# Research Summary INCREASED MILK REPLACER FEEDING

## Comparison MAPLEVIEW SURE START + DECCOX FEEDING RATES

### **Details**

- · 40 Test and 40 Control calves
- · 83 day trial
- · Weaned on day 56
- · Weighed:
  - Day 0 Arrival
  - Day 14 Milk increase
  - Day 56 Weaned
  - Day 83 Departure

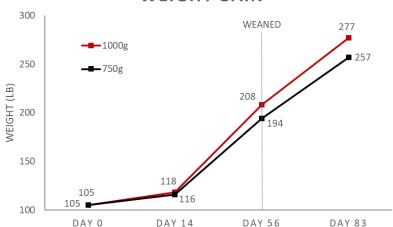
MILK REPLACER FEEDING RATE			
	750g	1000g	
WEEKS 1-2	500g/DAY	500g/DAY	
WEEKS 3-5	750g/DAY	1000g/DAY	
WEEKS 6-8	375g/DAY	500g/DAY	

### Benefits of Feeding 1000g vs. 750g / Day

- · 13% more weight gain
- · 14lb gain advantage at weaning
- · 20lb gain advantage at 83 days
- 17% reduction in antibiotic therapy
- · 14kg more grain consumption
- · Reduced scours and respiratory incidence

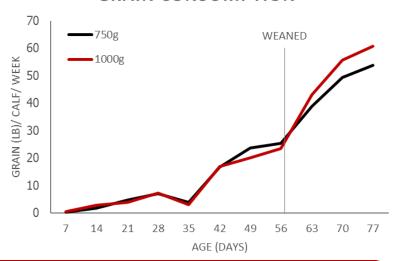
GRAIN FEEDING RATE			
WEEKS 1-4	CALF STARTER (18% CP)		
WEEK 5	50% CALF STARTER & 50% CORN & PELLETS (18% CP)		
WEEK 6-11	CORN & CONCENTRATE BLEND INCLUDING		
	2% CHOPPED STRAW (18% CP)		

### **WEIGHT GAIN**



	750g	1000g
ARRIVAL WEIGHT	105LB	105LB
DEPARTURE WEIGHT	257LB	277LB
AVERAGE DAILY GAIN	1.79LB	2.02LB
MILK REPLACER CONSUMPTION	23.68KG	29.56KG
GRAIN CONSUMPTION	225LB	239LB

### **GRAIN CONSUMPTION**



### Conclusion

Feeding Mapleview Sure Start + Deccox at 1000g rather than 750g per day resulted in a better performing calf. Faster gaining calves are more likely to remain healthy and require less antibiotic treatment.