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## CONDitiemeting en -sturing van Zeugen voor Optimaal LEven & levensproductie

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# INTRODUCTION



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is ondernemen

# INTRODUCTION

## Body condition score

Zeer mager, botuitsteeksels duidelijk voelbaar en zichtbaar



1

Mager, botuitsteeksels voelbaar onder lichte druk



2

Gematigd, botuitsteeksels voelbaar onder stevige druk



3

Vet, botuitsteeksels niet voelbaar



4

Zeer vet, botuitsteeksels niet voelbaar



5

## Caliper



## Mode B ultrasound

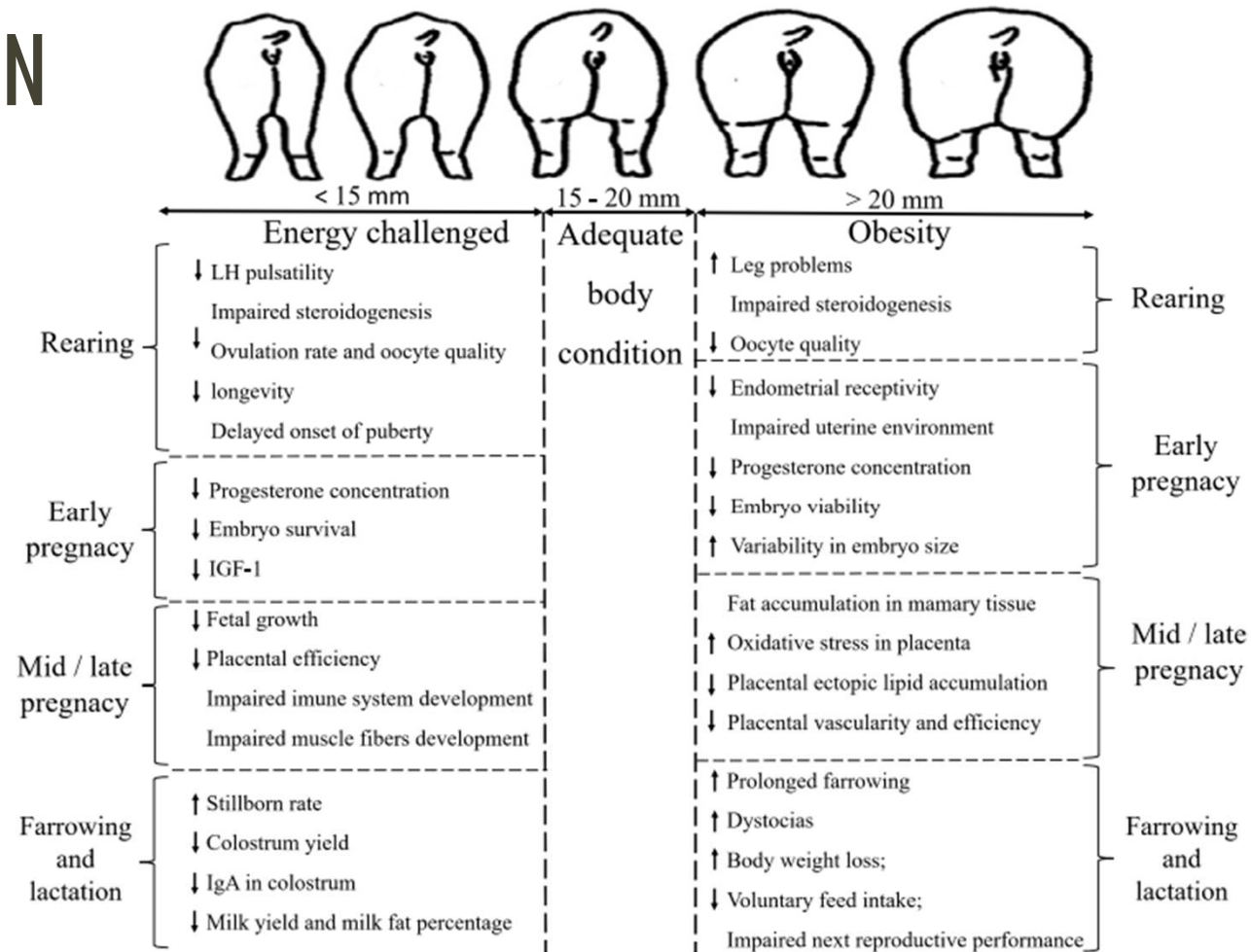
## Flank measurement



## Renco



# INTRODUCTION



Main harmful outcomes in gestation and lactation associated with over- and undernutrition. Adapted from Coffey et al. (1999)<sup>(249)</sup>

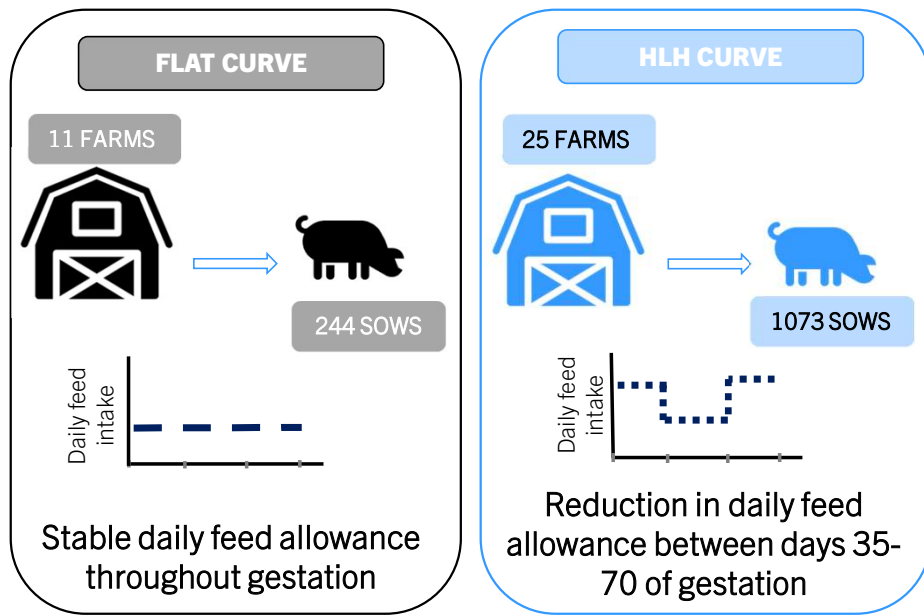
# CROSS SECTIONAL STUDY

- Effect of feeding scheme on backfat thickness and loin depth

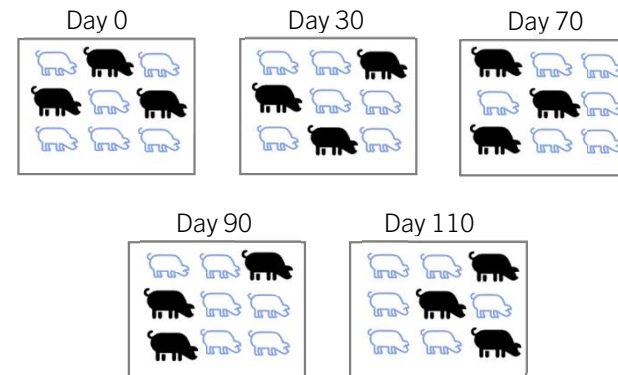


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## Effect of feeding scheme over backfat and loin depth



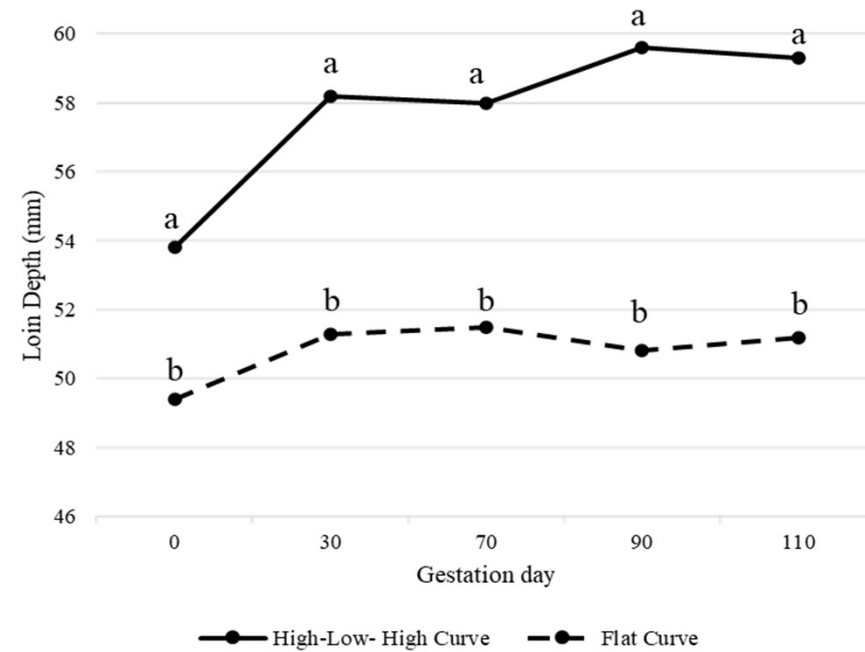
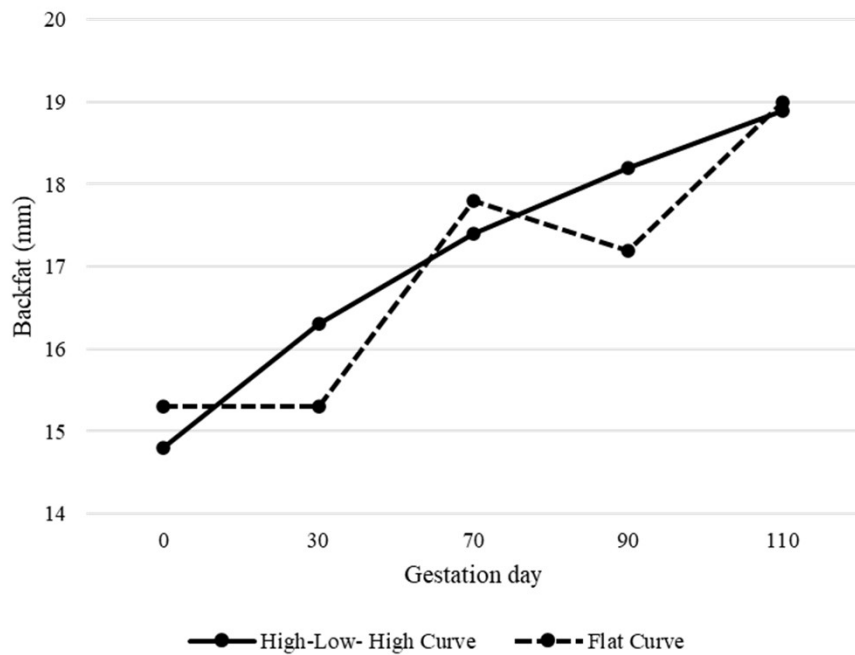
All results were analyzed by ANOVA and significant statistical difference considered at  $p < 0.05$



Backfat (BF) and loin depth (LD) were measured with an ultrasound mode B at P2 position.



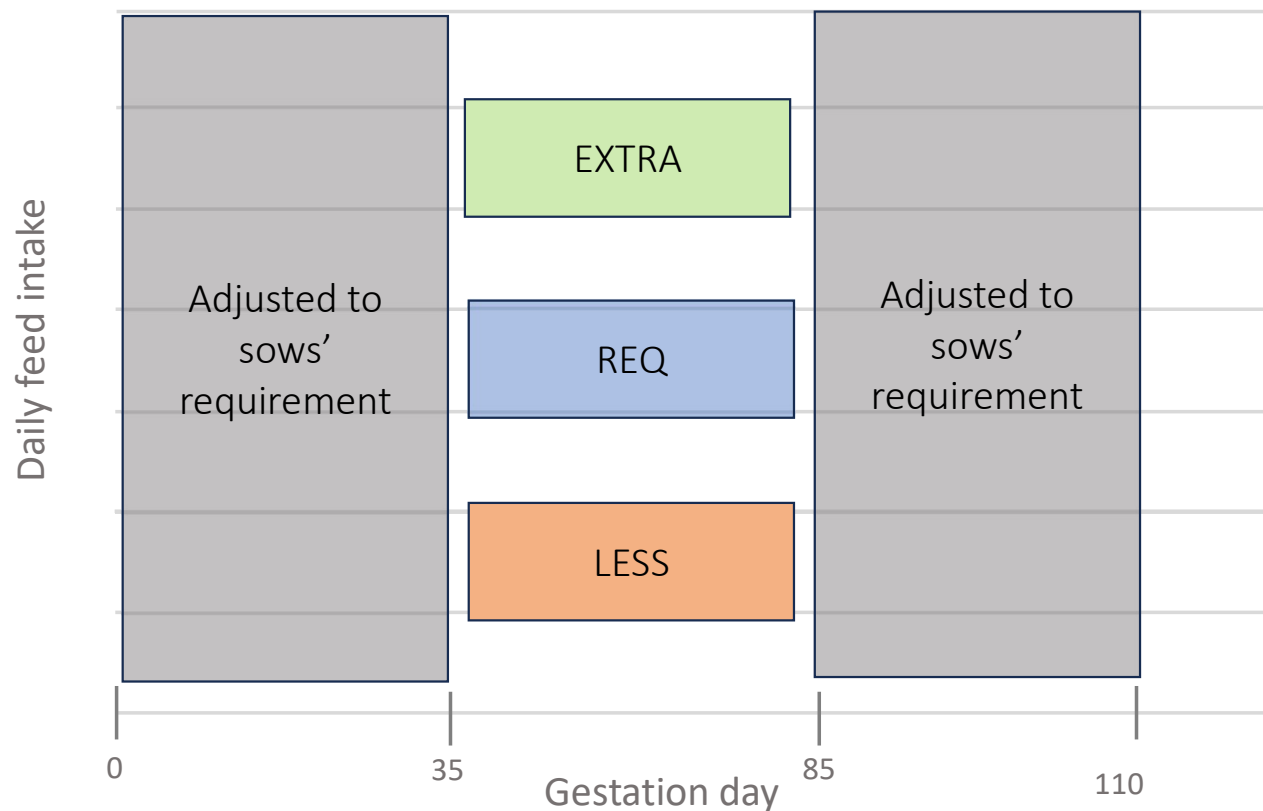
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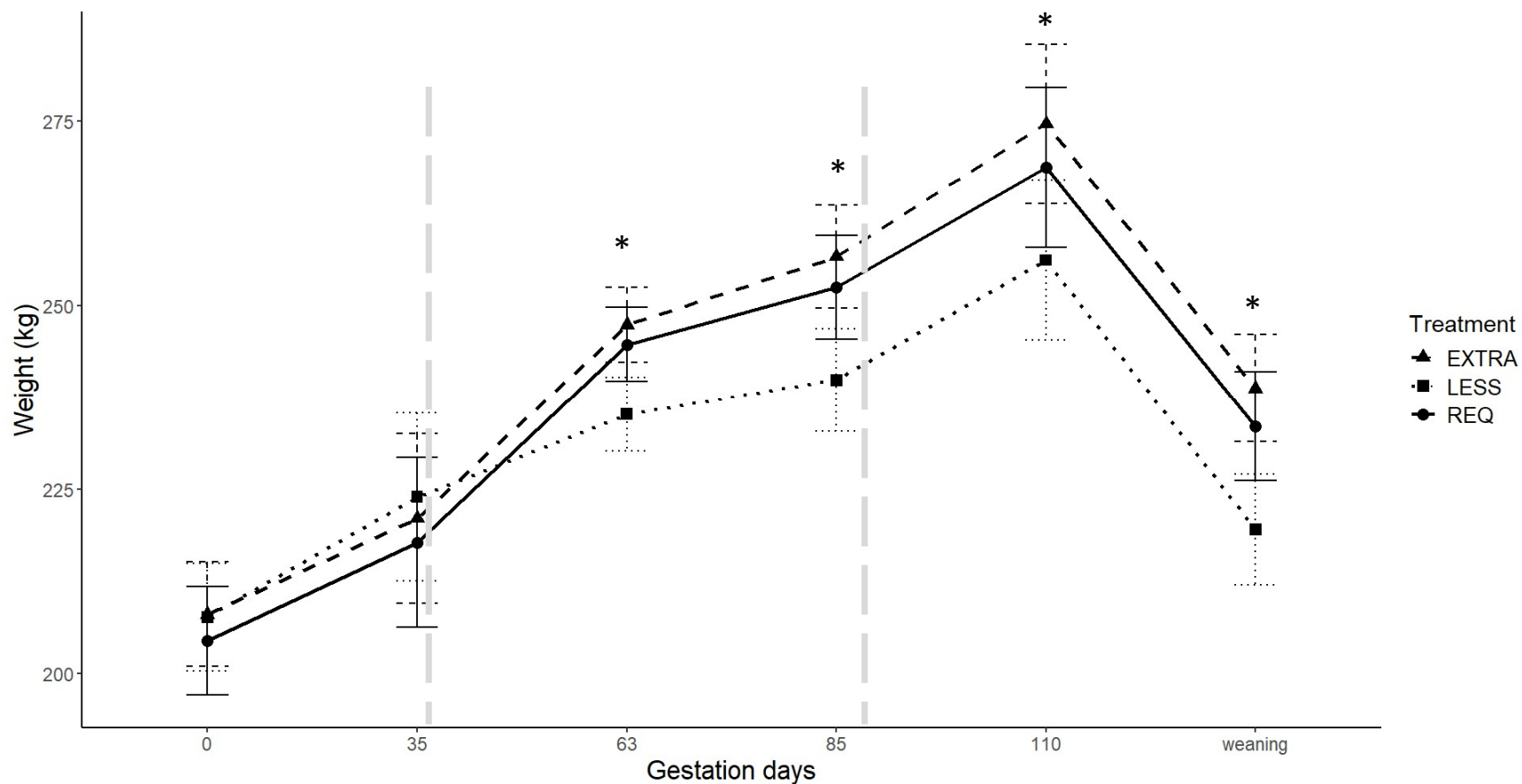
- It remains uncertain whether this outcome is a direct result of the feeding scheme or influenced by other coinciding factors
- How loin depth interacts with sows' metabolism at different moments of gestation?  
What is the ideal range to optimize maternal health and reproductive performance?

# INTERVENTIONAL STUDY



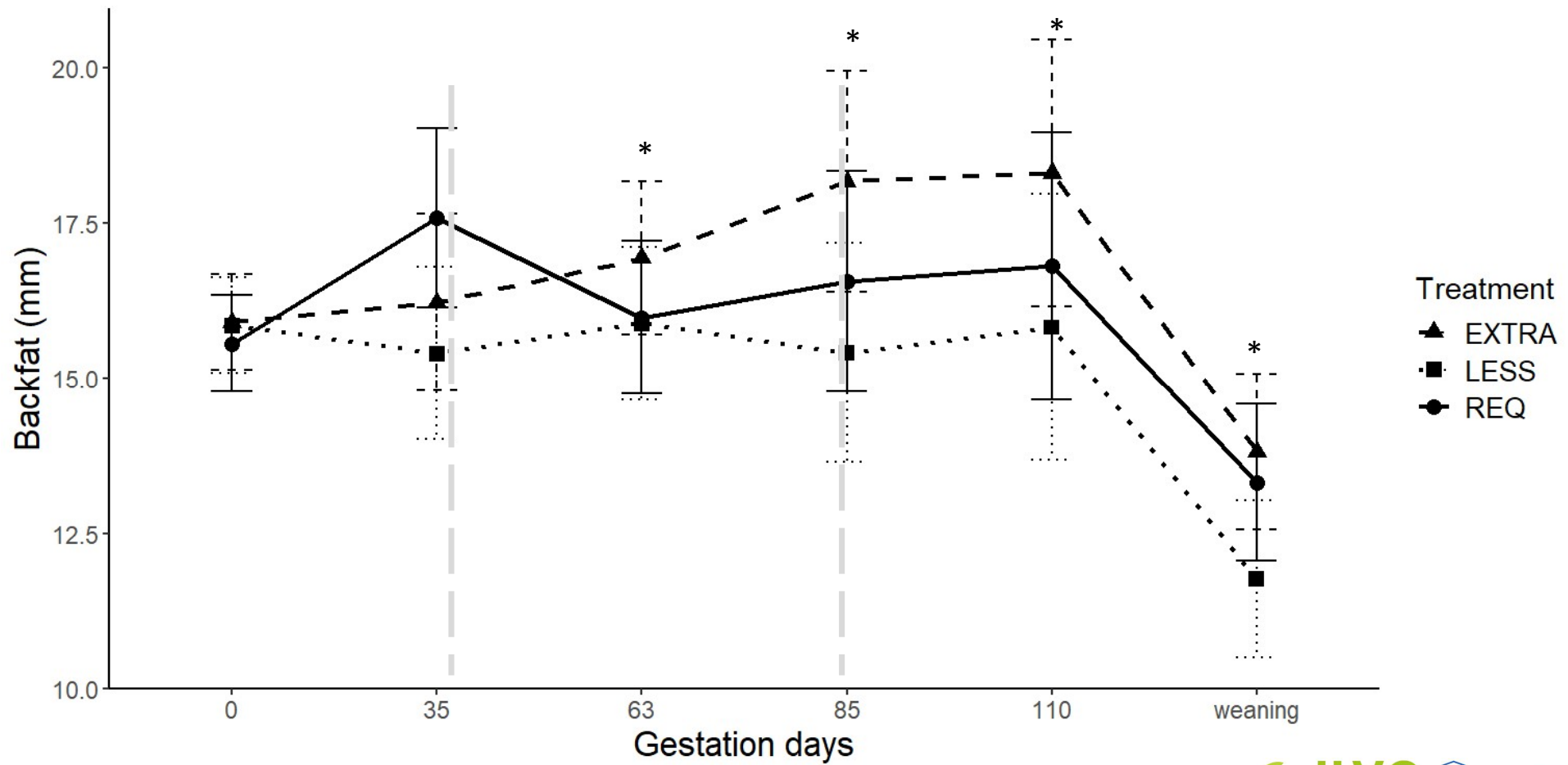
- EXTRA: 25% more feed than requirement
- REQ: amount of feed adjusted to requirement
- LESS: 25% less feed than requirement

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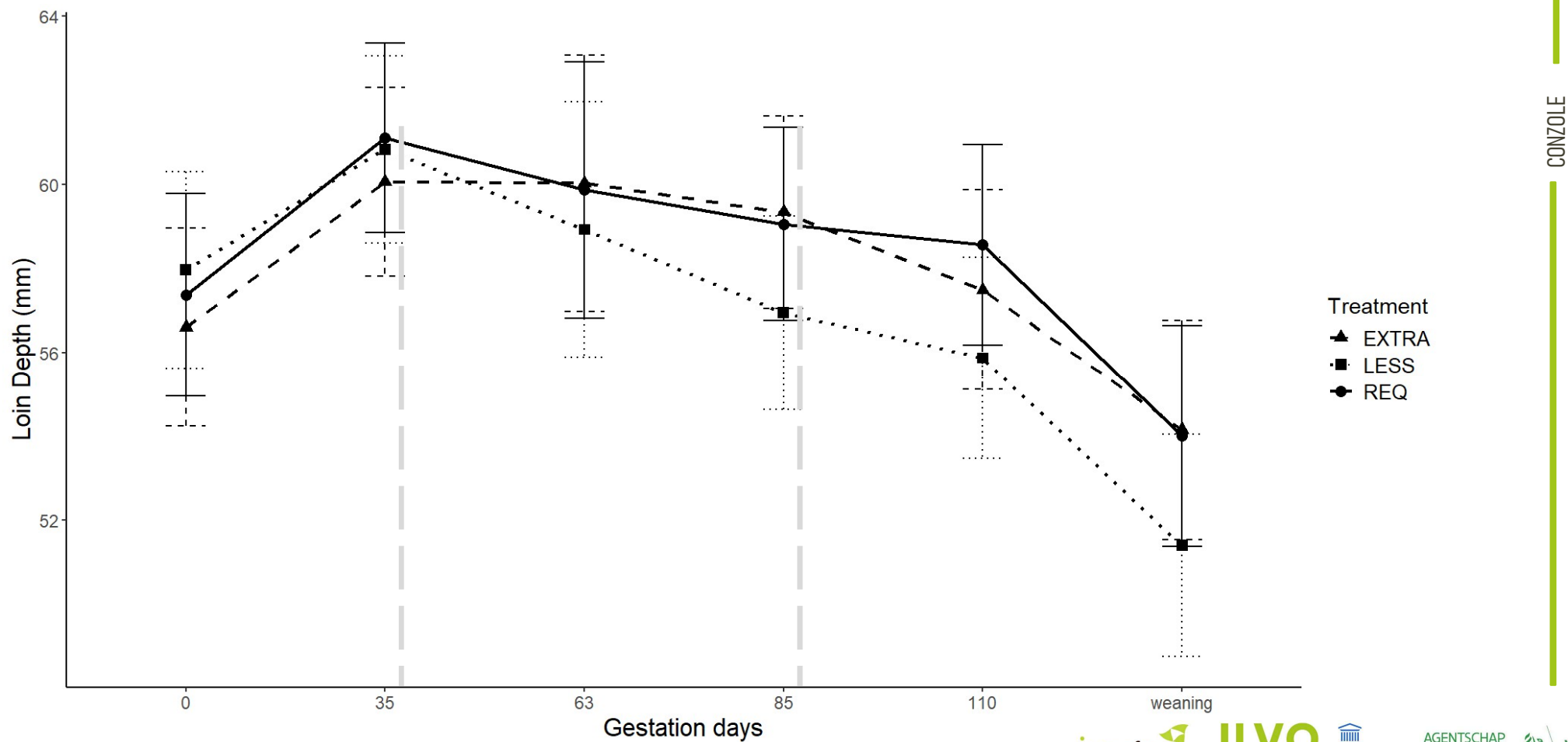
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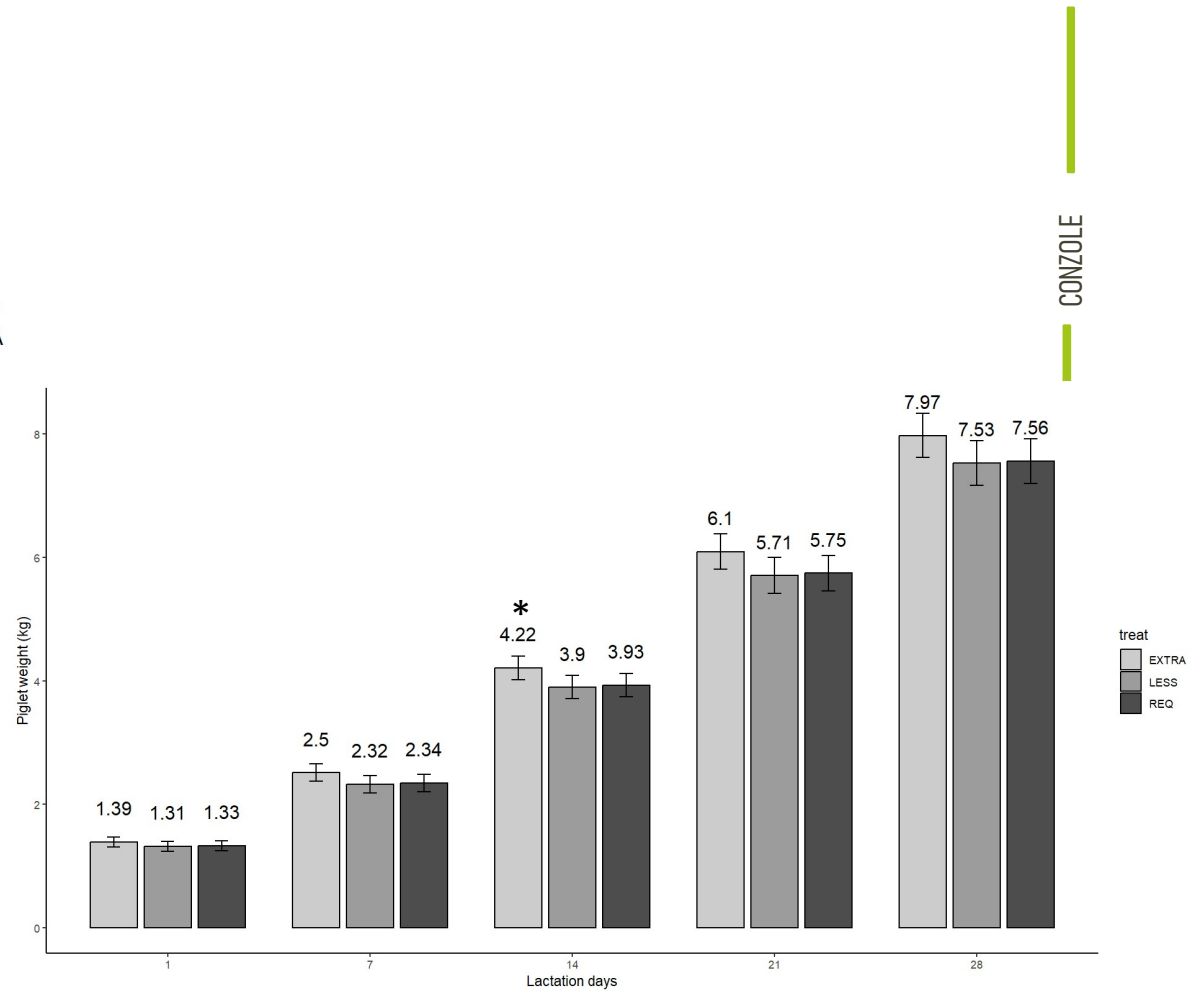
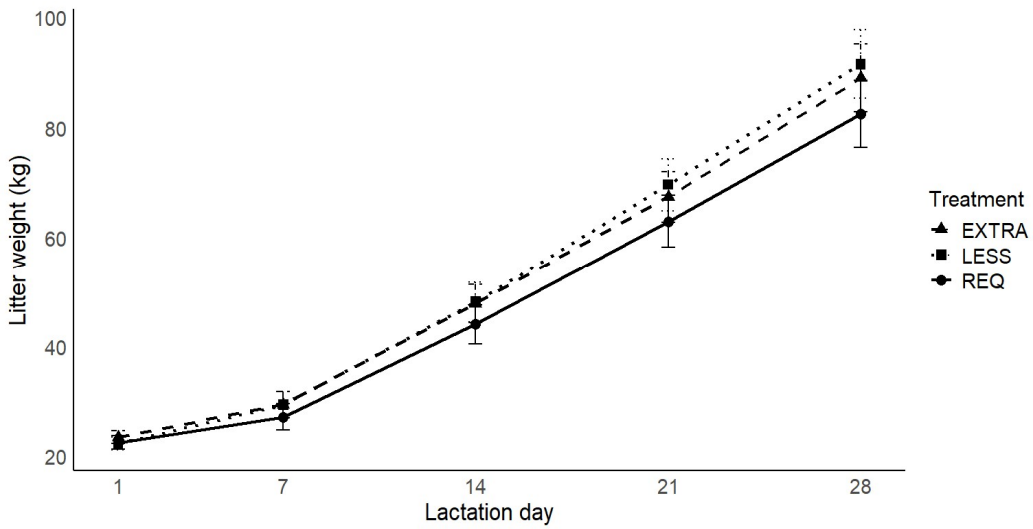


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# FINAL THOUGHTS

- Mid- to late-gestation feed restriction reduced backfat deposition
- Providing feed above requirements not always result in further weight gain
- Extra energy from feed might be redirected to piglet growth
- Deviations ( $\pm 25\%$ ) from requirements during mid-gestation did not influence loin depth
- These findings suggest a higher sensitivity of body fat, than muscle reserves, to gestational feeding level and emphasize the importance of meeting nutrient requirements to maintain adequate sow body condition



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Ik beantwoord graag uw vragen

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