

## Why Vitasow Parto?

- By acidifying the blood and lowering the cation-anion balance around the time of farrowing, more calcium is made available in the blood making the farrowing process easier.
- At birth, piglets have few energy reserves (very low body fat content) and thus must draw upon their glycogen reserves in the liver and muscles. These often prove inadequate during a longer farrowing process, so that piglets can acidify and the risk of reduced vitality and stillbirth is increased. Adding fats based on Medium Chain Fatty Acids (MCFA) generates a glucose-conserving effect in the sow. This results in greater glycogen reserves and a greater chance of survival for the piglets at birth.
- The presence of extra Vitamin C reduces the cortisol level (stress hormone) in the blood, so that the sow experiences less stress while farrowing.
- Manure consistency is improved through the presence of functional minerals and raw materials.

### SPECIALLY DEVELOPED FOR SOWS



- **Vitasow parto:** A supplement in meal form for sows at the time of farrowing
- **Dosage:**  
100 g per sow per day during the last week before farrowing
- **Packaging:**  
Bags of 25 kg  
Pails of 10 kg
- **Storage:** Store cool and dry

Complies with KB of February, 8, 1999 (BS 21.04.99) and MB of February, 12, 1999 (BS 21.04.99) concerning trade and use of substances destined for animal feeding.

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smooth farrowing

### PIGS



*At the heart of feed*

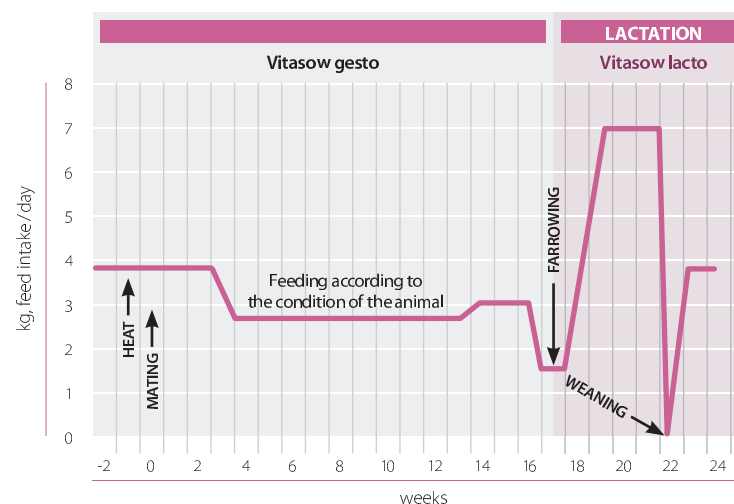
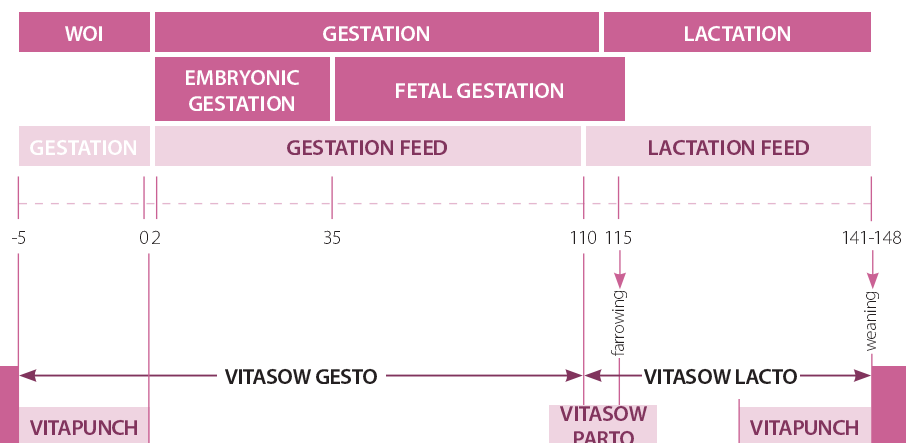
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## The Vitasow concept: A sow in top condition to guarantee healthy and vigorous piglets!

In recent years, the rapid evolution of genetics has led to sharp increases in the reproduction results of pig husbandry (breeding), with a higher rate of ovulation and larger litters. On the other hand, in practice problems are being increasingly reported with both sows (e.g. constipation problems, difficulty in initiating milk production, leg problems, etc.) and newborn piglets (lower birth weights, less vitality, higher mortality, etc.). It is clear that the modern generation of highly productive sows requires a more targeted approach, via both a suitable management system and an appropriate feeding strategy. Thanks to scientific knowledge and years of practical experience, **Vitamex** acquired the necessary expertise to meet the specific needs of modern pig husbandry via a highly effective feeding strategy. This resulted in the development of the **Vitasow** line, a unique range of sow specialties with a single common underlying concept: an optimal (intestinal) health and an optimal feeding strategy to support the high reproduction results of our modern generation of sows.

## The Vitasow line

- Vitasow gesto:** a range of premixes and supplements for sows in the gestation phase
- Vitasow lacto:** a range of premixes and supplements for sows in the lactation phase
- Vitasow parto:** a supplement for sows to facilitate farrowing
- Vitapunch:** a supplementary animal feed which stimulates heat or improves the condition of the sow at the end of lactation



## Vitasow parto, for an easy farrowing process

As a result of the increased litter sizes in modern pig husbandry, the total duration of the farrowing process has also gone up in recent years. Not only does this represent extra stress for the sow, but a longer farrowing process also means that the piglets during birth run a greater risk of exhausting their own limited energy reserves. This increases the chance of acidification, lower vitality and more stillborn piglets. That is why we developed **Vitasow parto**, a supplement for highly productive sows to be used around the time of farrowing with particular attention to stimulate the farrowing process, increasing the number of live-born piglets and the vitality of the newborn piglets.

## Vitasow parto, practical results

### Trial 1.

Done in the Netherlands with 50 sows

	Control	Vitasow parto
Number of piglets born alive/sow	11,30	<b>12,80</b>
Number of stillborn piglets/sow	1,90	<b>0,36</b>
% still birth	14,39	<b>2,74</b>

### Trial 2.

Done in Belgium with 30 sows

	Control	Vitasow parto
Number of piglets born alive/sow	11,00	<b>12,90</b>
Number of stillborn piglets/sow	1,40	<b>0,50</b>
% still birth	11,29	<b>3,73</b>