



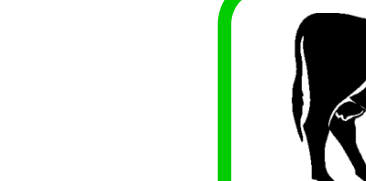


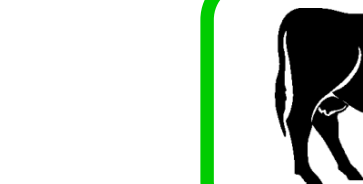
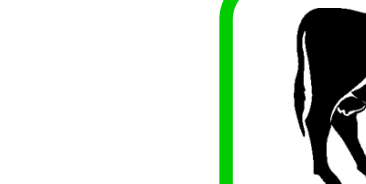





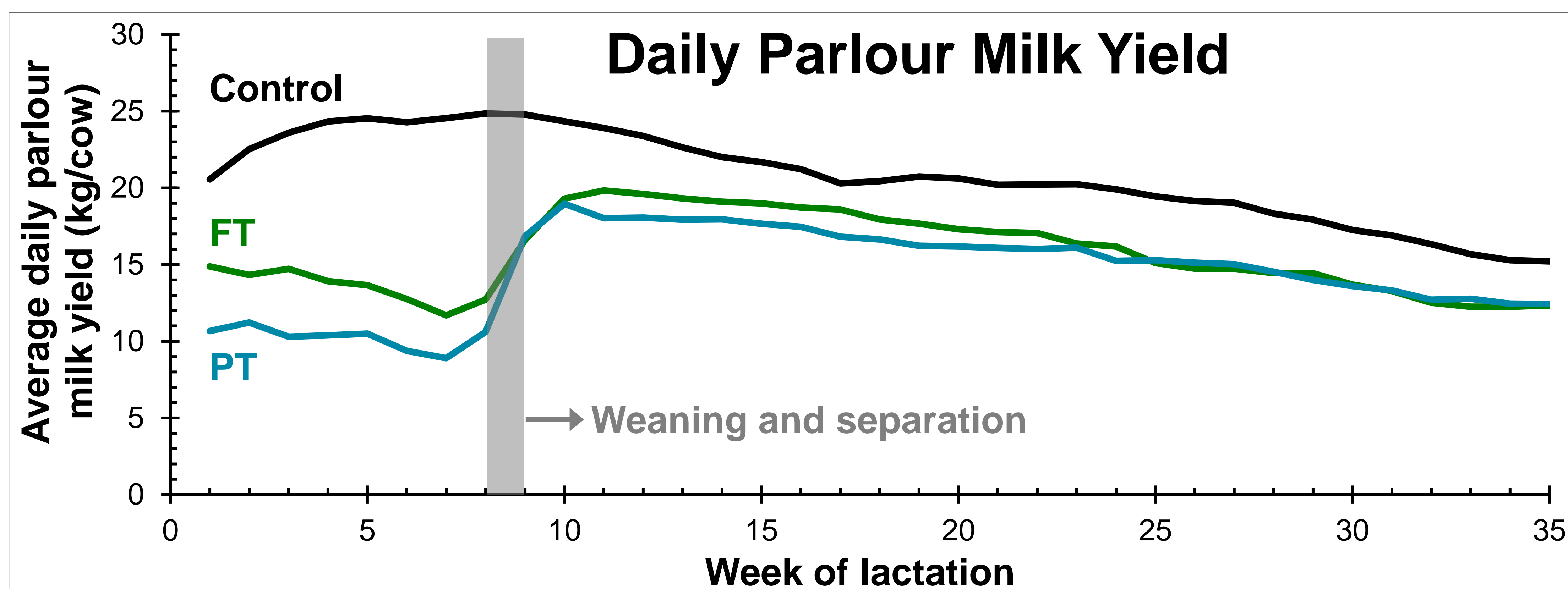


Experimental cow-calf contact rearing systems

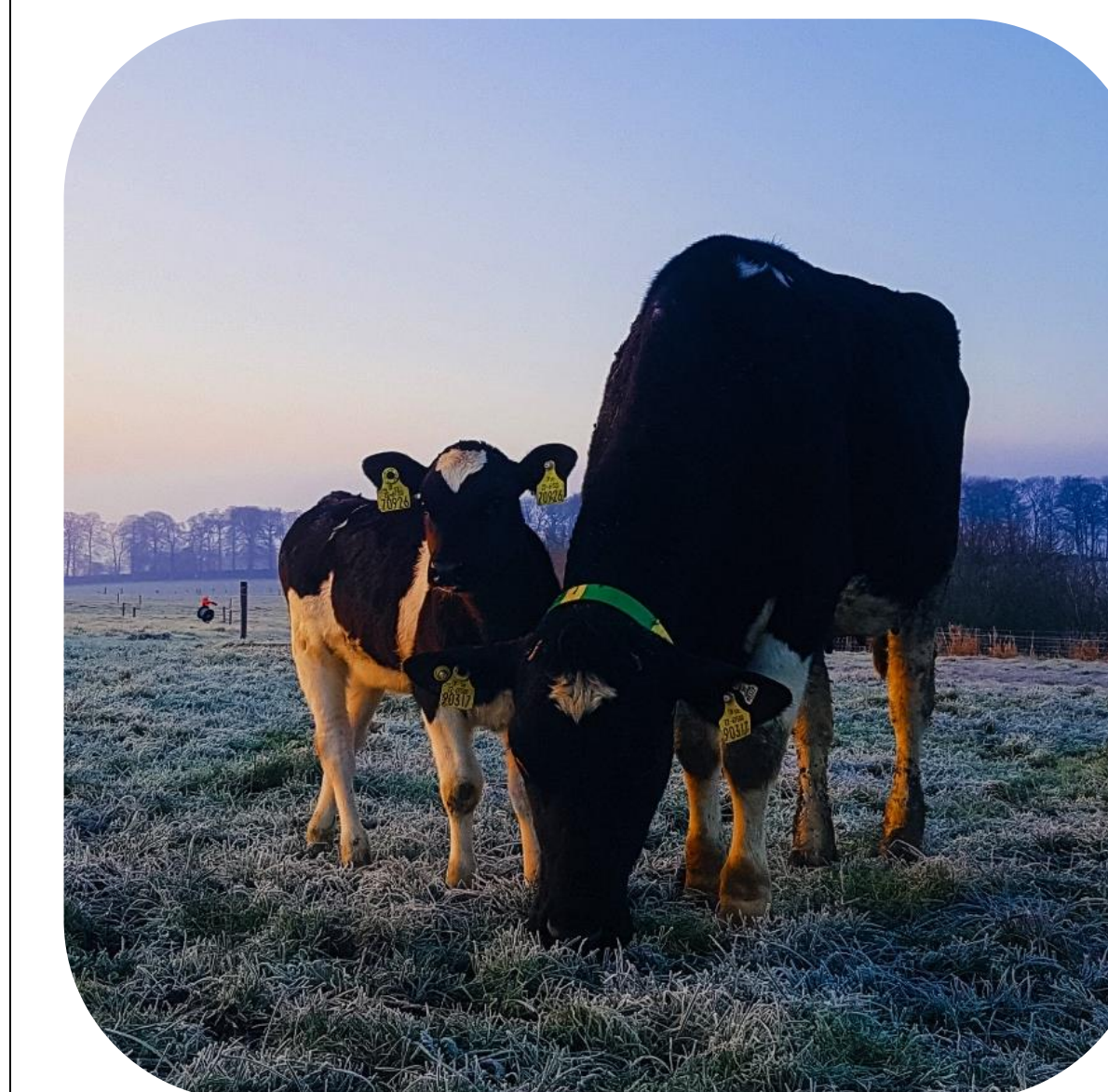
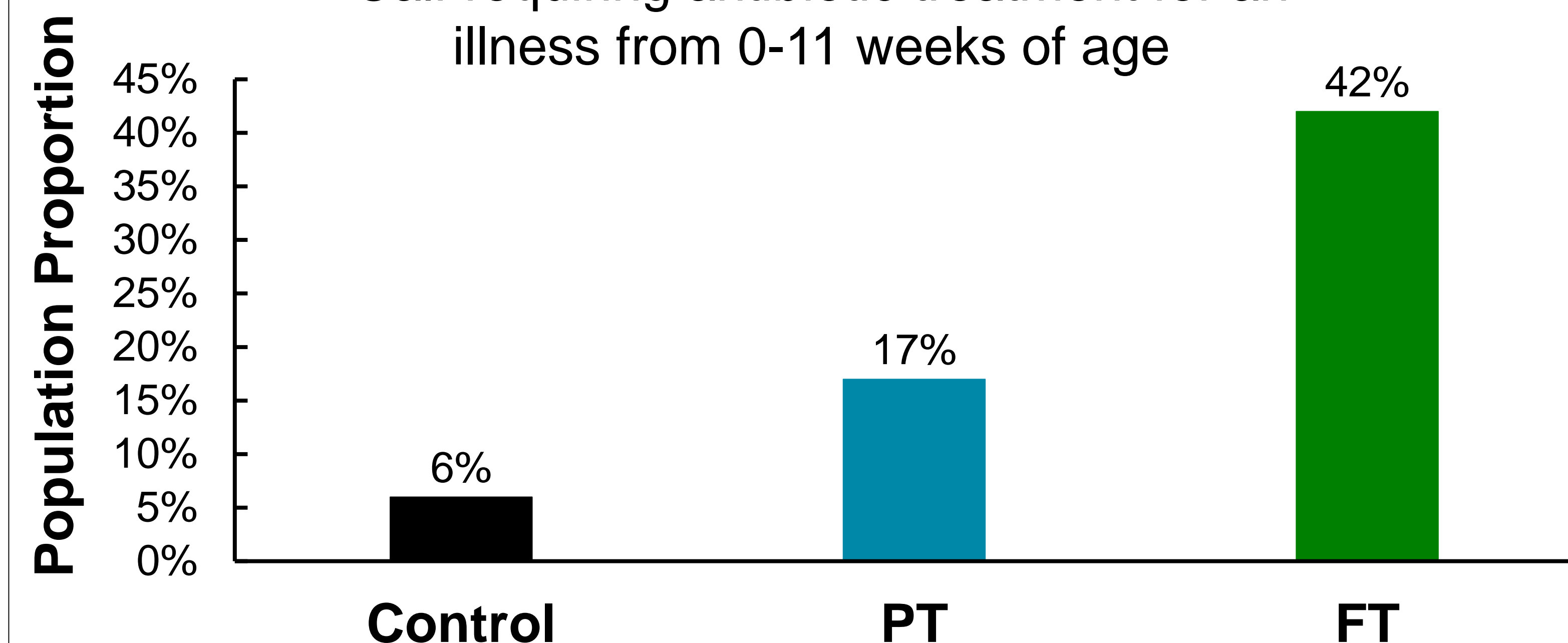
		No access (Control)		Part-time access (PT)		Full-time access (FT)	
Access by	Day	 Pasture	 Inside	 Pasture	 Inside	 Pasture	
	Night	 Pasture	 Inside	 Inside		 Pasture	
Cows milked		 08:00  15:00		 08:00		 08:00  15:00	

- 8 week cow-calf contact (CCC) period



Calf Morbidity*

*Calf requiring antibiotic treatment for an illness from 0-11 weeks of age



Take home messages

- CCC reduced cow production (milk yield and milk solids yields) over the entire lactation, but had no effect on cow health or SCC
- CCC calves had increased growth pre-weaning, but were in poorer health than control calves
- The FT system had the highest daily labour requirement