacterium, Bacillus stearothermophilus, and a growth medium with a pH indicator. The milk sample is applied to the growth medium and incubated for 3-3,5 hours at 64°C. This induces the bacterium to grow and produce acid which will induce a colour change from purple to yellow. Samples with antimicrobial activity will inhibit bacterial growth and subsequently will not show a colour change. Delvotest is very sensitive for beta-lactam antibiotics, but many other groups of antibiotics will only be found positive at levels > MRL. The DelvoTest[®] is used by Qlip for milk control in the framework of payment for farm milk.



Figure 4 DelvoTest[®], negative sample on the left (yellow) and positive sample right (purple).

2.4 Chemical analysis

2.4.1 Bolus composition

To analyse the composition of the bolus an Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (NMR) profile conform regular sample analysis and an LC-MS profile was made in threefold.

Over the past fifty years NMR, has become the preeminent technique for determining the structure of organic compounds. NMR generates a complete analysis of all molecules present in the sample and the entire spectrum is normally interpreted.

LC-MS: Liquid chromatography–mass spectrometry (LC-MS) is an analytical chemistry technique that combines the physical separation capabilities of liquid chromatography (or HPLC) with the mass analysis capabilities of mass spectrometry (MS). LC-MS is a powerful technique that has very high sensitivity and selectivity and so is useful in many applications. Its application is oriented towards the separation, general detection and potential identification of chemicals of particular masses in the presence of other chemicals (i.e., in complex mixtures), e.g., natural products from natural-products extracts, and pure substances from mixtures of chemical intermediates. Preparative LC-MS systems can be used for rapid mass-directed purification of specific substances from such mixtures that are important in basic research, and pharmaceutical, agrochemical, food, and other industries.

2.4.2 Changes in milk composition, residues bolus

To analyse the composition of the bolus an Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (NMR) profile conform regular sample analysis and an LC-MS profile was made in threefold. Milk is analysed in a similar way and then the profile of the milk is checked for the most prominent signals from the bolus at day 0, 1 and 3 (3 times). Bolus milk is compared with control milk.

3 Results

3.1 Aromatic analysis

3.1.1 E-tongue

The mean values over all the samples rendered only one taste difference with a value higher than 1 (richness) for day 1 and day 3. Because the difference is just above 1 and it occurs one time in a treated cow and another time in a control cow this does not appear to be significant. We can conclude that the bolus does not affect the taste of the milk. The results are listed in Annex 2.

Some individual samples can be distinguished from others based on the difference in taste value> 1, but there were no trends for different cows, days or treatments.

3.1.2 PTR-MS

We tried to find differences between samples of cows with and without bolus between all samples and between samples of day 0 and day 1. We used statistical techniques, principal component analysis (PCA) and partial least squares discriminant analysis (PLS-DA) to look for differences between the different milk samples, and to find possible (multivariate) differences between bolus and non-bolus milk, respectively. It was assumed that with bolus some masses (molecular weights) would increase in intensity or possibly decrease due to absorption. None of these were found. The means of the profiles of the cows were the same on each of the sampling days (0, 1, 3, 7 and 14). For the plots we used fourth power root scaling.

The differences that are observed in the plots do not have a trend relation in time, and are probably not related to treatment. There are differences between the different sampling days and between different cows. For data see Annex 3.

3.2 Antimicrobial analysis

All samples were negative with the Multi-plate test as well as with the $Plue DelvoTest^{(R)}$. For individual results see Annex 4.

3.3 Chemical analysis

3.3.1 Analysis bolus

NMR analysis bolus. The bolus is sampled conform the internal protocol for regular sample analysis and analysed for known spectra (1000) within the library. We did not find any known spectra.

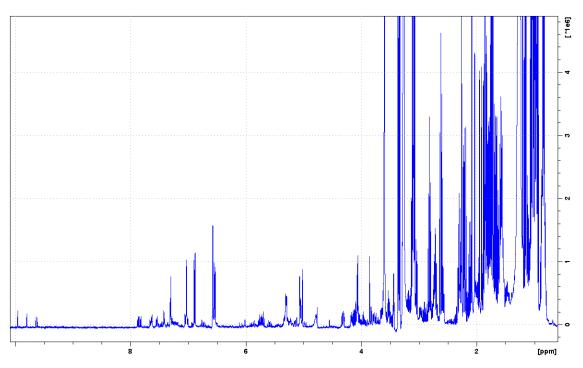


Figure 5 NMR spectrum of the herbabolus.

LC-MS (positive mode ionisation UHPLC Orbitrap-MS: resolution 70000) analysis of the bolus. The bolus is samples 3 times and processes for analysis. Because there was no placebo bolus we made a sample of control chemicals. This is needed to filter background signals from the chemical profile. The bolus and the control chemicals are processed and compared using the metAlign software. The resulting pure bolus profile is broad analysed by element composition of the whole profile. Based on the element composition annotations were performed with the complete list of the drug bank (http://www.drugbank.ca/). It was concluded that the bolus did not contain active components from the drugs bank. For the LC-MS spectra of the cows on different days see Annex 5.

3.3.2 Analysis milk for residues

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Conclusions

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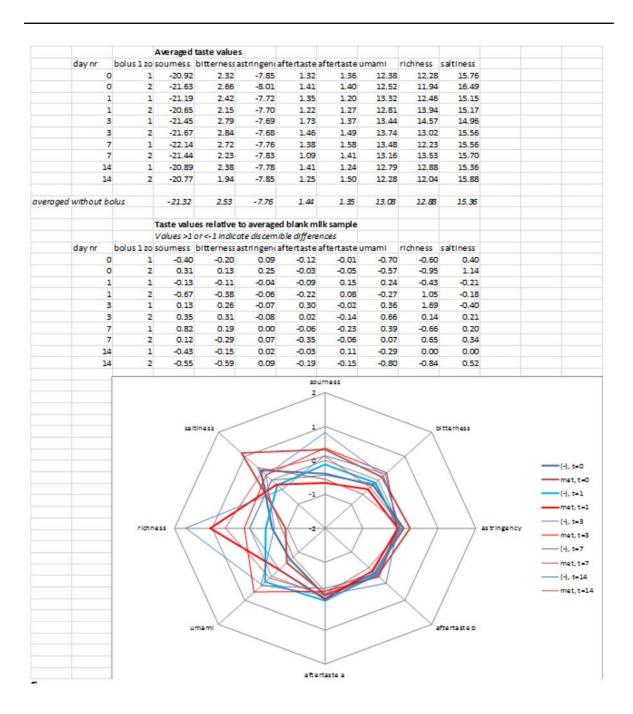
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Annex 1 Milk samples and cow data

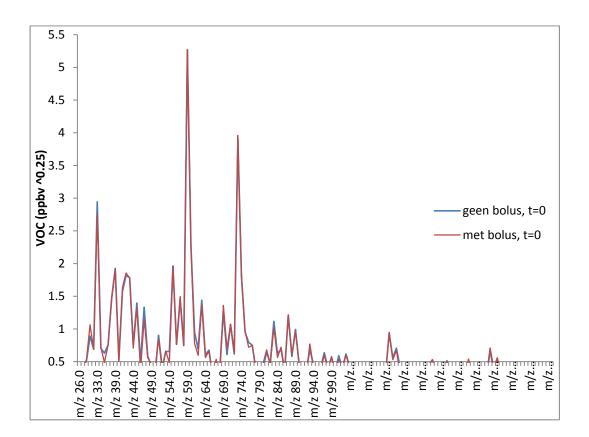
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	0	V2	2150	34,63	5			4,43	4,05
	0	V3	2317	28,77	2		418		3,63
	0	V4 V5	2173	25,05	4			5,08	3,86
	0	V6	2320	34,03	2		764		3,46
	0	V8 V7	2203	28,94	4			3,46	3,34
	0	VB	2140	37,12	5			5,13	3,81
	0	V9	2365	28,2	1			4,63	3,78
	0	V10	2054	14,26	6			6,35	4,73
		V11	tank milk						
2-12-2014	1	V12	2376			6			
	1	V13	2150				-		-
	1	V14	2317						
	1	V15	2173	1					
	1	V16	2106						
	1	V17	2320						
	1	V18	2203						
	1	V19	2140						
	1	V20	2365						
	1	V21	2054			j.			
		V22	tank milk						
4-12-2014	3	V23	2376						
	3	V24	2150						
	3	V25	2317	1					
	3	V26	2173						
	3	V27	2106	1					
	3	V28	2320						
	3	V29	2203						
	3	V30	2140						
	3	V31	2365						
	3	V32	2054						
		V33	tank milk						
8-12-2014	7	V34	2376						
	7	V35	2150						
	7	V36	2317						
i	7	V37	2173						
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	7	V39	2320						
	7	V40	2203						
	7	V41	2140						
	7		2365						
	7	V43	2054						
		V44	tank milk						
15-12-2014	14	V45	2376		_				
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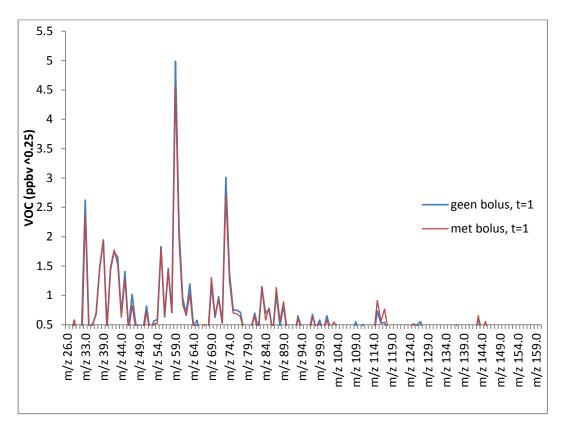
Annex 2 Results E-tongue

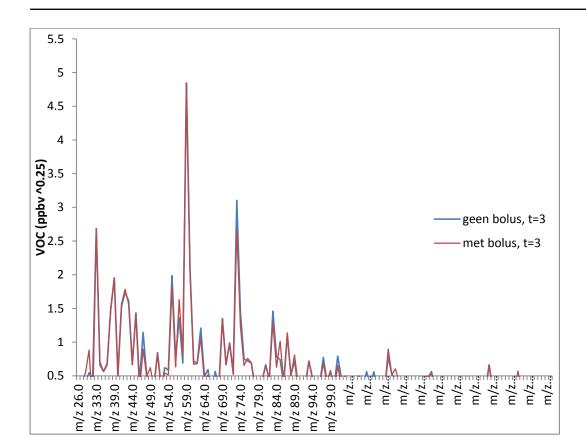
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sample	dag nr	bolus 1 zo			astringen	aftertaste	aftertaste	umami	richness	saltiness
2054	0							12.12		
2140	0							12.40		
2173	0							12.51		
2203	0							12.49		
2376	0							12.42		
tank milk	0							12.35		
2106	0							12.32		
2150	0							12.67		
2317	0							12.64		
2320	0					1.21		12.60		
2365	0							12.35	12.97	
2054	1							14.12		
2140	1							14.10		
2173	1							12.22		
2203	1							12.71	14.87	
2376	1							12.59	13.51	
tank milk	1							14.20		
2106	1							12.71		
2150	1							12.51	13.41	
2317	1							12.76		
2320	1							12.57	15.02	
2365	1							13.52		
2054	3							13.11		
2140	3							13.38		
2140	3							14.04		
2203	3							12.96		
2376	3							13.97		
tankmilk	3							13.20		
2105	3							14.15		
2100	3							14.10		
2317	3							14.00	11.85	
2320	3							12.90		
2365	3							13.29		
2054	7							13.29	13.16	
2054	7							13.66		
2140	7							13.41		
2203	7									
2205	7							13.65		
tank milk	7									
100 million (100 million)	7							13.54		
2106								13.22		
2150	7							13.23		
2317	7							12.93		
2320	7							12.94		
2365										
2054										
2140								13.07		
2173										
2203										
2376								12.93		
tank milk	14									
2106										
2150										
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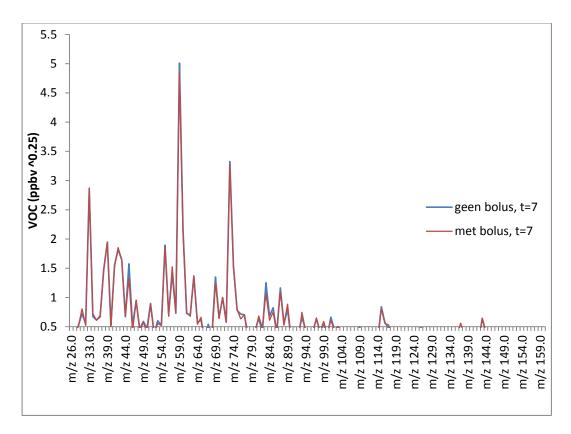


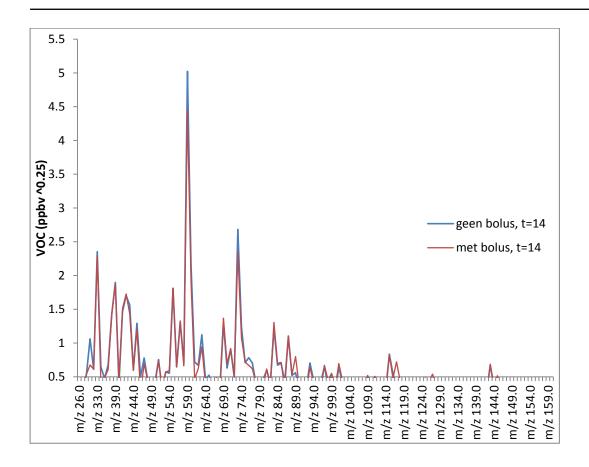
Annex 3 PTR-MS spectra of the milk with and without bolus on different sampling days









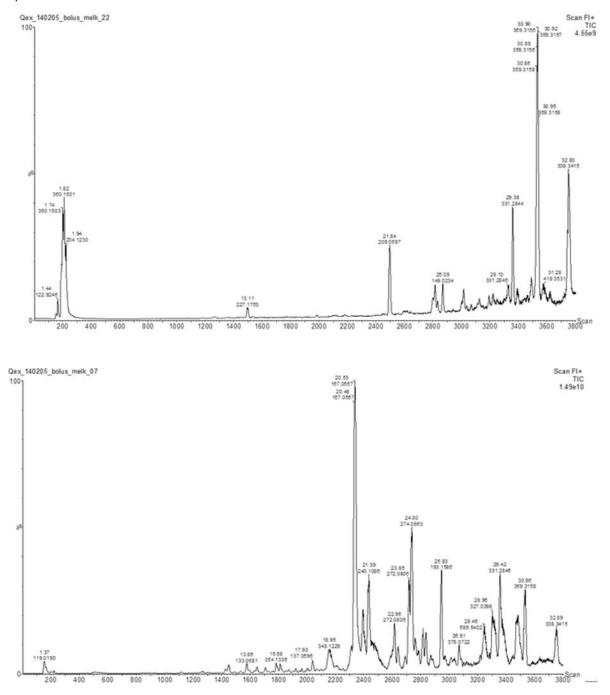


Annex 4 Milk analysis for antimicrobial action

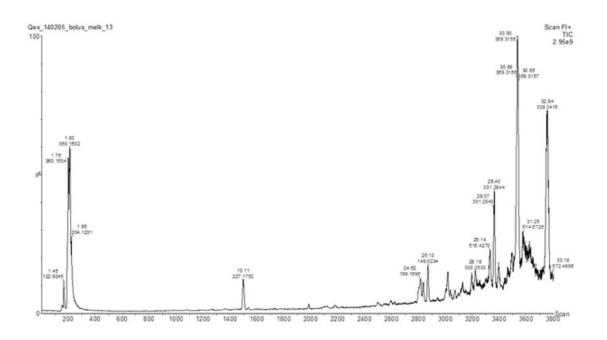
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Date	Daynr.	Sample code	cow nr.		SOP A718 sectie A	SOP A 0717 (plate		
					(Tube test)	test)		
1-12-2014	0		2376	359027	Non-suspect	Non-suspect		
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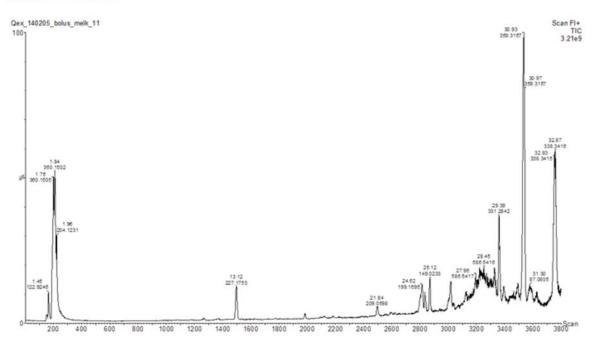
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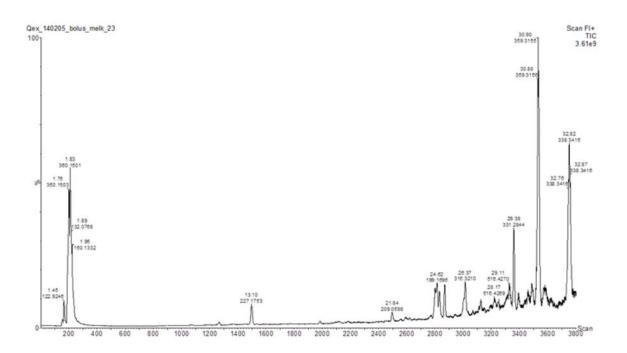
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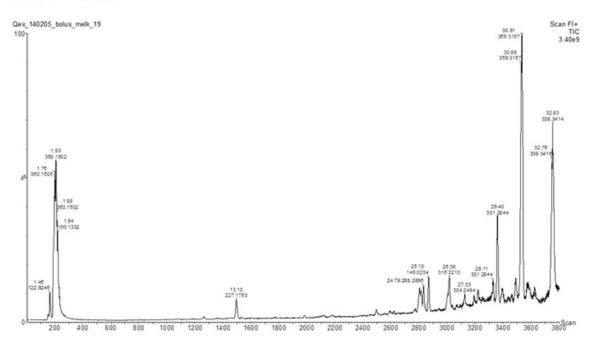




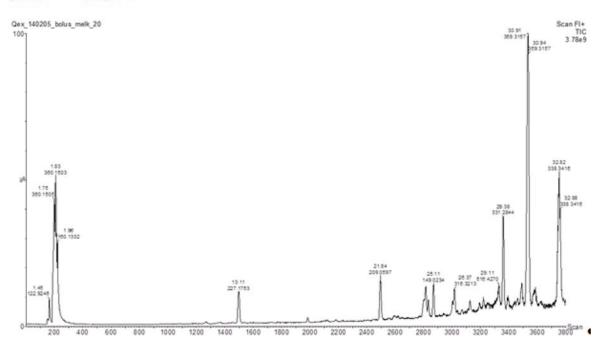
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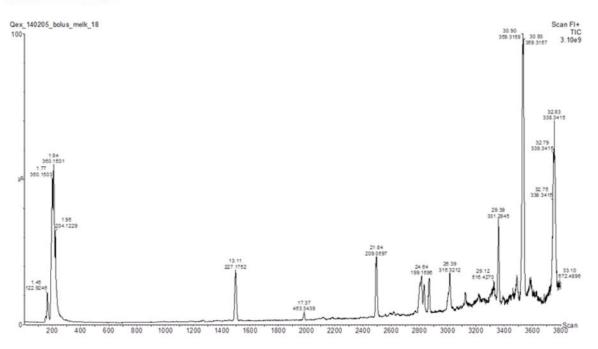
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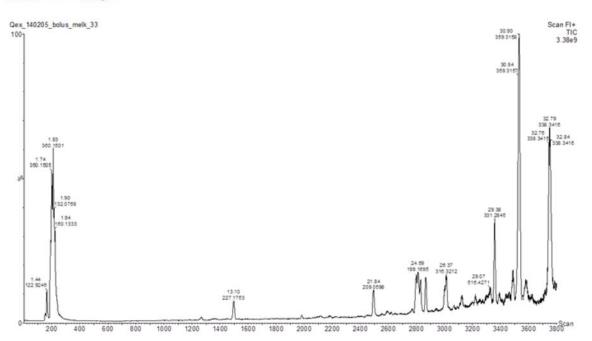
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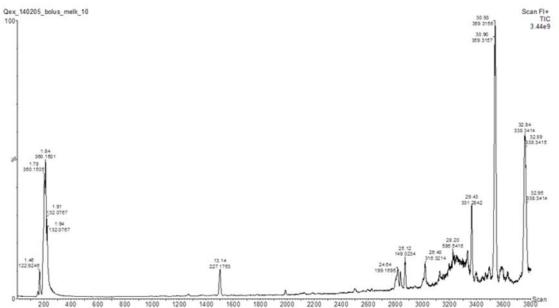
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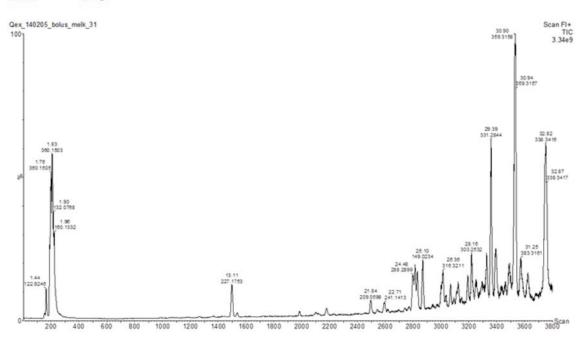




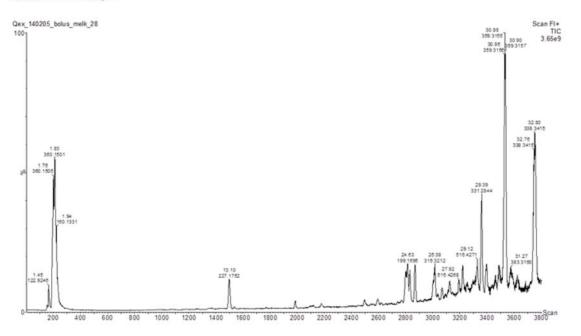


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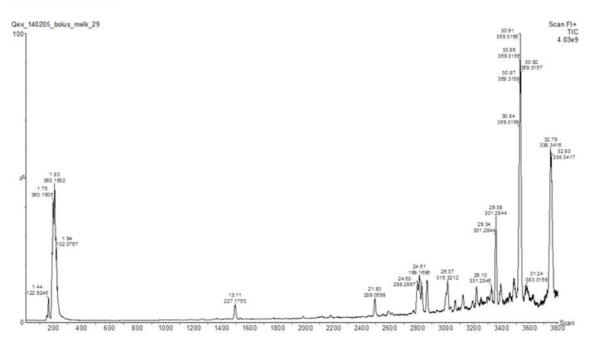
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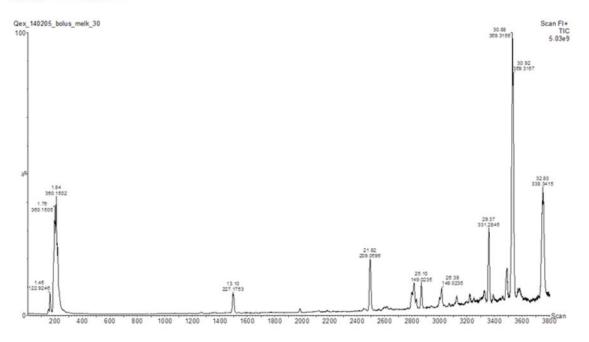
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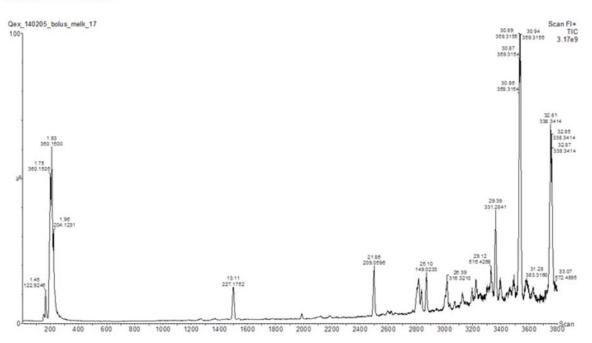
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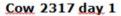


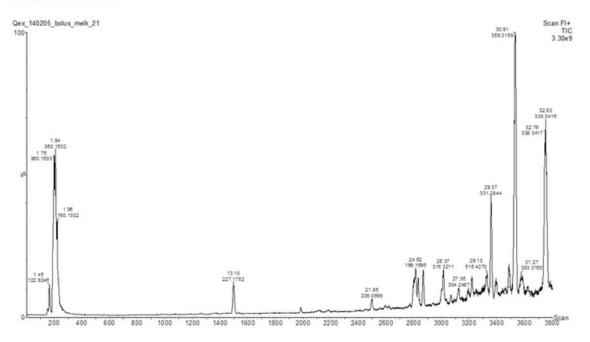




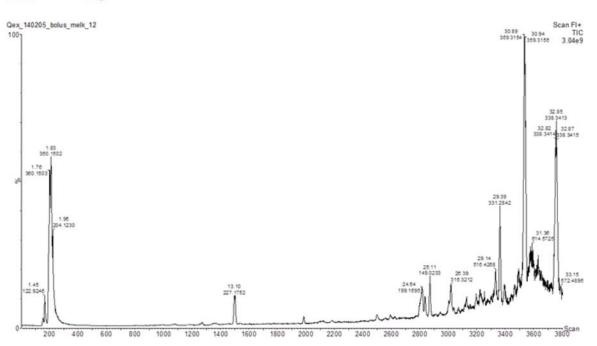
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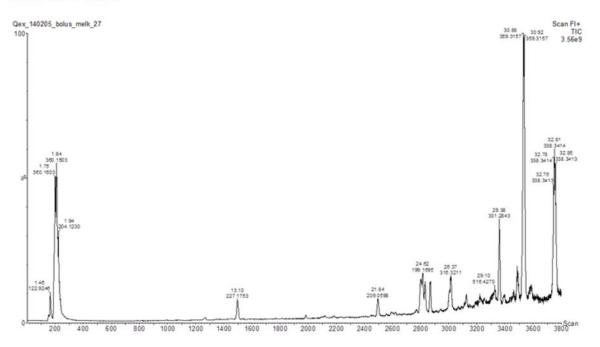




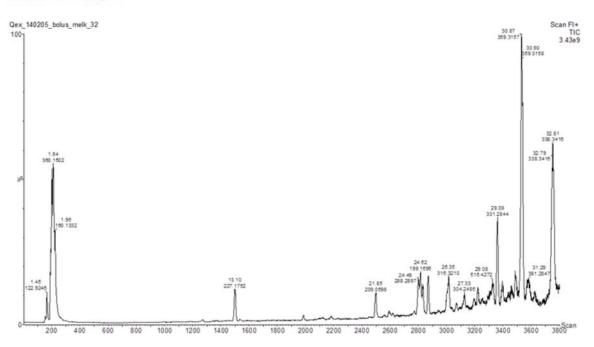
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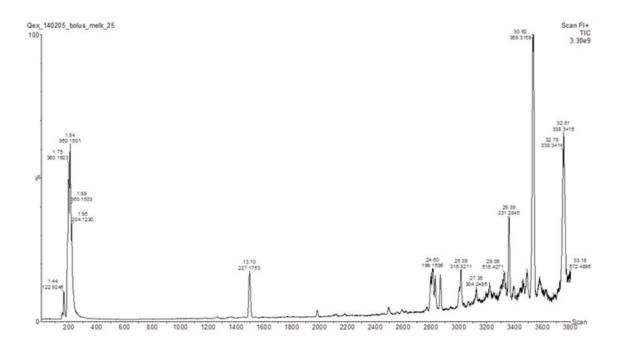
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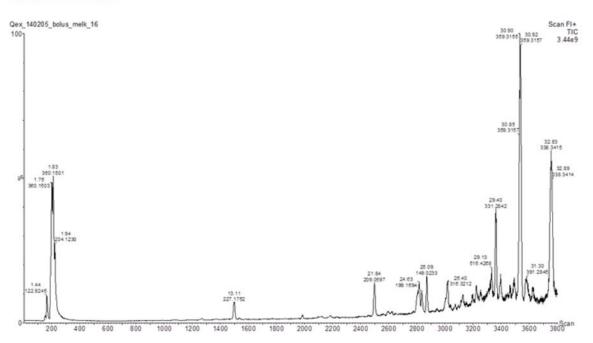
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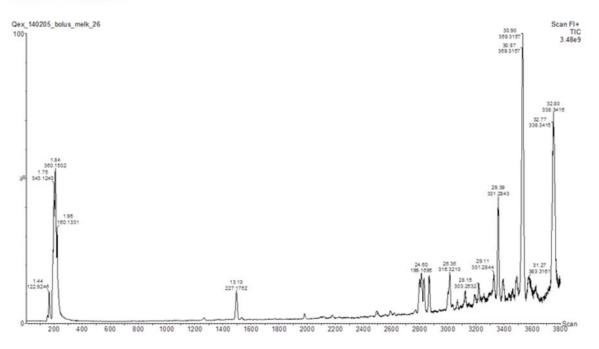
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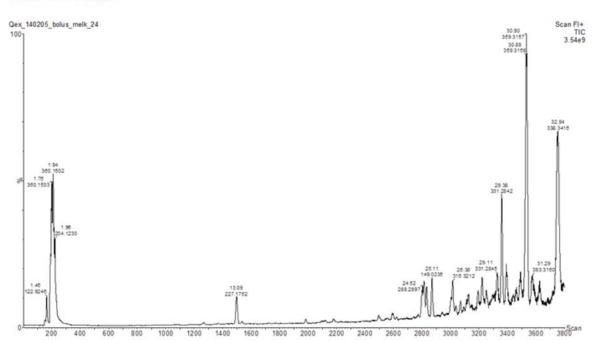
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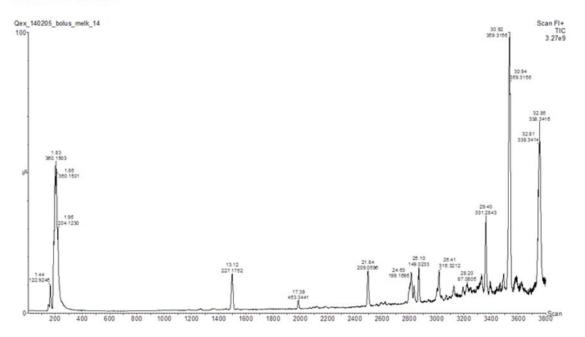
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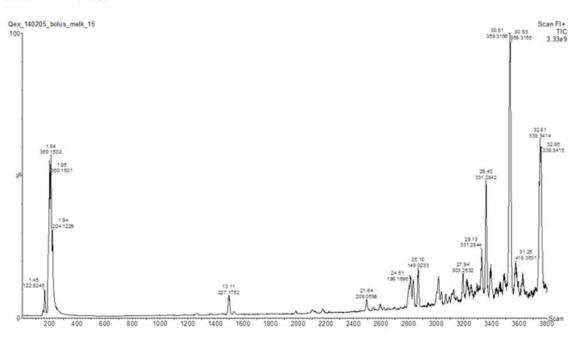
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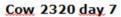


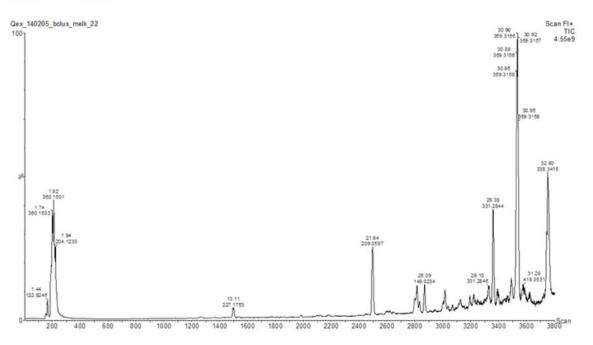
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