

# MINTREX®

BIS-CHELATED TRACE MINERALS

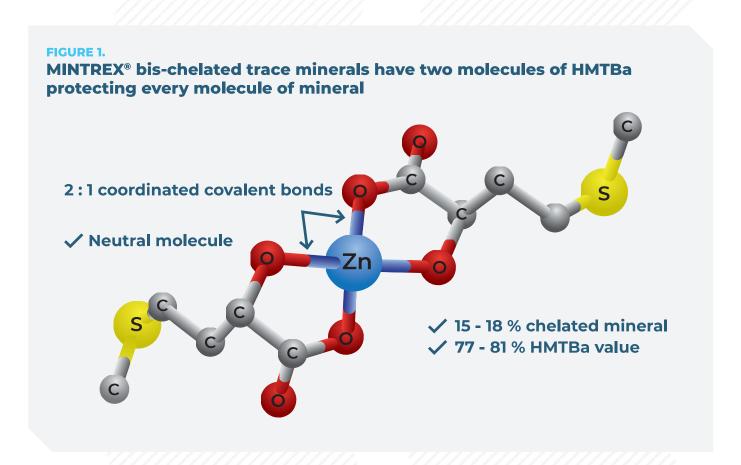
A PREMIUM SOURCE OF ORGANIC TRACE MINERALS WITH ADDED METHIONINE VALUE



### **MORE THAN A TRACE MINERAL**

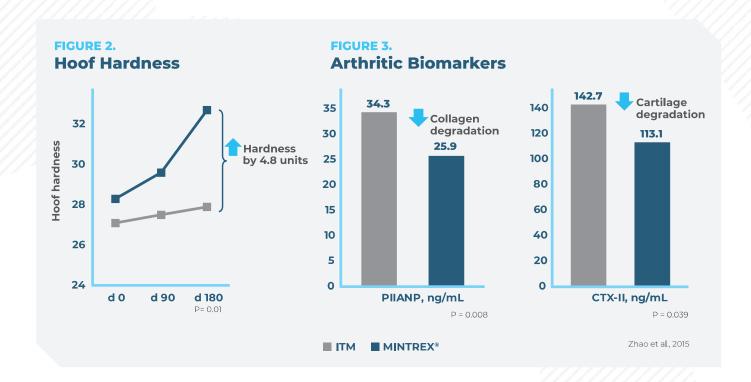
MINTREX® bis-chelated organic trace minerals offer a **highly available source of organic zinc, copper, or manganese** for dairy cows in all stages of lactation. For the animal, it is a highly available source of trace minerals. But what does that mean to you?

MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals have two molecules of HMTBa (2-Hydroxy-4-(methylthio) butyric acid), a precursor of L-methionine, protecting every molecule of mineral (Figure 1). This creates a neutrally charged molecular structure with higher stability and bond strength compared to other trace mineral sources. The stable structure of MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals reduces mineral interactions with other diet components and allows for optimized mineral absorption. This results in more efficient nutrition and improved sustainability, as less mineral is excreted into the environment. MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals provide the animal with both mineral and methionine simultaneously.



# **INCREASE HERD LONGEVITY**

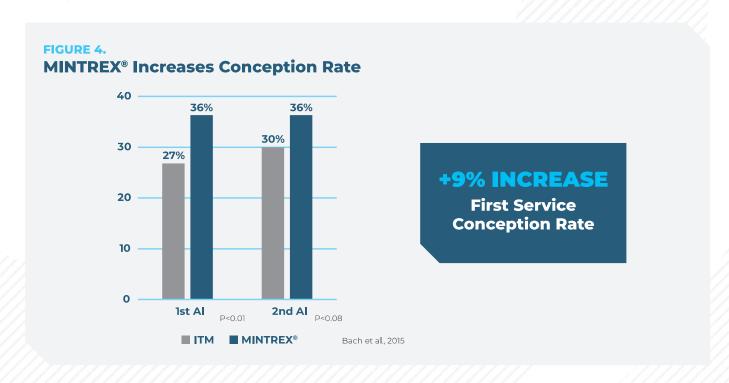
Lameness challenges both animal welfare and profitability. Maintaining hoof health is crucial to prevent the costly effects of lameness. Figures 2 and 3 show cows supplemented with MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals experienced a 15% increase in hoof hardness and a decrease in collagen and cartilage degradation in the hoof.<sup>5</sup> **An increase in hoof hardness and reduction of collagen and cartilage degradation are related to a more stable hoof structure and better hoof health.** In another trial, cows supplemented with inorganic trace minerals (ITMs) were 2.5x more likely to be culled due to lameness and showed higher gate scores, but cows supplemented with MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals showed a decrease in lameness and were able to stay in the herd longer.<sup>4</sup>



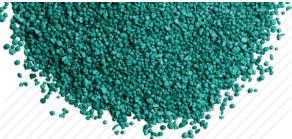
### PROMOTE REPRODUCTIVE PERFORMANCE

Pregnancy rate is a major determinant of dairy herd efficiency and profitability. Cows that conceive earlier in lactation spend fewer days in late lactation when milk production and feed efficiency are at their lowest levels. Published studies show that MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals improve conception rates and reduce the number of days open.<sup>4</sup>

Figure 4 demonstrates a commercial, multi-herd trial where cows supplemented with MINTREX® bischelated trace minerals had a significant increase in first service conception with additional improved conception at the second insemination.<sup>4</sup>









# GET MORE WITH LESS, USING MINTREX® BIS-CHELATED TRACE MINERALS

Feeding high-quality, highly bioavailable trace minerals is key to maximizing performance in a dairy operation. With the unique bis-chelated structure of MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals, producers can supplement less trace mineral but have more arriving at the site of absorption to promote greater performance with less impact on the environment.<sup>1-3</sup>

#### **Feeding Rates:**

Feed continuously as a component of a complete ration.\*

MINTREX® Zn	MINTREX® Mn	MINTREX® Cu
3 g per head per day	2 g per head per day	1 g per head per day

<sup>\*</sup> Or per the recommendation of your feeding advisor. Recommendations are based on requirements for Holstein cattle.

# **LET'S DO MORE TOGETHER**

When you work with NOVUS, we deliver innovative, effective solutions designed to elevate your herd performance. Ask us about our REDUCE AND REPLACE™ Program to find out how you can optimize feed costs with MINTREX® bis-chelated trace minerals.

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