

Do Rubber Floor Mats Prevent Lameness in Gestating Sows Housed in Large Groups? A Field Experiment on Three Commercial Farms in France

Results of the GLM models

Table S1: Results of mixed ordinal regression model for lameness

<i>Predictor</i>	Lameness		
	<i>Odds ratio</i>	<i>CI</i>	<i>p</i>
No lameness mild lameness ¹	5.05	0.67 – 38.27	0.12
Mild lameness severe lameness ¹	44.23	5.77 – 339.32	<0.001
Rubber mat	0.50	0.13 – 2.01	0.33
Control	1		
Middle	2.13	1.60 – 2.84	<0.001
End	2.51	1.88 – 3.34	<0.001
Beginning	1		
Cycle 2	1.06	0.83 – 1.35	0.65
Cycle 1	1		
Parity rank = 1	0.80	0.53 – 1.21	0.30
Parity rank >5	0.74	0.43 – 1.26	0.26
Parity rank [2-5]	1		
Random Effects			
τ_{00}^2 sow(pen:farm)	1.19		
τ_{00} pen :farm	1.17		
τ_{00} farm	2.37		
ICC ³	0.59		
N _{sow}	495		
N _{pen}	10		
N _{farm}	3		
Observations	2361		
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.035 / 0.604		

¹Intercept

²Standard errors of the random effects

³Intra-class correlation

Table S2: Results of the mixed logistic regression models for bursitis and leg injuries

Predictor	Bursitis*			Leg injuries		
	Odds ratio	CI	p	Odds ratio	CI	p
(Intercept)	0.03	0.00 – 7.58	0.210	0.05	0.01 – 0.31	0.001
Rubber mat Control				1.37 1	0.16 – 11.70	0.775
Rubber mat at Te	0.29	0.10 – 0.90	0.032			
Rubber mat at Tm	0.72	0.24 – 2.15	0.552			
Rubber mat at Tb	0.82	0.28 – 2.47	0.729			
Control at Te	0.82	0.54 – 1.24	0.355			
Control at Tm	0.72	0.48 – 1.09	0.119			
Control at Tb	1					
End (Te) Beginning (Tb)				0.55 1	0.38 – 0.80	0.002
Cycle 2 Cycle 1	0.72 1	0.55 – 0.94	0.014	1.04 1	0.72 – 1.51	0.816
Parity rank = 1	0.39	0.22 – 0.68	0.001	0.52	0.26 – 1.03	0.062
Parity rank >5	1.09	0.63 – 1.87	0.767	0.82	0.52 – 13.0	0.401
Parity rank [2–5]	1			1		
Random Effects						
τ_{00}^1 sow(pen:farm)	1.47			0.15		
τ_{00} pen :farm	0.38			3.15		
τ_{00} farm	19.19			0.30		
ICC ²	0.86			0.52		
N sows	495			576		
N pens	10			10		
N farms	3			3		
Observations	2361			1650		
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.013 / 0.866			0.026 / 0.535		

¹Standard errors of the random effects²Intra-class correlation

*The model includes a significant Treatment*Visit interaction

Table S3: Results of the mixed ordinal regression models for claw growth defects and claw erosion

<i>Predictor</i>	Claw defects			Erosion		
	<i>Odds ratio</i>	<i>CI</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>Odds ratio</i>	<i>CI</i>	<i>p</i>
Absence mild ¹	0.79	0.19 – 3.30	0.742	0.06	0.03 – 0.14	<0.001
Mild Severe ¹	14.08	3.31 – 59.84	<0.001	4.11	1.86 – 9.09	<0.001
Rubber mat Control	0.92 1	0.67 – 1.25	0.588	0.65 1	0.24 – 1.81	0.413
End (Te) Beginning (Tb)	1.26 1	1.01 – 1.57	0.037	1.67 1	1.34 – 2.09	<0.001
Cycle 1 Cycle 2	1.58 1	1.26 – 1.98	<0.001	1.00 1	0.80 – 1.25	0.968
Parity rank = 1	0.11	0.07 – 0.18	<0.001	0.51	0.35 – 0.75	0.001
Parity rank >5	2.41	1.67 – 3.50	<0.001	1.33	0.96 – 1.83	0.086
Parity rank [2–5]	1			1		
Random Effects						
τ_{00}^2 sow(pen:farm)	1.70			0.87		
τ_{00} pen :farm	0.28			0.27		
τ_{00} farm	1.53			0.51		
ICC ³	0.49			0.33		
N sows	576			576		
N pens	10			10		
N farms	3			3		
Observations	1650			1650		
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.207 / 0.541			0.051 / 0.354		

¹Intercept²Standard errors of the random effects³Intra-class correlation

Table S4: Results of the GLM models for body condition measures

Predictor	Scratches			Cleanliness*			Thin			Fat		
	Odds ratio	CI	p	Odds ratio	CI	p	Odds ratio	CI	p	Odds ratio	CI	p
(Intercept)	0.13	0.04 – 0.40	<0.001				0.01	0.01 – 0.04	<0.001	0.12	0.02 – 0.97	0.046
(Intercept)												
Clean to dirty				4.55	3.04 – 6.81	<0.001						
Dirty to very dirty				43.07	27.63 – 67.13	<0.001						
Clean				1								
Rubber Mat	0.74	0.19 – 2.87	0.659				0.52	0.26 – 1.06	0.072	1.25	0.47 – 3.33	0.652
Control	1						1			1		
Middle (Tm)	7.77	5.76 – 10.49	<0.001				1.54	0.88 – 2.68	0.132	0.85	0.63 – 1.15	0.289
End (Te)	5.17	3.85 – 6.93	<0.001				1.54	0.88 – 2.69	0.133	1.09	0.81 – 1.46	0.577
Beginning (Tb)	1											
Cycle 2	0.52	0.42 – 0.66	<0.001	1.03	0.85 – 1.25	0.745	0.43	0.26 – 0.72	0.001	0.83	0.64 – 1.09	0.178
Cycle 1	1			1			1			1		
Parity rank = 1	1.10	0.77 – 1.57	0.608	1.66	1.25 – 2.20	<0.001	0.35	0.12 – 1.00	0.051	0.65	0.38 – 1.09	0.099
Parity rank >5	0.74	0.50 – 1.11	0.151	0.70	0.49 – 0.99	0.047	0.84	0.32 – 2.22	0.724	1.29	0.70 – 2.38	0.408
Parity rank [2–5]	1			1			1			1		
Rubber mat at Te				29.27	16.96 – 50.49	<0.001						
Rubber mat at Tm				5.14	3.03 – 8.71	<0.001						
Rubber mat at Tb				0.57	0.32 – 1.01	0.055						
Control at Te				6.62	4.78 – 9.17	<0.001						
Control at Tm				1.12	0.79 – 1.58	0.534						
Control at Tb				1								
Random Effects												
τ_{00}^1 sow(pen:farm)	0.60			0.39			4.69			2.34		
τ_{00} pen :farm	1.15			0.10			0.04			0.52		
τ_{00} farm	0.23			0.00			0.00			2.94		
ICC ²	0.38						0.59			0.64		

N sows	495	495	495	495
N pens	10	10	10	10
N farms	3	3	3	3
Observations	2361	2360	2353	2353
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.149 / 0.469	0.364 / NA	0.054 / 0.612	0.007 / 0.641

¹Standard errors of the random effects

²Intra-class correlation

*Mixed ordinal regression model including a significant Treatment*Visit interaction

Table S5: Results of the GLM models for reproductive performance traits

	Number of piglets born			Number of piglets born alive			Number of weaned piglets		
Predictors	LSM ¹	SE ²	p	LSM	SE	p	LSM	SE	p
(Intercept)	16.1	0.7	<0.001	15.6	0.5	<0.001	12.8	0.4	<0.001
Rubber mat	15.0	0.6	0.28	14.1	0.4	0.20	12.2	0.3	0.34
Control	15.6	0.6		14.7	0.4		12.4	0.3	
Cycle 1	15.3	0.6	0.87	14.6	0.4	0.292	12.6 a	0.4	<0.001
Cycle 2	15.4	0.4		14.3	0.3		12.0 b	0.3	
Parity rank = 1	14.6	0.6 a	0.01	14.1a	0.4	0.001	12.8 a	0.4	<0.001
Parity rank [2–5]	15.8	0.6 b		15.2b	0.4		12.4 a	0.3	
Parity rank >5	15.6	0.5 ab		14.0a	0.4		11.7 b	0.3	
Random Effects									
τ ₀₀ ⁴ _{pen :farm}	0.50			0.34			0.04		
τ ₀₀ _{farm}	0.19			0.00			0.21		
ICC ⁵	0.03			0.03			0.06		
N pen	10			10			10		
N farm	3			3			3		
Observations	801			786			791		
Marginal R ² / Conditional R ²	0.014 / 0.046			0.029 / 0.054			0.046 / 0.099		

¹Least square mean²Standard error³Means with different subscripts are different at p < 0.05 (Tukey adjustment)⁴Standard errors of random effects⁵Intra-class correlation