



PROJECT TITLE	Central Anatolian Merino Development Project (T1+)
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PROJECT DEPARTMENT	Department of Livestock and Aquaculture Research
SUMMARY:	<p>This project will be carried out on Sheep Research Institute. For this purpose, one elite Merino flock and one breeding Merino flock will be kept in the Institute. Controlled mating will be applied in the flocks. Breeding values will be estimated for birth weight, 1th month, weaning weight (3th month), 6th, 9th and 12th month live weights. Then, the estimates of breeding values will be combined in an appropriate index, and it will be used as a selection criteria. Male lambs born in elite flock will be selected to use in breeding flock to improve growth characteristics.</p>
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