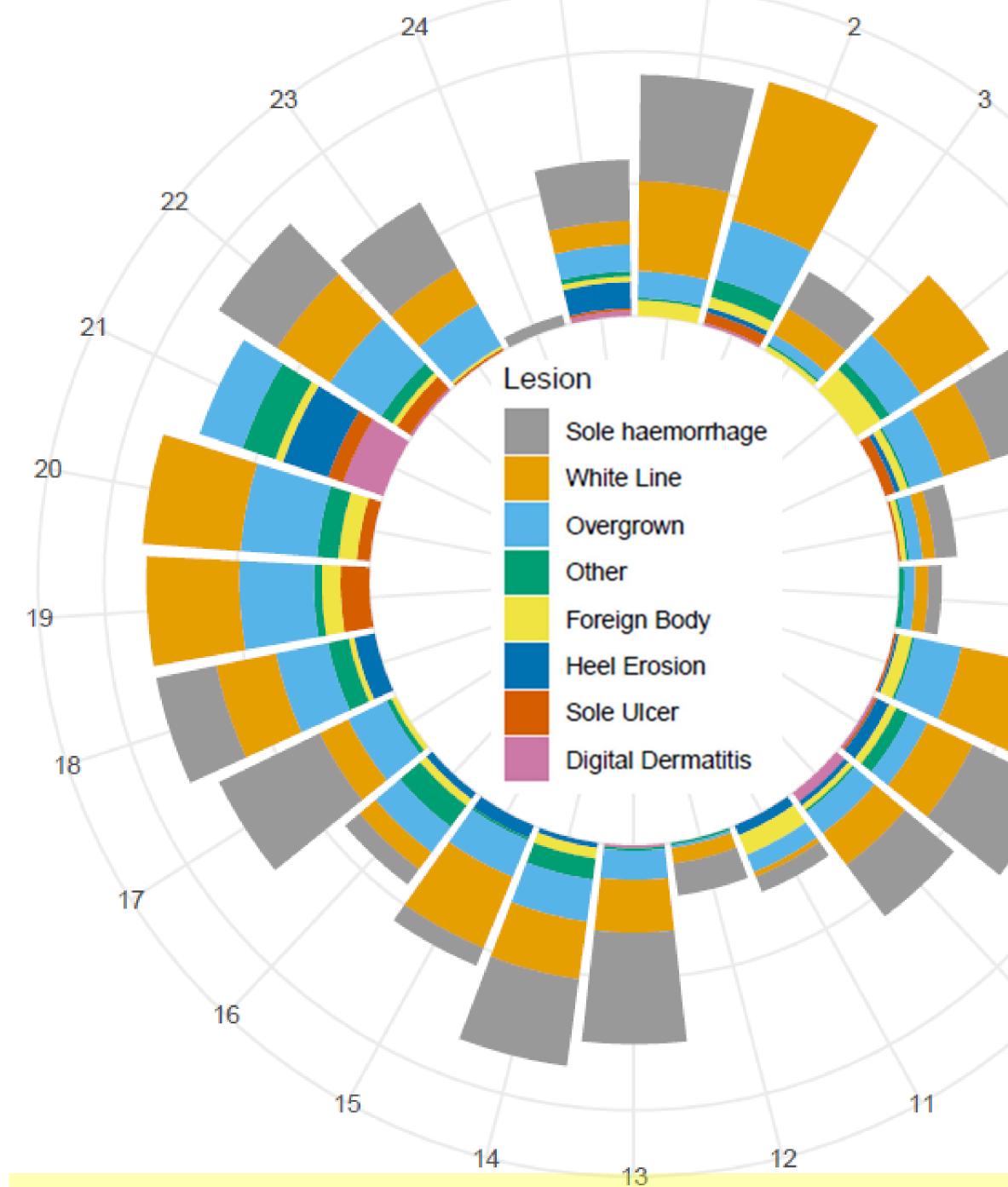


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Preliminary results (25 farms)



Total number of lesions in lame cows on 25 Irish dairy farms

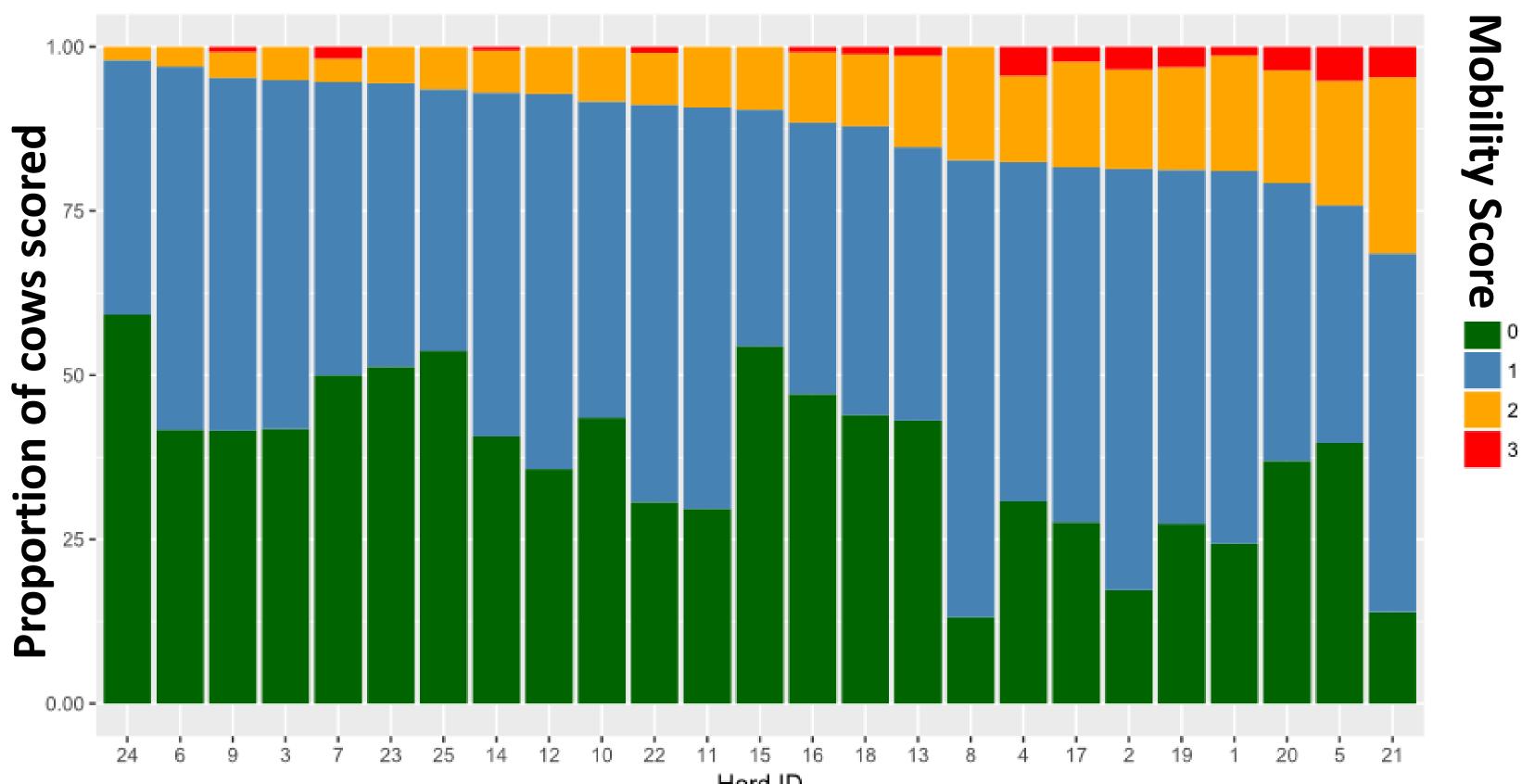
Lameness in Irish dairy herds

Study on lameness and welfare in Irish dairy herds (on-going) Visits include mobility-scoring of cows and hoof examination

> Average lameness prevalence: 12.4% (range: 2.3% - 31.5%)

1 farm (4%) carried out routine hoof-trimming

No farm (0%) carried out routine mobility-scoring



Prevalence of each mobility score on 25 Irish dairy farms (0/1 : Not lame, 2: lame, 3: Severely lame)

- Average lameness: 12.4%
- White line lesions and bruising most common
- Mobility-scoring not routinely done





Key messages