INTRODUCTION
Organic farming has become an increasingly popular topic worldwide but, do we have enough research to support this “new” farming approach in livestock? When did it start? Which countries have worked most on organic farming research?
To obtain an overview of the research developed on organic livestock farming, a bibliometric review has been carried out.

The aim was to summarize the research developed on organic livestock farming in terms of productivity and relevance

METHODOLOGY
A literature search was conducted in April 2019 using Web of Science and the following keywords combination: Organic + Livestock + Farming and Organic + Husbandry + Animal. The analysis was carried out with the package “bibliometrix” v. 2.2.0 for R v. 3.6 software (www.R-project.org).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION
Worldwide, from 1993 to 2018, 320 research outputs were published in English focusing on organic livestock farming, with a clear upward trend (Figure 1), which seems to follow the increasing interest on this topic by consumers and markets. Among the 320 documents, 268 papers were published in 111 journals, and 62.3% of them appeared in journals in the 1st and 2nd quartile of the relevant subject area.

Germany (DE) is the country with most papers published on organic livestock farming (56 documents), followed by France (31), Denmark (30), and the United Kingdom (20; Figure 2).

Authors’ top 10 keywords were: organic farming (89 times), animal welfare (29), organic, animal health, organic agriculture, cattle, livestock, organic livestock production, grazing, and
organic production (Figure 3). Even if meat poultry is the most frequent livestock reared organically in Europe, only the terms ‘cattle’ and ‘sheep’ appeared as an indicator of the species studied within those 10 keywords.

CONCLUSIONS
The bibliometric analysis revealed that:
1) Countries focused the research on the product most relevant to them.
2) Most of the organic livestock research has been done in Europe.
3) More research on organic livestock production in species other than cattle is needed.
4) More research in high-ranking journals on organic livestock farming is needed.
5) Research related to contentious inputs (Organic-PLUS) were not in the top 10 keyword list.