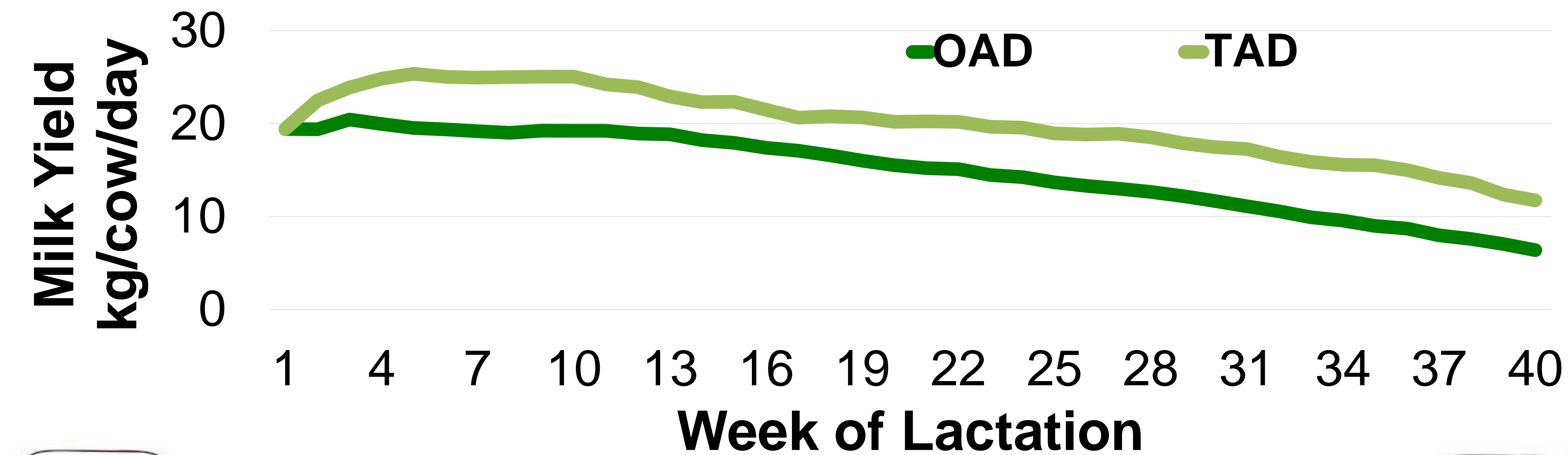


## Once-a-day (OAD) milking

### Milk yield of cows milked once and twice a day



### Disadvantages

### Advantages

- |                            |                                       |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| - 26% milk yield           | + 8% BW and + 4% BCS                  |
| - 21% milk solids yield    | ↑ pregnant to 1 <sup>st</sup> service |
| + 16% SCC                  | - 30% milking time                    |
| - 10 days lactation length | - 22% early lactation intake          |

## 10 in 7: Flexible milking – initial results

🐮 Flexible milking is when milking frequency differs from two milkings every day

🐮 10in7 trial (trial being repeated in 2023)

- Full lactation 10in7 milk yield ↓ 10% and milk solids yield ↓ 11%
- **No difference** when milked twice daily for 1<sup>st</sup> half lactation then change to 10in7

### 10in7 milking schedule

		Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
10in7	AM	7	9	7	9	7	9	7
	PM	3		3		3		

### Take home messages

Reducing milking frequency lowers production but can help improve work life balance