

GENERAL INTRODUCTION & EFFECTS OF FEED ADDITIVES TO REDUCE GHG EMISSIONS

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Danish expert committee proposes CO2 emissions tax for agriculture

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Recommendations for an emissions tax on agriculture were presented by a Danish expert committee on Tuesday., Photo: Thomas Traasdahl/Ritzau Scanpix

An expert committee on Wednesday presented its proposals for a carbon tax for agriculture, which the Danish government has long sought to

Danish farmers concerned carbon tax will lead to lower production

By Isabelle Yr Carlsson

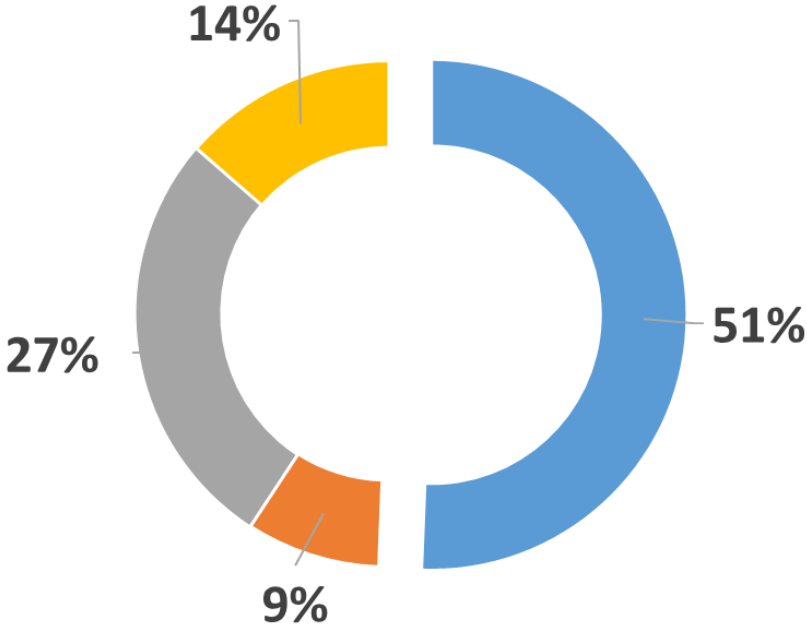
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TOP 5 CONTRIBUTORS TO DANISH AGRI GHG

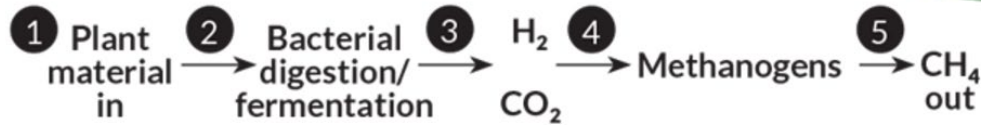
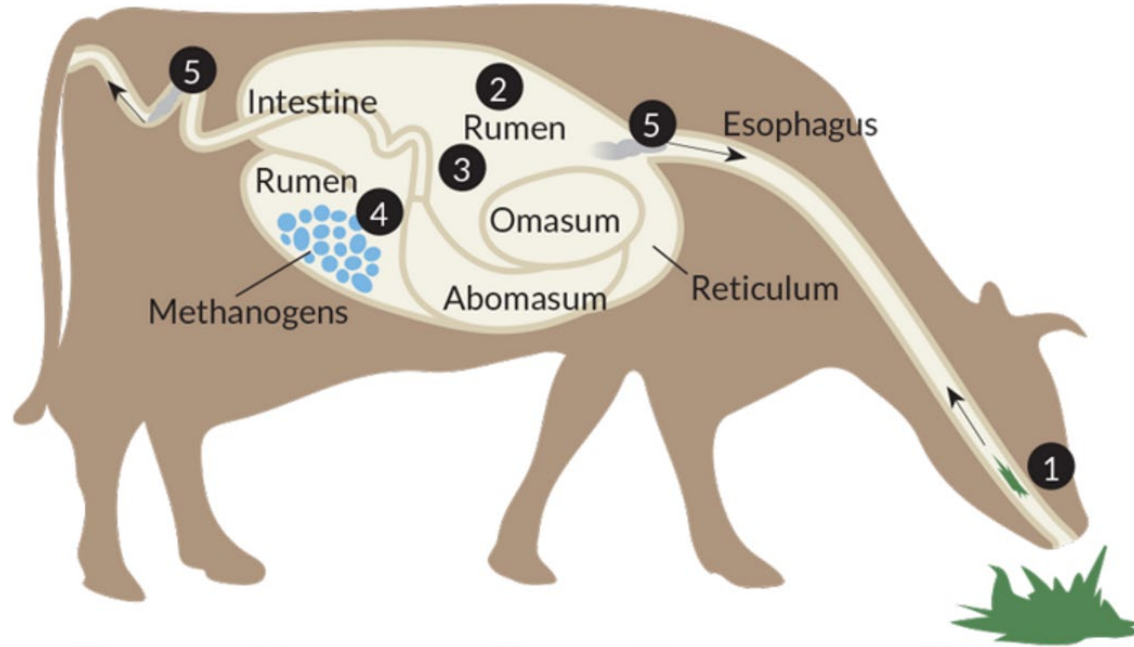
1. *Enteric fermentation, mainly from ruminants, CH₄ (33%)*
2. Manure management, CH₄ (20%)
3. Inorganic N fertilizer, N₂O (10%)
4. Manure on soil, N₂O (9%)
5. Crop residues, N₂O (8%)

DANISH MILK PRODUCTION (ON FARM)



WHY DOES A COW PRODUCE METHANE ?

(ACTUALLY IT DOES NOT !)



CO₂-EQUIVALENTS

1 kg CO₂ = 1 kg CO₂-eq.

- ▶ Fossil fuels
- ▶ Degradation of soil organic matter

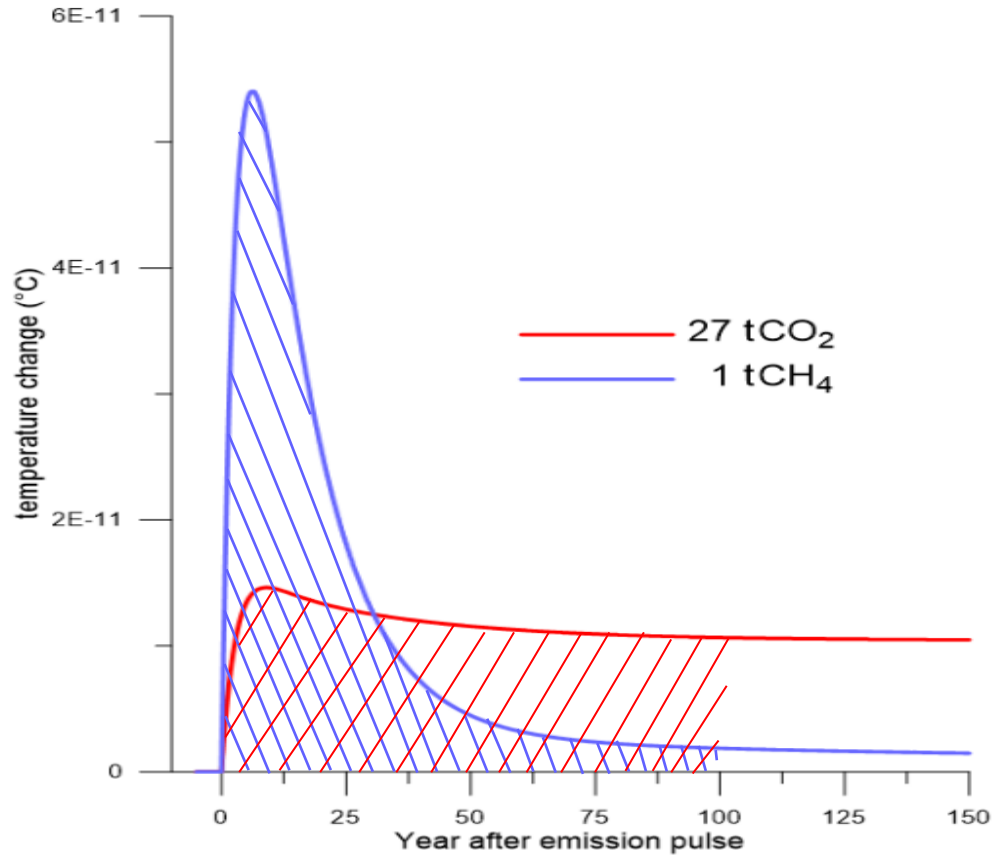
1 kg CH₄ = 27 kg CO₂-eq.

- ▶ Digestion
- ▶ Manure

1 kg N₂O = 256 kg CO₂-eq.

- ▶ N turnover in manure and soil

CO₂ AND CH₄ - 100 YEARS TIMESPAN



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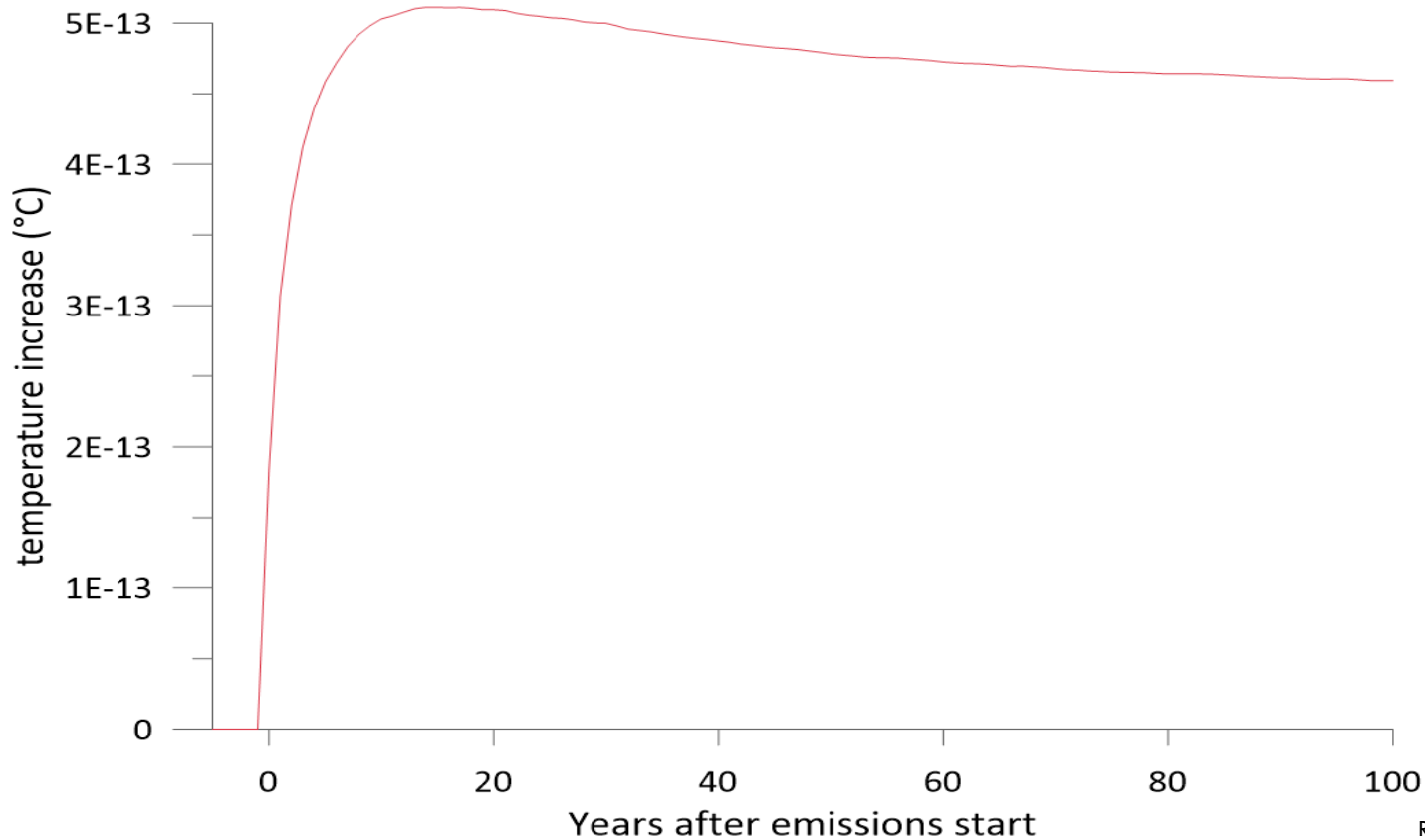
1 kg CH₄ = 27 kg CO₂-eq. (20 years: 86 kg CO₂-eq.; 500 years: 7 kg CO₂-eq.)

- ▶ Digestion
- ▶ Manure

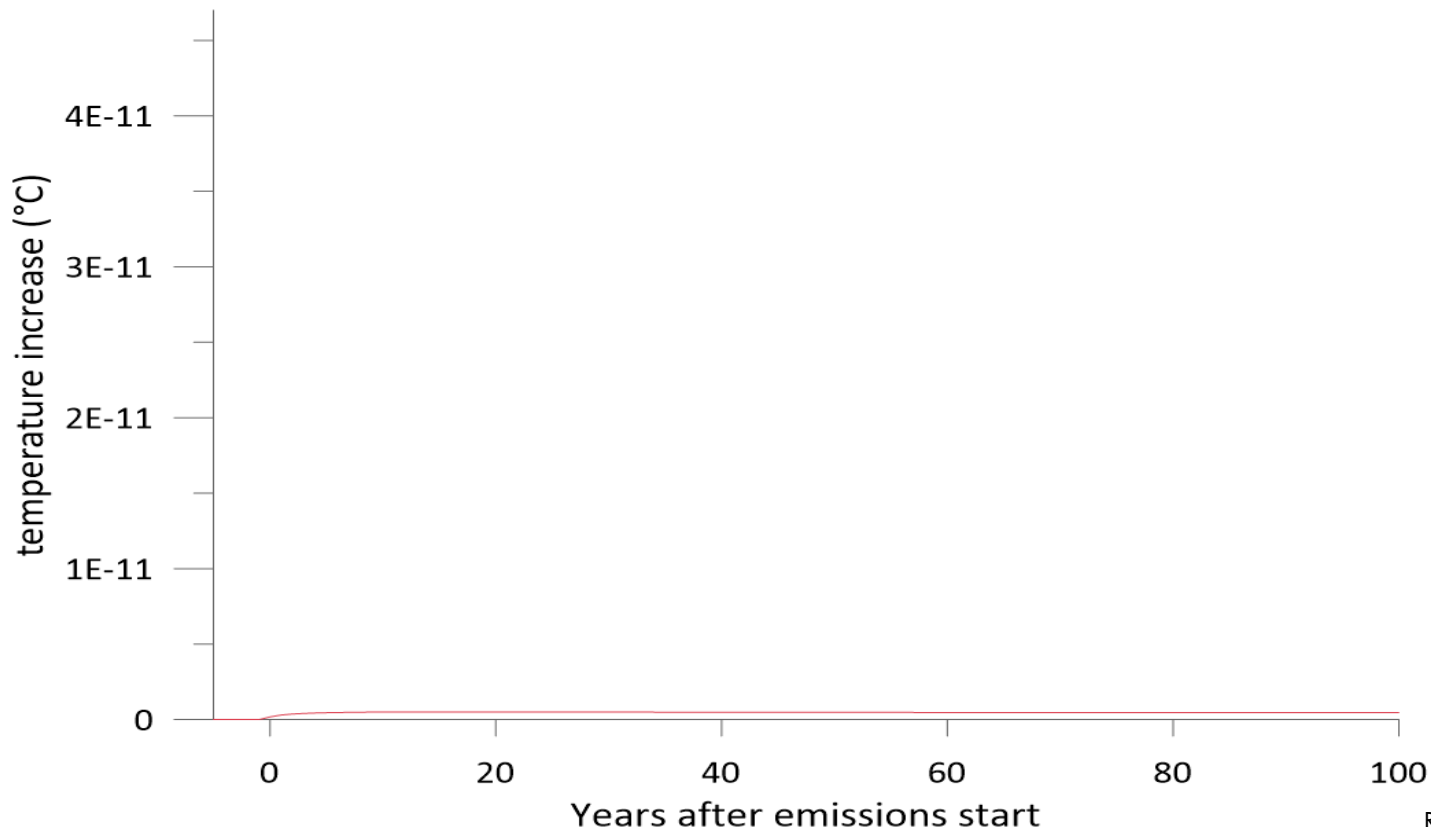
1 kg N₂O = 256 kg CO₂-eq. (20 years: 289 kg CO₂-eq.; 500 years: 170 kg CO₂-eq.)

- ▶ N turnover in manure and soil

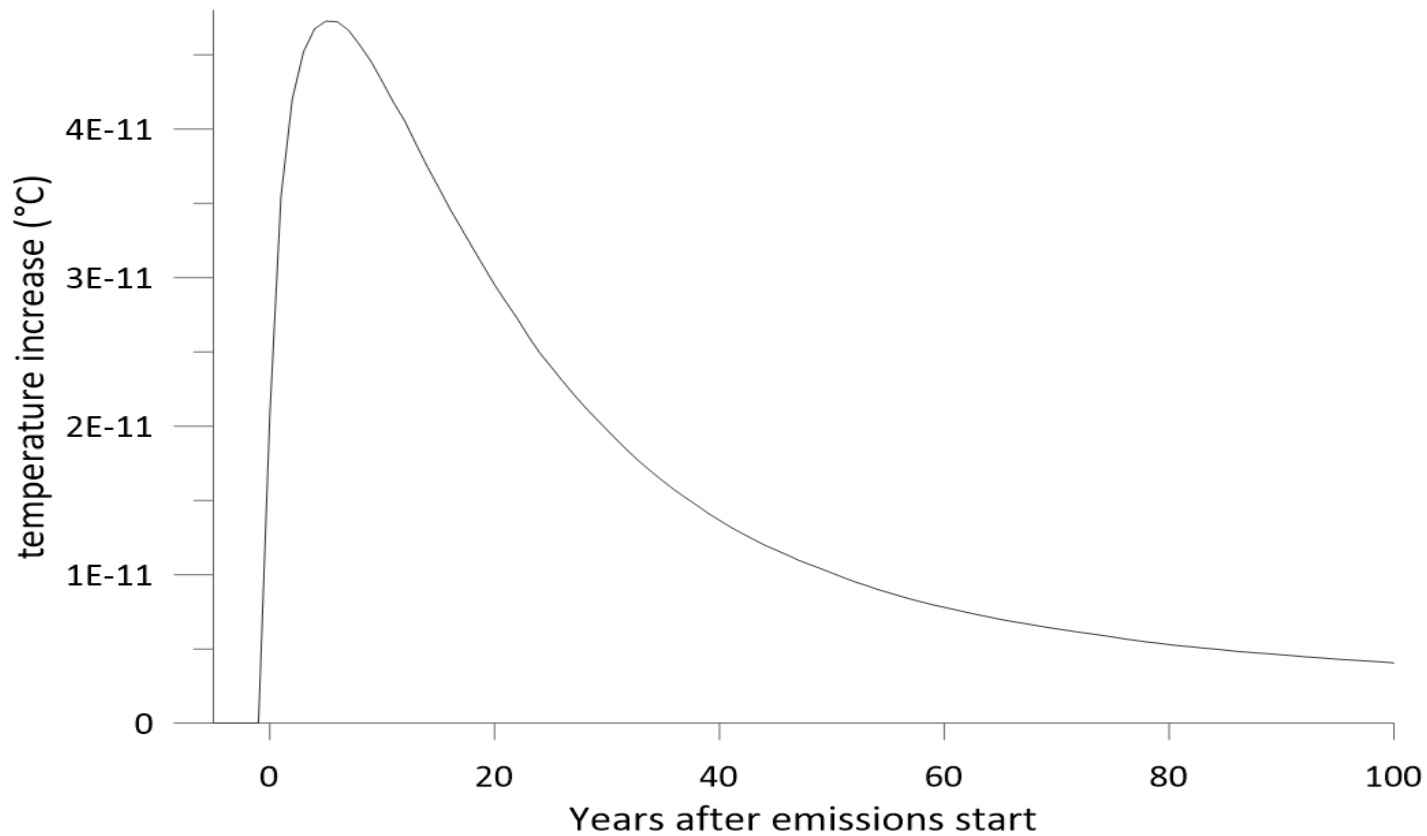
PULSE DOSE OF CO₂



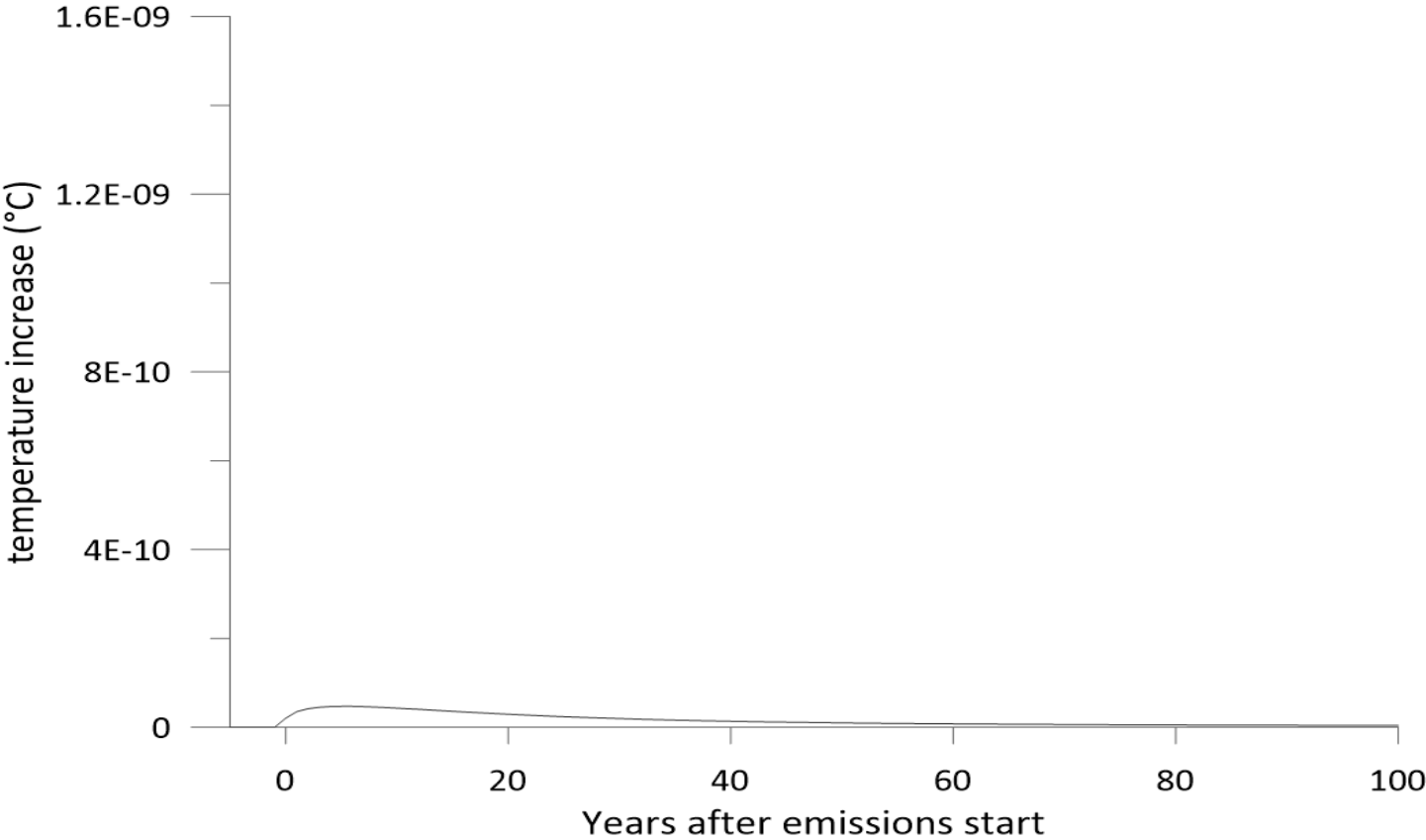
REPEATED PULSE DOSE OF CO₂



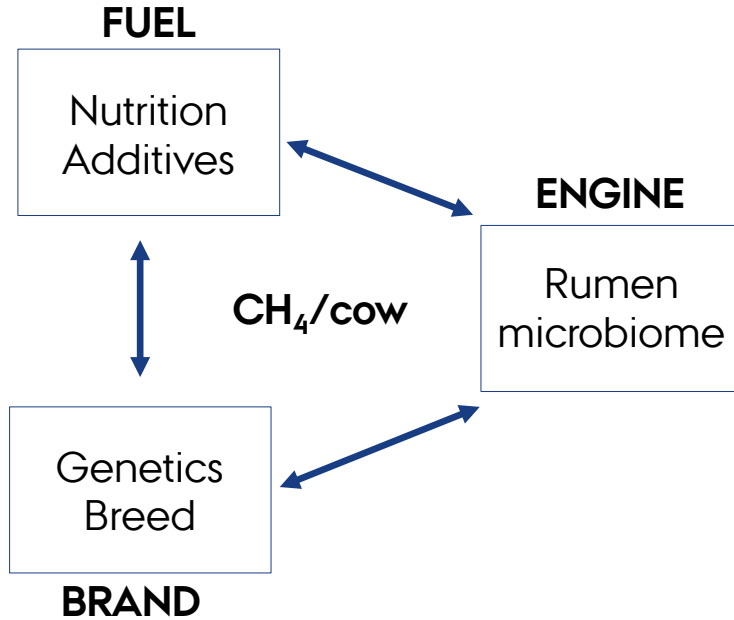
PULSE DOSE OF CH₄



REPEATED PULSE DOSE OF CH₄



THE TASK



THE LOW HANGING FRUITS

Significant effect

Consistent effect

Persistent effect

High TRL level

Minor neg. trade-offs

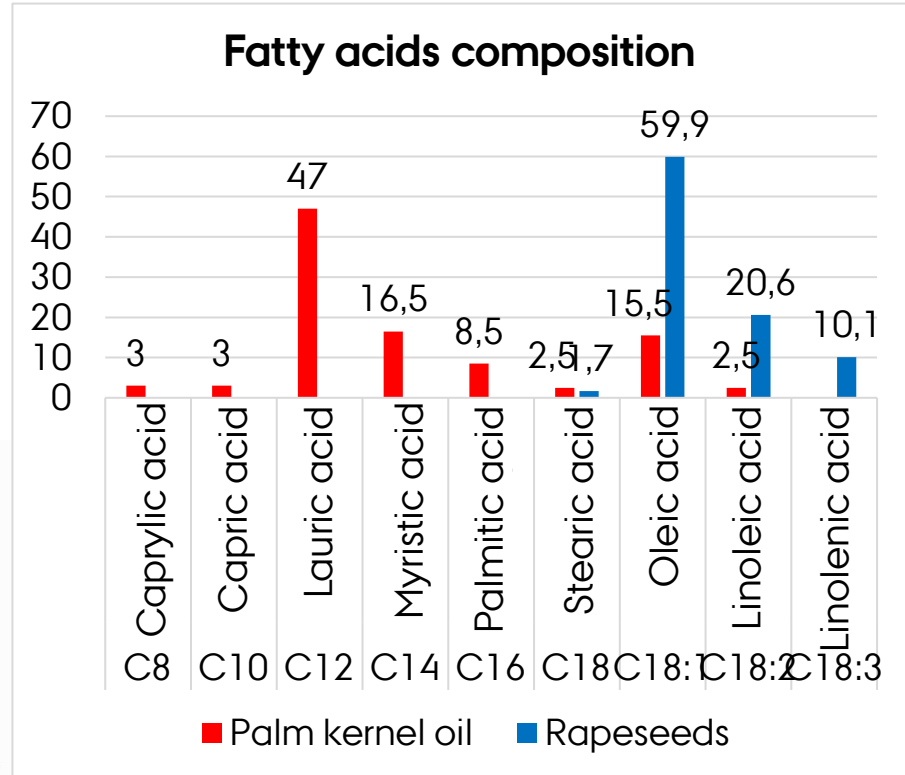


Fat supplementation
10%

Bovaer (3-NOP)
30%

Nitrate
10%

FATTY ACID PROFILE



DIETS

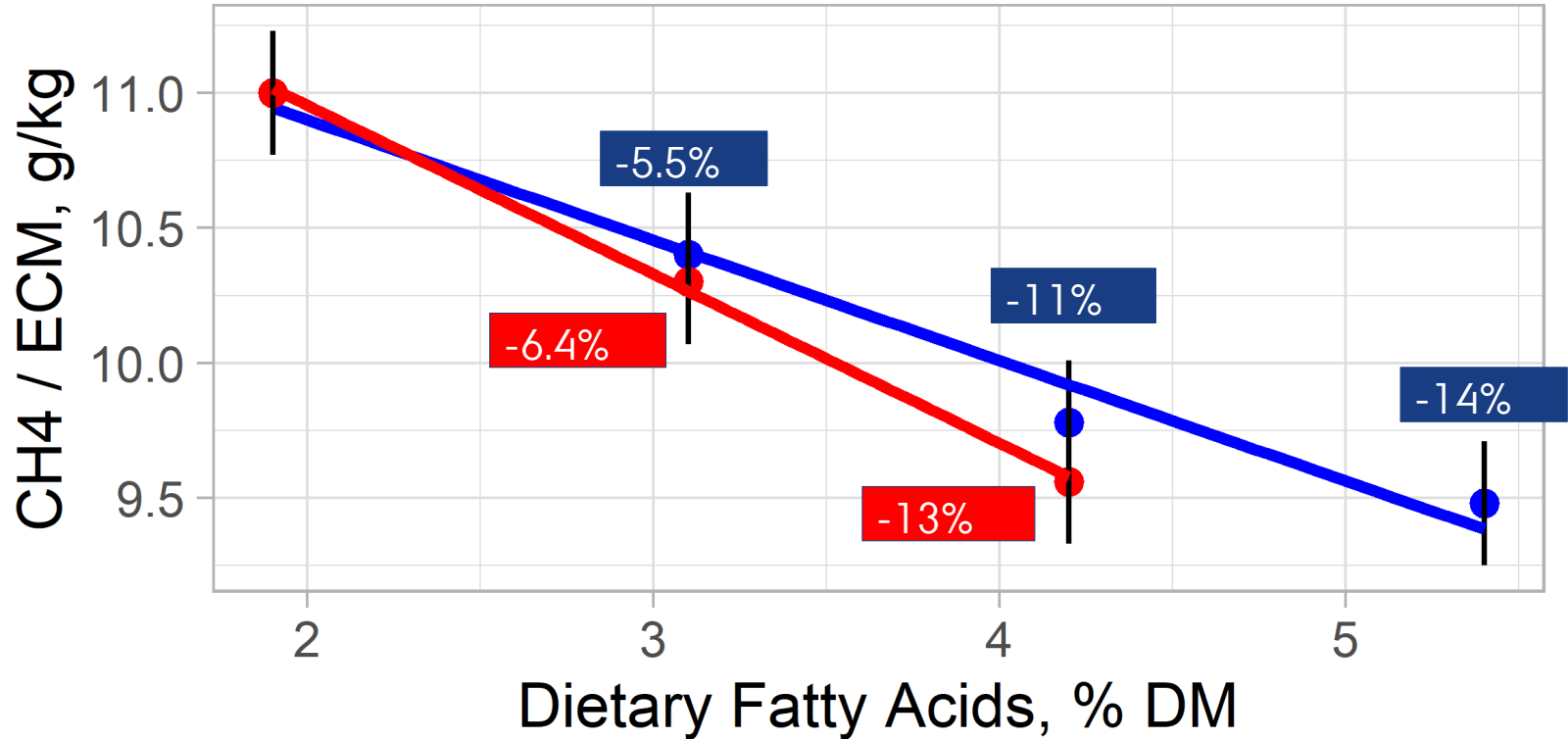
	1.9% FA 3.1% fat	3.0% FA 4.4% fat	4.2% FA 5.6% fat	5.4% FA 6.9% fat
		Rapeseeds	Rapeseeds	Rapeseeds
Control		Palm kernel oil	Palm kernel oil	

Ingredient, % DM	Basal diet
- Spring barley	19.5
- Grass-clover Silage	39.0
- Maize silage	31.2
- Beet pulp, dried	7.80
- Sodium bicarbonate	1.63
- Mineral and vitamins	0.65

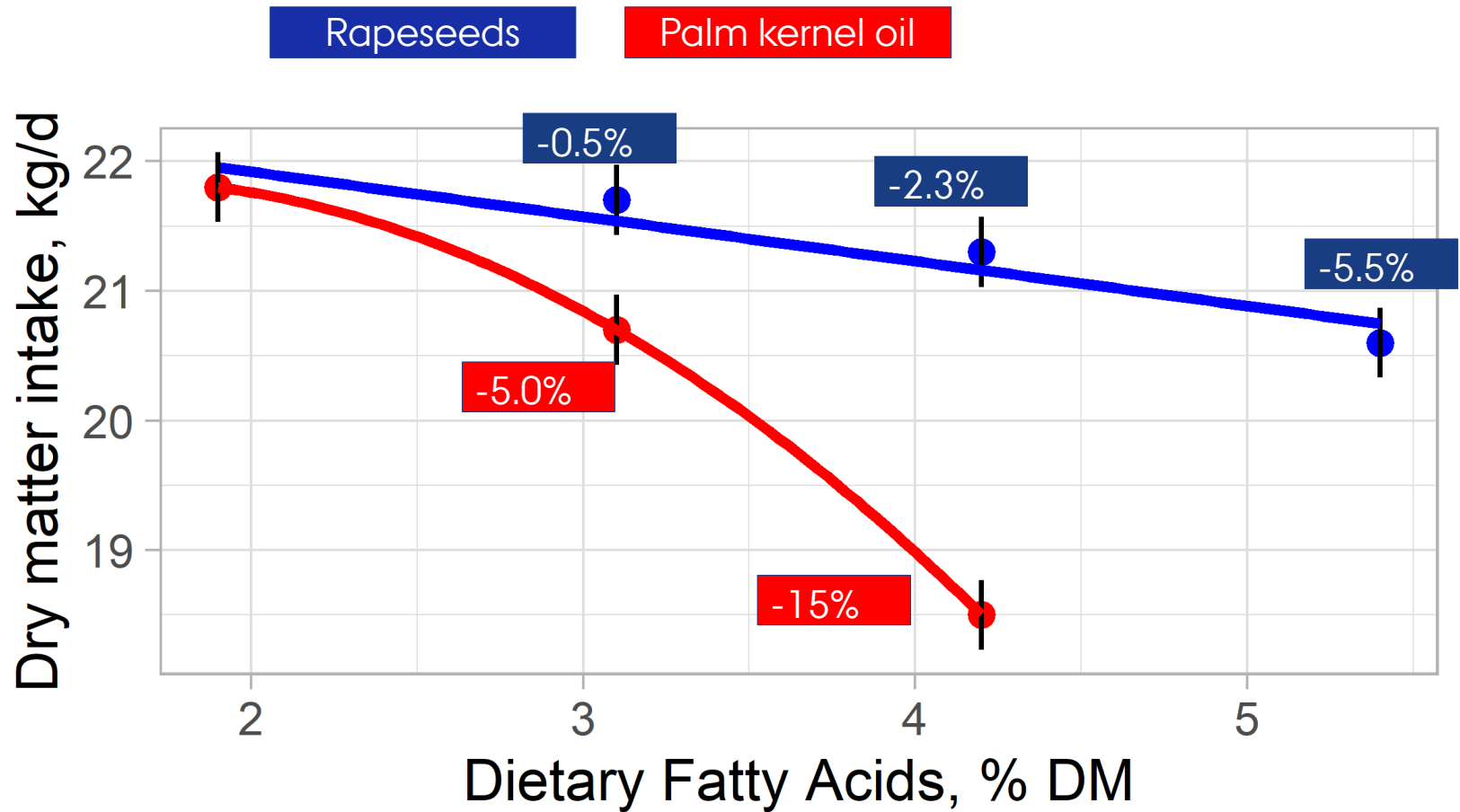
METHANE, G/KG ECM

Rapeseeds

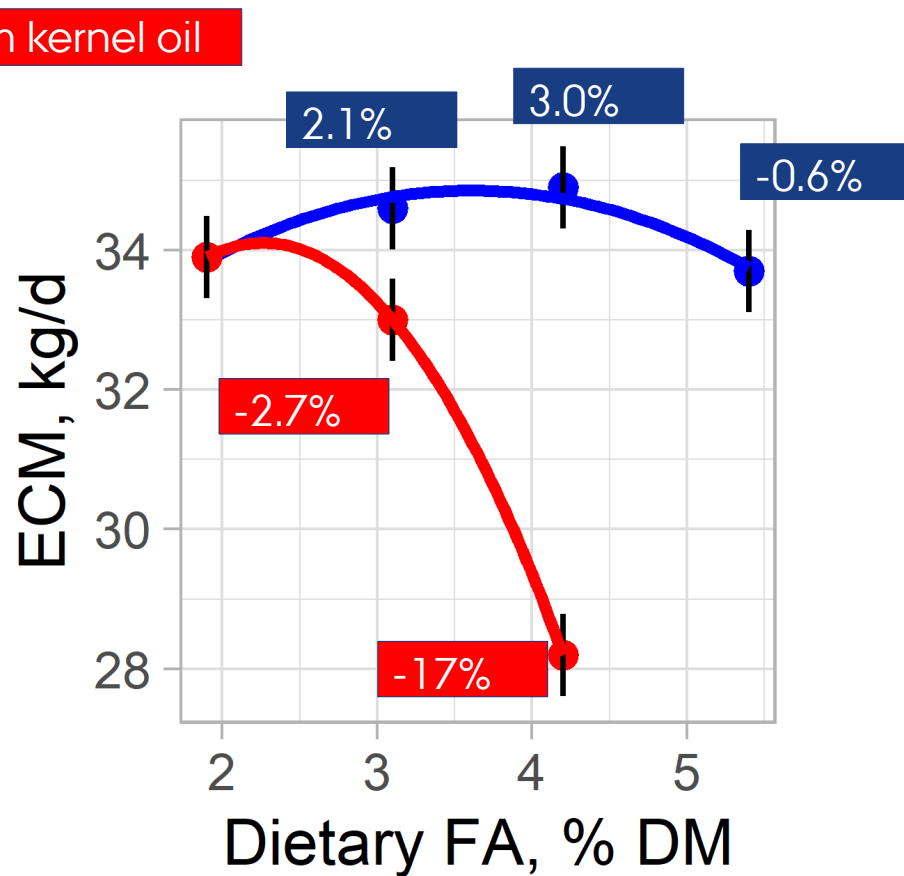
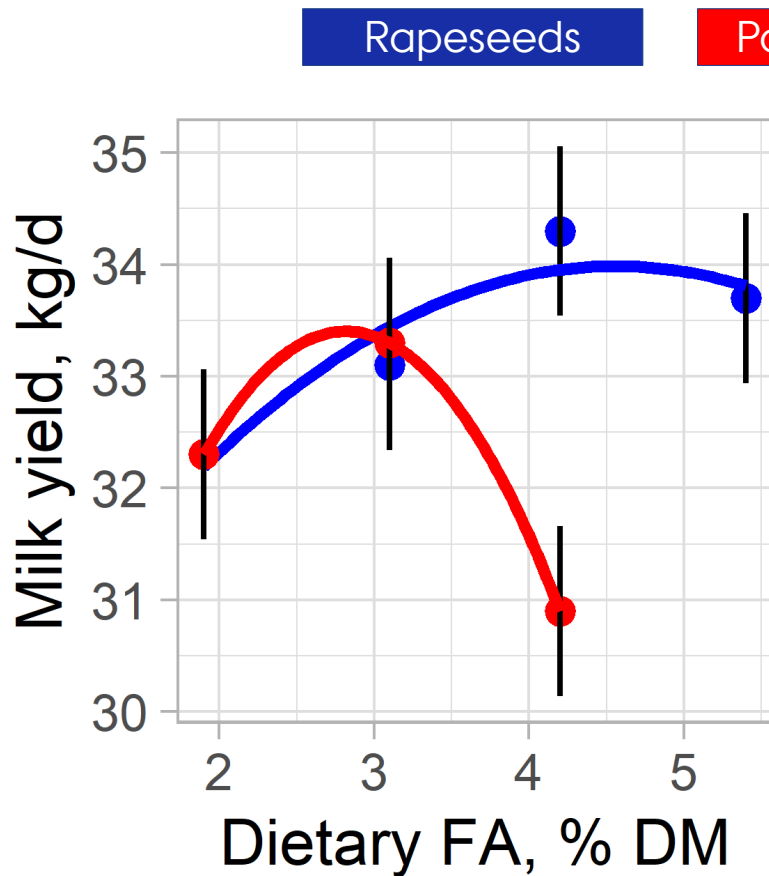
Palm kernel oil



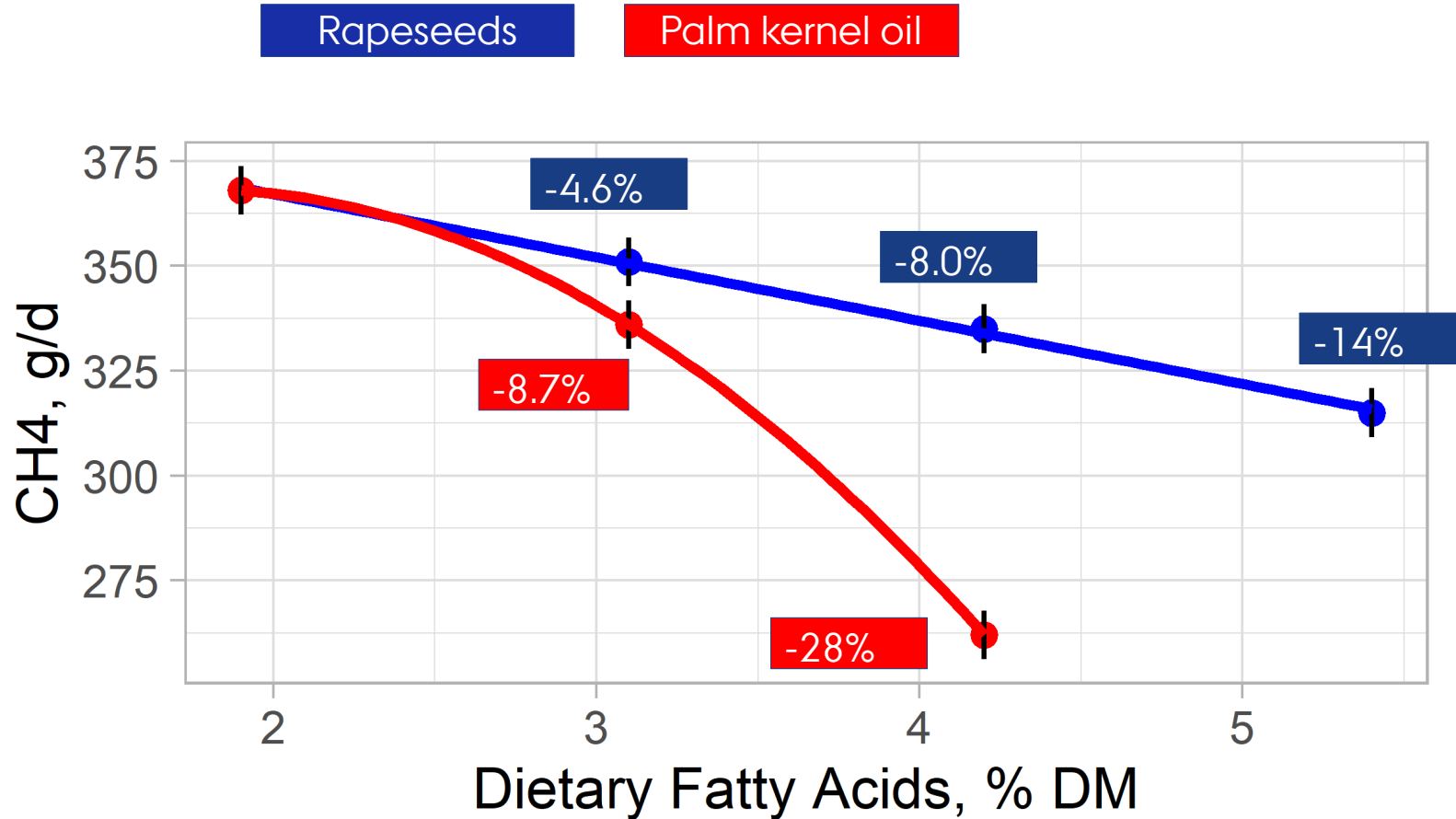
FEED INTAKE



MILK YIELD



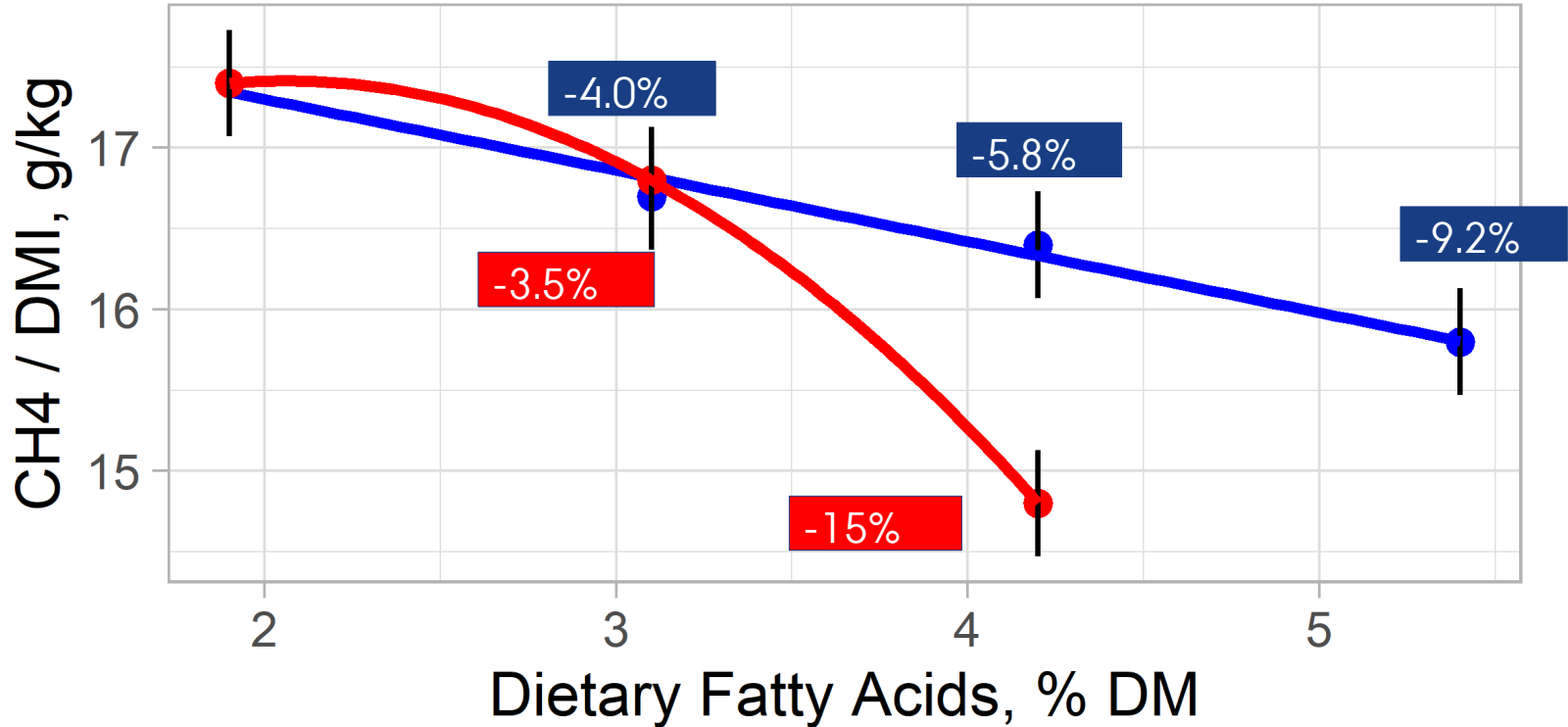
METHANE EMISSION



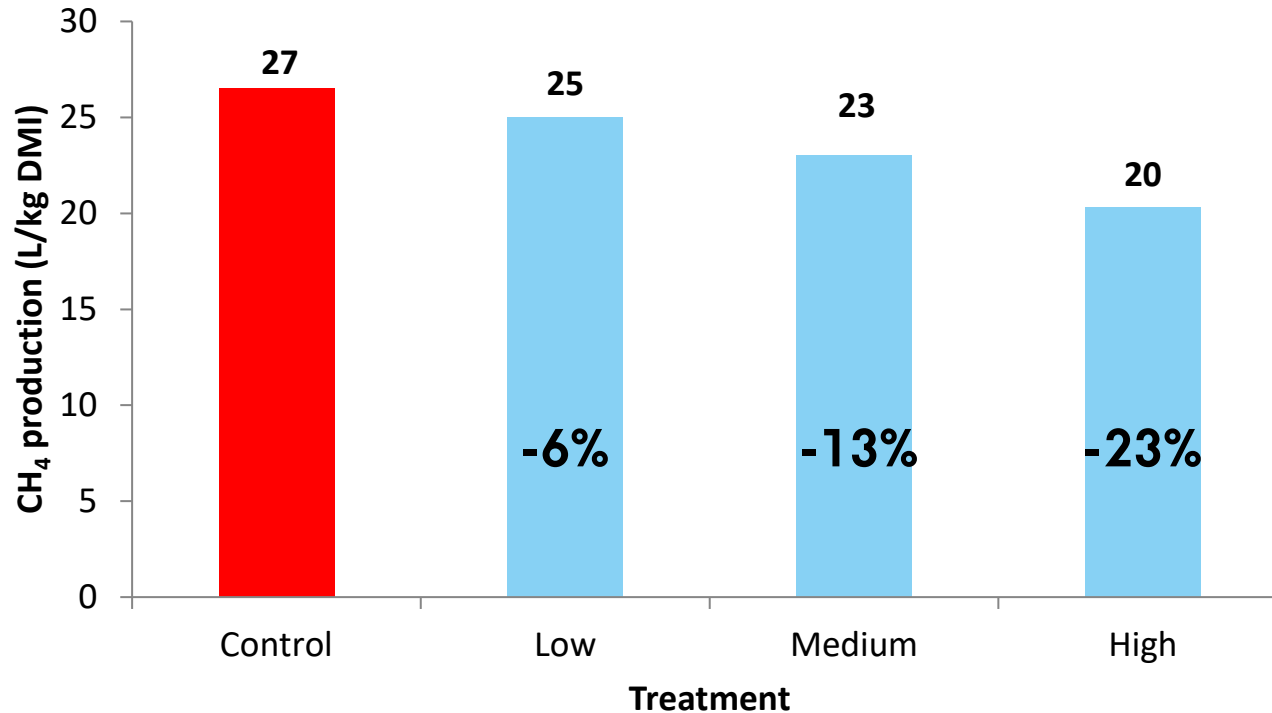
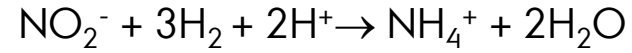
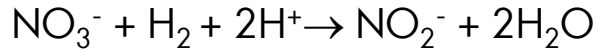
METHANE YIELD, G/KG TS

Rapeseeds

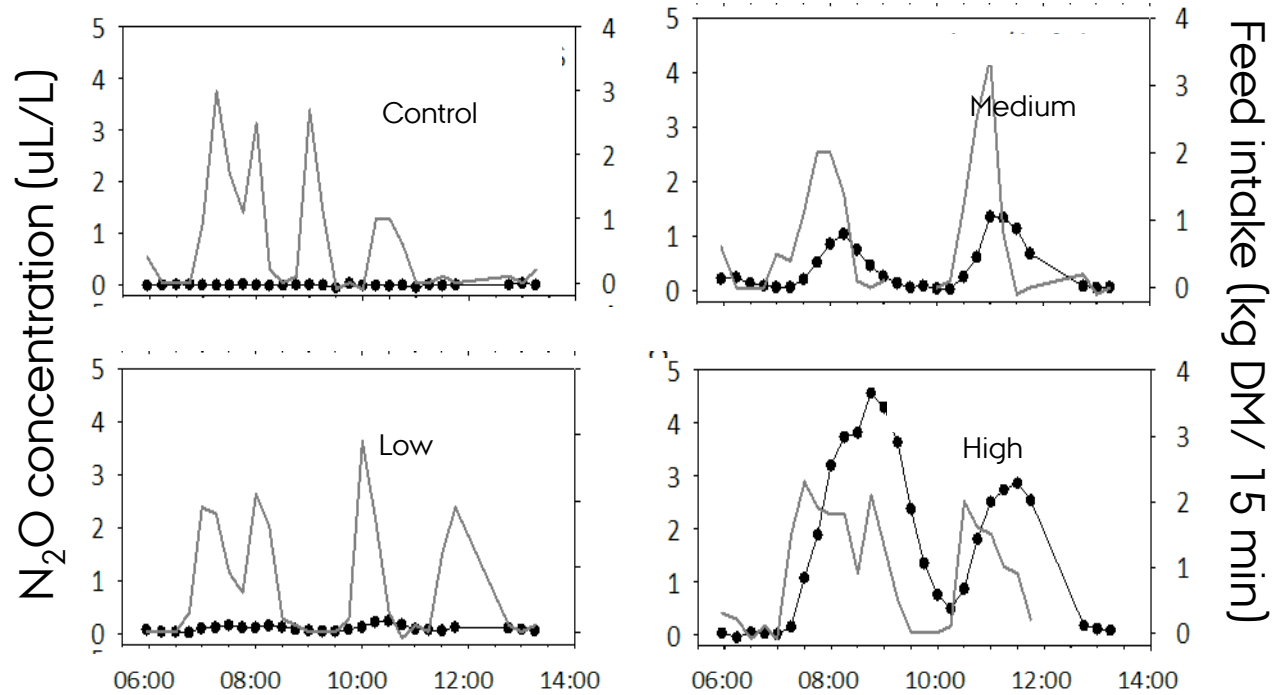
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NITRATE – DUAL PURPOSE

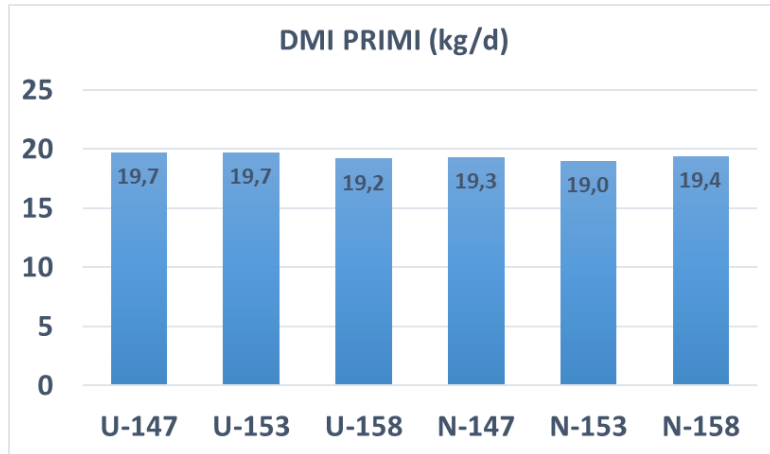


N₂O (256 X CO₂)

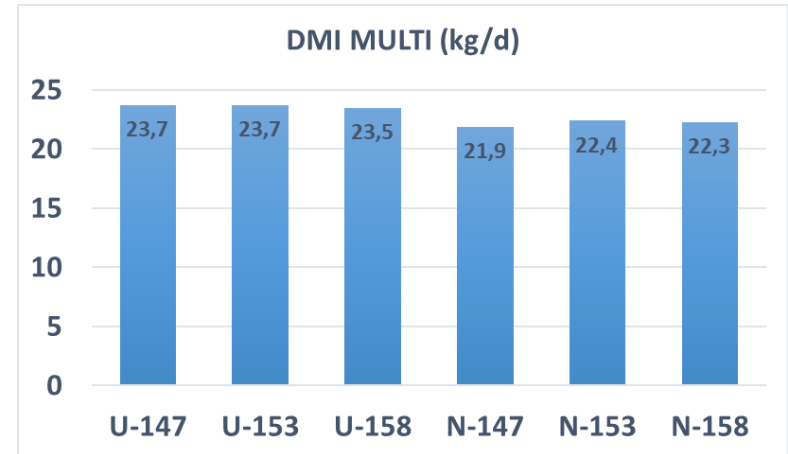


NITRATE – PRODUCTION STUDY

Nitrate: - 1% in DM intake



Nitrate: - 9% in DM intake



U: Urea

N: Nitrate

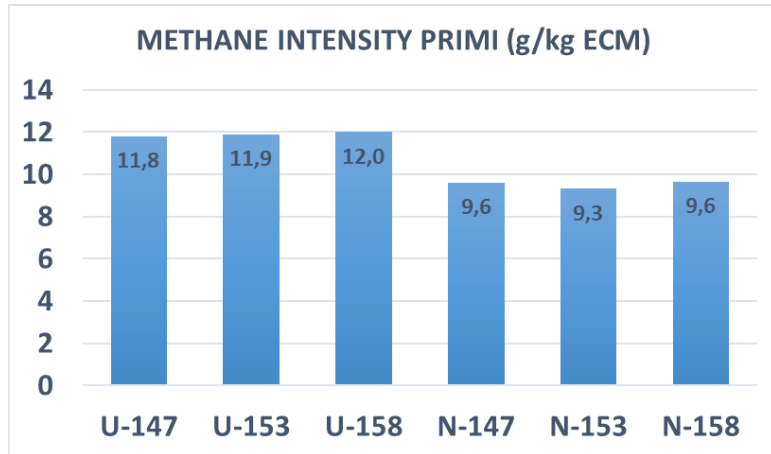
147: 147 g CP/kg DM

153: 153 g CP/kg DM

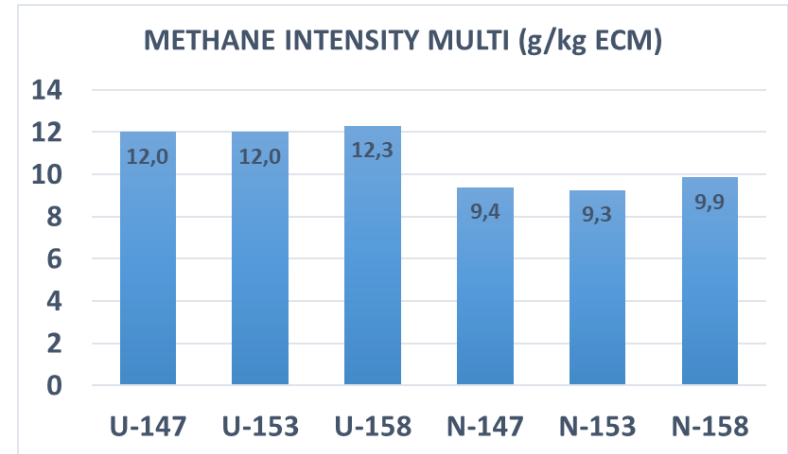
158: 158 g CP/kg DM

NITRATE PRODUCTION STUDY

Nitrate: -20 % in CH₄ yield



Nitrate: -21 % in CH₄ yield



U: Urea

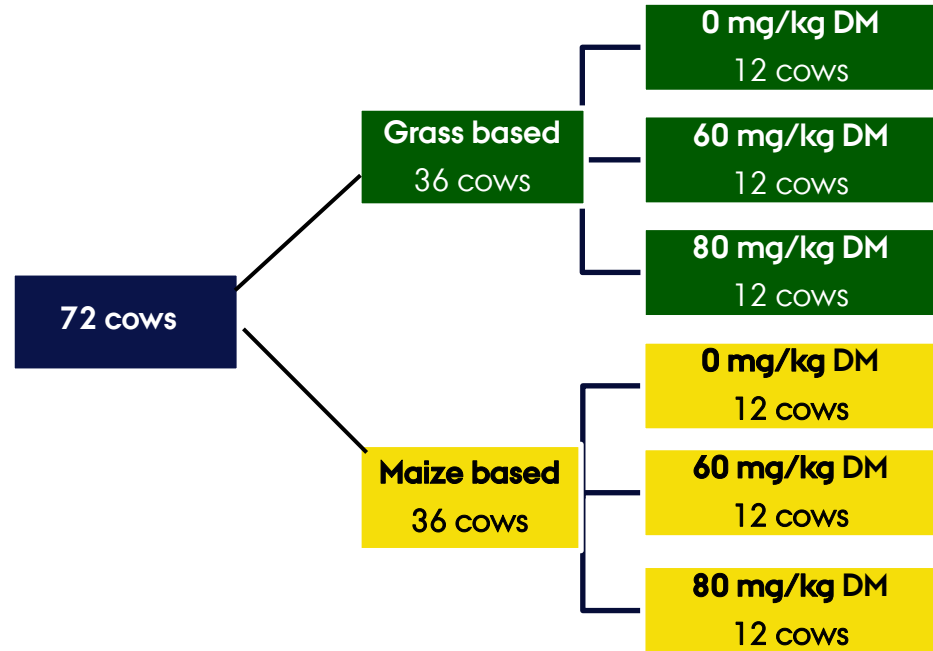
N: Nitrate

147: 147 g CP/kg DM

153: 153 g CP/kg DM

158: 158 g CP/kg DM

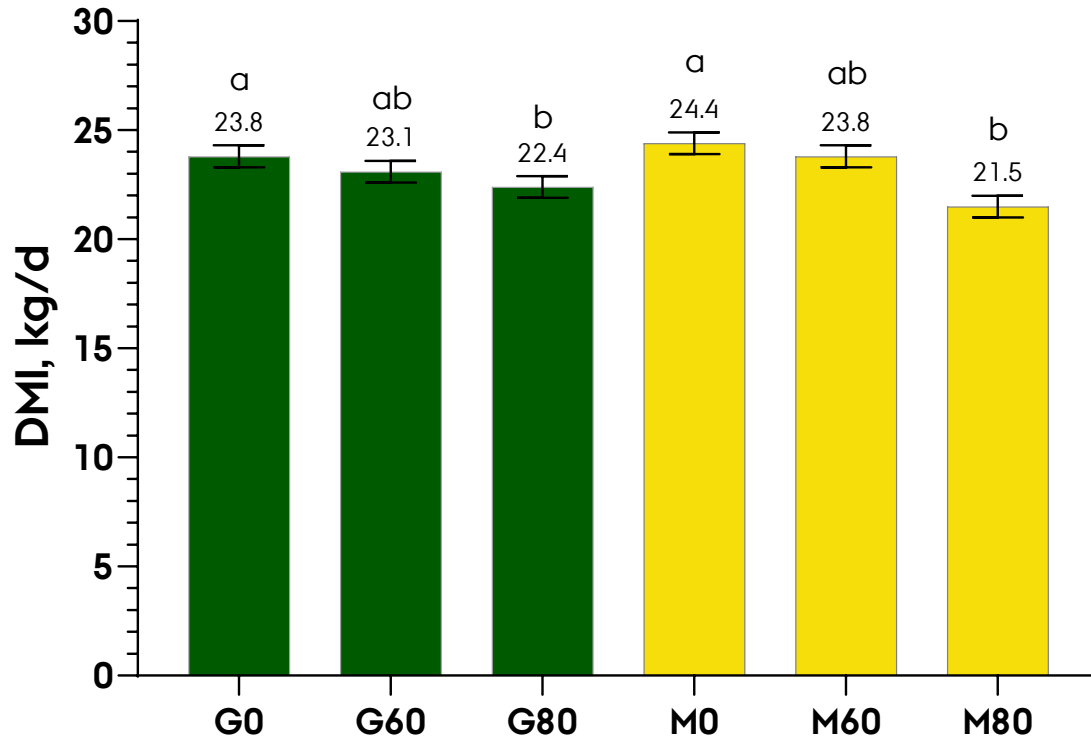
BOVAER X FORAGE TYPE



THE DIETS WERE SIMILAR IN FIBER, STARCH, AND FAT

	Grass-based 60:40 Grass:Maize	Maize-based 40:60 Grass:Maize
Energy, MJ/kg DM	6.5	6.5
Ash, g/kg DM	69	64
Crude protein, g/kg DM	164	161
NDF, g/kg DM	330	331
Starch, g/kg TS	185	194
Crude fat, g/kg TS	43	39

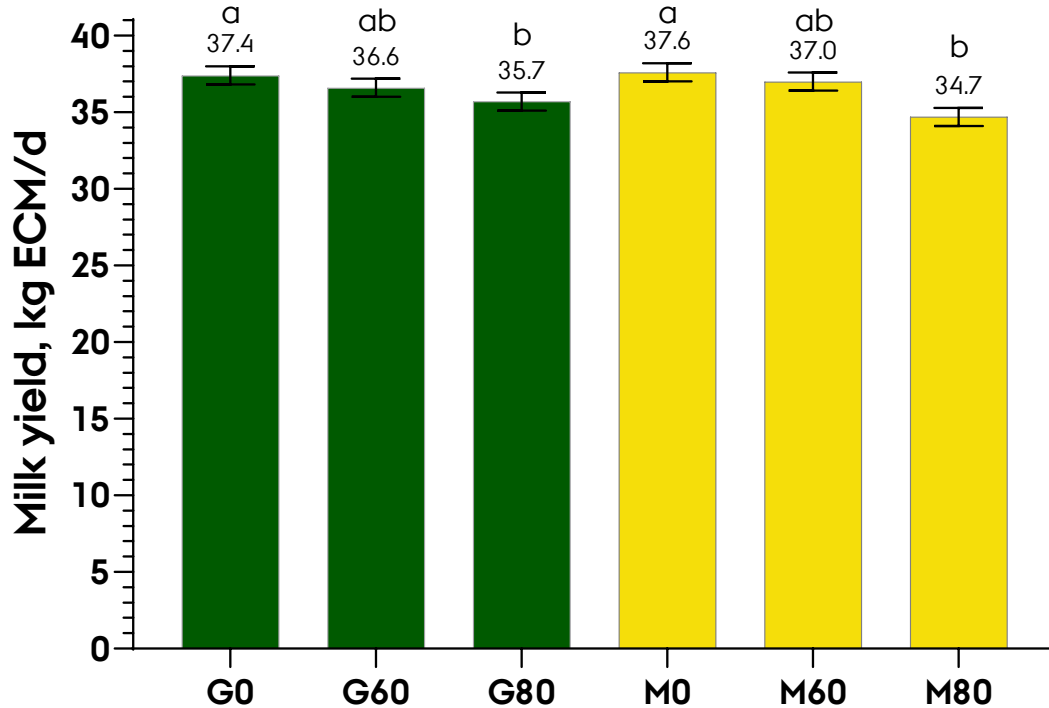
3-NOP AT 80 mg REDUCED DMI BY 9% NO EFFECT OF 60 mg



	P-value
Forage type	0.68
3-NOP dose	<0.01
Week	<0.01
Parity	<0.01
Forage type × 3-NOP	0.22
Forage type × 3-NOP × Week	<0.01



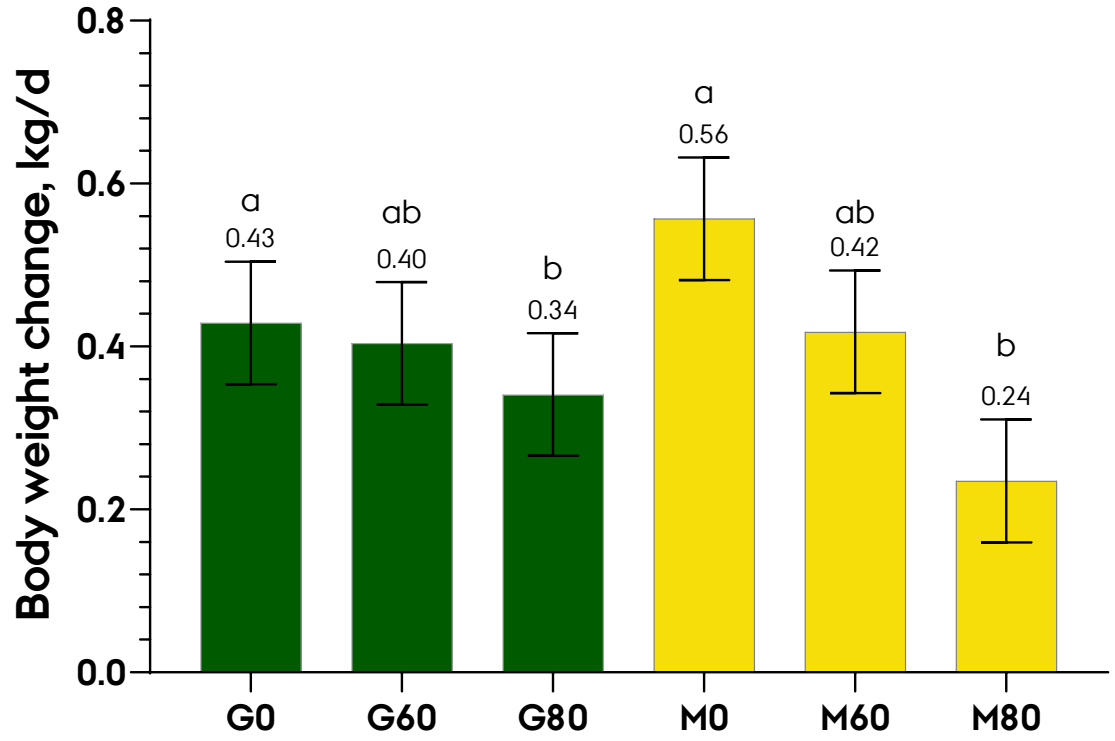
MILK PRODUCTION REDUCED BY 5% AT 80 mg NO EFFECT OF 60 mg



	P-value
Forage type	0.81
3-NOP dose	<0.01
Week	<0.01
Parity	<0.01
Forage type × 3-NOP	0.39
Forage type × 3-NOP × Week	0.18



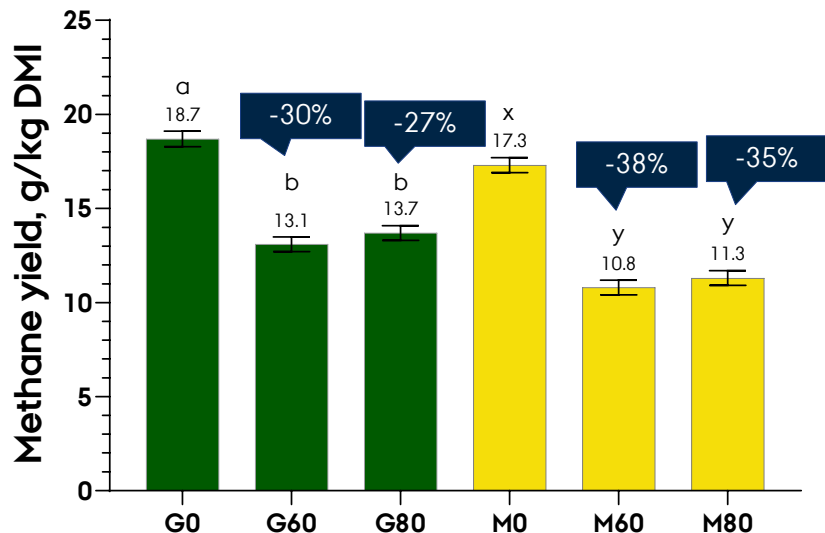
CHANGE OF BW OVER THE 12 WEEKS



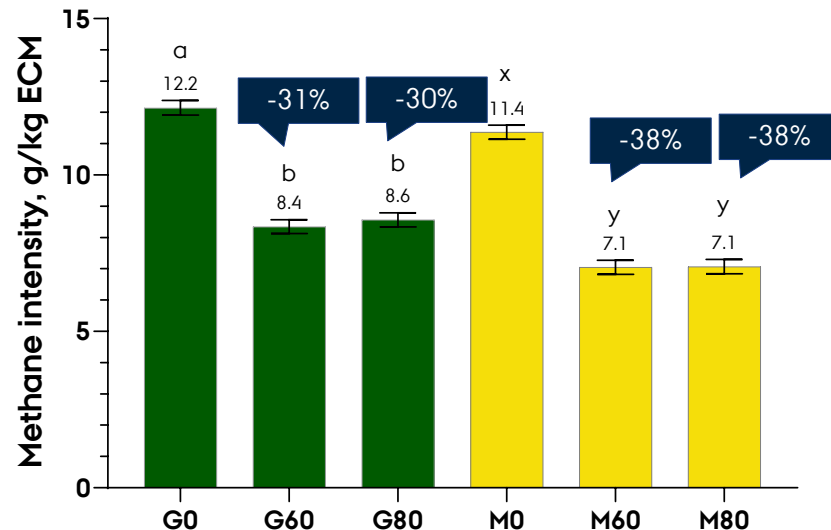
	P-value
Forage type	0.84
3-NOP dose	0.02
Parity	0.48
Forage type × 3-NOP	0.26

60 & 80 MG 3-NOP IS EQUALLY EFFICIENT

Methane per kg DMI



Methane per kg ECM

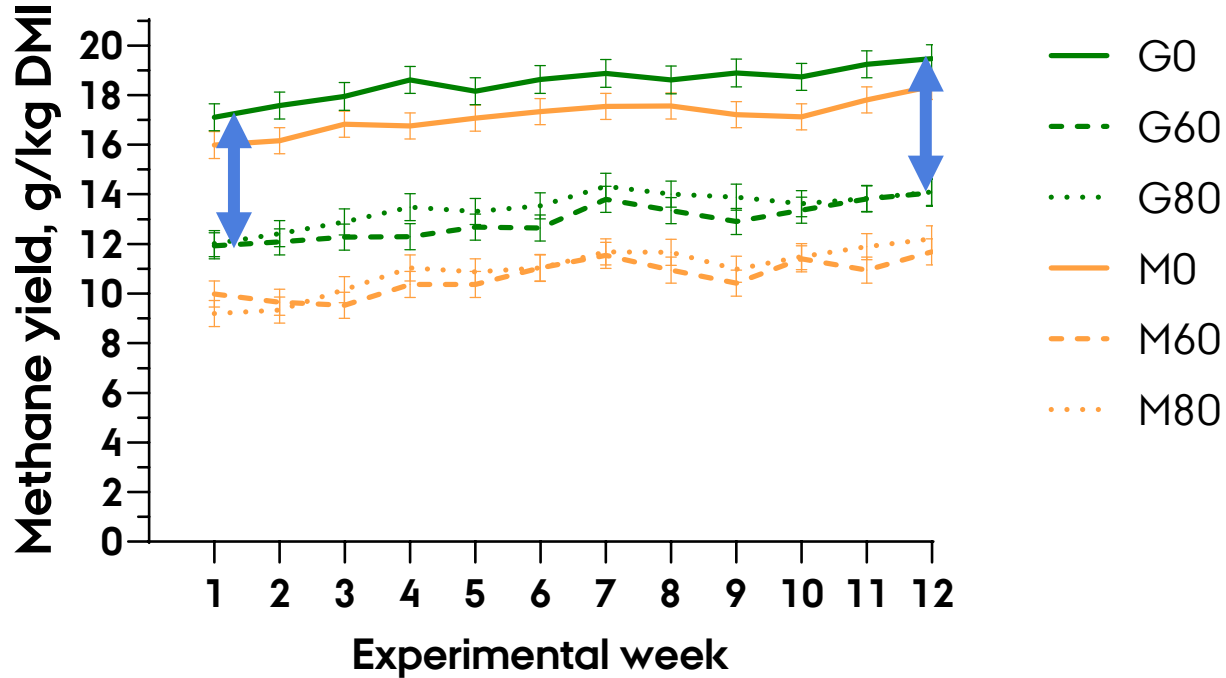


	P-value
Forage type	<0.01
3-NOP dose	<0.01*
Week	<0.01
Forage type × 3-NOP	0.27

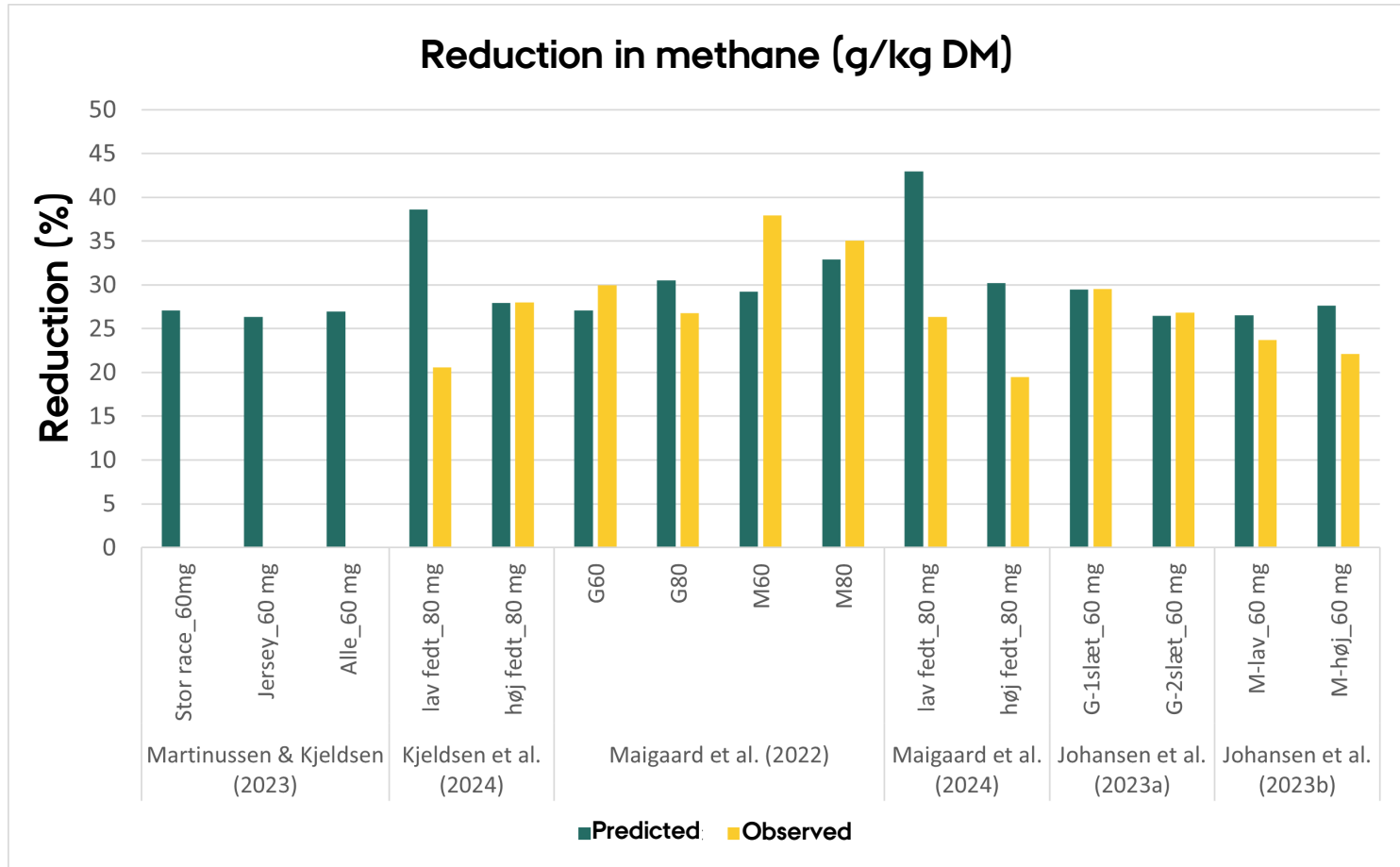
*Greater 3-NOP-effect
in multiparous cows

	P-value
Forage type	<0.01
3-NOP	<0.01*
Week	<0.01
Forage type × 3-NOP	0.28

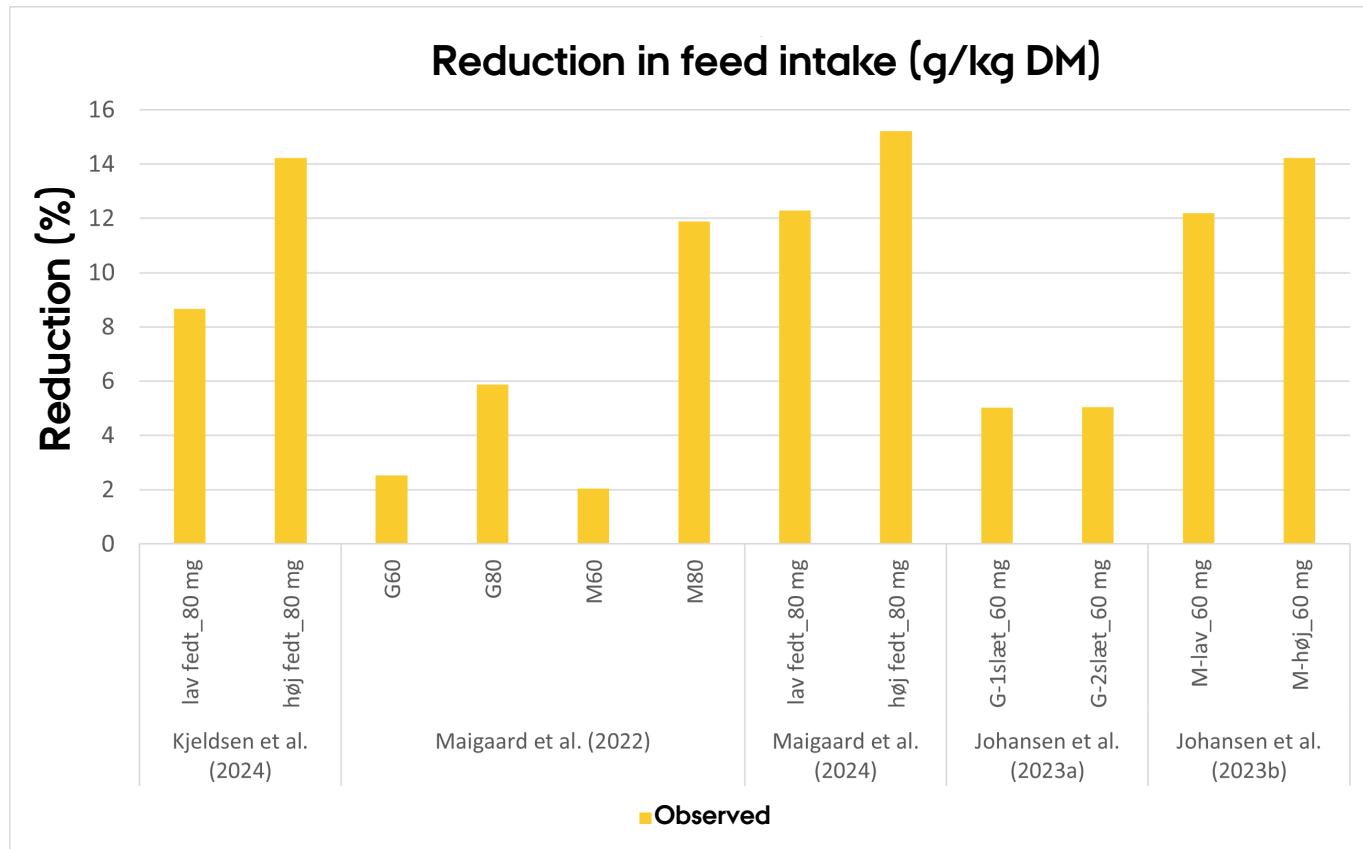
THE EFFECT OF 3-NOP IS PERSISTENT



BOVAER IN AU TRIALS – 27 % REDUCTION



BOVAER IN AU TRIALS – FEED INTAKE



On farm trials (Arla, SEGES): No reduction in feed intake

TREATMENTS

2×2×2 factorial arrangement of treatments

- > Low/high fat: 3% crude fat vs. 6% crude fat (**Fat**)
- > -/+ Nitrate: 10 g/kg DM (**Nitrate**)
- > -/+ 3-NOP: 80 mg/kg DM (**3-NOP**)

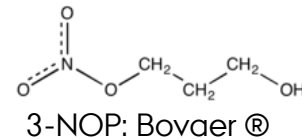
= 8 different diets



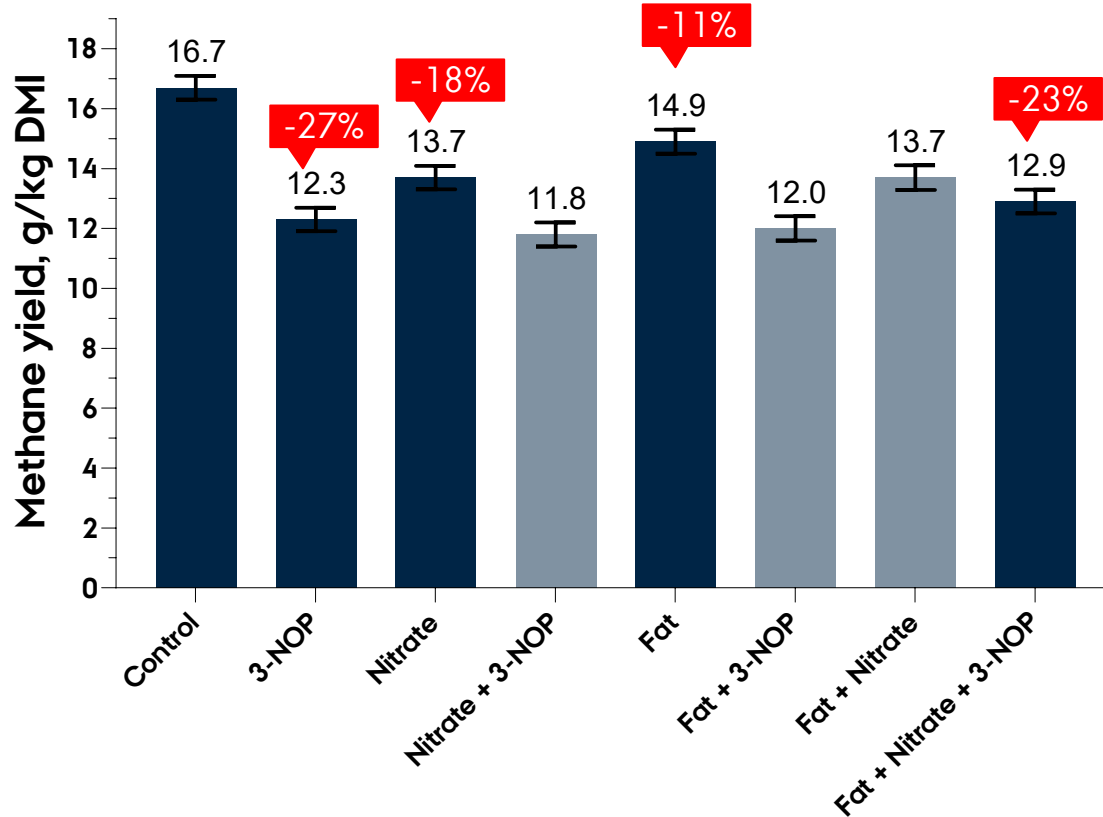
Fat: whole cracked rapeseed



Nitrate: Calcium nitrate; SilvAir ®

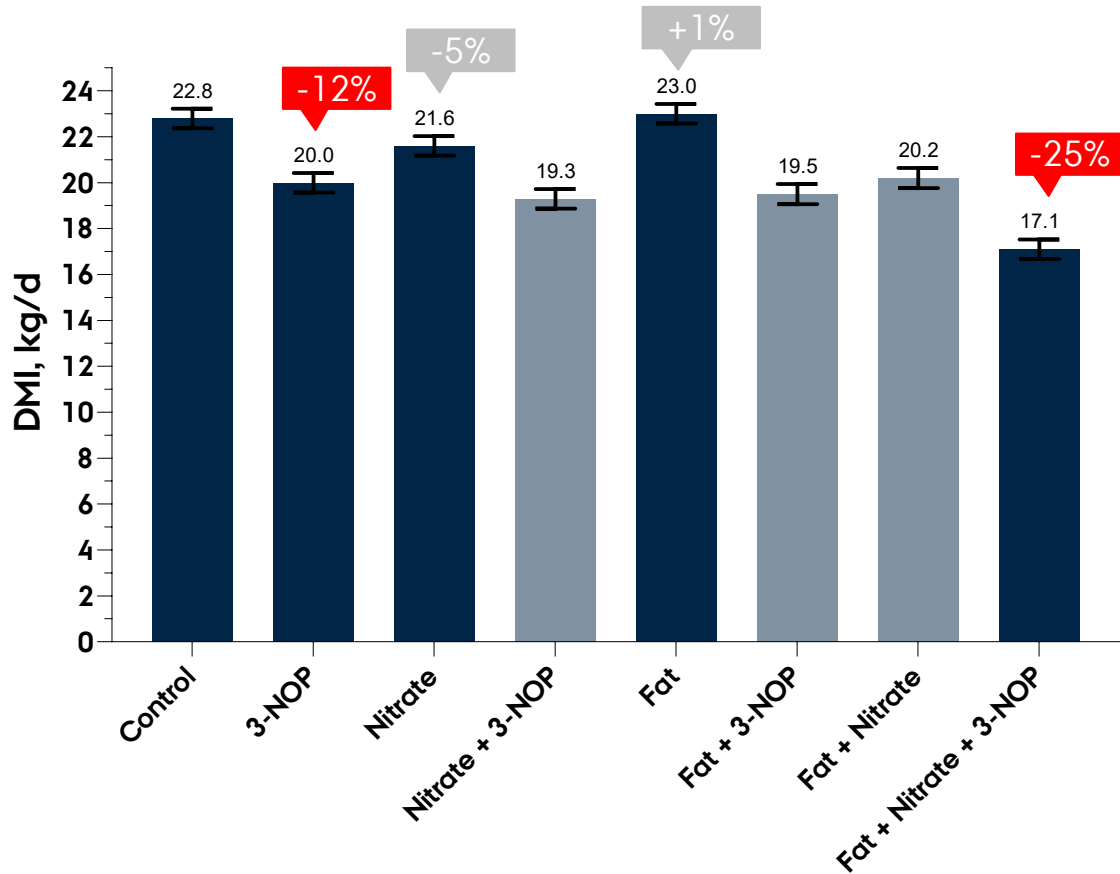


METHANE YIELD



	P-value
Fat	0.35
Nitrate	<0.01
3-NOP	<0.01
Fat x Nitrate	<0.01
Fat x 3-NOP	<0.01
Nitrate x 3-NOP	<0.01
Fat x Nitrate x 3-NOP	0.58

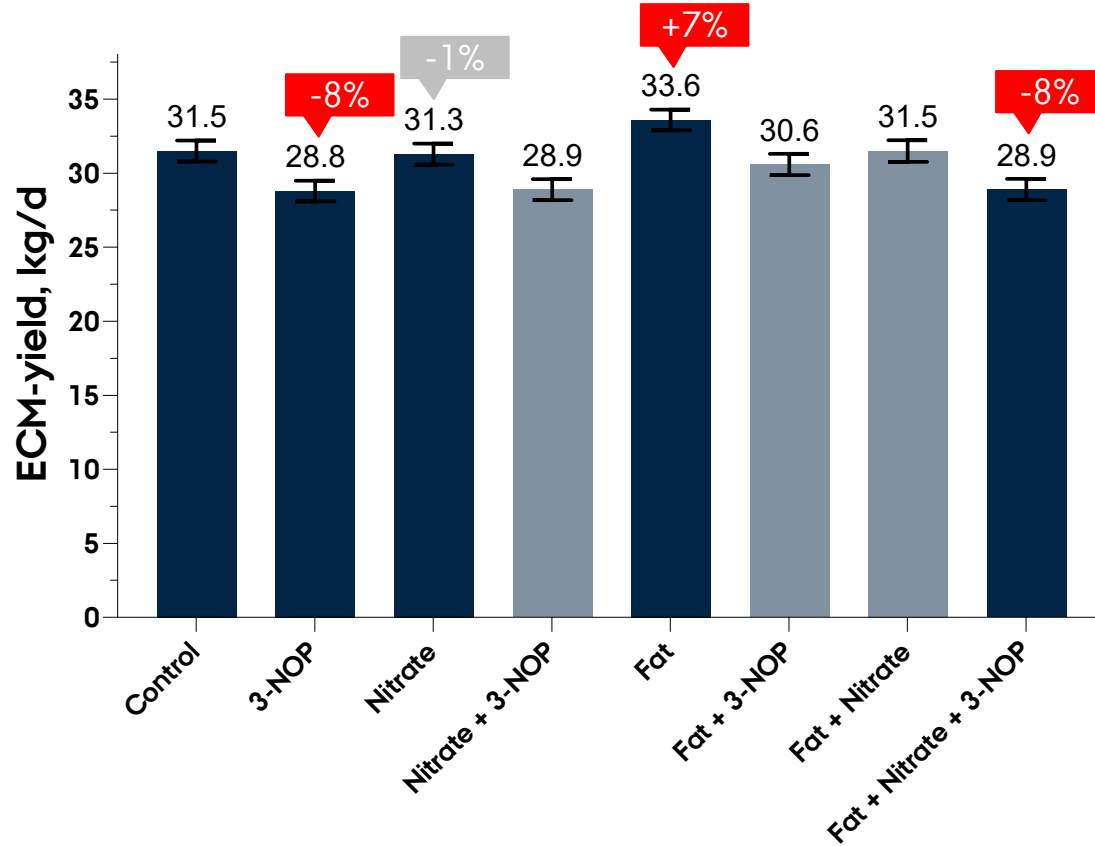
37 DRY MATTER INTAKE



	P-value
Fat	<0.01
Nitrate	<0.01
3-NOP	<0.01
Fat x Nitrate	<0.01
Fat x 3-NOP	0.09
Nitrate x 3-NOP	0.30
Fat x Nitrate x 3-NOP	0.99



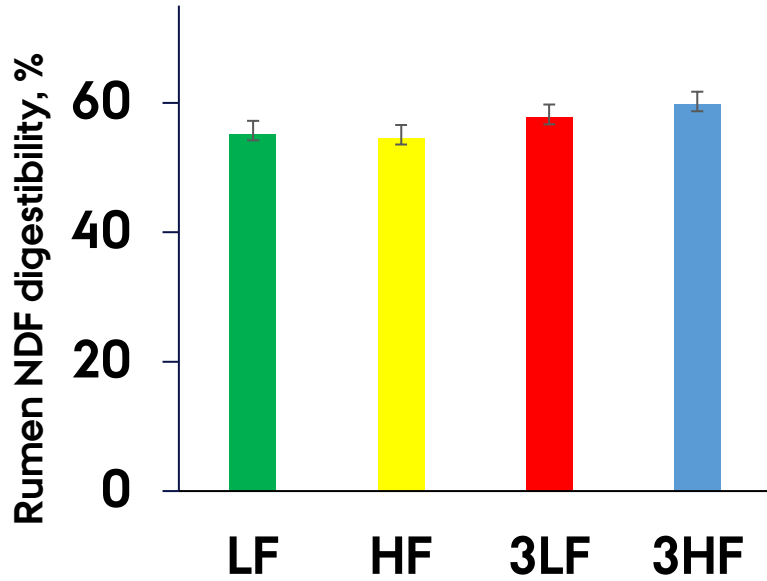
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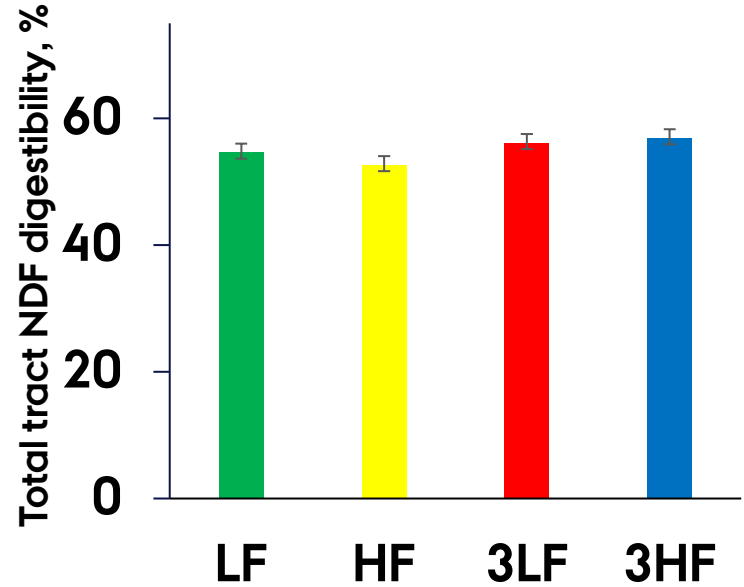
	P-value
Fat	<0.01
Nitrate	<0.01
3-NOP	<0.01
Fat x Nitrate	<0.01
Fat x 3-NOP	0.70
Nitrate x 3-NOP	0.52
Fat x Nitrate x 3-NOP	0.90



NDF DIGESTIBILITY



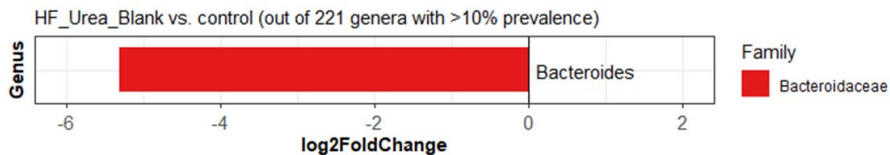
SE	P-value		
2.1	Fat	3- NOP	Fat x 3- NOP
	0.73	0.09	0.51



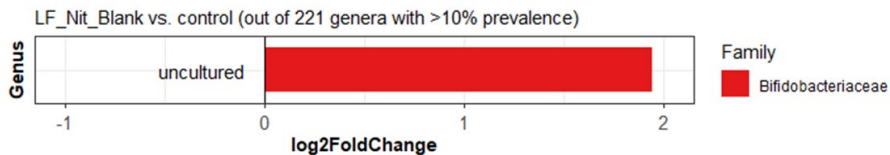
SE	P-value		
1.4	Fat	3- NOP	Fat x 3- NOP
	0.67	0.06	0.34

RUMEN MICROBIOME

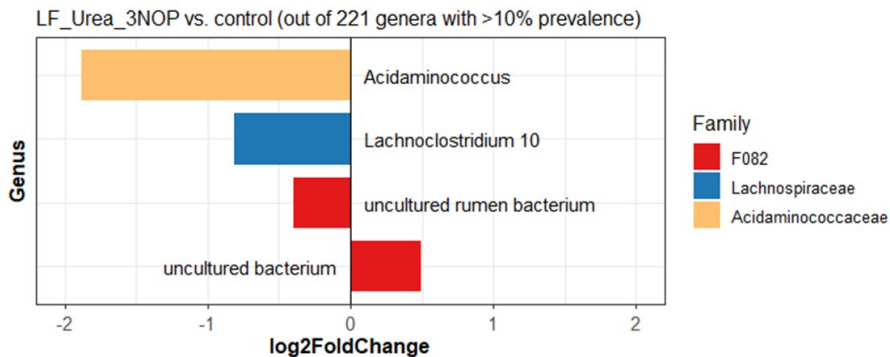
+ FAT



+ NITRATE



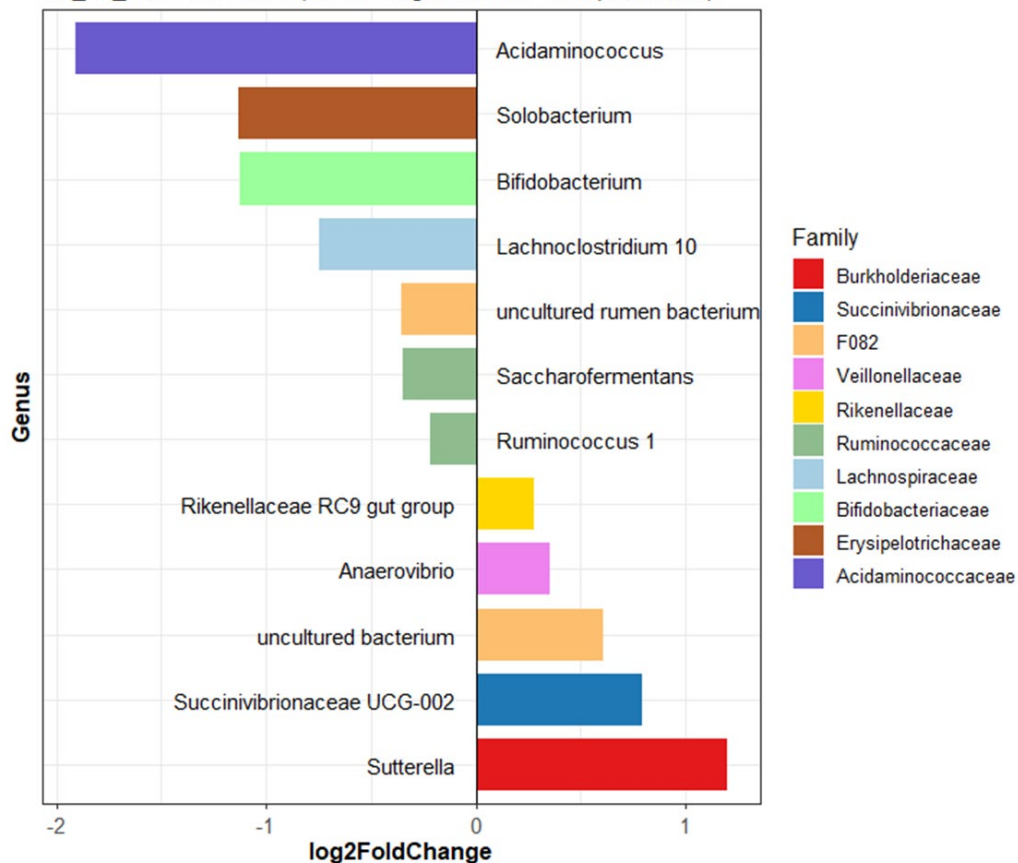
+ 3-NOP



RUMEN MICROBIOME

+ NITRATE
+ 3-NOP
+ FAT

HF_Nit_3NOP vs. control (out of 221 genera with >10% prevalence)





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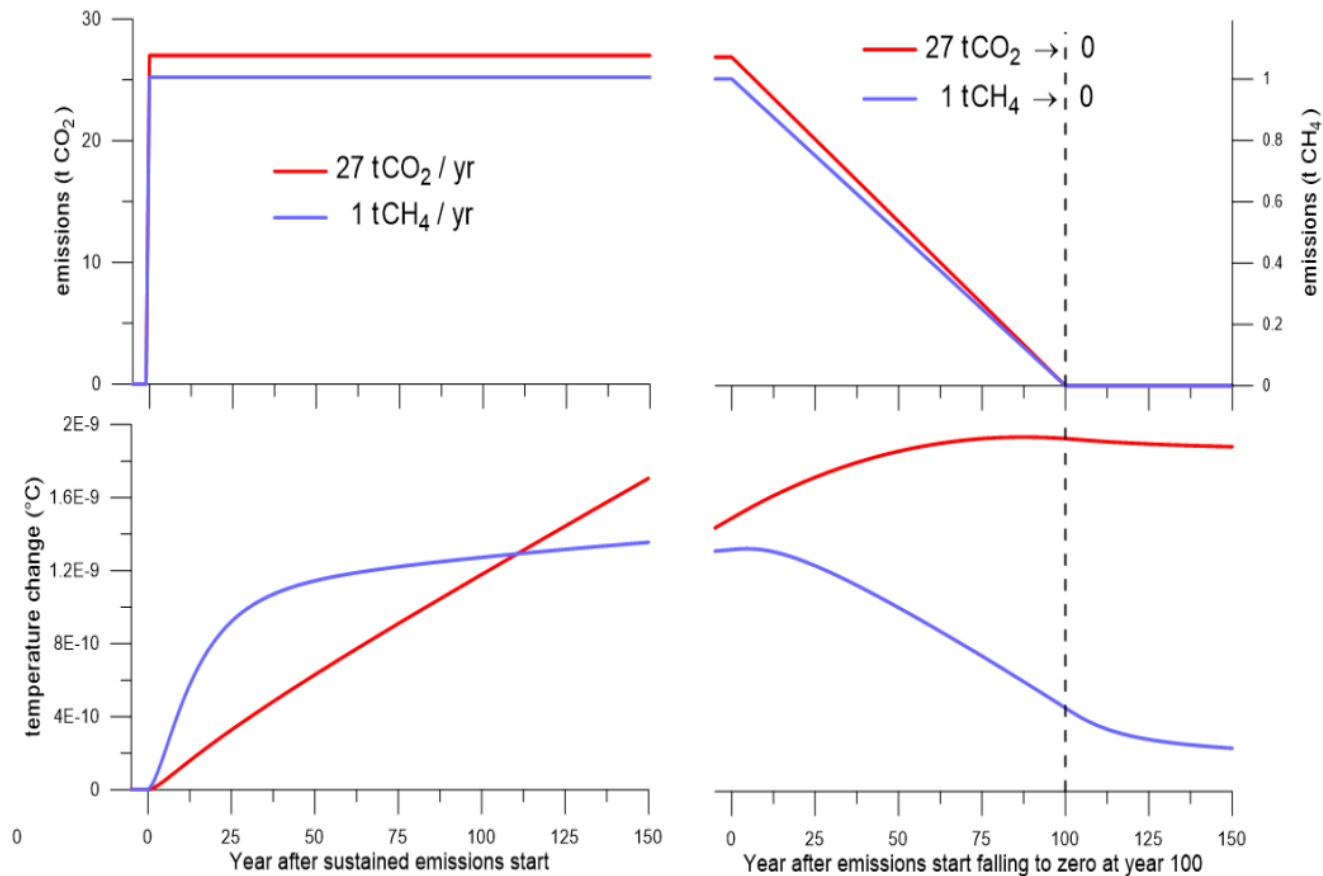
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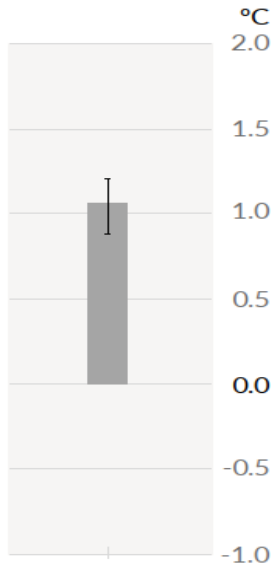
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EFFECT OF REDUCTION



CO₂ AND CH₄ ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT GHG

a) Observed warming 2010-2019 relative to 1850-1900



c) Contributions to 2010-2019 warming relative to 1850-1900, assessed from radiative forcing studies

