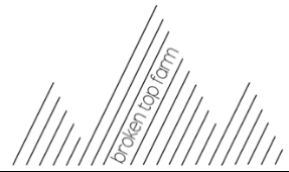


# Does My Doe have a Milk Star?

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While ADGA works on it's "catch up" and processes around processing milk awards, breeders may need to be a bit savvier to ensure they can track milk stars on their does, their ancestry, and their prodigy.

## TIPS:

- Any time you post a photo of your animals, use their full, registered names and include LA scores and milk awards. When buyers, owners of prodigy, or anyone interested searches for your animal, these posts will pop up and give the animal credit where due.
- Ensure any awards not processed by ADGA, i.e. not in the ADGA Next Generation Software, are marked with \*pending\* or a similar annotation.
- Keep the type of milk test in mind. **This guide is centered around the assumption of ST20 testing plans**, but other plans may have different requirements and mean an animal did not get a milk star due to Verification Test or DIM requirements.
- Start with ADGA Next Generation Software/Website. This will tell you immediately if the animal has a milk star and how many as recent as 2020. Milk stars earned after late 2020 will not be in the database, but it's better to know something than start from nothing.
- ADGA Genetics will confirm if an animal has A, as in ONE milk star if you know the type of test was, in fact, ST20. You can look at previous generations, but without confirming the testing plan you can only guess if it was a valid star. You can only advertise what you KNOW.

## We will address two different ways to check on milk stars:

1. ADGA Next Generation Software/Website (referred to as NG)
2. ADGA Genetics Database (referred to as ADGA Genetics)

## **ADGA Next Generation Software/Website (NG)**

1. Go to the ADGA Next Generation Log-In page and log in(<https://app.adga.org/#/signin>)  
NOTE: You need a valid ADGA log in/membership to log on.
2. On the first page, find the list of animals you own in the center of the page. There is a search bar just above these animals. To the right and just below the search bar is a selection of "ALL ADGA GOATS". Click this.
3. Move back to the search bar and enter the animal's EXACT registered name or an EXACT part of their name. Click ENTER on your keyboard.
4. It takes some time to load. Once loaded, click on the animal's registration number.
5. Once the animal's page has loaded, scroll down halfway and select AWARDS on the left-hand side.
6. Scroll to the bottom of the page and look for any noted awards. They will be clearly marked with \*ST or \*AR and a number if applicable.

If you do not see any awards, this means one of two things:

- The animal has no milk awards
- The animal has milk awards pre-late 2020

If the animal has milk star(s) annotated:

- You may advertise without \*pending\* or the similar with this record. If you are aware of their dam having the same milk star as theirs, you can advertise one star higher with pending. For example, if you discover your doe has a 1\*M reported on NG, you can advertise this without pending. You talk to the owner of the goat's dam, who discloses that the dam has just received her 1\*M. However, this is not in NG due to the processing limits at this time. You can advertise your doe as a 2\*M pending.
- You do not NEED to check ADGA Genetics for further milk star information. You may find very beneficial genetic information or milk records, however.

## **ADGA Genetics**

1. Navigate to the ADGA Genetics website (<https://adgagenetics.org>)
2. On the top menu, select PEDIGREES.
3. On the drop-down menu that says NAME STARTS WITH, click and select NAME CONTAINS.
4. In the light blue box next to the drop-down, it will read TYPE AT LEAST 3 CHARACTERS. Type part of the animal's name in the box.
5. On the far left hand menu, look for the option CDCB DATA, select it.  
NOTE: If it unable to be selected, the animal has never been on milk test and therefore has no milk data or milk stars.
6. A new page will open. On the first "paragraph" of data, you will see a line for each lactation. The categories are as follows

LAC - Number of lactation

FRESH -freshening date of this lactation

DIM - how many days the animal was in milk for a previous lactation or thus far in a current lactation

HERD -the herd code for the animal during a lactation

CTRLNO - the animal's control number within the herd

*\*TWO PROCESSING DATES OF WHEN THE LAB LAST PROCESSED AND LAST MODIFIED\**

*\*LT and TC and OPEN NOT RELEVANT\**

"ACTUAL" is what is used in calculating numbers and awards.

ACTUAL MILK – how many pounds of milk the animal produced in the total lactation or thus far in a current lactation.

ACTUAL FAT – how many pounds of fat the animal has produced in a lactation of thus far in a current lactation.

ACTUAL PROTEIN – how many pounds of protein an animal made in a lactation or has made thus far in a current lactation.

"ME" is the projected numbers of what an animal would have made if they stopped exactly at 305 days in milk.

7. Compare the ACTUAL numbers to your animal's milk star calculation card found in the ADGA Member Guidebook. Note the differences between standard and miniature breeds.
8. This will let you know if the animal has A singular, milk star. Assuming you are sure they are on ST20 plan.