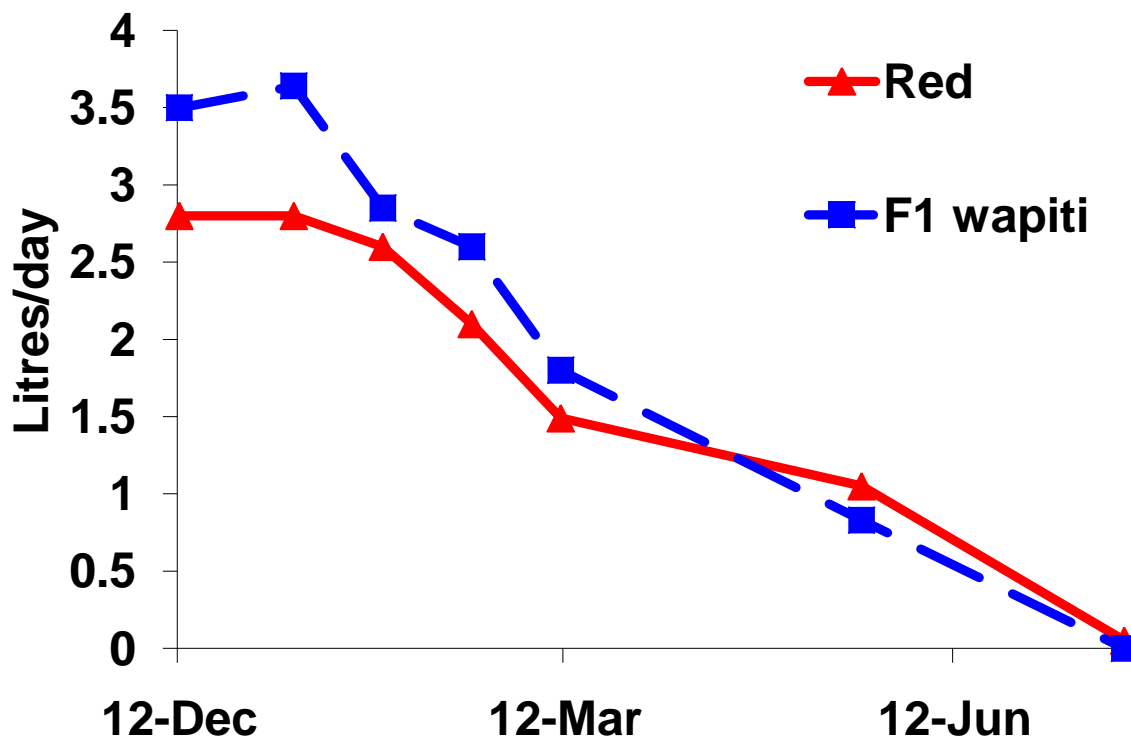


What is driving milk production from the hind?

Milk yields of red hinds (110 kg) raising Red or F1 Wapiti calves



Red deer hinds of approximately 110 kg liveweight rearing a red deer calf will produce around 2.8 litres of milk per day at peak lactation. By weaning in early March they are still producing about 1.5 litres of milk per day.

The same red deer hind rearing an F1 wapiti x red calf will produce about 3.6 litres of milk/d during peak lactation, or a third more.

Both hinds have finished their lactation by early July if left unweaned.