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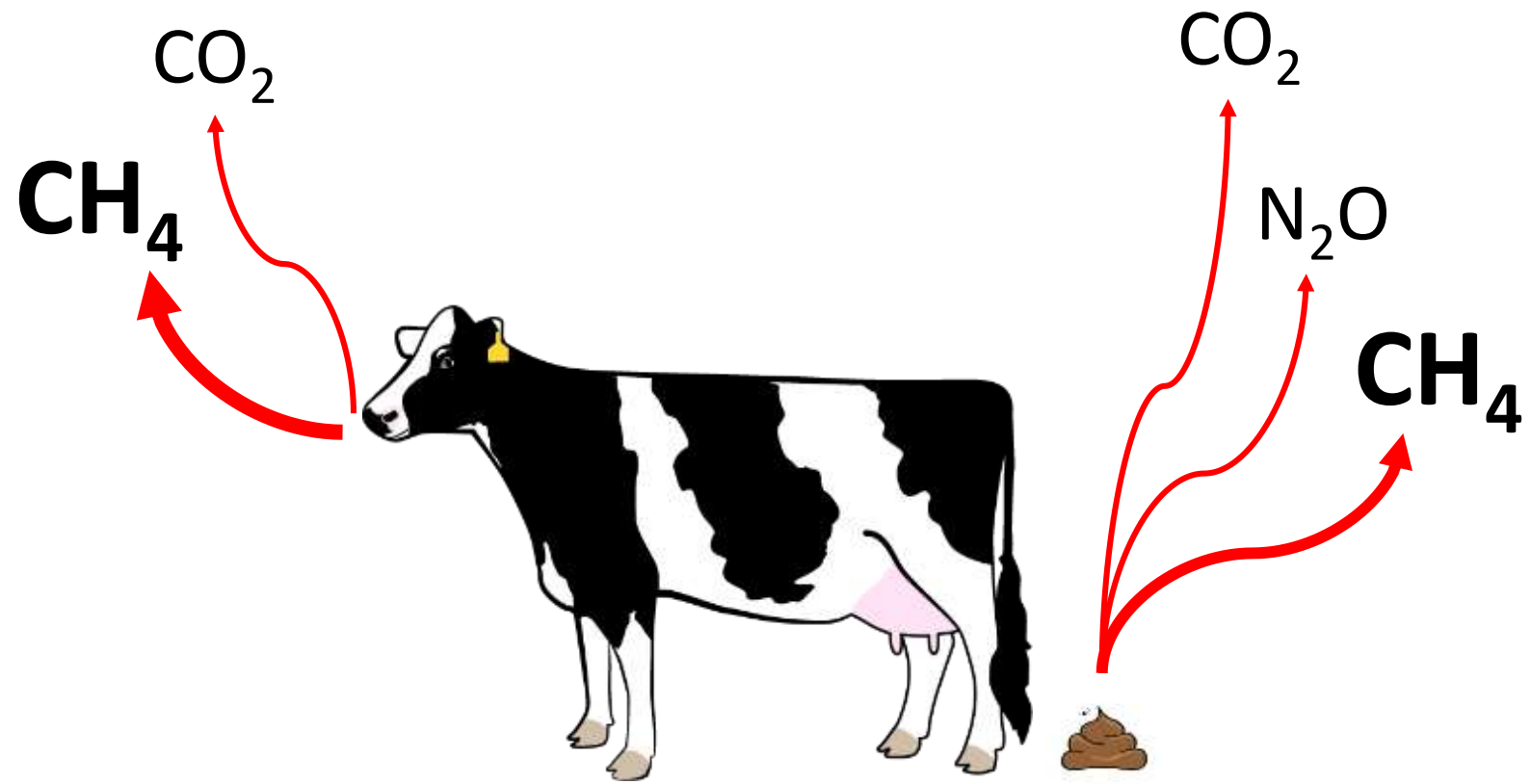
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Moderni ricoveri e strutture varie per la zootecnia bovina da latte: riflessi sull'ambiente e sul benessere animale

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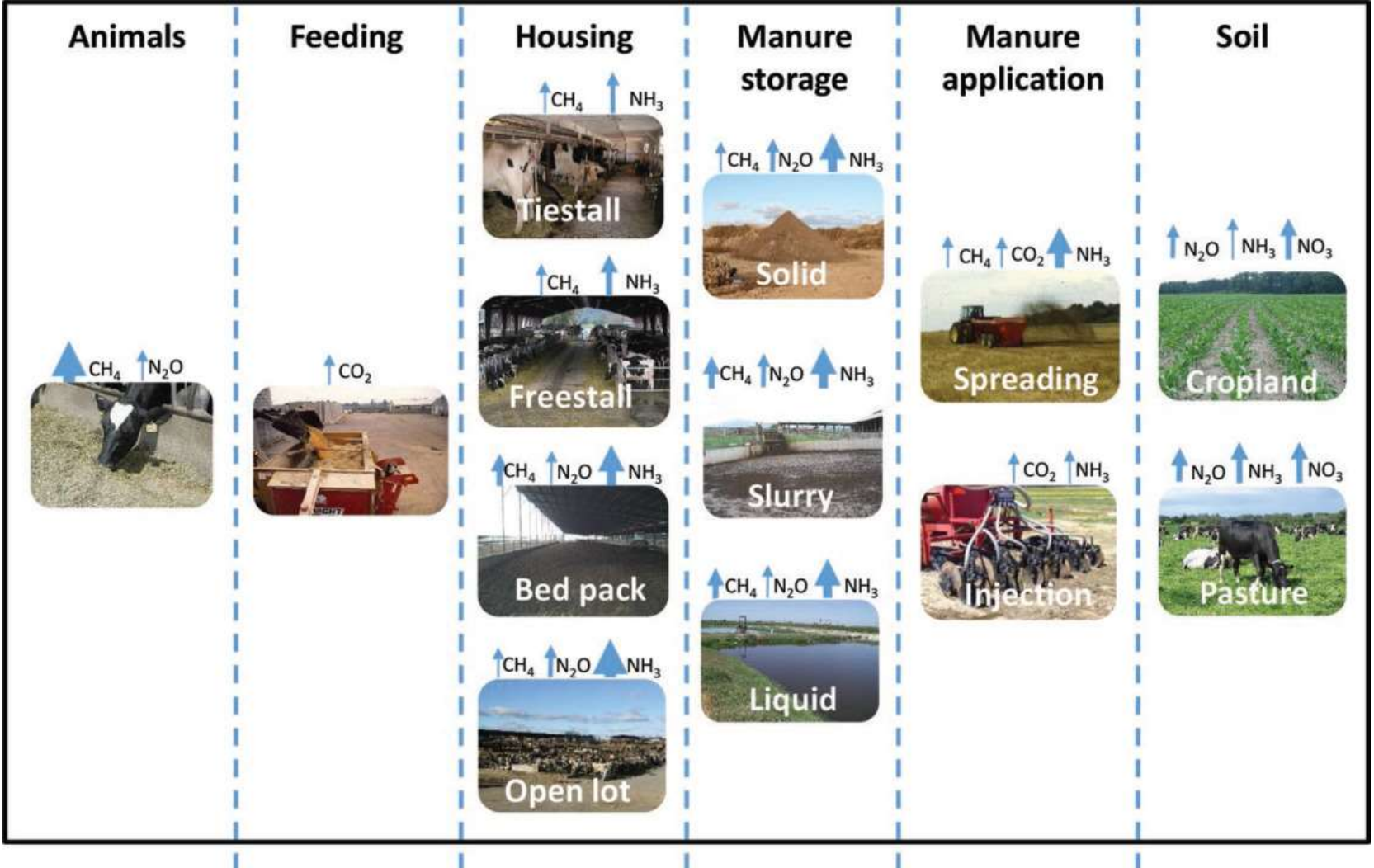
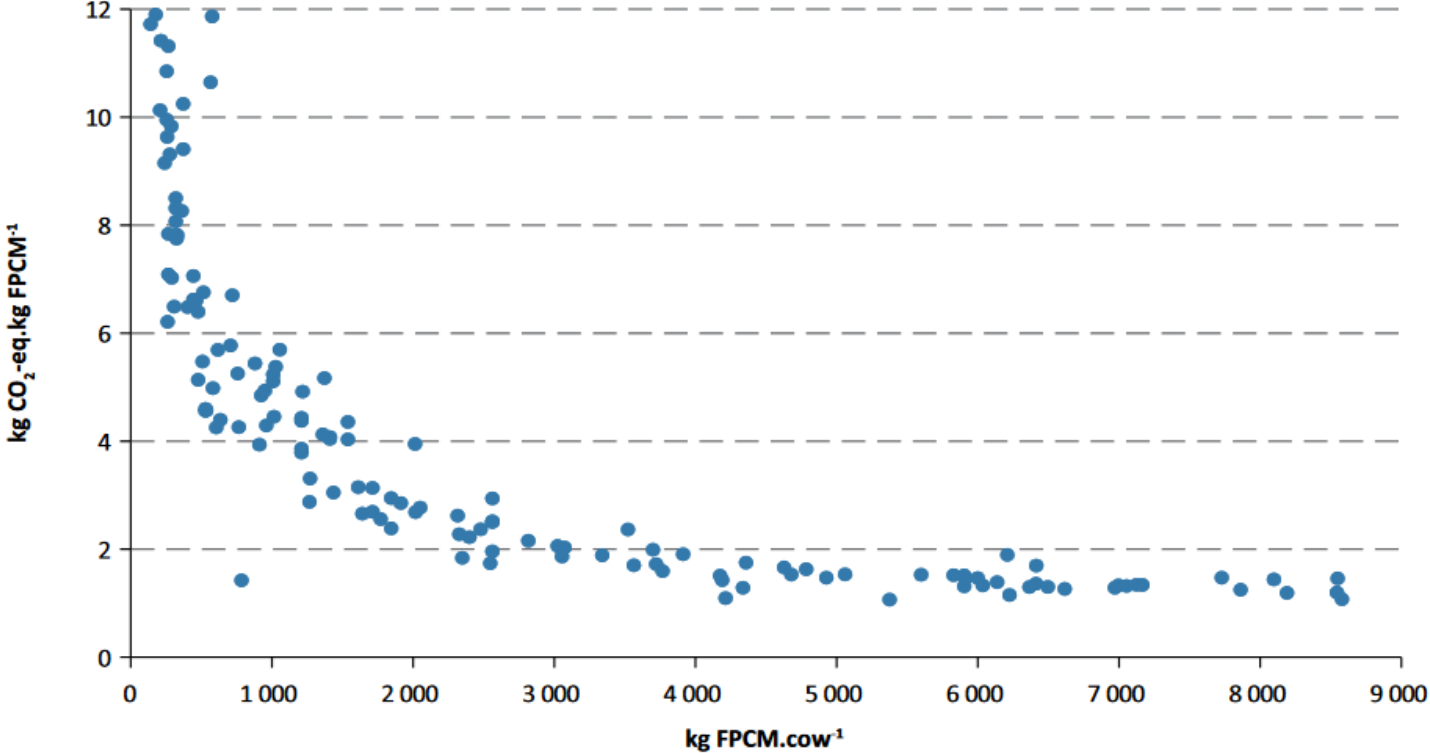


FIGURE 23. Relationship between productivity and emission intensity of milk (country averages)



Source: Gerber et al., 2011.

BENESSERE ANIMALE vs EMISSIONI

A. Herzog et al.

Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment 267 (2018) 174–187

Table 3

Potential mitigating effect of improved animal welfare and productivity on GHG and NH₃ emissions from dairy farming.

Welfare and productivity aspects	Emission mitigation potential	Reference
Improved fertility ¹	10–16% of CH ₄ / cow (21–24% of CH ₄ / herd) 8% of NH ₃ / cow (17% of CH ₄ / herd)	Garnsworthy (2004)
Improved longevity ²	6.9kg CO ₂ -eq/ cow* 0.044 kg CO ₂ -eq/ kg milk solids*	Bell et al. (2015)
Improved health	up to 25% of GHG/ unit of product**	Chatterton et al. (2014)
Lameness	30 kg CO ₂ -eq/ t ECM on herd level***	Chen et al. (2016)
Subclinical ketosis	18.4 kg CO ₂ -eq/ t FPCM per case	Mostert et al. (2016)
Mastitis	55.5 kg CO ₂ -eq/ t FPCM per case	Mostert et al. (2017)
Increased DMI	2–6% of CH ₄ / kg ECM (per kg DMI increase)	Knapp et al. (2014)
Reduced animal mortality (culling rate)	≤ 10% of CH ₄ and N ₂ O/ unit of product****	Hristov et al. (2013)

¹Ideal fertility rate, with oestrus detection rates of 70% and conceptions rates at first service of 65% – achievable with appropriate management, nutrition and genetics.

²Increasing survival by 1% per lactation.

*Mitigating effect might be reduced due to emissions from an increased number of off-spring used for beef production (de Boer et al., 2011).

**Magnitude of mitigation effect depends on the disease, expressed per 1,000 litres of fat and energy corrected milk (FPCM).

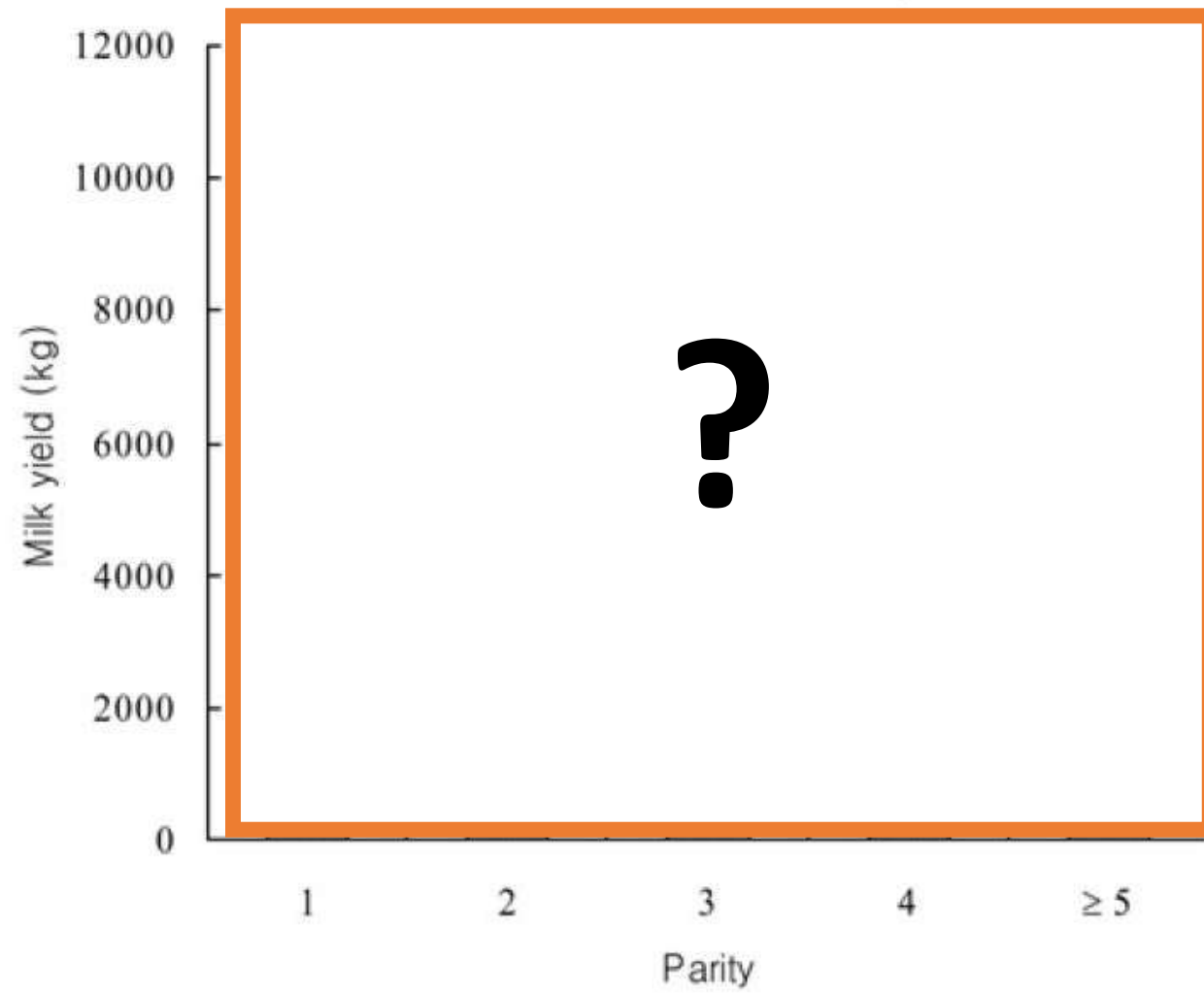
***Values based on a modelled lameness prevalence reduction from 28% to 15% and an associated increase in milk yield of 1.8 kg per cow and day.

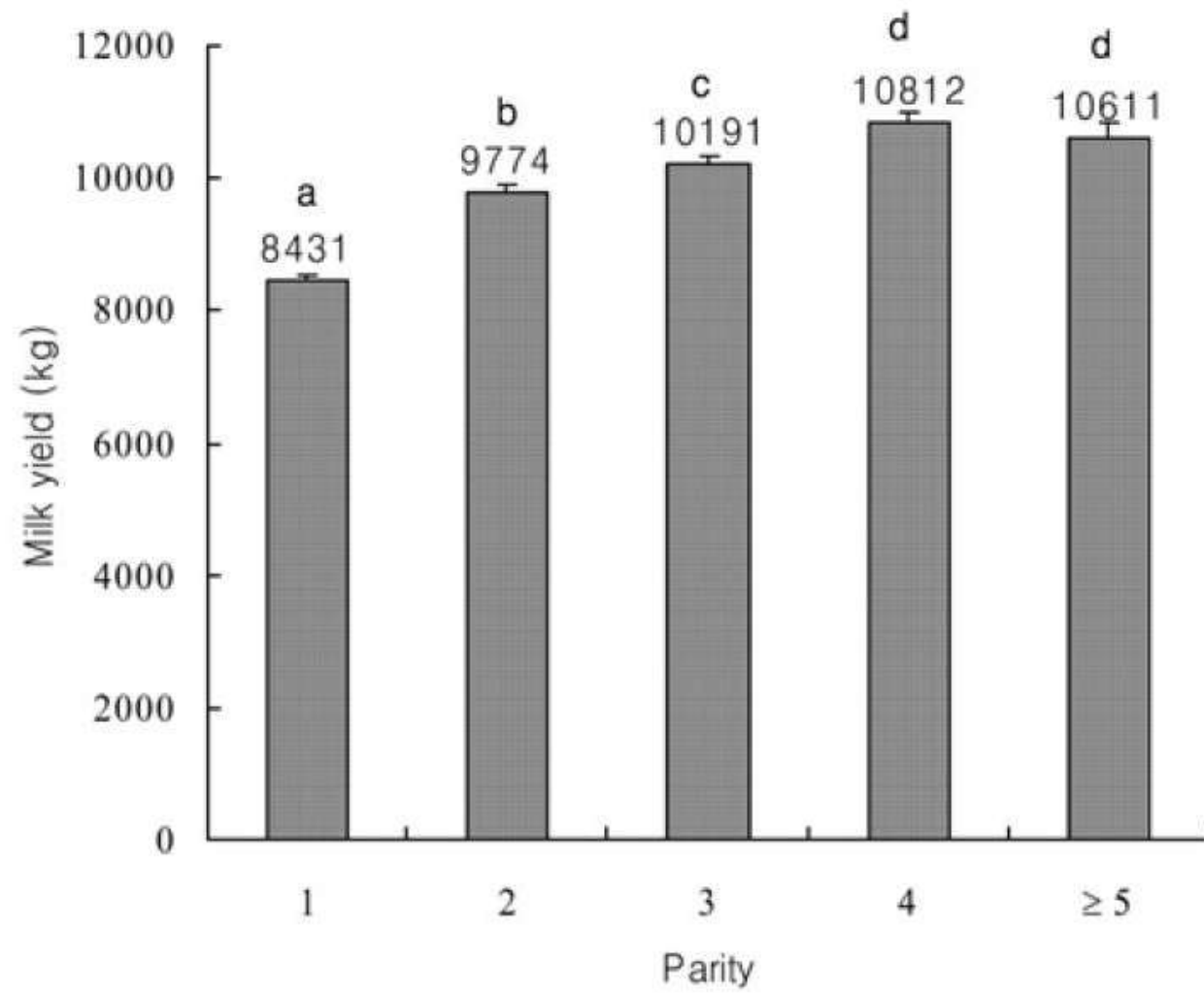
****Values uncertain, due to limited research.

- CHETOSI SUBCLINICA -> **2%** CO₂eq/kg FPCM
- MASTITE CLINICA-> **6,2%** CO₂eq/kg FPCM
- ZOPPIE-> **1,5%** CO₂eq/kg FPCM
- **LONGEVITA'**-> **14-19%** CO₂eq/kg FPCM

SITUAZIONE BENESSERE ANIMALE (VACCHE LATTE) IN ITALIA

- Il benessere delle vacche da latte (nei sistemi confinati) è relativamente basso... In Italia è spesso inferiore al resto d'Europa
- EFSA (2009): “L’incidenza delle patologie (podali) negli allevamenti di vacche da latte (*ZG) è inaccettabile” ...
- Alcuni dati:
 - **Italia 2° paese in Europa per quantità di antibiotici utilizzati a scopi zootecnici** (dietro solo a Cipro!; ECDC, EFSA, EMA; 2017)
 - Incidenza **zoppie**: ~**25%** (Cook, 2016)
 - Incidenza **mastiti** (>200.000 SCC): **26,1 %** (AIA, 2018)
 - N. medio **lattazione**: **2,4** (AIA, 2018)
 - **Tasso di rimonta: 34%** (Zanini, 2016)





OK, QUINDI COME AUMENTARE BENESSERE ANIMALE (E QUINDI RIDURRE EMISSIONI)?

- Cow Comfort (tempo di riposo)
- Igiene lettiere e pavimentazioni
- Ventilazione
- **Benessere durante asciutta e transizione**

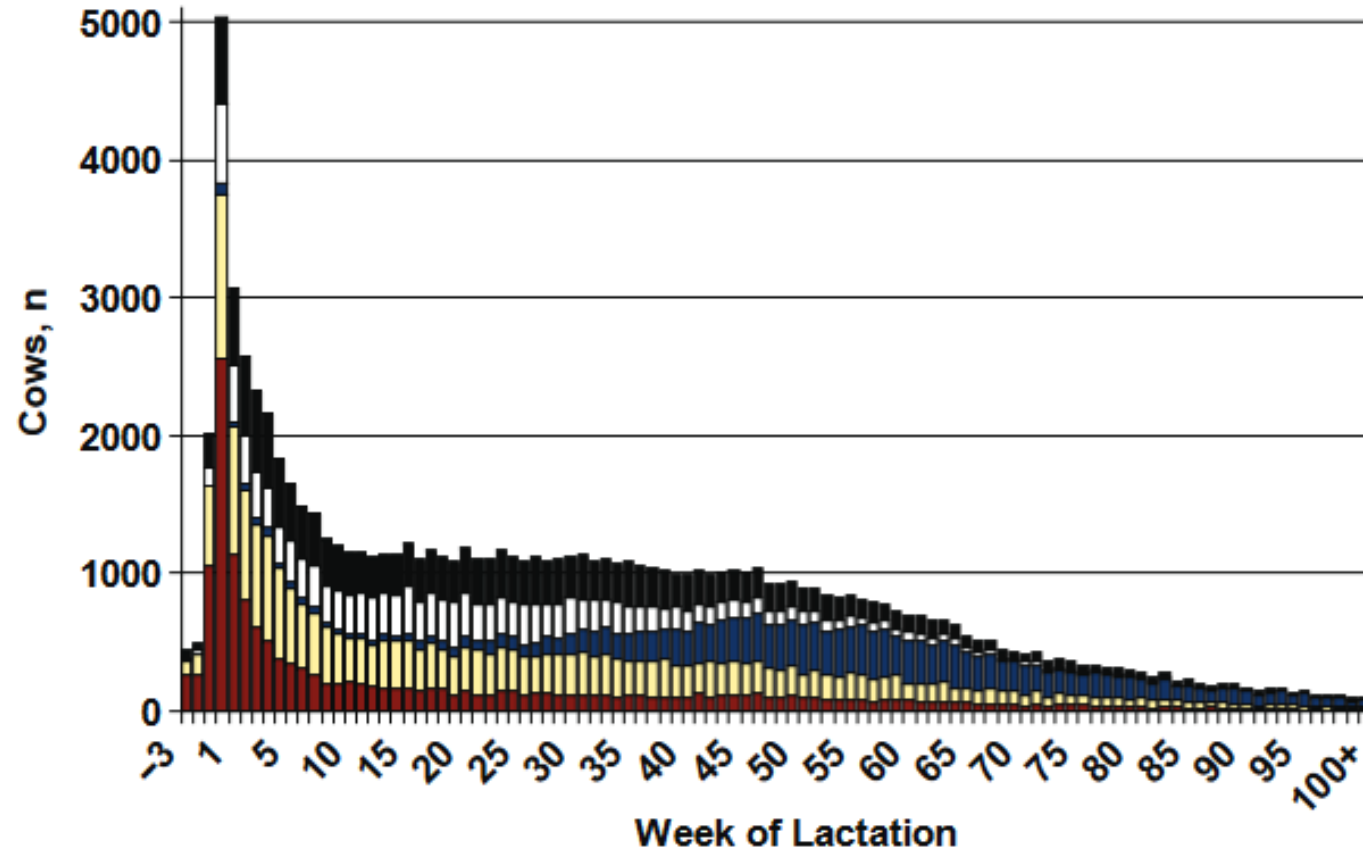
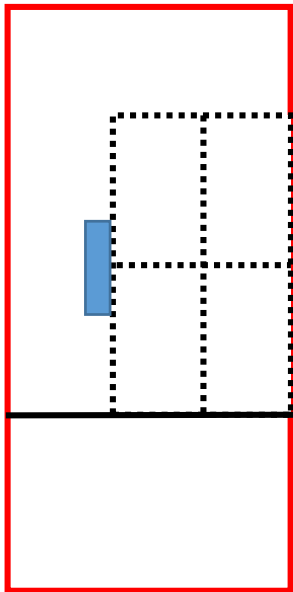


Figure 1. Total number of cows (n) that died (red), or were culled with codes corresponding to reproduction (blue), injury/other (yellow), mastitis (white), and all other reasons (black) by week of lactation.

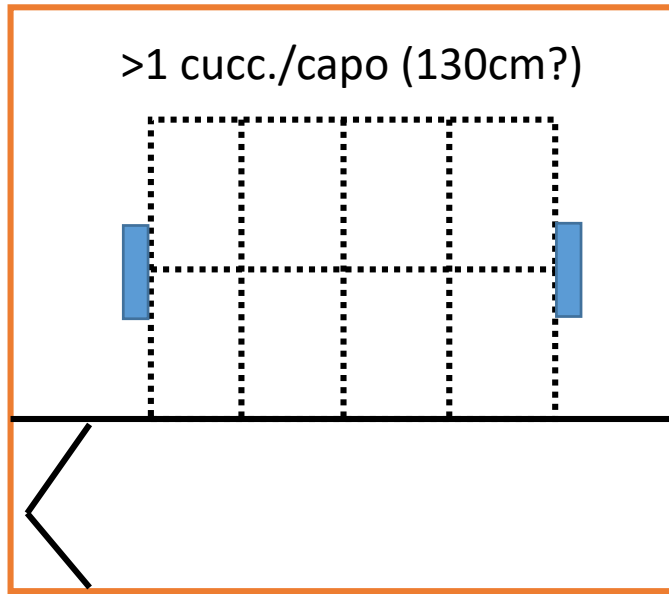
QUINDI, COME PROGETTARE GLI AMBIENTI DEDICATI ALLA ASCIUTTA/TRANSIZIONE?



**MESSA IN
ASCIUTTA**
~7gg

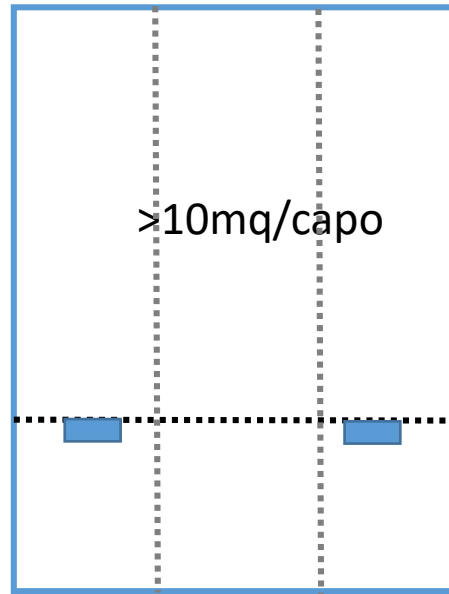


ASCIUTTA FAR-OFF
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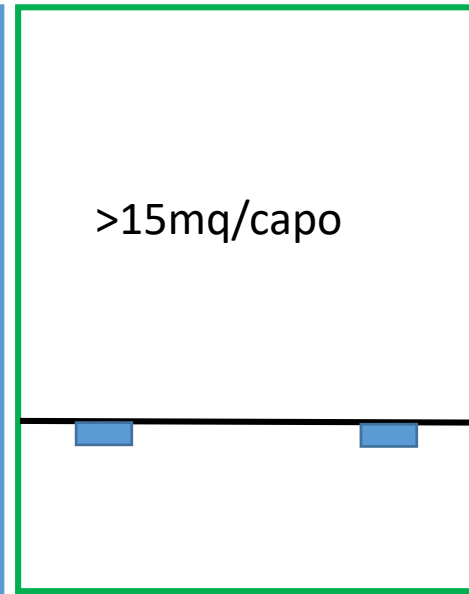
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ASC. CLOSE UP/PARTO
-21gg/0gg



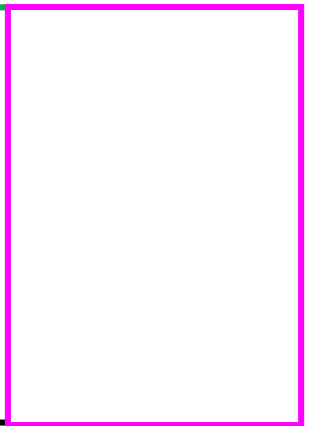
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FRESCHISSIME
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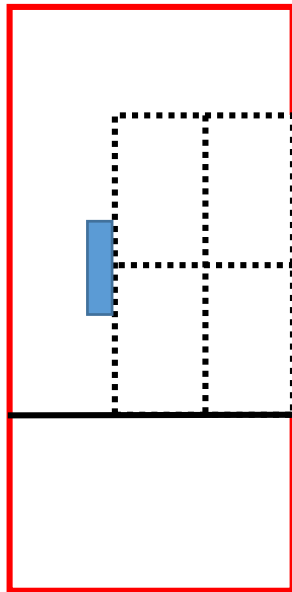
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**?VITELLI
SVEZZAMENTO?**

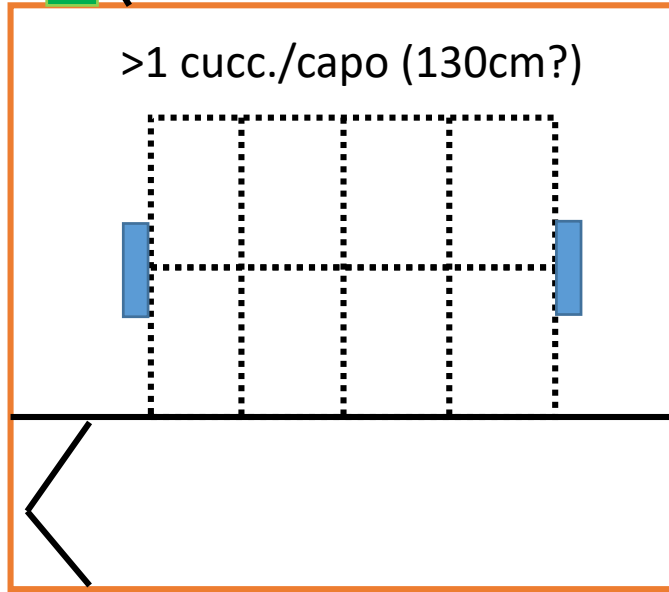




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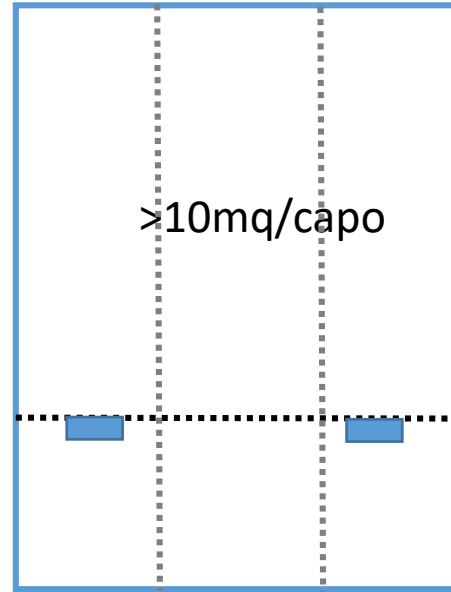


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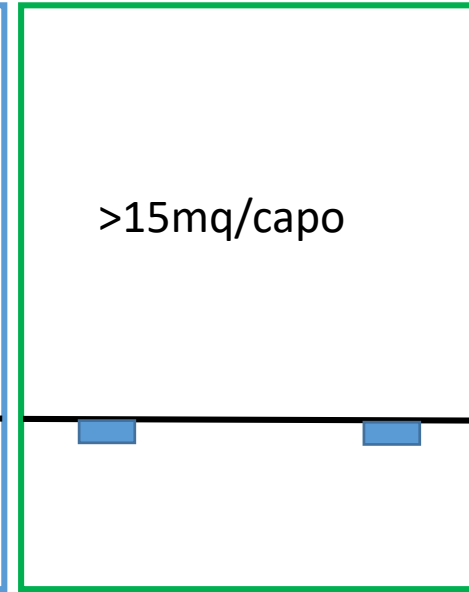
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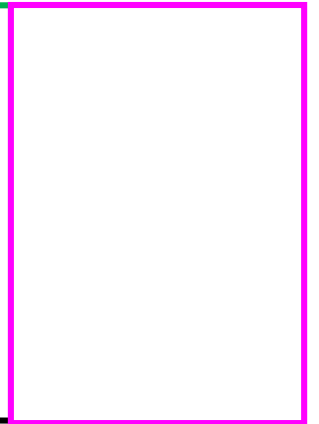
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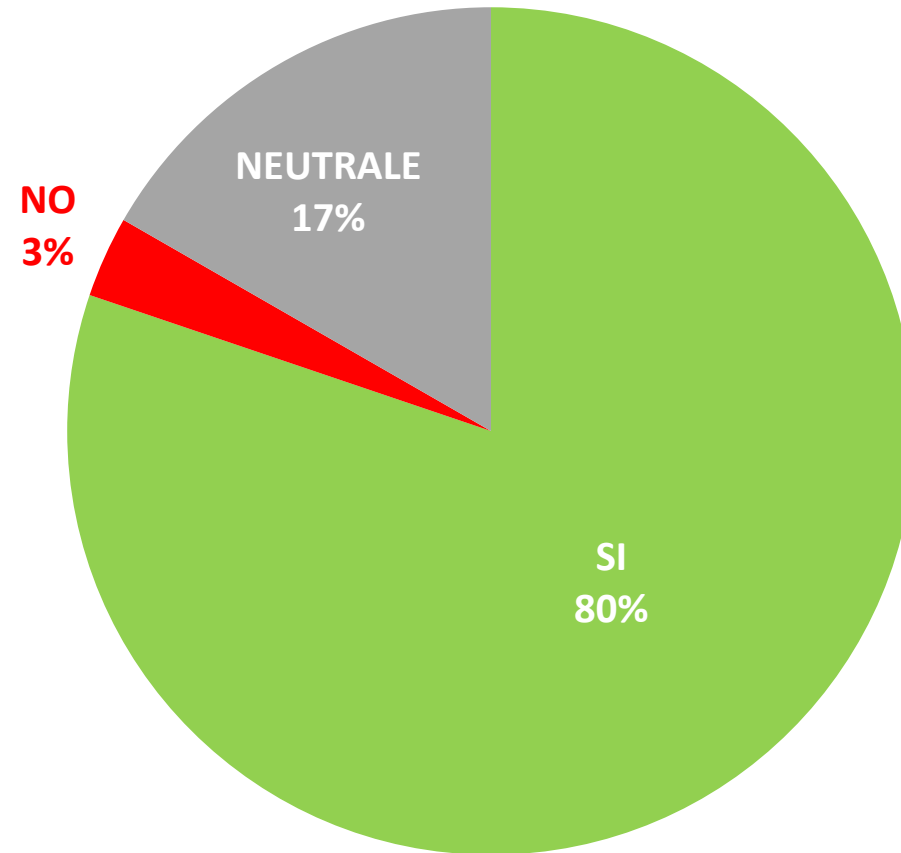


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**?VITELLI
SVEZZAMENTO?**



LE VACCHE DA LATTE DOVREBBERO AVERE ACCESSO AL PASCOLO?





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Free-choice pasture access for dry cows: effects on health, behavior and milk production

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COS'È IL PASCOLO D'ESERCIZIO?



paddock



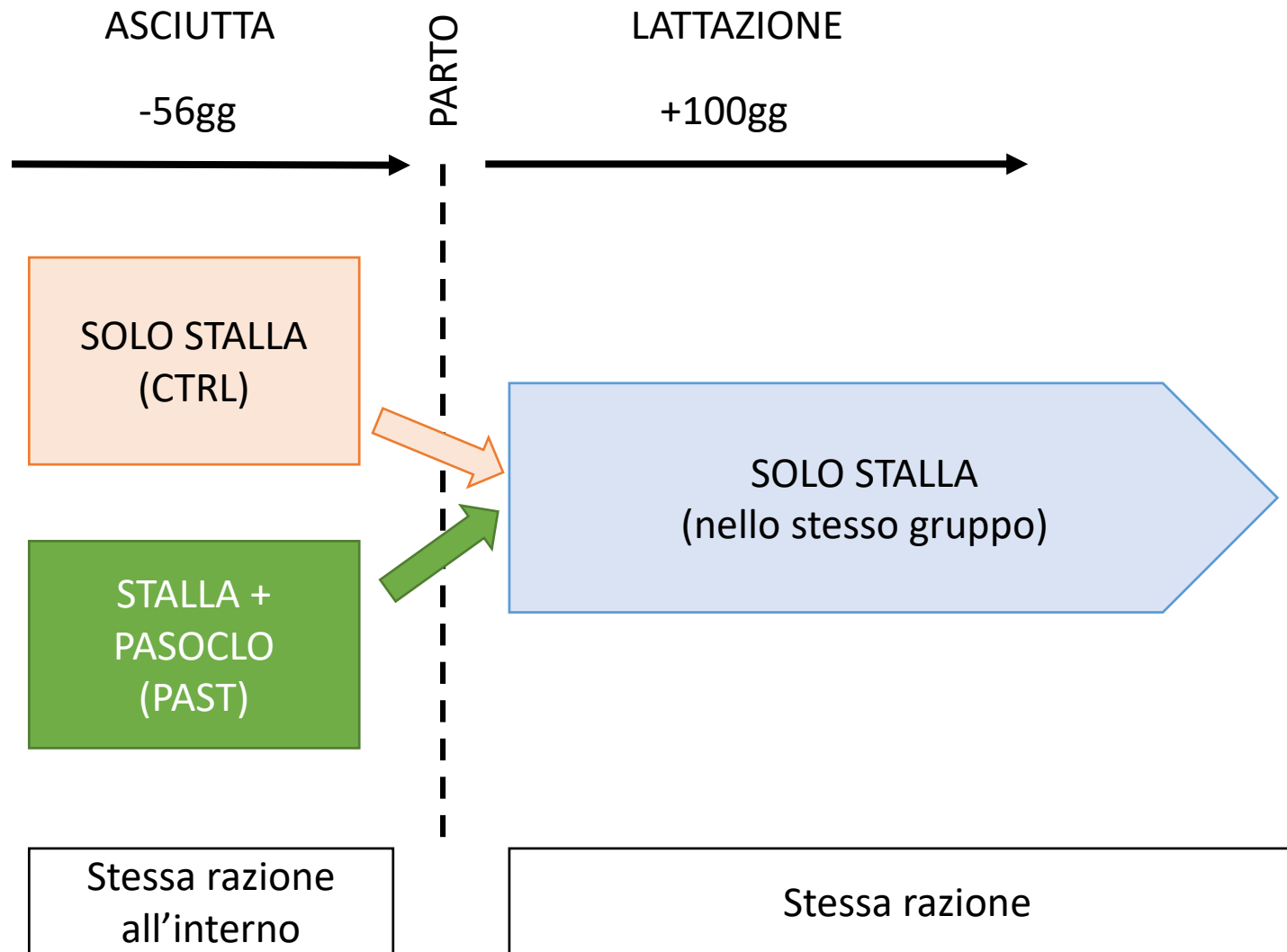
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pascolo



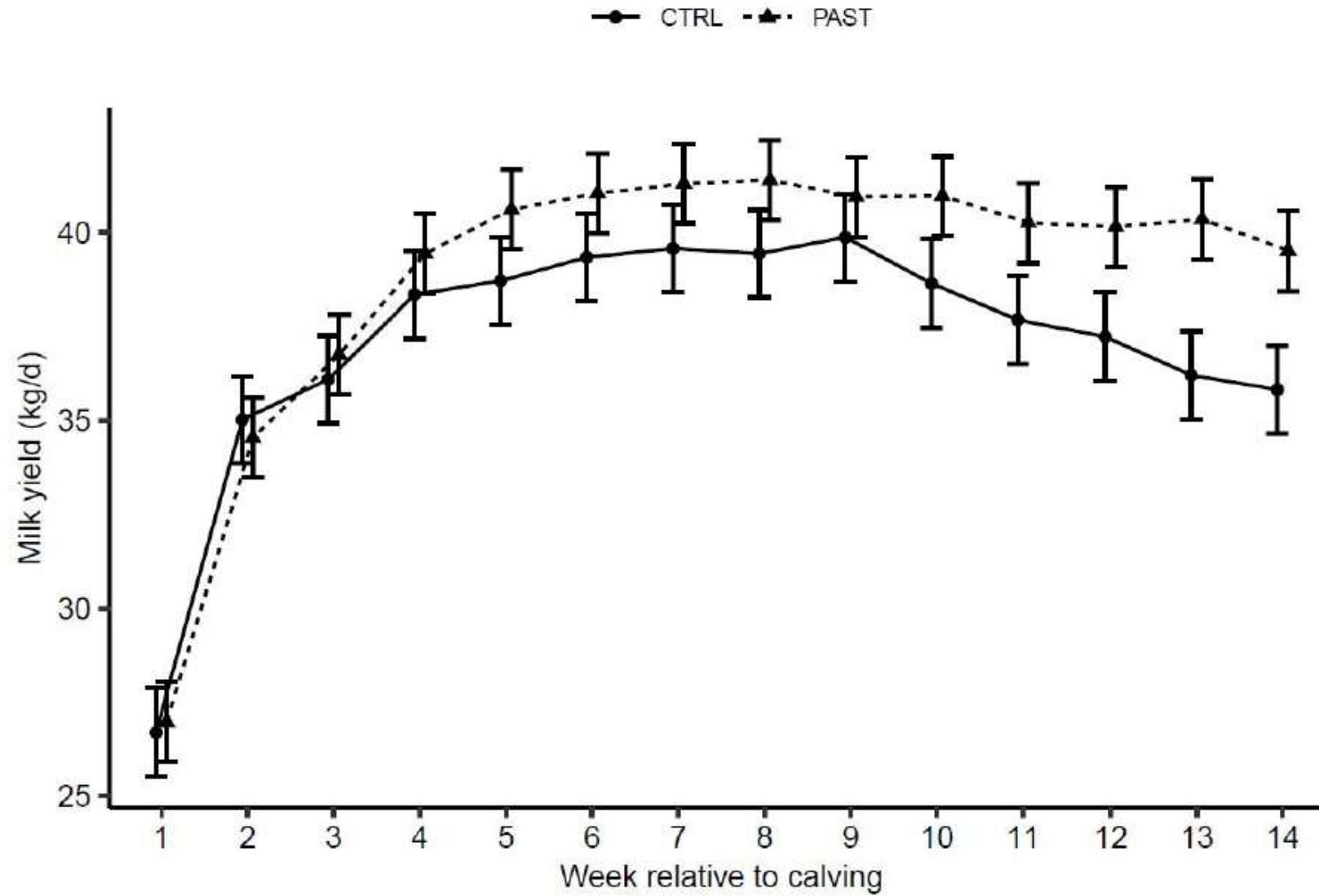
LAYOUT OF THE EXPERIMENT



8 mesi
n. 87 vacche



RISULTATI: PRODUZIONE LATTE



+1.9 kg/gg
(0-100 DIM)

Leso et al., 2023.
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RISULTATI: PRODUZIONE LATTE E COMPOSIZIONE

Item	CTRL	PAST
Milk yield (kg/cow*d)	37.0±1.12	38.9±1.04
305-d milk yield (kg)	9,276±268 ^a	10,124±244 ^b
Milk fat (%)	4.06±0.10	3.99±0.09
Milk protein (%)	3.20±0.03	3.22±0.03
SCC (1,000 cells/mL)	287±101	289±82

+848 kg/lact

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AZIENDA DI 100 VL

Introduzione pascolo d'esercizio per asciutte

(@ 0.60 €/L)

+60.900 €/anno

Leso et al., 2023.
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SETUP PASCOLO D'ESERCIZIO

- È necessaria un'area relativamente ampia per **MANTENERE UNA COTICO VITALE**

- **150-250 m² / vacca**

- *più grande non è necessariamente migliore

- **Almeno 2 paddock (rotazione 15-15 gg)**

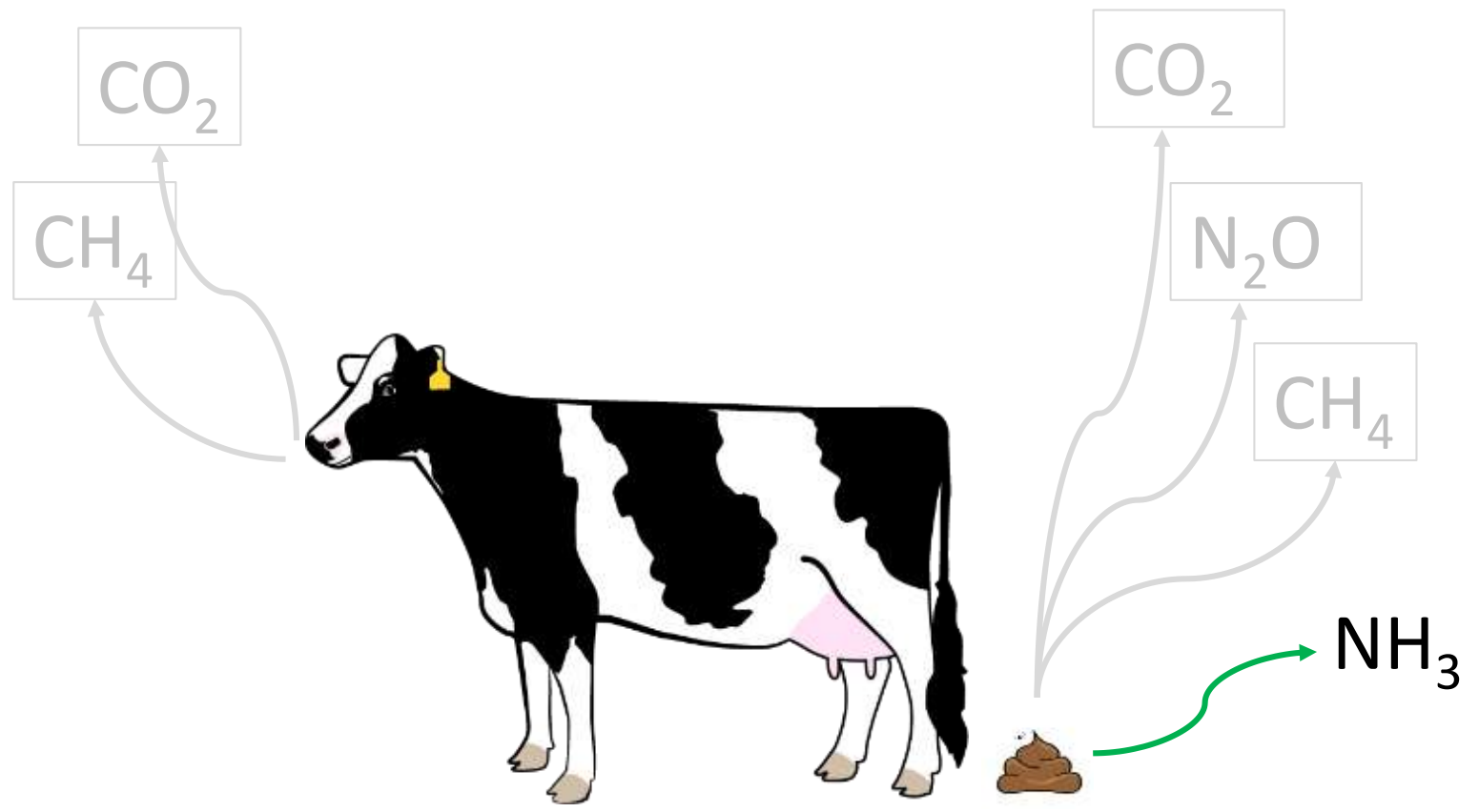
- Esempio di PE per vacche in asciutta per un **ALLEVAMENTO DI 100 VACCHE IL LATTAZIONE**

- Le vacche in asciutta sono il 15-20% delle vacche in lattazione $100 * 0,175 = 17.5$ vacche in asciutta

- **20 capi * 150-250 m² / vacca**

- = 3000-5000 m² (0.3-0.5 ha)**





EFFETTI DELLE EMISSIONI GASSOSE DI AMMONIACA (NH₃)



L'agricoltura e la zootecnia producono l'87% delle emissioni di NH₃

IMPATTO SULLA SALUTE UMANA

NH₃ reagisce nell'atmosfera e forma particolato (PM_{2,5})



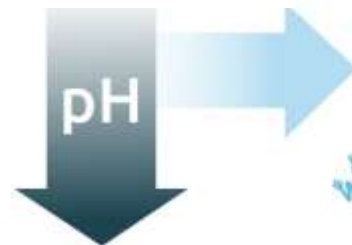
Il PM causa patologie respiratorie e cardiovascolari

NH₃ può trasferirsi su lunghe distanze, combinarsi con ossidi di azoto e formare smog nei centri abitati



IMPATTO SULL'AMBIENTE

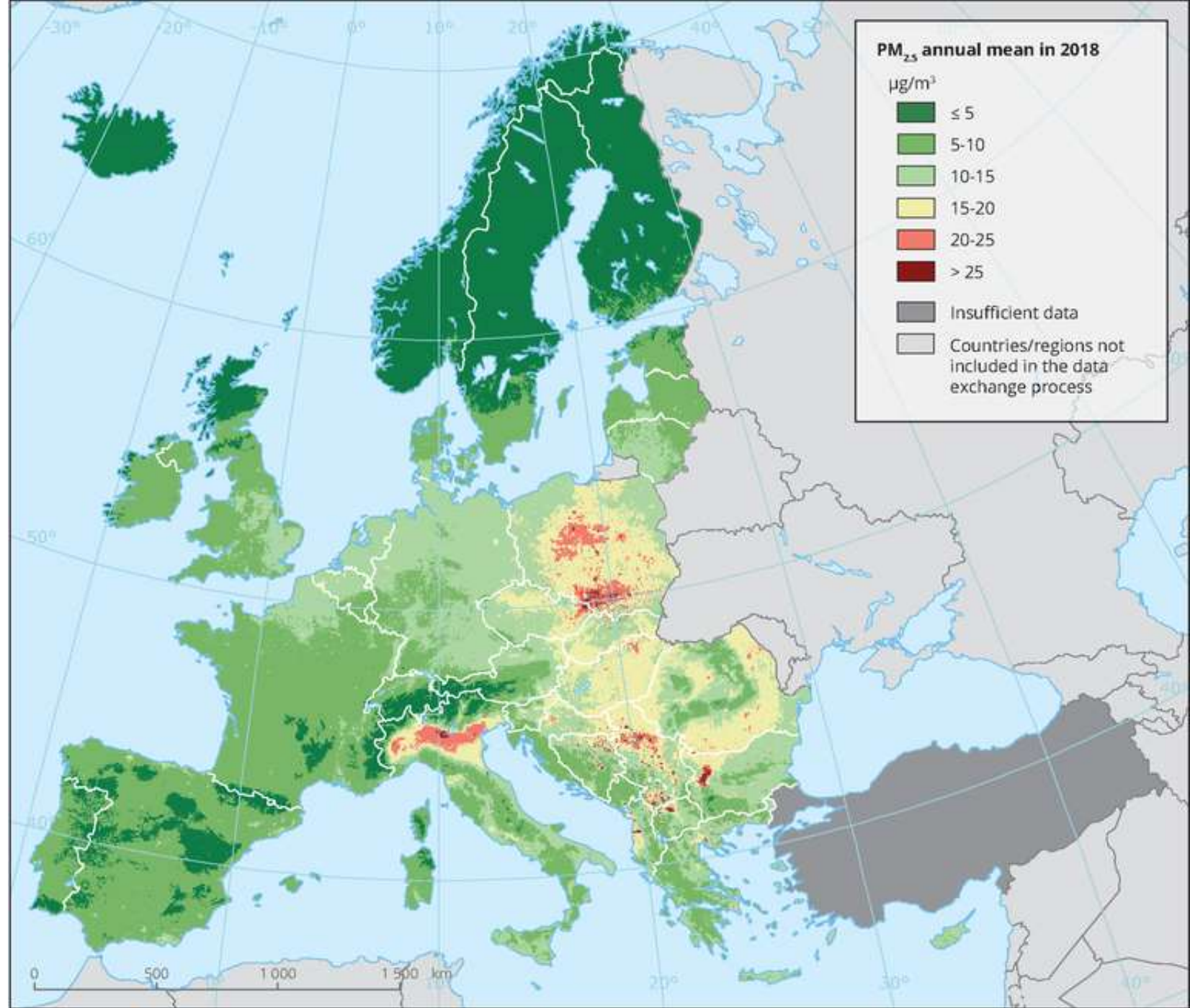
ACIDIFICAZIONE DEL SUOLO



RIDUZIONE BIODIVERSITÀ

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Nitrogen loss abatement from dairy cow excreta through urine and faeces separation: The effect of temperature and exposure period on NH₃ fluxes

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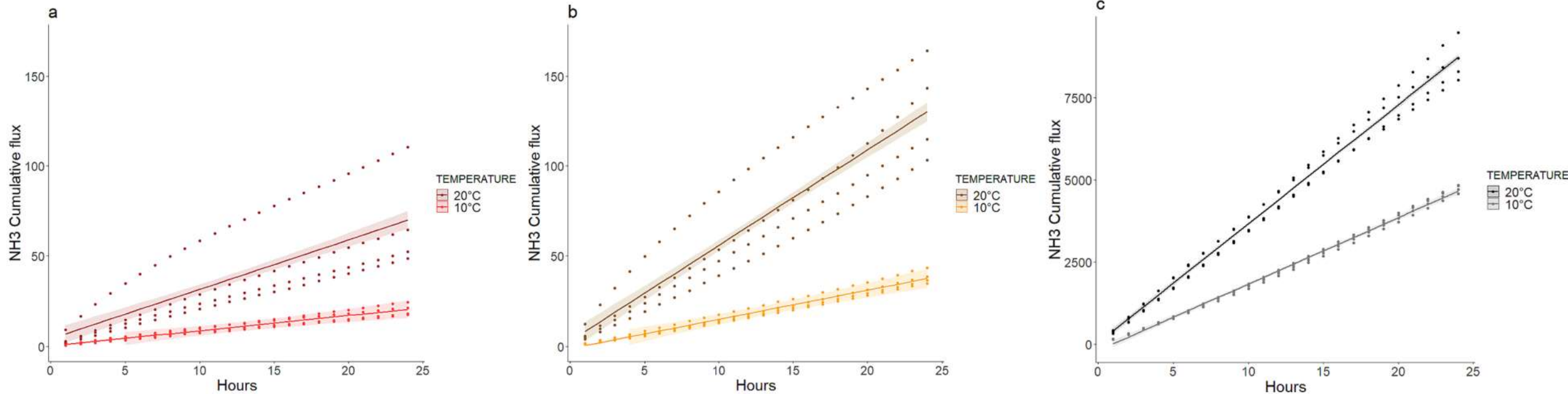
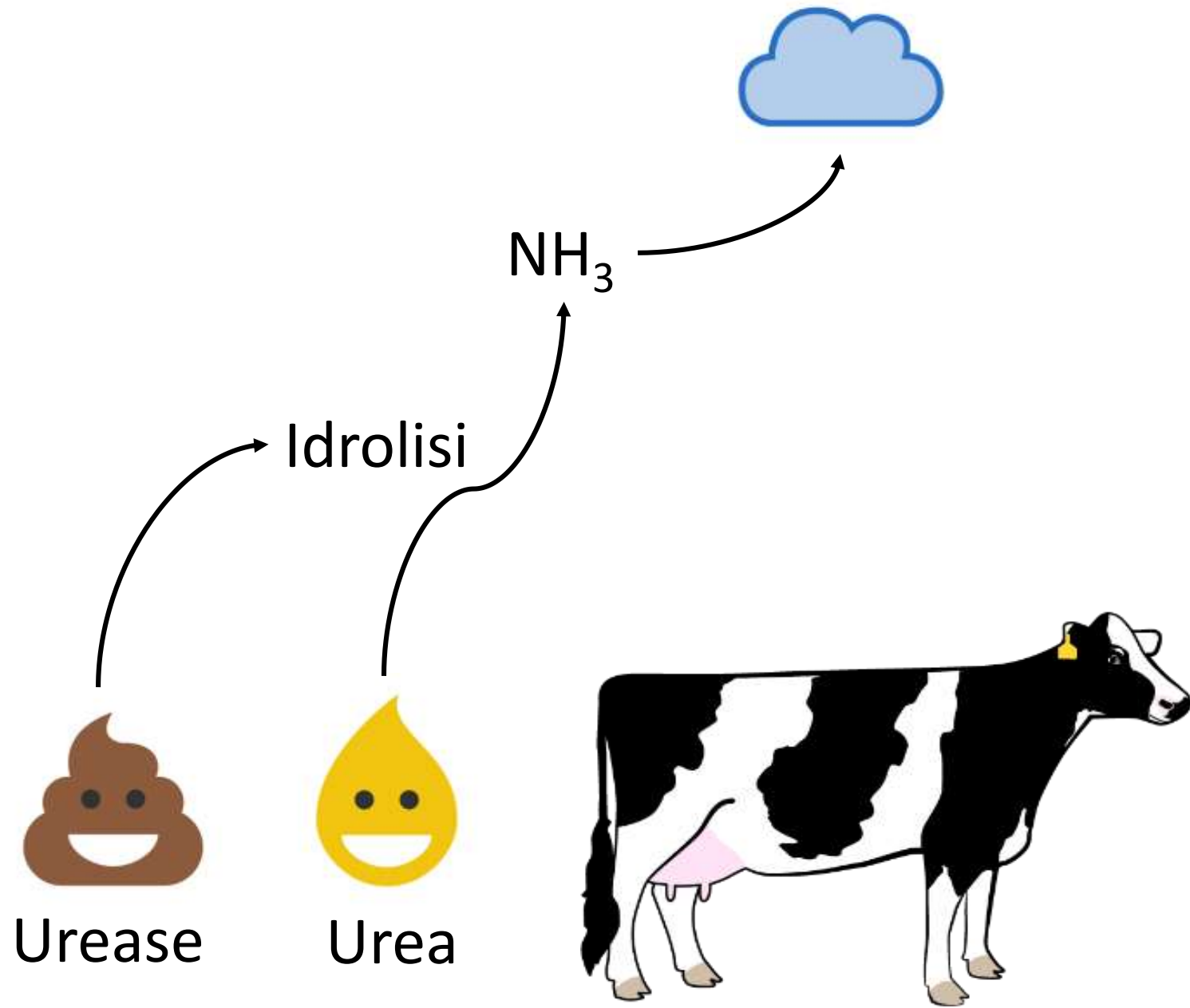


Fig. 4. Regression lines for NH₃ cumulative fluxes (mg · m⁻²) with 95% confidence intervals in the two environmental treatments (10 °C and 20 °C) over exposure time (hours). Original data points are depicted as points. a: faeces, b: urine, c: mix.



MATERIALI E METODI

•URINA E FECI RACCOLTE SEPARATAMENTE

- Campioni presi da 10 vacche in lattazione (alim. GP)
- Composite samples
- Evitato contatto tra i due materiali
- Campioni congelati immediatamente dopo raccolta

•CREATI TRE SUBSTRATI PER I TEST

- URINA (100%)
- FECI (100%)
- MIX (50% URINA: 50% FECI)

•TEST IN CAMERA CLIMATICA PER 24h (3*3*72h)

- Dynamic flux chamber

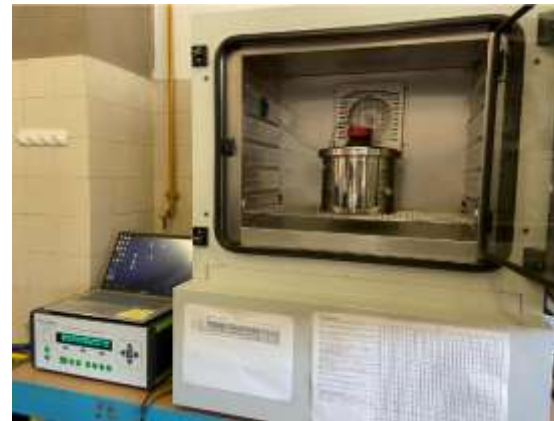
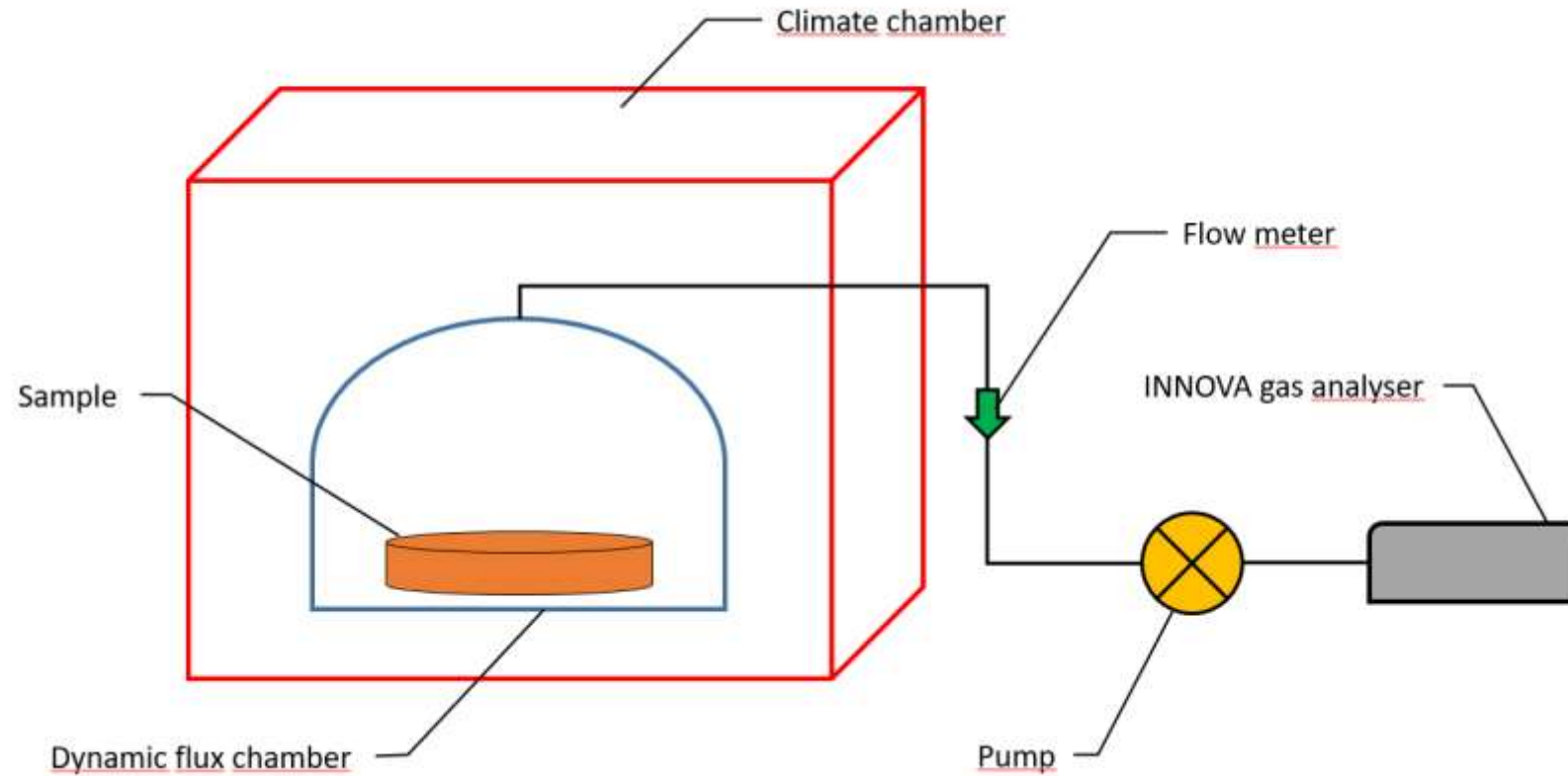
•MISURAZIONE IN CONTINUO DELLE CONCENTRAZIONI DI GAS

- Innova[®] 1314i photoacoustic gas monitor
- NH₃, N₂O, CH₄, CO₂, H₂O

•IN TOTALE TESTATI 72 CAMPIONI DI ~500G

- 4 repliche

MATERIALI E METODI



RISULTATI (PRELIMINARI)

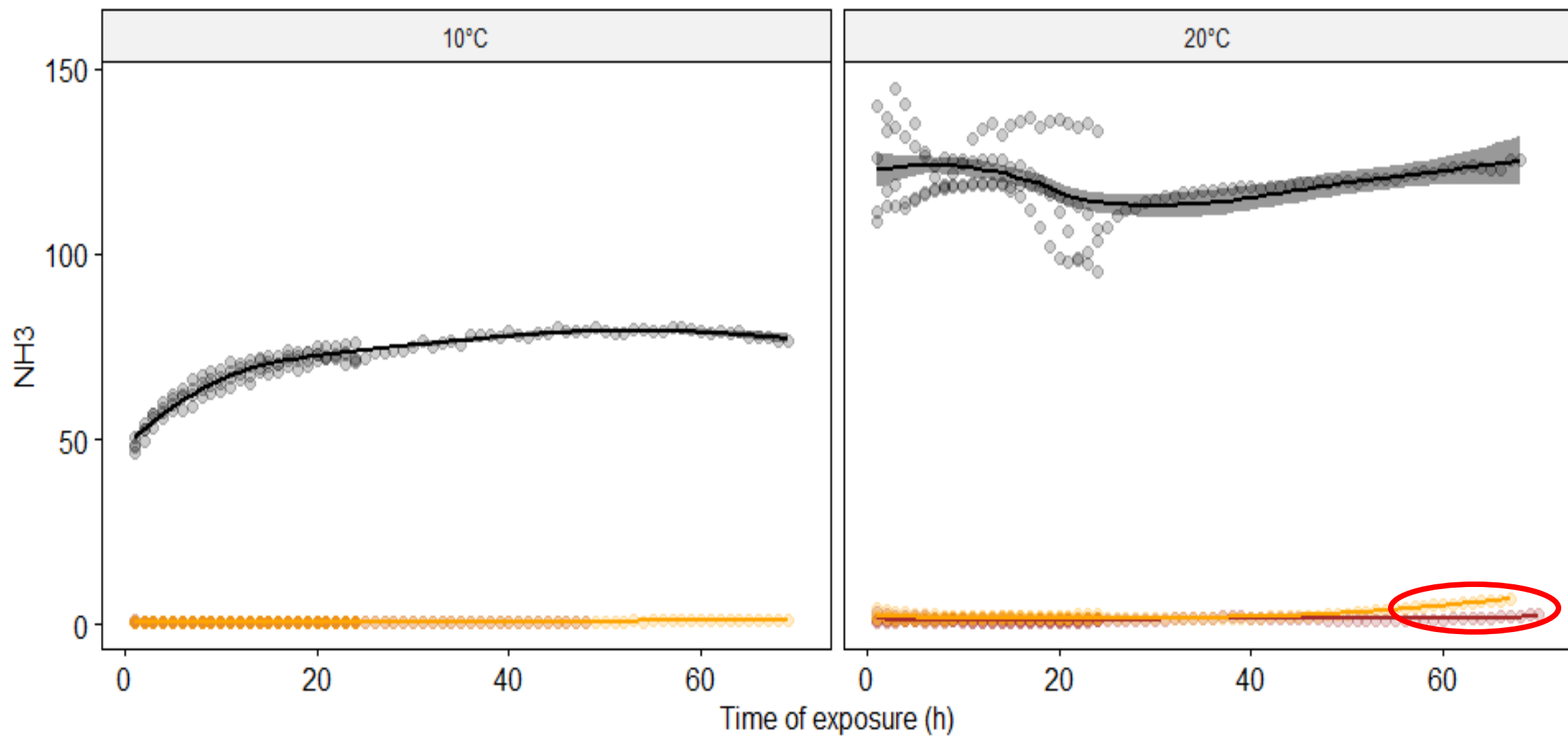
Table 1. Least squares means (LSM) and standard error (SE) of gaseous emissions for different gaseous species produced by type of material × air temperature interaction.

Gaseous species	Air temperature	Type of material					
		Faeces		Mix		Urine	
		LSM	SE	LSM	SE	LSM	SE
NH ₃	10°C	0.57 ^a	1.59	62.60 ^{x,b}	1.77	0.71 ^a	1.77
	20°C	1.26 ^a	1.77	122.38 ^{y,b}	1.77	1.98 ^a	1.77
N ₂ O	10°C	1.15 ^{ab,x}	0.015	1.20 ^a	0.016	1.09 ^{b,x}	0.016
	20°C	1.09 ^{a,y}	0.015	1.14 ^b	0.016	1.03 ^{a,y}	0.016
CH ₄	10°C	8.39 ^x	0.86	7.78	0.97	5.22 ^x	0.97
	20°C	11.79 ^{a,y}	0.97	10.81 ^a	0.97	7.32 ^{b,y}	0.97
CO ₂	10°C	790 ^a	35.9	1254 ^{b,x}	40.2	1124 ^{b,x}	40.2
	20°C	753 ^a	40.2	1103 ^{b,y}	40.2	812 ^{b,y}	40.2
H ₂ O	10°C	8409 ^x	114	8522 ^x	128	8331 ^x	128
	20°C	14812 ^y	128	14673 ^y	128	14730 ^y	128

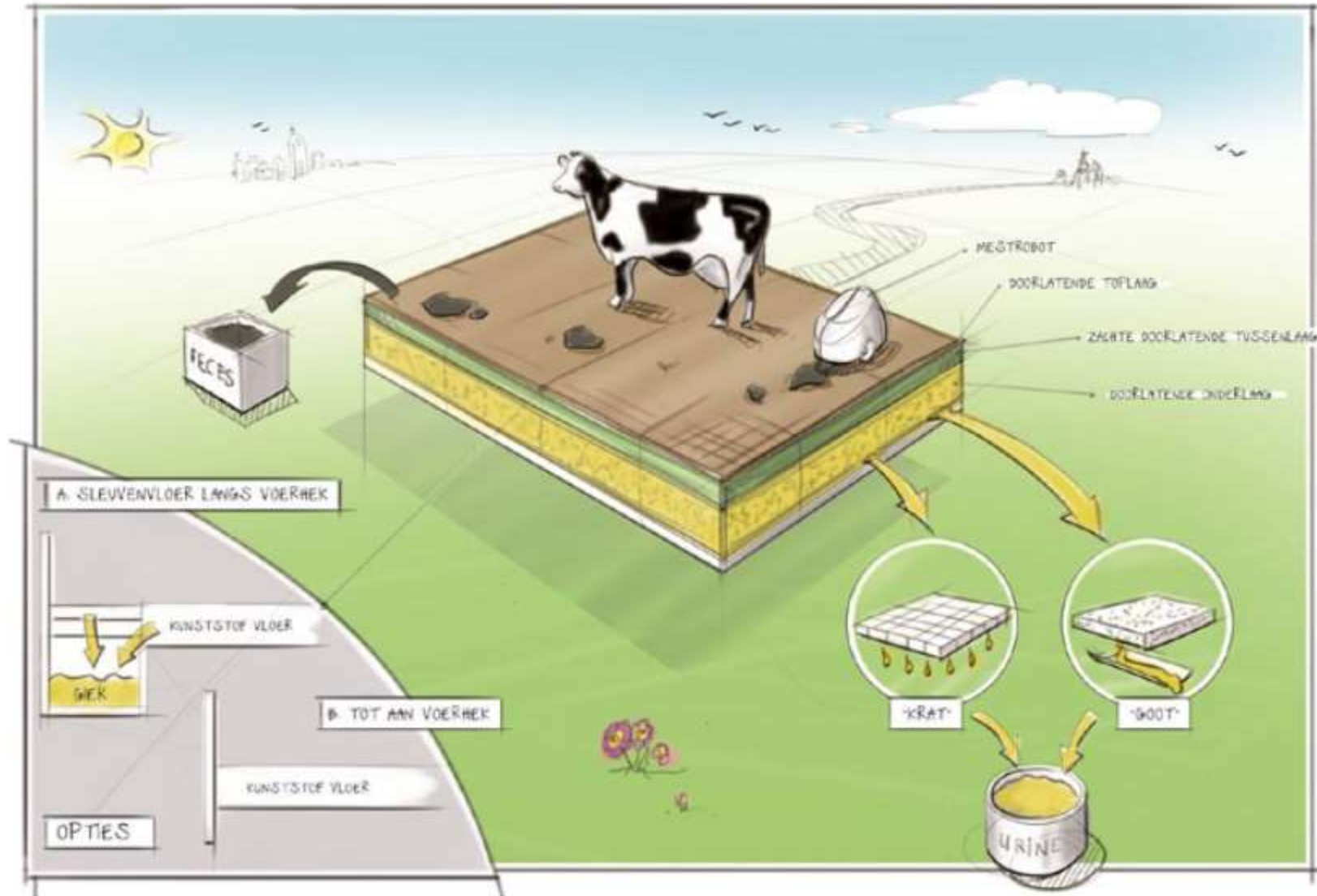
^{a,b}Significant differences among columns (type of material) within air temperature (P < 0.05).

^{x,y}Significant differences among rows (air temperature) within type of material (P < 0.05).

MatType faeces mix urine

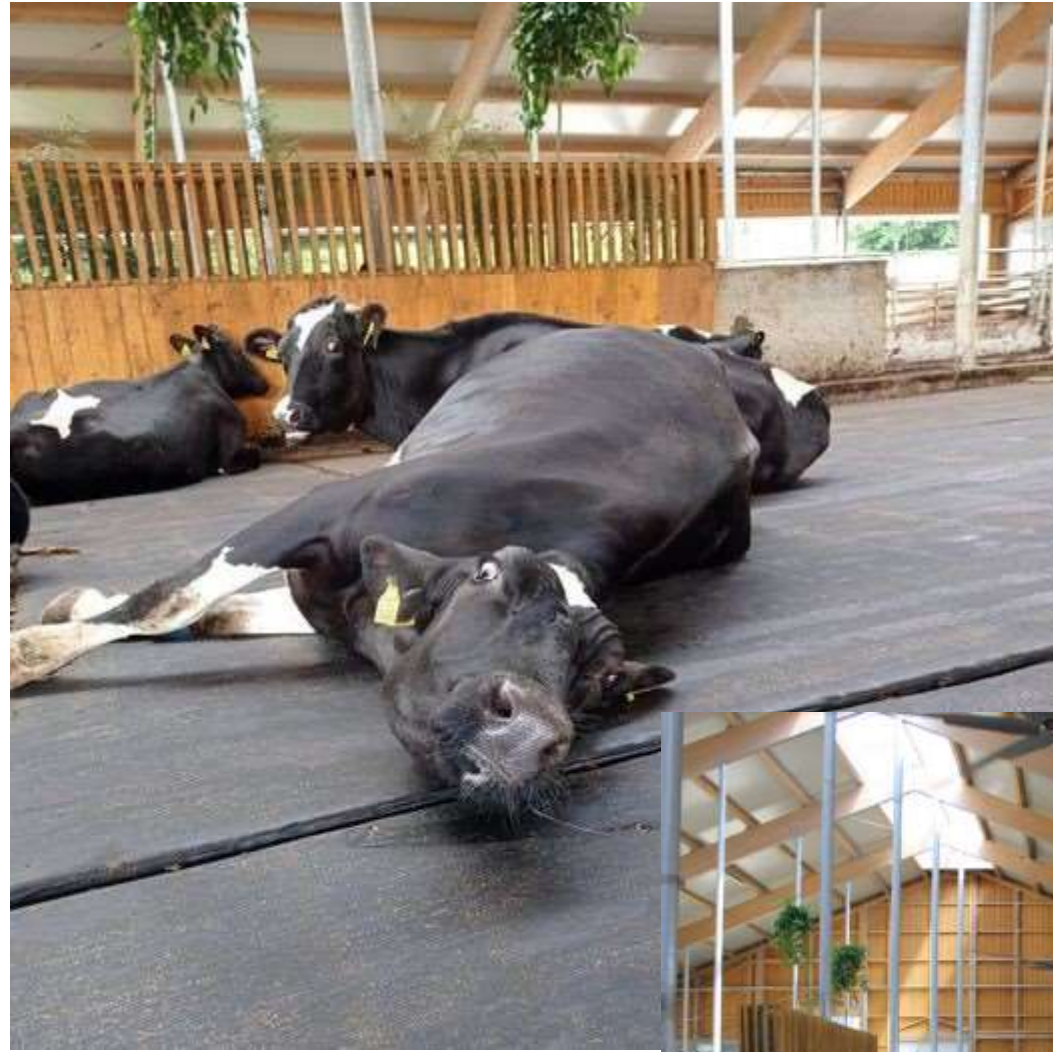


OK, MA COME SEPARARE FECI E URINE IN STALLA?



HIGH WELFARE FLOOR





COW TOILET





OK, UNA VOLTA CHE ABBIAMO SEPARATO L'URINA, COSA CI FACCIAMO?

