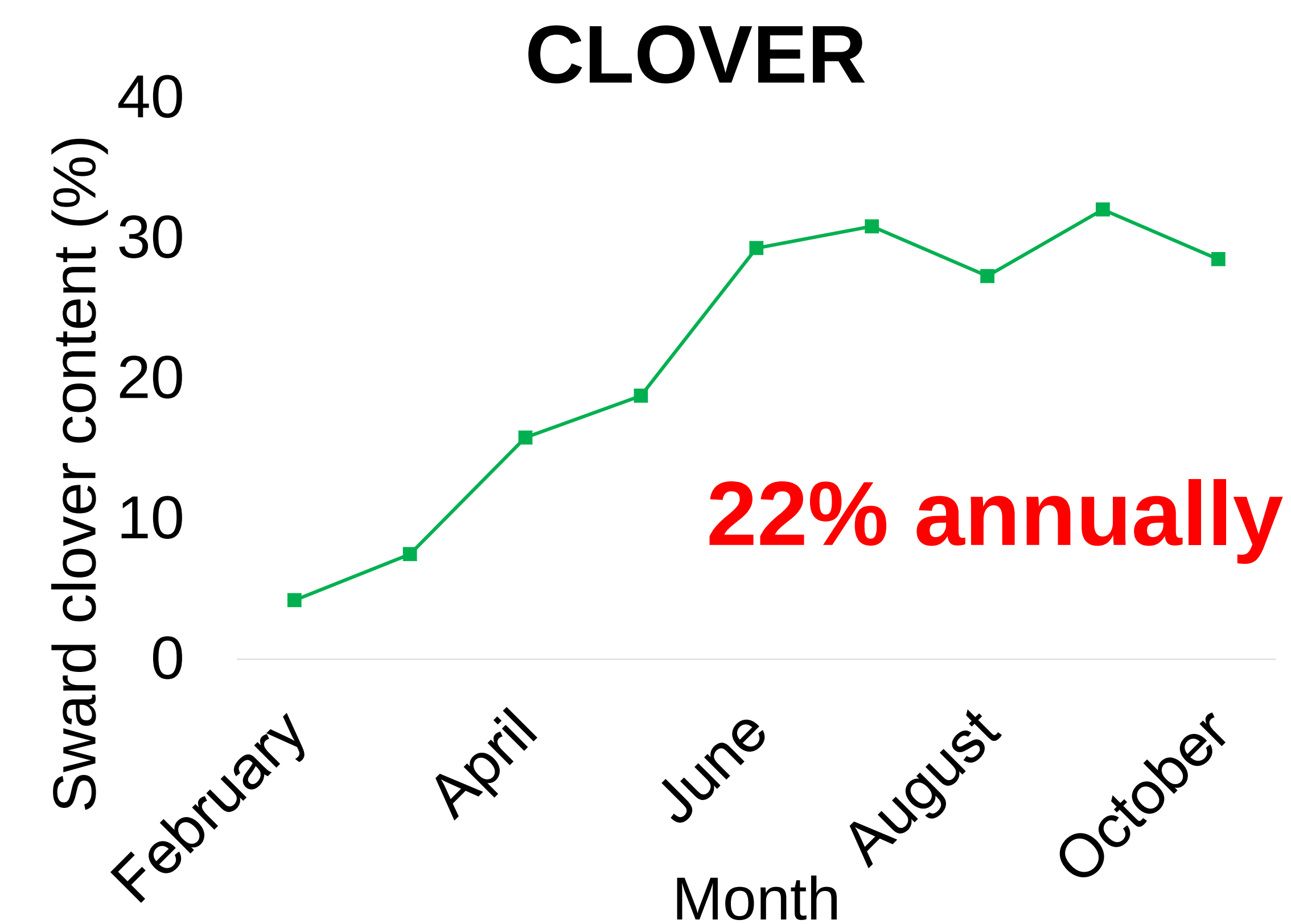


Dairy-beef heifer systems research

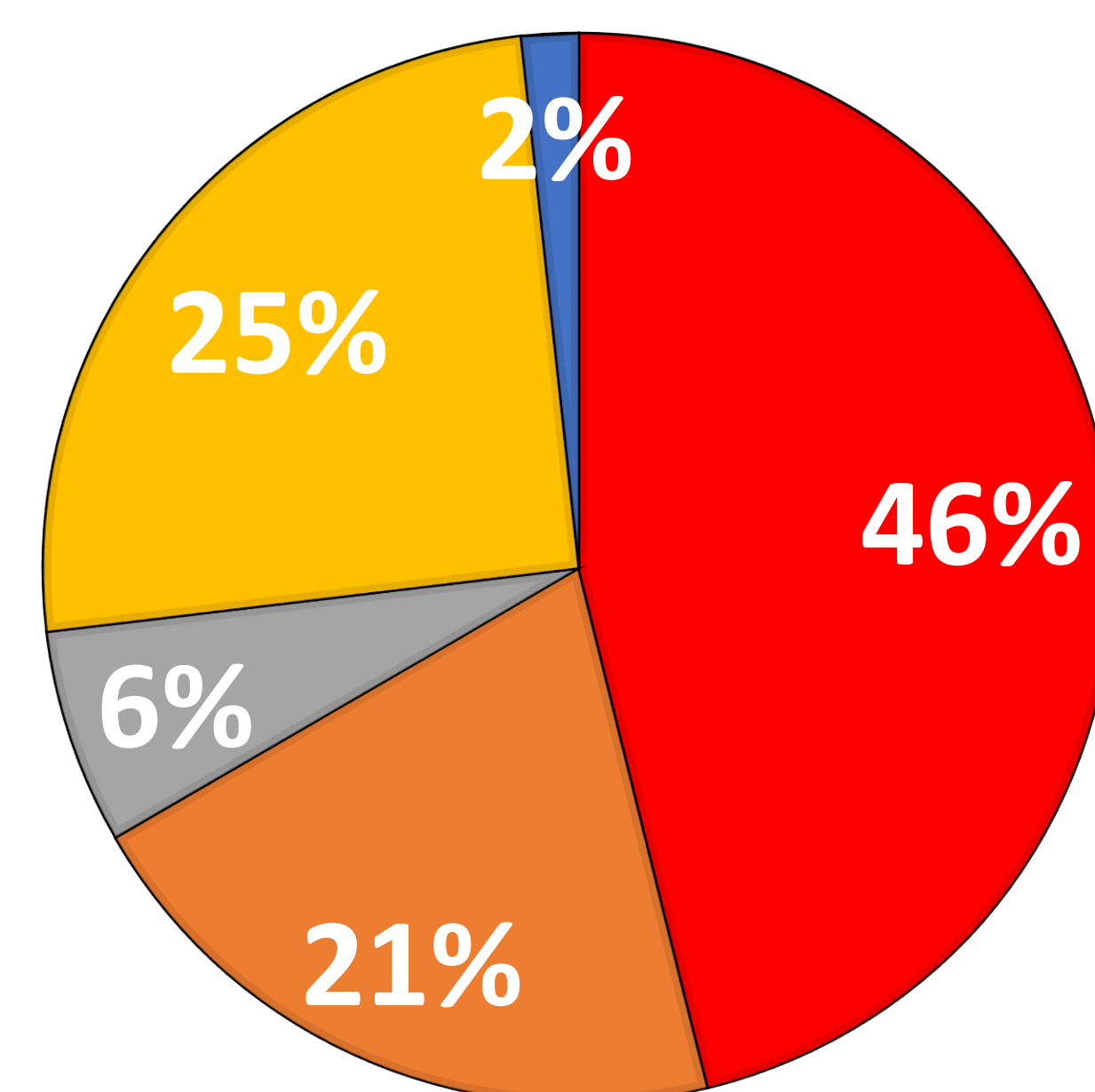
Heifer performance

	PRG (150 kg N/ha)	CLOVER (75 kg N/ha)	MSS (75 kg N/ha)
Age (months)	19.6	19.2	19.2
Carcass wt. (kg)	243	250	249
Carcass conf.	O=	O=	O=
Carcass fat	3=	3=/+	3=/+
Lifetime ADG (kg)	0.74	0.78	0.79
Net margin (€/head)	273	347	320

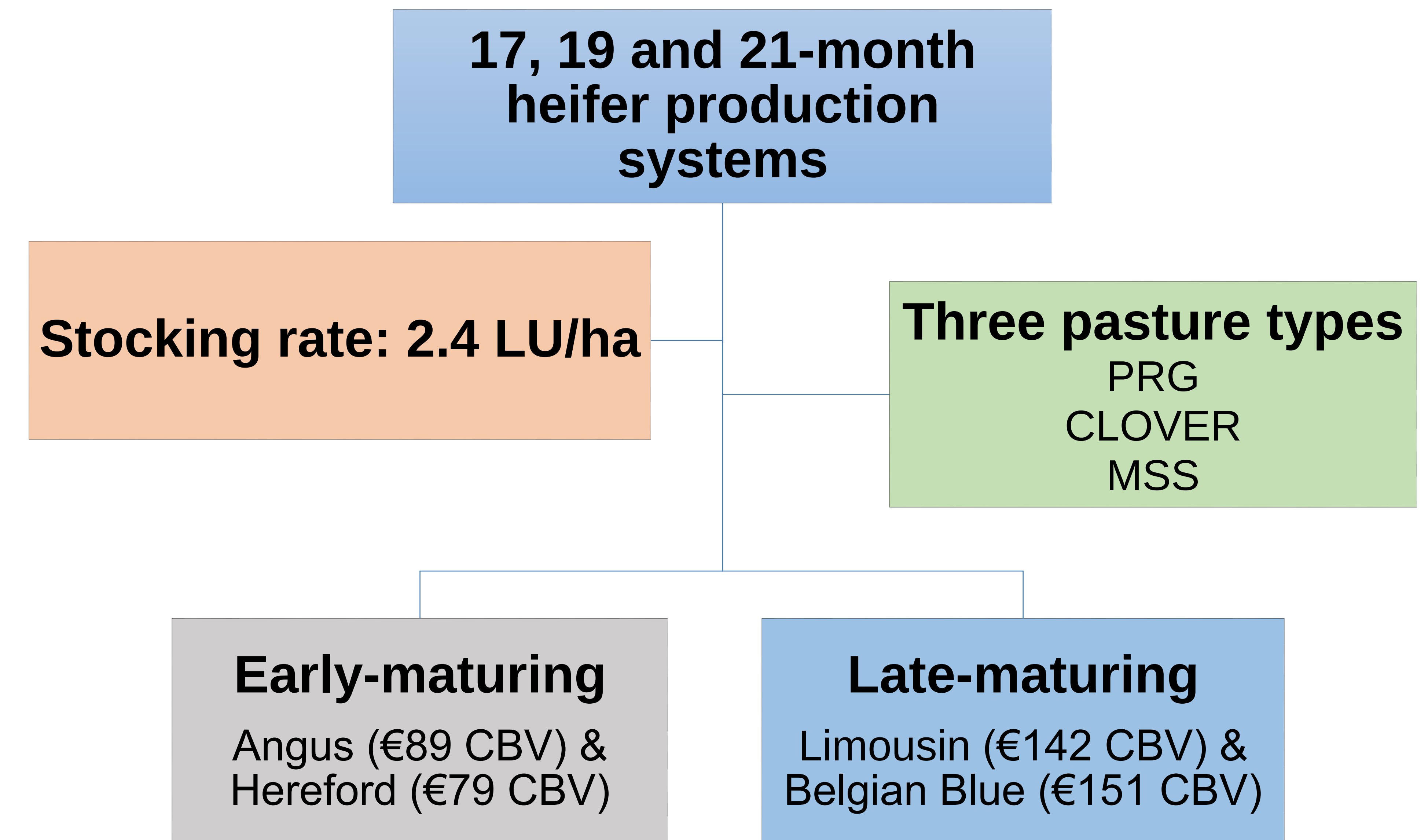


MSS sward composition

PRG Clover Chicory
Plantain Weeds



New heifer systems research



Take home message

- Despite low carcass weights heifer finishing is profitable
- Clover can increase profit by **€74/head**
- Greater animal performance & lower inputs (fertiliser, feed)