

# 2026 APRIL HOLSTEIN HIGHLIGHTS

Balancing the Pursuit of Protein



The April proof round provided a major shift back toward selecting for Protein in both the Canadian LPI and in the US TPI formulas. The LPI formula now places a 60:40 ratio for Protein versus Fat and in the US TPI formula the ratio is tipped even slightly more toward Protein.

It's a clear signal to producers on the adjustment that is needed – and as always with genetics, the lag in generating the needed response will take time. That's why the April proof results are such an opportunity to reset the indexes used on farm and why those that make the adjustment swiftly will benefit the most in the years to come.

## LPI NUMBERS AND THE HIDDEN GEMS

With 40% of the Production emphasis still rewarding Fat, it would seem that more digging is needed to find the right bulls for the emerging market needs. Finding bulls that have exceptional protein deviations without the extreme fat deviations may not be the LPI chart toppers, but are extremely valuable for what's needed today. Adding the balance that has always defined the Canadian approach to selection narrows the pool further still, but ultimately exposes the sires that should be the winners of the new normal.

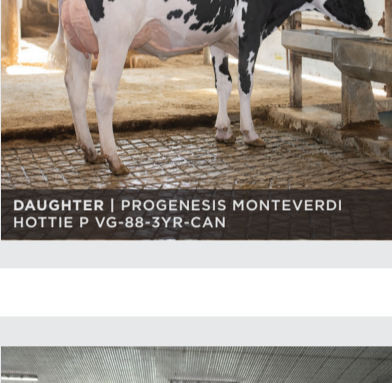
## SIRES THAT DELIVER PROTEIN PROVEN, +50KG P, +0.20%P AND +5 CONFORMATION...

Sires that deliver Protein yield, but protein percent improvement as well (ideally, even more so than fat percent) along with a moderate Type threshold are fewer in number than you might think. There are just 22 Proven sires that offer 50 kg P, +0.20%P deviation – that's the difficult one – and +5 Conformation. Among that group, 10 are Semex Proven sires as listed below:

BULL NAME	Pro\$	LPI	MILK	FAT	PRO	%F	%P	CONF	MS	HL
PROGENESIS MONTEVERDI	2637	3774	763	94	57	+0.51	+0.24	8	4	109
CLAYNOOK CRACKER	2302	3732	756	122	59	+0.75	+0.25	5	2	103
STANTONS TIMECHANGE	1774	3603	566	93	63	+0.59	+0.34	5	2	102
WESTCOAST ADIDAS	2192	3583	-102	109	55	+0.94	+0.45	7	2	103
WESTCOAST LUGNUT	1948	3535	890	76	59	+0.33	+0.22	7	7	102
COOKIECUTTER LINKEDIN	2003	3532	1178	106	68	+0.49	+0.21	6	4	98
CLAYNOOK FAIROAKS	1960	3506	91	50	54	+0.39	+0.39	5	4	105
SILVERRIDGE V EINSTEIN	2123	3496	543	90	56	+0.56	+0.29	5	6	106
KINGS-RANSOM DROPBOX	1901	3448	396	63	53	+0.40	+0.30	7	6	101
CLAYNOOK CHURCHILL	1915	3432	292	57	50	+0.38	+0.31	5	9	104
SIEMERS ROZTAC	1512	3248	699	62	63	+0.28	+0.30	5	5	100

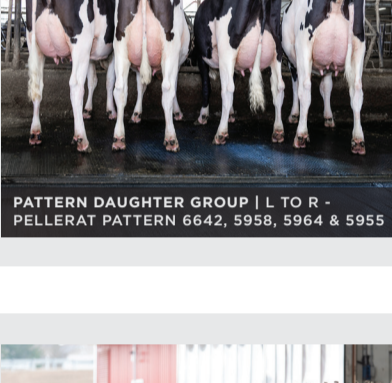
Balance has always been a Semex strength and while balance can incorporate a different emphasis on traits for producers, that nearly half the sires that meet this threshold carry a 200HO code is noteworthy.

## KUDOS TO THESE SEMEX PROVEN GEMS



**0200HO12123**  
**PROGENESIS MONTEVERDI**  
**ZAZZLE x POSITIVE**  
As balanced as could be - in US as well as Canada - and now 109 HerdLife!

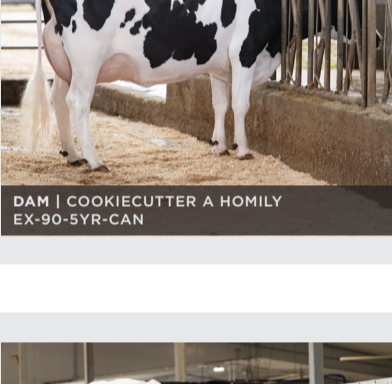
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**0200HO12321**  
**PROGENESIS PATTERN**  
**ZAZZLE x CHALLENGER**  
#1 for Pro\$ by nearly 100 points.

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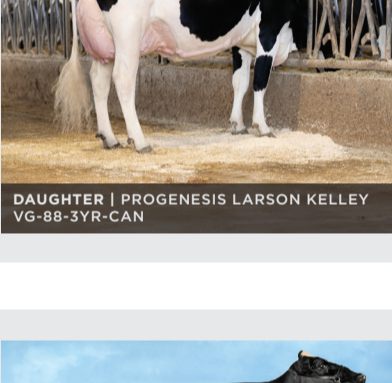
+71 kg PRO  
+0.23% P  
+6 MS  
+108 HL



**0200HO12489**  
**PEAK POWERSTAR**  
**WHEELHOUSE x BIG AL**  
#3 Pro\$ and #14 TPI.

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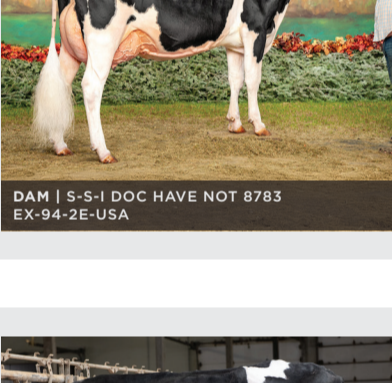
+73 kg PRO  
+0.36% P  
+105 HL



**0200HO12340**  
**COOKIECUTTER LARSON**  
**HIGHJUMP x HELIX**  
Super nice balance.

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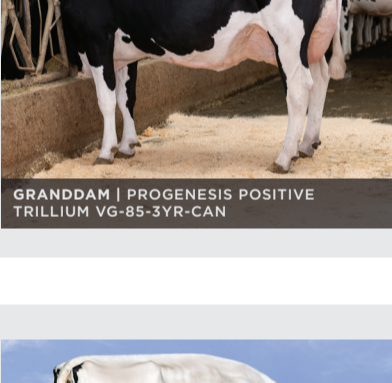
+1434 kg M  
+58 kg PRO  
+8 CONF



**0200HO12529**  
**MR EARNESTANTHONY HAVENOFEAR**  
**DELTA-LAMBDA x DOC**  
Ideal production profile, lowers fat%, raises protein%, strong yields and +12 Conformation.

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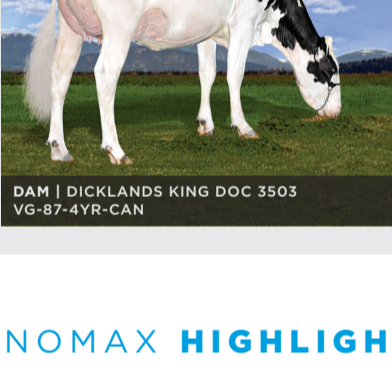
+1434 kg M  
+62 kg PRO  
+0.11% P



**0200HO12458**  
**PROGENESIS TOTAL**  
**GAMEDAY x ZAZZLE**  
Early MACE production, Total package - watch for him in August!

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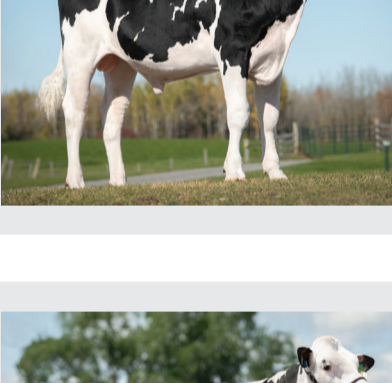
+3864 LPI  
+73 kg PRO  
+0.52% P



**0200HO12446**  
**WESTCOAST TARMAC**  
**BAROLO SG x DOC**  
Early Type proof at +12 - with room to improve (90% GP & Better).

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## GENOMAX HIGHLIGHTS



**0200HO13174**  
**ADAWAY BEYOND FITNESS**  
**SHEEPSTER x PARSLY**  
#6 GLPI 4057, +111 Calf Health, and +108 Herd Life.

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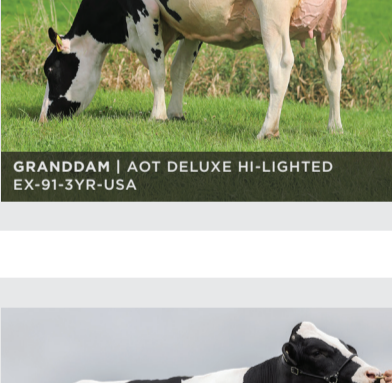
+83 kg PRO  
+0.41% P  
+9 F&L



**0200HO13063**  
**ADAWAY BEYOND FAITHFUL**  
**ENCLAVE x PARSLY**

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4000 LPI  
+81 kg PRO  
+0.35% P  
+108 HL



**0200HO13499**  
**BEYOND HONDO<sup>MWC</sup>**  
**NITROUS x POWERSTAR**

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#3 PRO\$  
+83 kg PRO  
+0.36% P  
+109 HL



**0200HO13600**  
**BENJO LINDENRIGHT MAPACHE-P \*RC**  
**ANAHITA x RYDER RED**  
Top Type polled and RC bull at +18, top Mammary bull at +16.

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**0200HO13039**  
**PROGENESIS PIMENTO**  
**HAVENOFEAR x ROYALFLUSH**  
Ideal Production Profile: 1191 kg M, 73 kg FAT, +0.24% F.

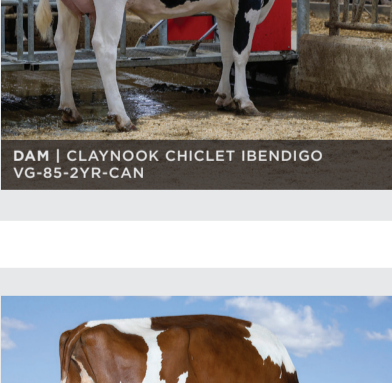
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71 kg PRO  
+0.25% P  
+12 CONF




**0200HO13583**  
**OCD MANNY**  
**RIVERDANCE x MONTEVERDI**  
The breed's only bull to combine 4000 LPI and +15 Conf.

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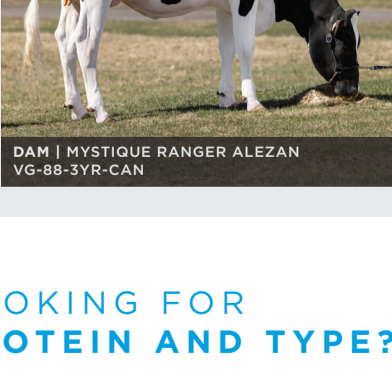
**0200HO13605**  
**CLAYNOOK COOPS**  
**ANAHITA x IBENDIGO**  
The breed's only bulls to combine 3900 LPI, +50 kg PRO and +15 Conformation.

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**0200HO13608**  
**H-BRIDGE SERENGETI-P RED**  
**ZARD x AUGUSTUS P**  
Breed's only red bull with 3700 LPI and +12 Conformation.

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**0200HO13321**  
**MYSTIQUE AUBURN-RED**  
**CLEVER x RANGER-RED**  
Highest LPI Red bull available in Canada with +3823 LPI.

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+60 kg PRO  
+0.18% P  
+9 CONF  
+107 HL

## LOOKING FOR PROTEIN AND TYPE?

- 45 of 68 Genomic bulls >=11m with +50 kg PRO and +10 CONF are found at Semex
- 27 of 41 Genomic bulls >=11m with +50 kg PRO, +0.20%P and +10 CONF are at Semex

Balanced Breeding was a phrase coined decades ago and became synonymous with the Canadian way. Balanced breeding has always been about the long-term view that the weakest link in a chain is as important as the strongest.

If you're looking for assistance and a strong lineup of diverse options to help you re-define balance for the coming years, look to WestGen and the Semex sires to ensure you stay on track.

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