Follicle Initiation and Genotype

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Primary follicle density from 80 days gestation to 8 months.

- Merino
- Merino-Romney Cross
- Romney
- Drysdale
- Wiltshire

Secondary follicle density from 80 days gestation to 8 months

Ratio of secondary to primary follicles (S:P) from 80 days gestation to 8 months.

Genotype variation in initiation and development

- Very little difference in P number or density
- Little difference in development patterns
- Major difference in the number and density of S follicles
  - reflected in S:P ratio
- Longer period of S initiation in Merinos possibly due to branching