

# A Living Lab to address heat stress in dairy goats: impact of a nutritional intervention on milk yield and quality

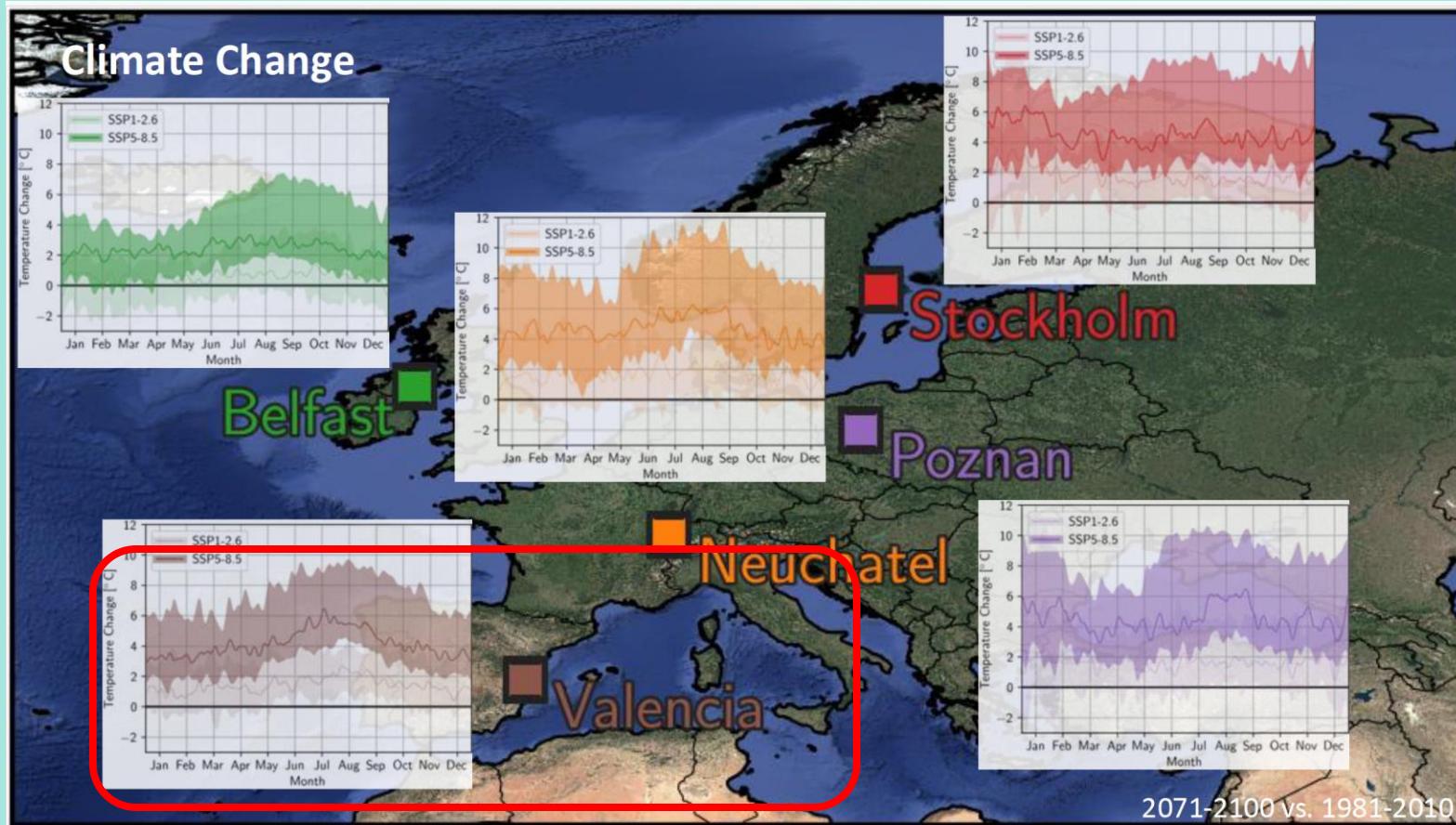
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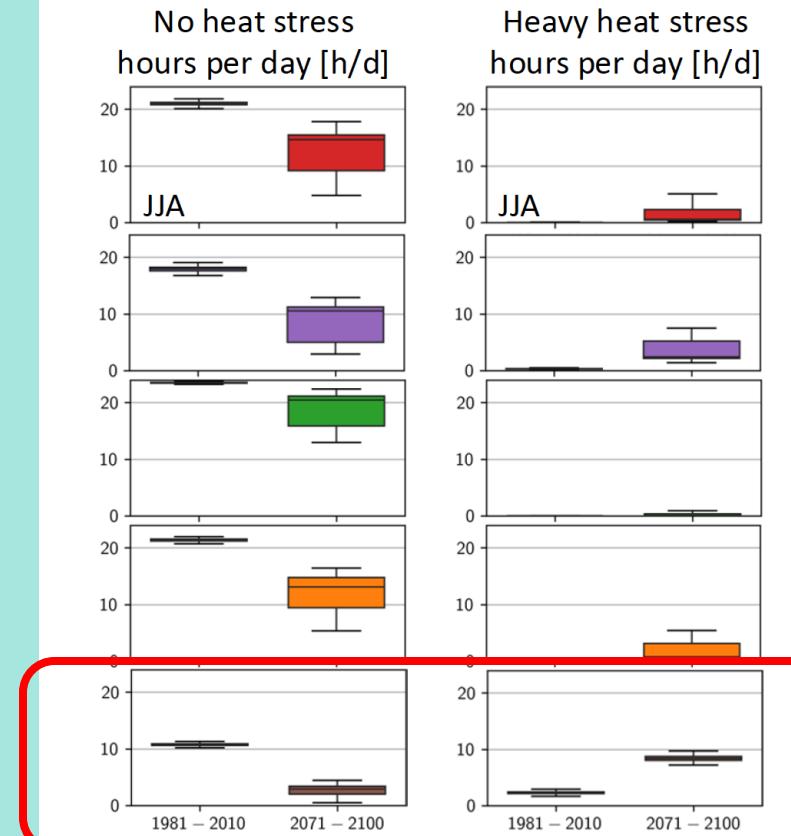
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# Context: climate change



## Animal welfare



1981-2010 ----- 2071 - 2100



# Context: heat stress

↑ 27 %

2.21 kg/d

52 kg



dry

54 kg

↑ 48 %

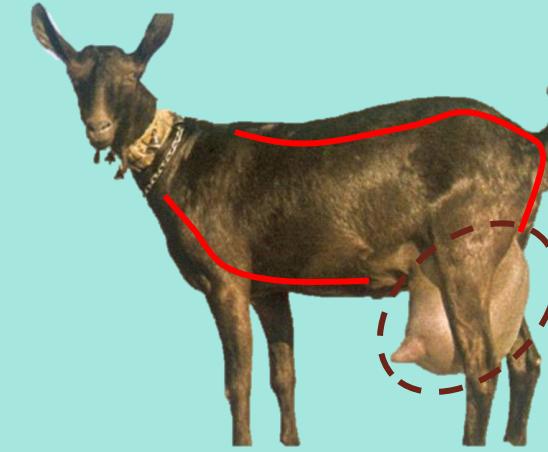
3.22 kg/d

49 kg



↑ Respiration rate ( $\text{CO}_2$ )  
↓ Forrage intake

↓ Saliva/buffer  
↓ Rumen pH



↓ Blood Flow (24 %)

# Context: Living Lab in dairy goats

Real test bed and an experimentation environment where users and producers can co-create innovations



Farmer



Farm staff



CSIC researchers



Nutrition company



Dairy goats  
association



# Objective + methods: Living Lab in dairy goats

to evaluate the impact of a specific **dietary supplement** on primiparous dairy goats under heat stress conditions



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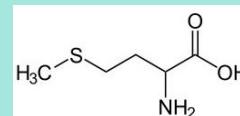


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CONTROL

TREATMENT



- Daily milk yield
- Milk composition
- Temperature and Humidity
- Activity collars

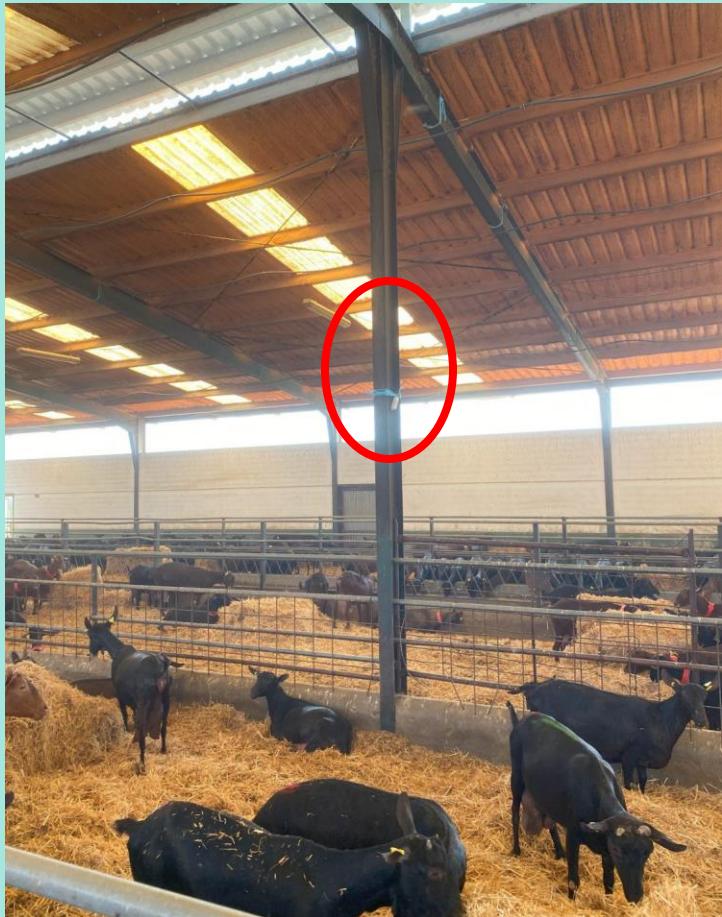


July 1<sup>st</sup>

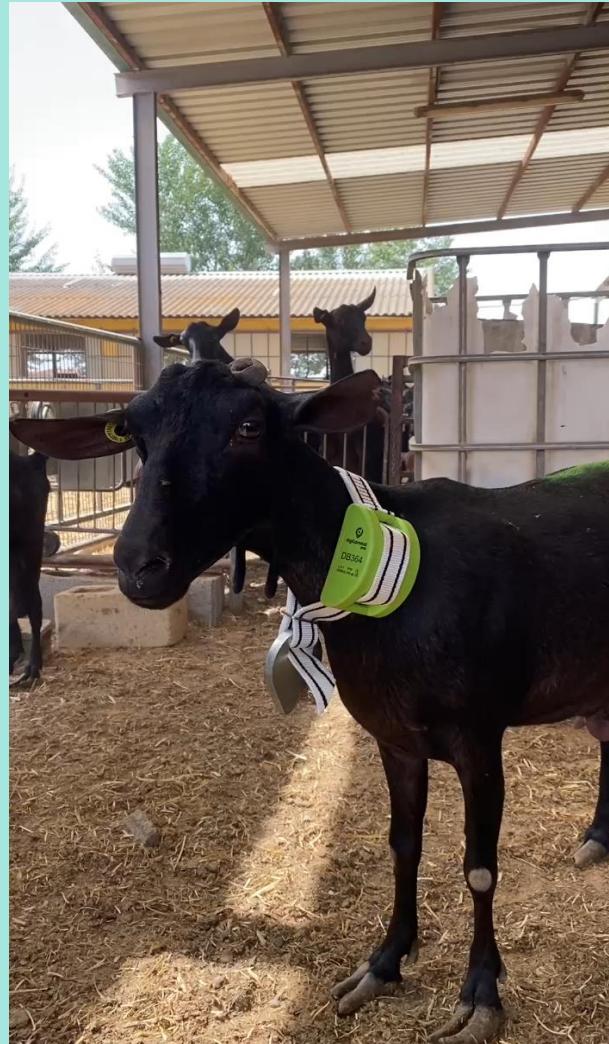
-----> October 30<sup>th</sup>  
2 years



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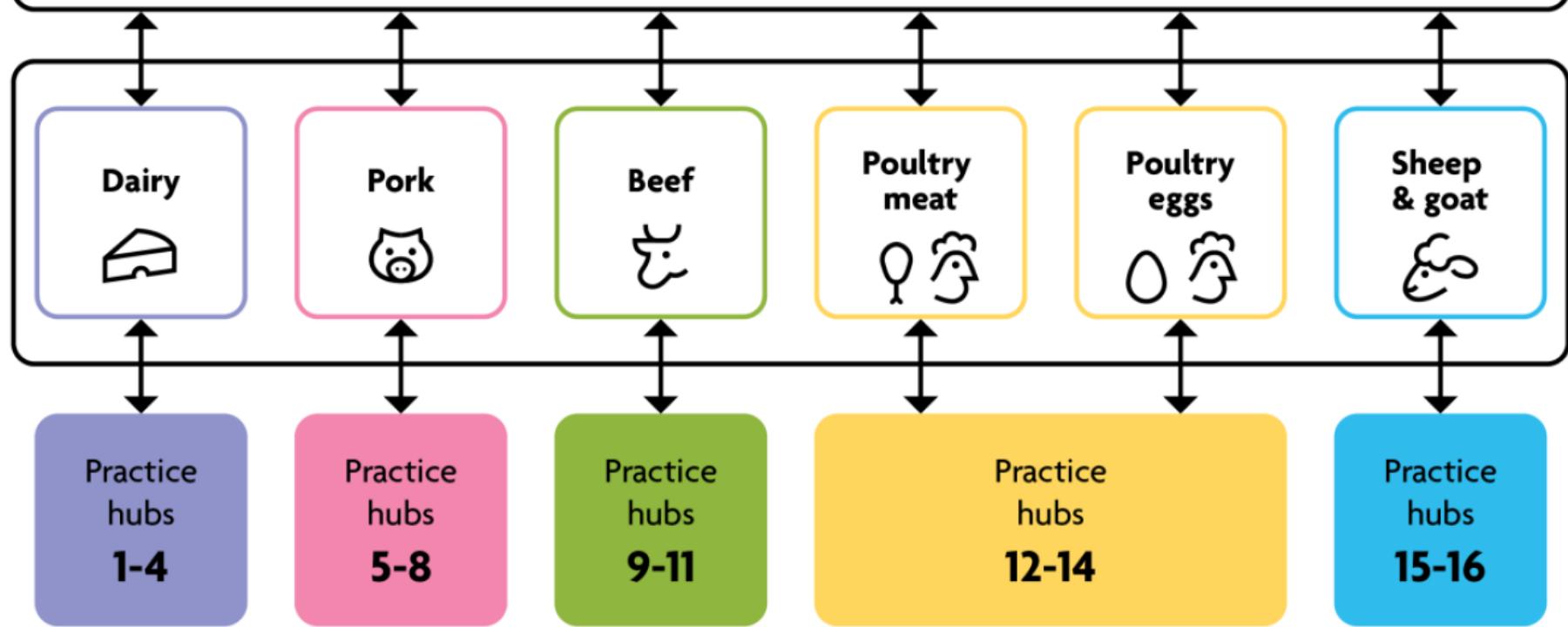
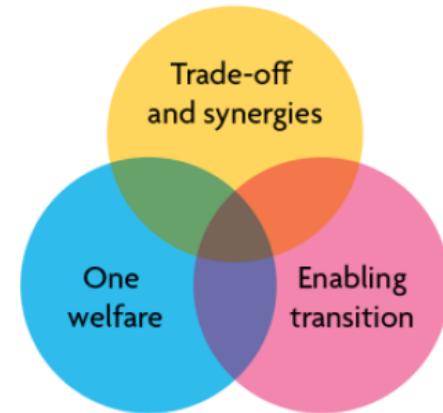


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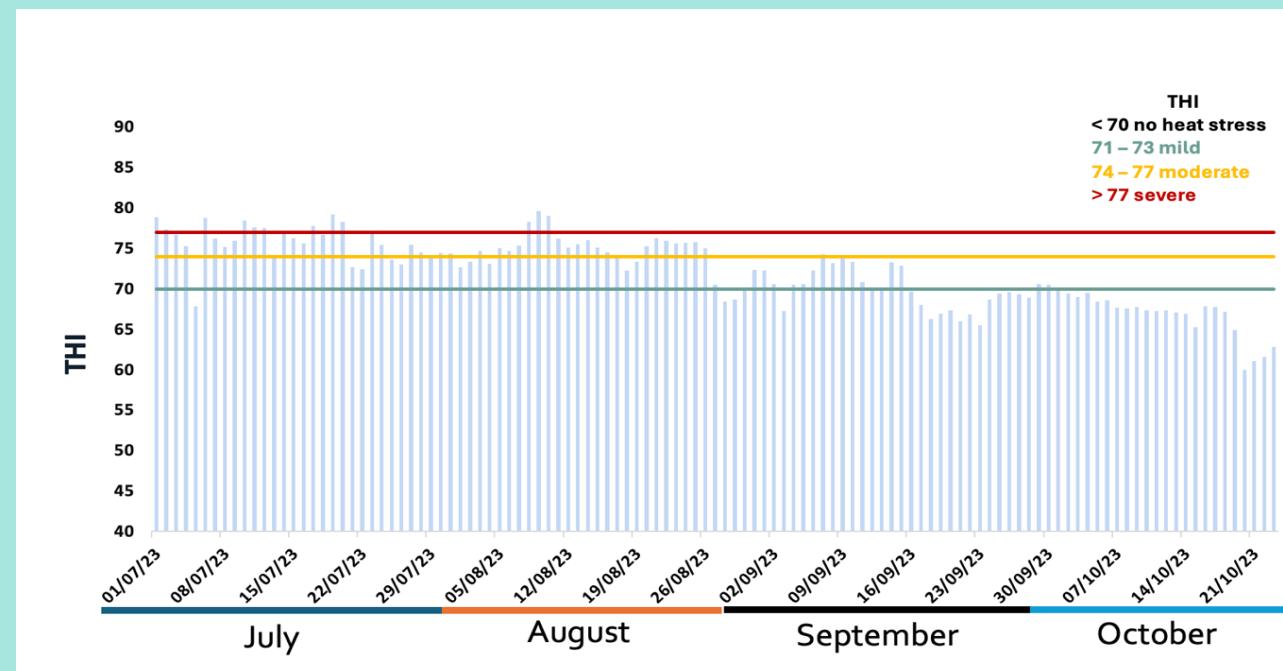
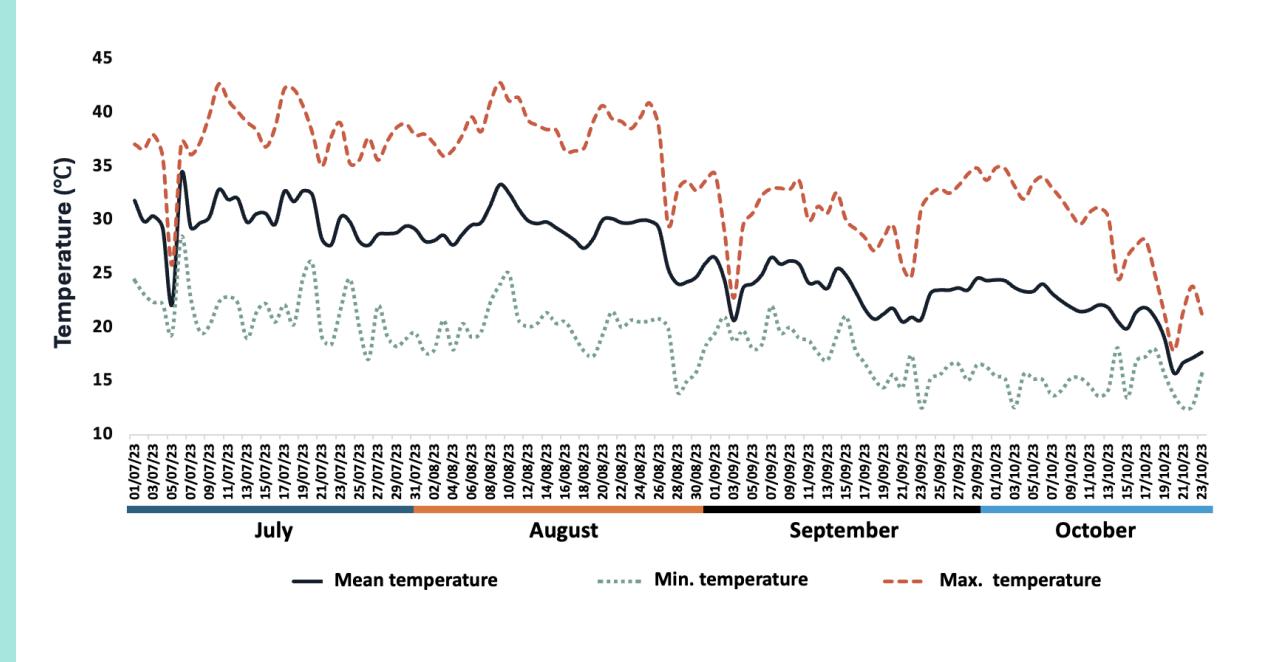


## European multi-actor platform

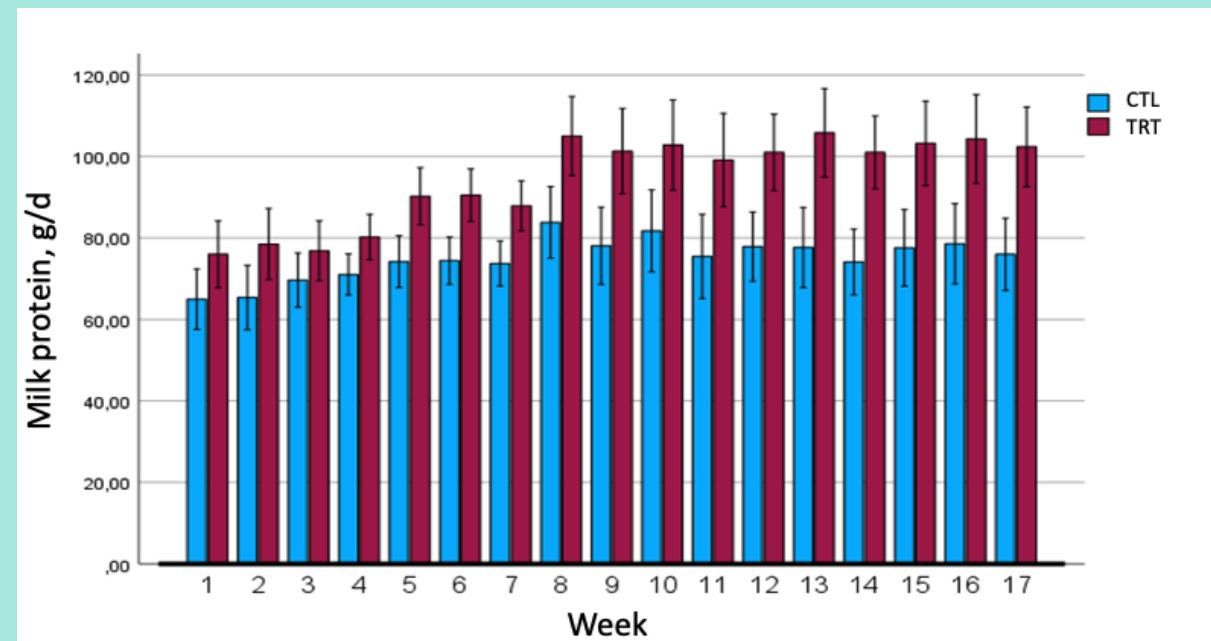
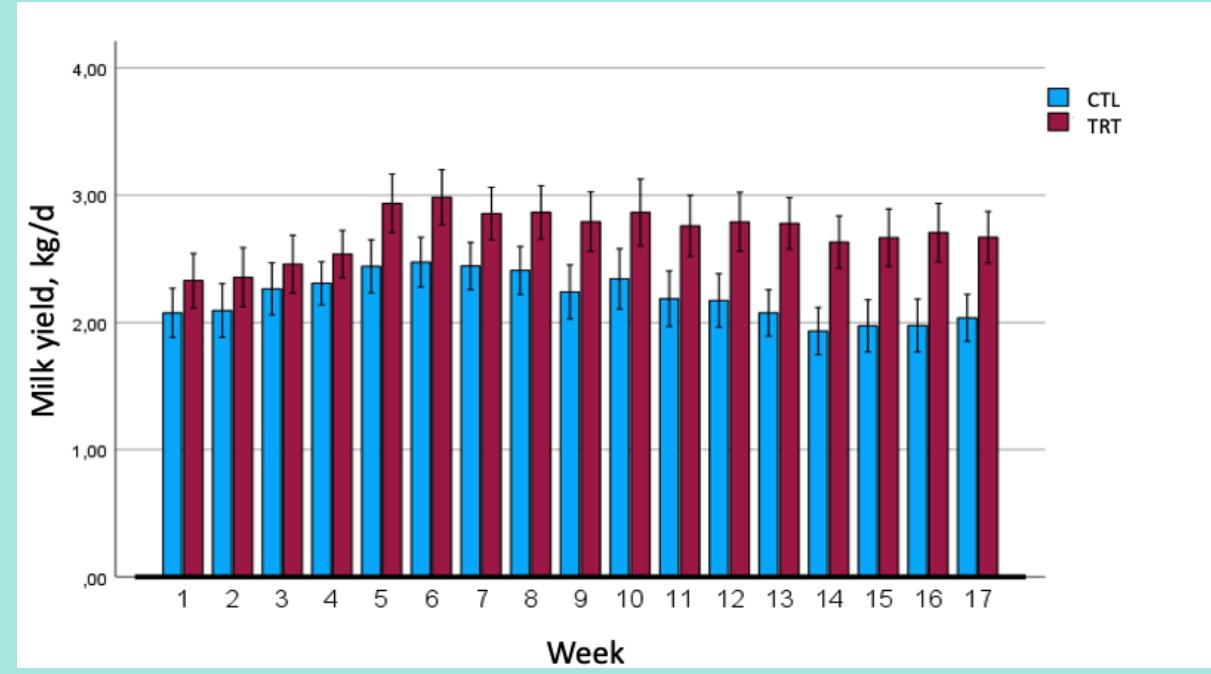
- NGOs
- Pre-farm gate industry (nutrition, breeding, health, technology, farm advice companies)
- Post farm gate industry (processors, retailers)
- Consumer associations
- DG AGRI, ENVI, RTD, Clima
- Researchers



# Results

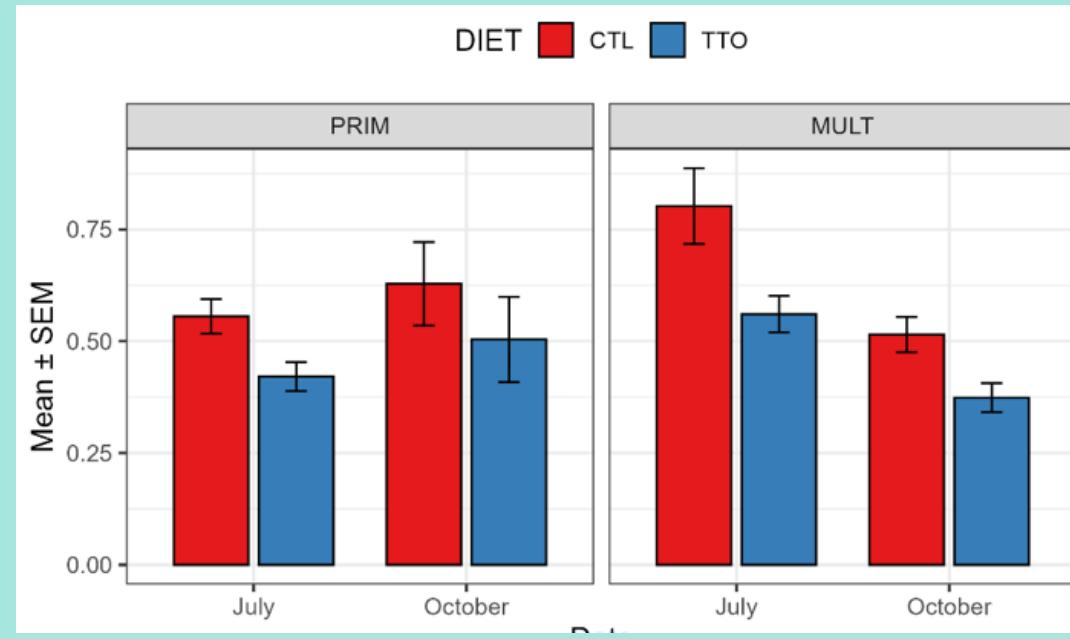


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## Non Esterified Fatty Acids in blood

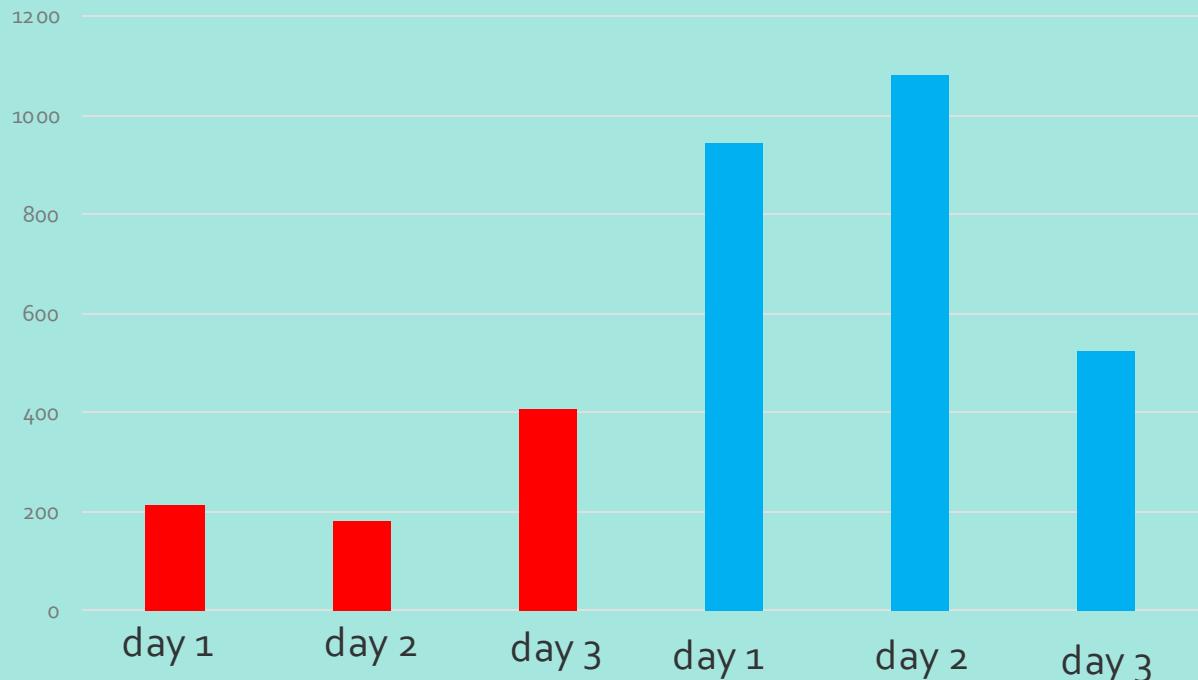


# Results: animals activity



- Eating/drinking
- Resting
- Moving
- Other

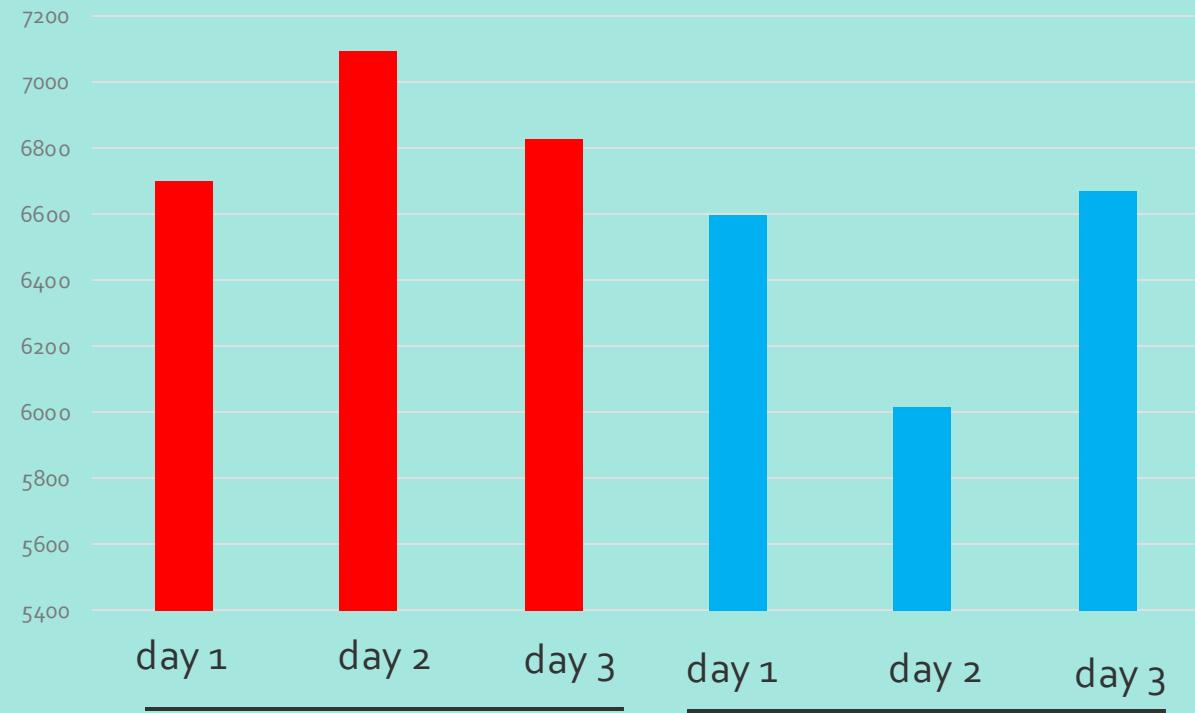
## EATING TIME



THI > 77

THI < 70

## RESTING TIME



day 1

day 2

day 3

day 1

day 2

day 3

THI > 77

THI < 70



# Conclusions

- Climate change impact on livestock
- Complexity and beauty of a Living Lab
- Long-term process
- Digital technology



# Thank you!

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