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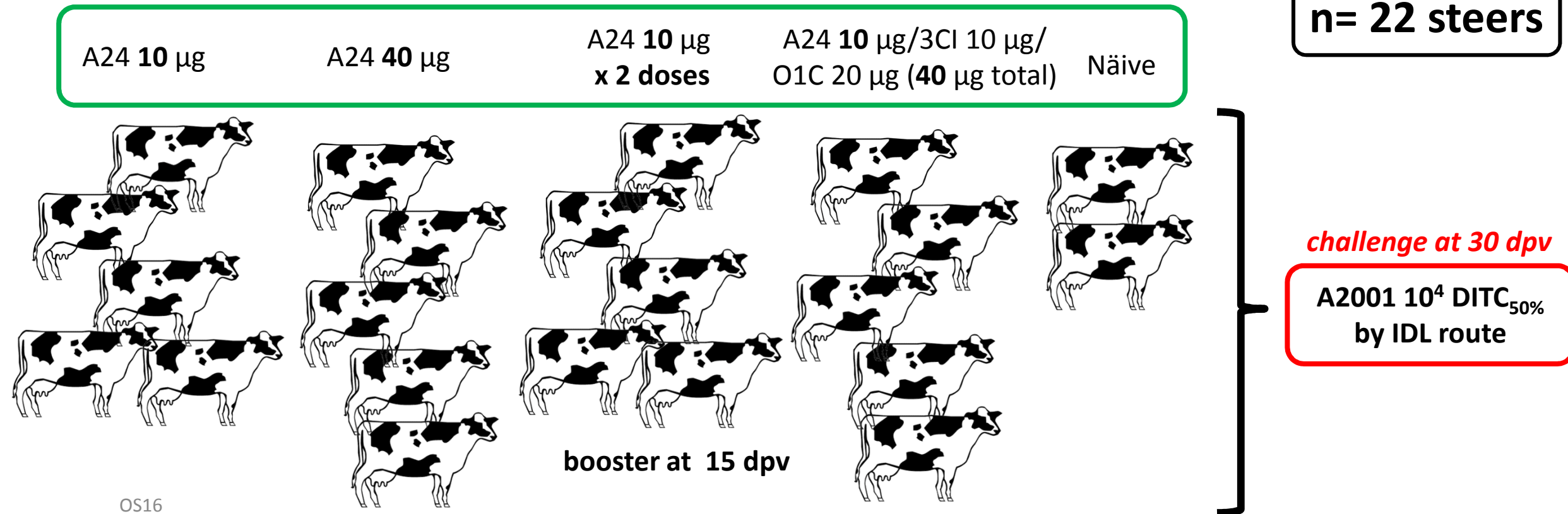
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- **A/Arg 2001 (A2001) was one of the FMDV strains responsible for the outbreaks occurring in Argentina during 2001**
- **Vaccines formulated with A24/Cruzeiro (A24) were not sufficiently effective in providing protective immunity against the A2001 strain (between 56% and 25% of protection in PPG tests)**
- **r_1 values for A24-A2001 were <0.2 (for VNT) and <0.3 (for LP-ELISA) \rightarrow poorly antigenically related**

experimental design

- 4 experimental groups immunized with oil emulsified FMD vaccines
- weekly sampling until challenge at 30 dpv (A/Arg 2001 strain)
- check for FMD symptoms during 1 week (daily sampling)

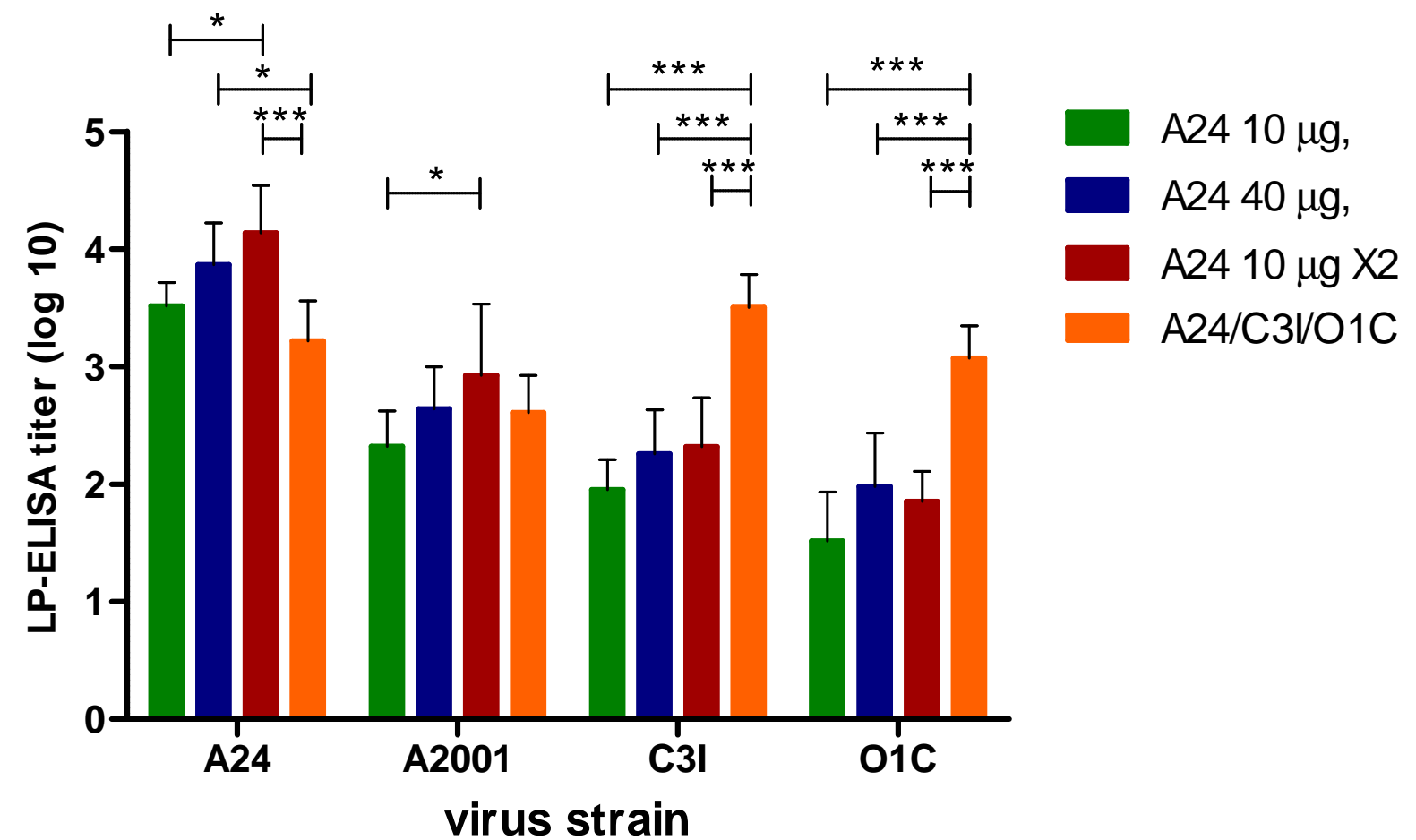
vaccine and control groups



LP-ELISA at 30dpv

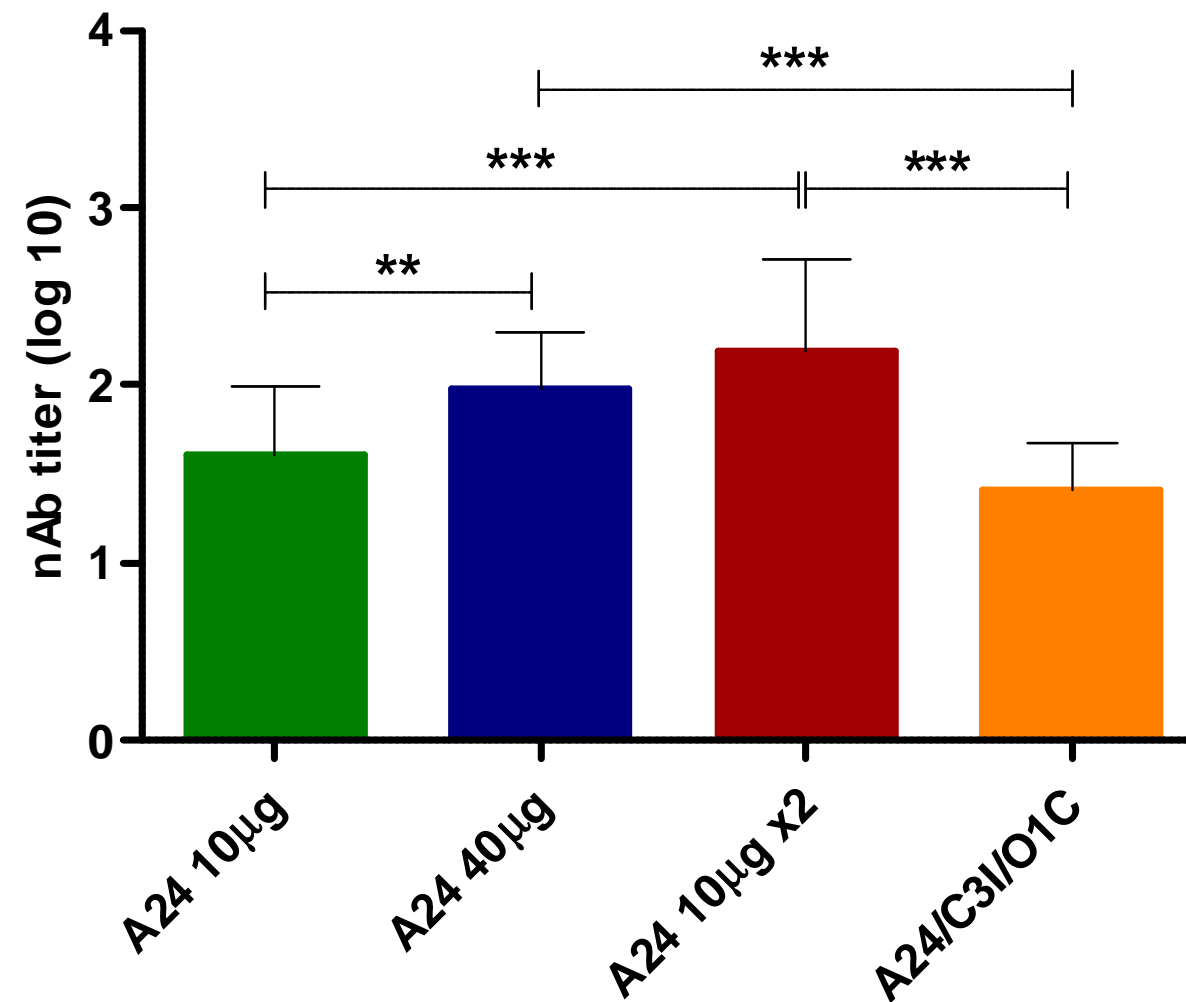
- mean Ab titers against A2001 were higher in the revaccinated group than in the low dose monovalent group ($p < 0.05$).
- mean anti-A24 Ab in the revaccinated group were higher than in the low dose monovalent group ($p < 0.05$) and the trivalent group ($p < 0.001$); high dose monovalent group titers were also higher than those in the trivalent group ($p < 0.05$)
- mean anti-C3I and -O1C Ab were higher in the trivalent group compared to all the other groups ($p < 0.001$)

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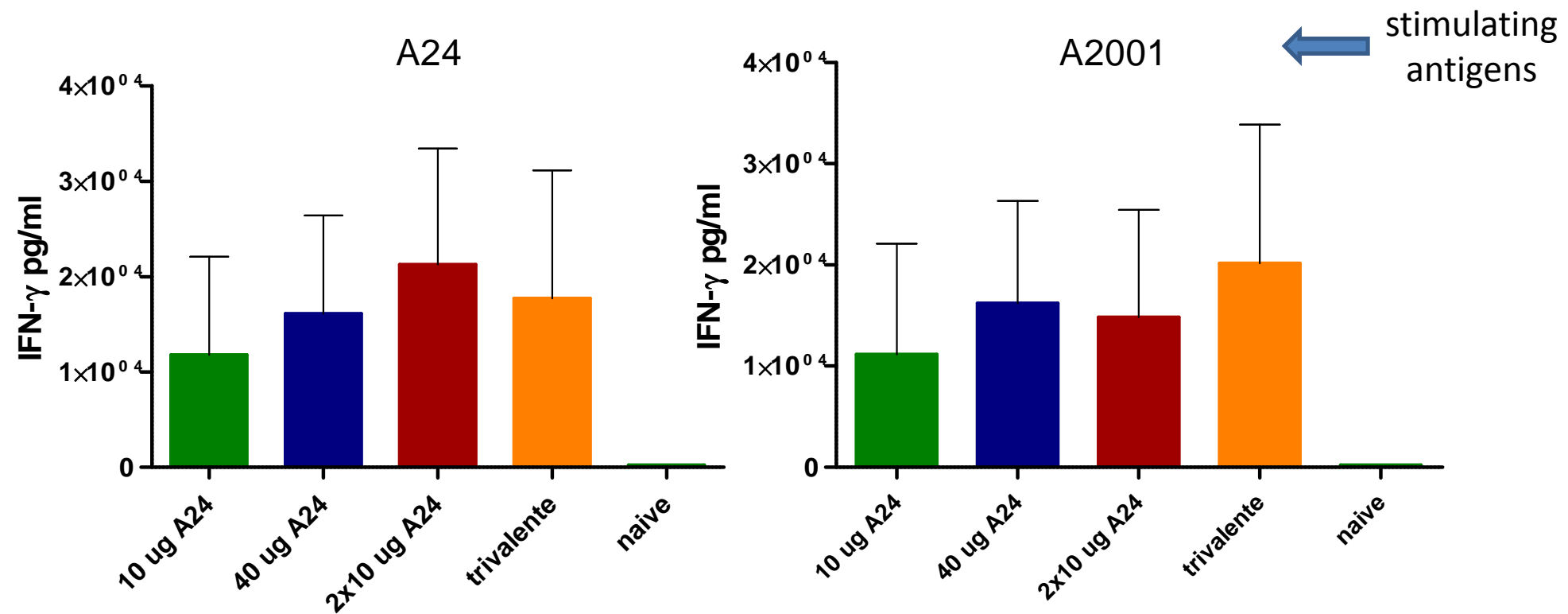


VNT for A2001 at 30dpv

- mean NAb titers against A2001 were higher in the revaccinated group than in the low dose monovalent and the trivalent vaccine groups ($p < 0.001$).
- mean anti-A2001 NAb in the high dose monovalent group were also higher than those in the low dose monovalent ($p < 0.01$) and the trivalent vaccine groups ($p < 0.001$)



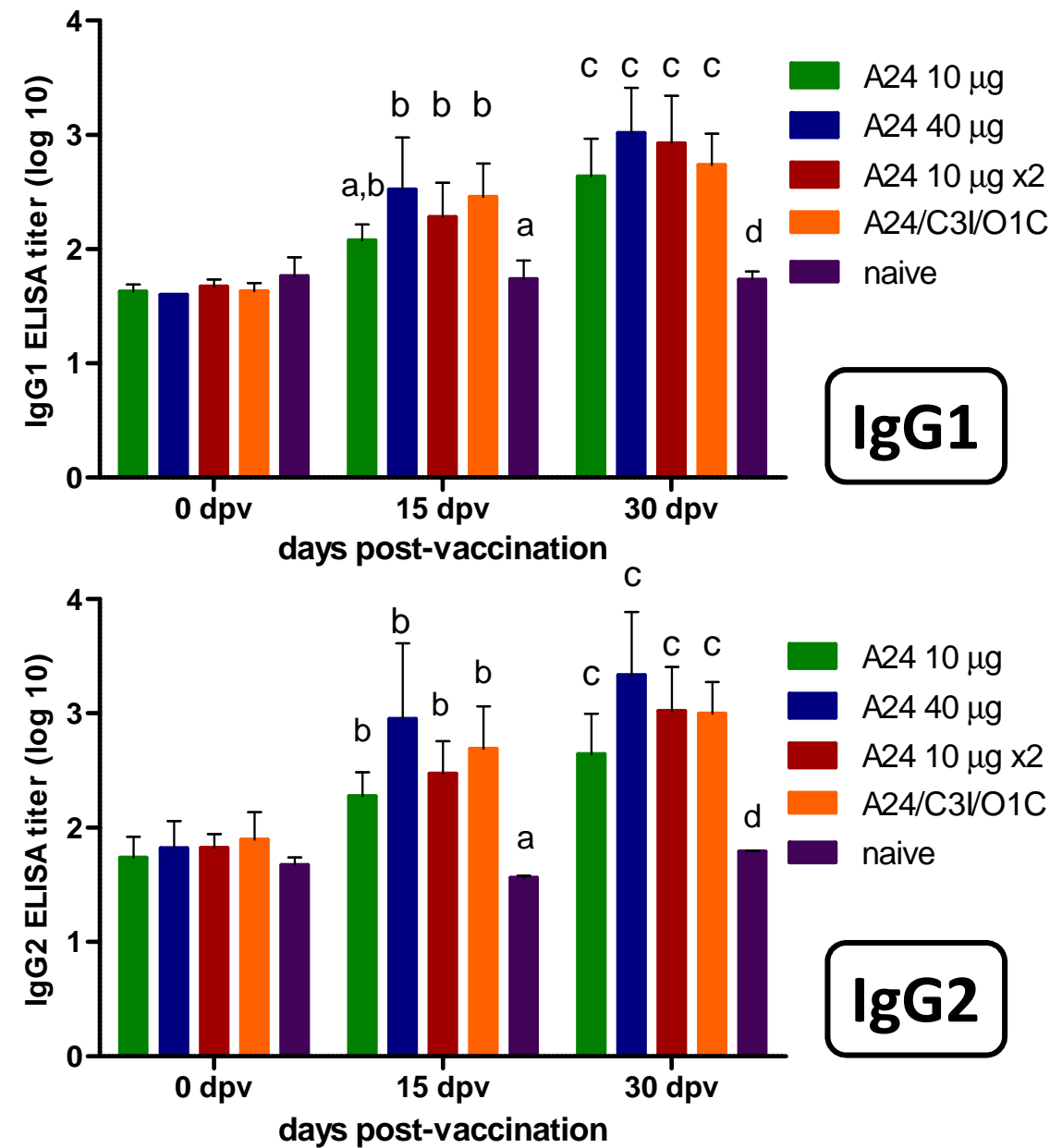
FMDV-specific IFN- γ production



- no statistically significant differences between experimental groups stimulated with the homologous (A24) or heterologous virus (A2001)
- highest mean IFN- γ production corresponded to the revaccinated (A24 Ag) and the trivalent vaccine groups (A2001 Ag)

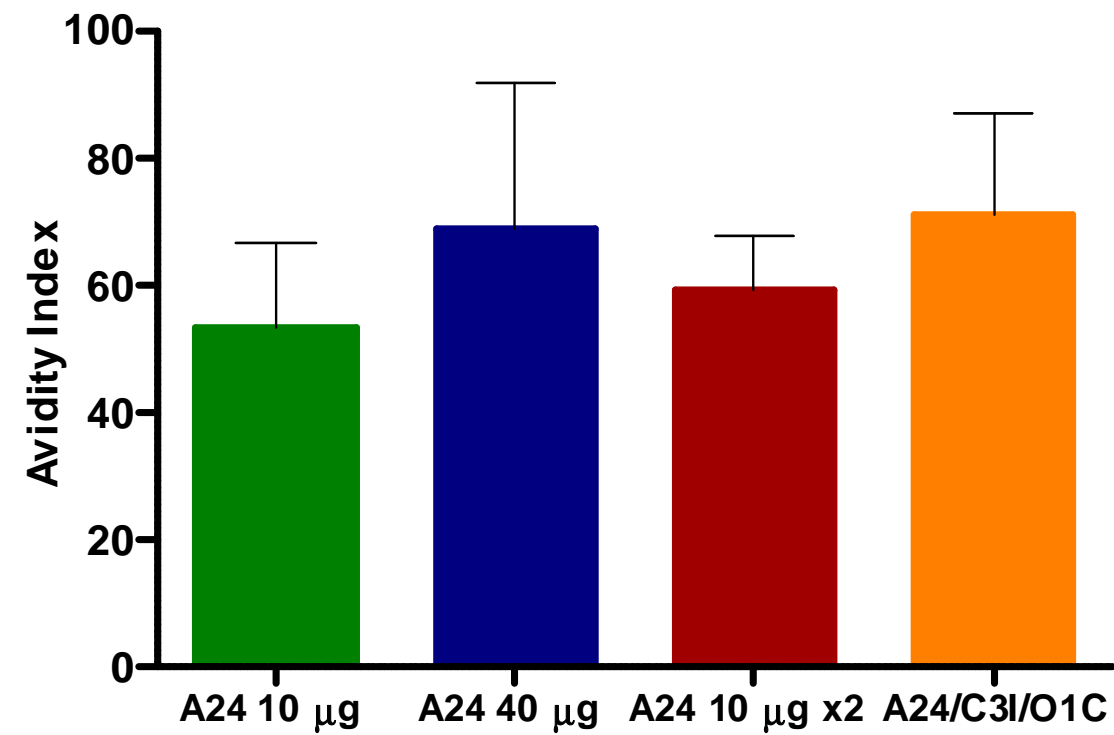
IgG1 and IgG2 ELISA for A2001 at 0, 15 & 30dpv

- no significant differences among vaccine groups at 15 or 30 dpv for both isotypes.
- Differences were only found significant with respect to the non vaccinated group at 15 and 30 dpv for both Ab subclasses



Avidity ELISA for A2001 (30 dpv)

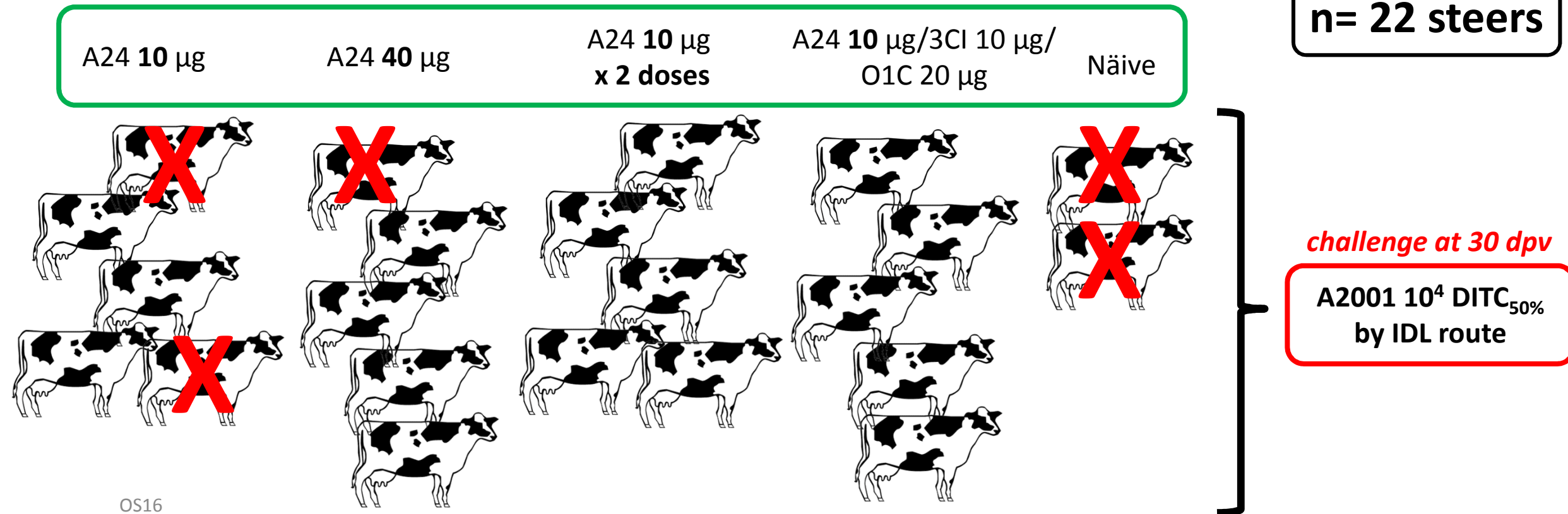
- no significant differences in the mean avidity index among vaccine groups at 30 dpv



A2001 challenge results

- FMD symptoms were checked on daily bases for 7 days
- cumulative clinical scores were assessed for each individual

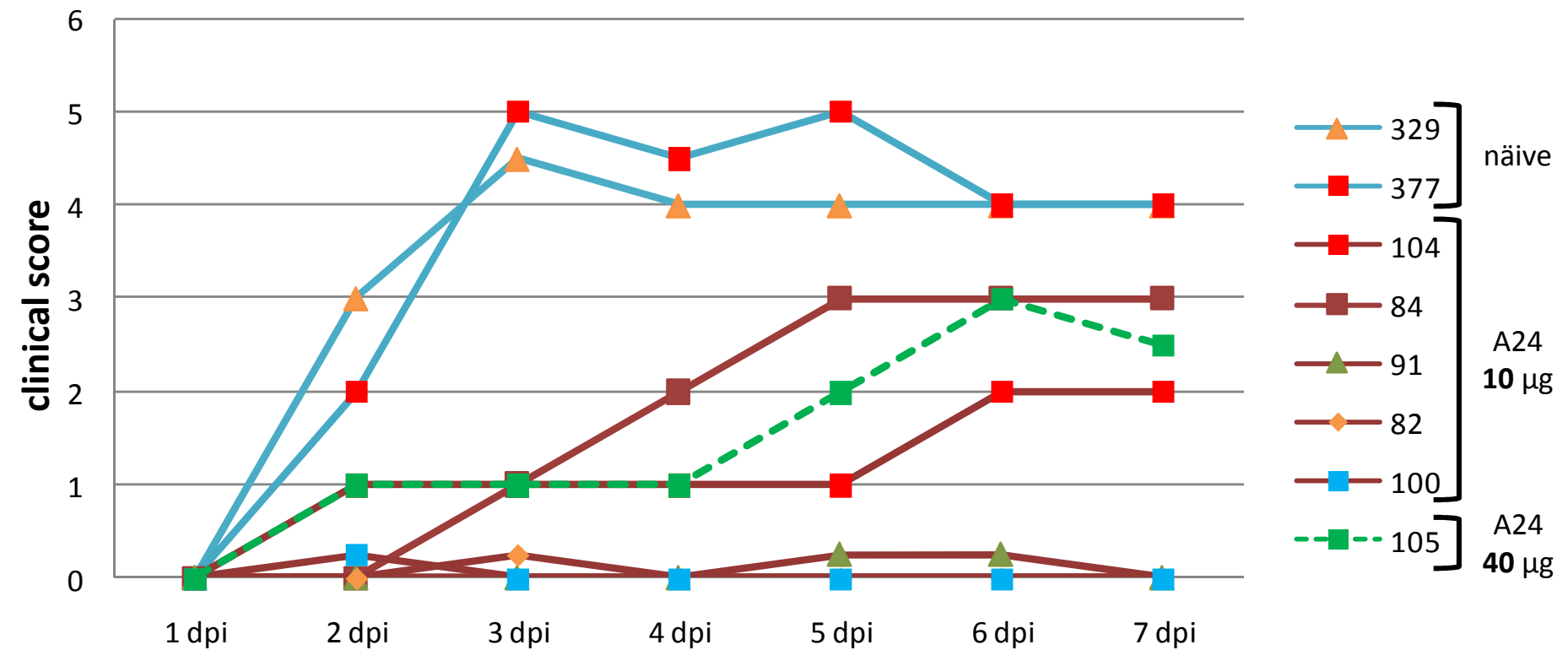
vaccine and control groups



A2001 challenge results

- FMD symptoms were checked on daily bases for 7 days
- cumulative clinical scores were assessed for each individual

- non-protected vaccinated animals (2 from the A24 10 µg vaccine, 1 from the A24 40 µg vaccine) showed less severe and more delayed symptoms than naïve ones
- the rest of the animals from the A24 10 µg vaccination group showed at least 1 one day with a slight hyperthermia during the week following the challenge



A2001 challenge results

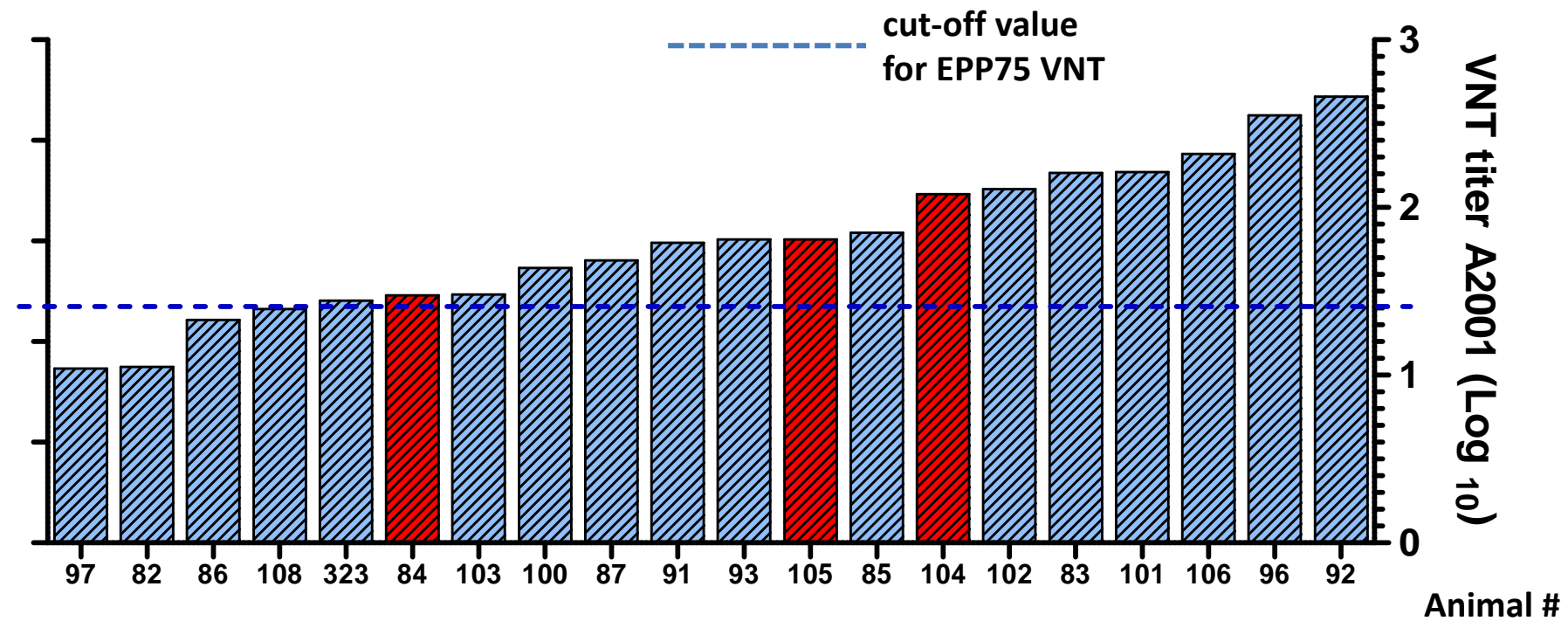
Experimental group	# protected animal /total
A24 10 µg	3 / 5 (60%)
A24 40 µg	4 / 5 (80%)
A24 10 µg x2	5 / 5 (100%)
A24/C3I/O1C	5 / 5 (100%)
PBS	0 / 2 (0%)

- previous reports for vaccine matching assays with A24/A2001 strains (10µg A24 oil vaccine, single dose) showed between 56% and 25% of protection
- 6 out 17 protected animals showed Ab against FMDV NSP already at 7 dpv; 2 out 3 of the non-protected steers did not develop anti-NSP Ab (too early?), but were positive for virus isolation

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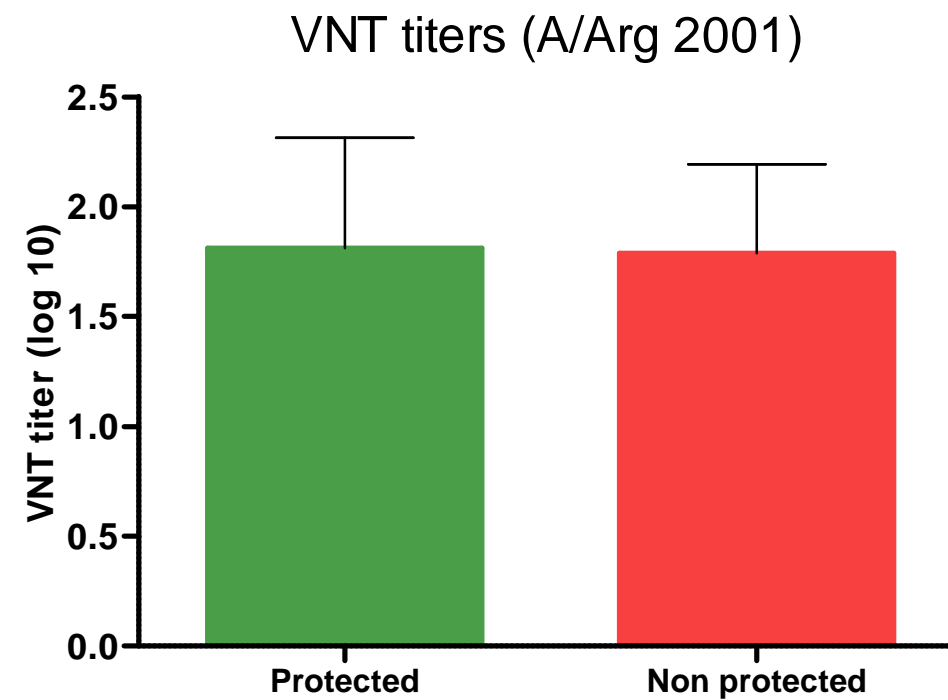
group	animal #	anti-NSP Ab (ELISA)			VI
		0 dpv	30 dpv	7 dpi	7 dpi
A24 10 µg	82	-	-	-	ND
	84	-	-	-	+
	91	-	-	+	ND
	100	-	-	+	ND
	104	-	-	+	+
A24 40 µg	83	-	-	-	ND
	85	-	-	+	ND
	93	-	-	-	ND
	101	-	-	-	ND
	105	-	-	-	+
A24 10 µg x2	86	-	-	-	ND
	92	-	-	-	ND
	96	-	-	-	ND
	102	-	-	-	ND
	106	-	-	-	ND
A24/C3I/O1C	87	-	-	+	ND
	97	-	-	-	ND
	103	-	-	-	ND
	108	-	-	+	ND
	323	-	-	+	ND
naive	329	-	-	+	+
	377	-	-	+	+

order according to VNT titers



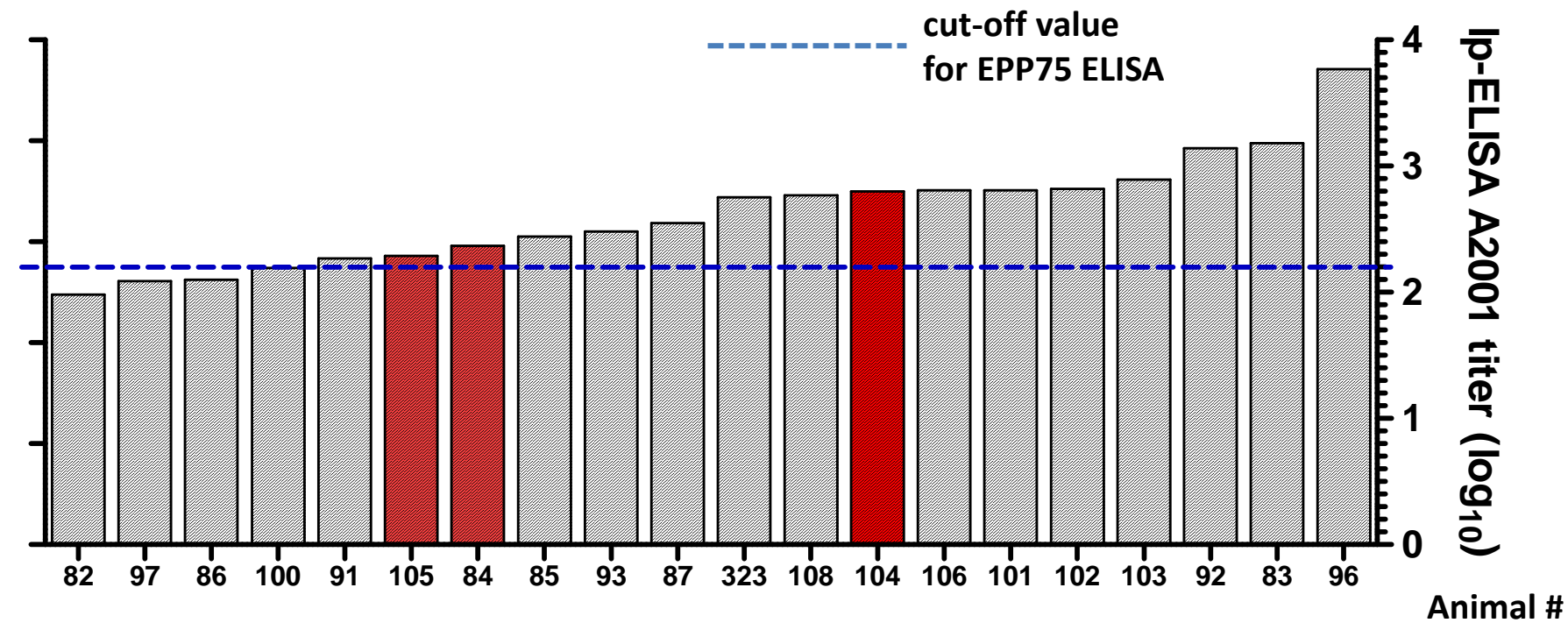
- all non-protected animals showed VNT titers above those established for 75% of expected protection (EPP75) for this assay
- 4 out 17 protected animals had mean VNT titers below those established for EPP75 for the A2001 strain

protected VS non-protected for VNT



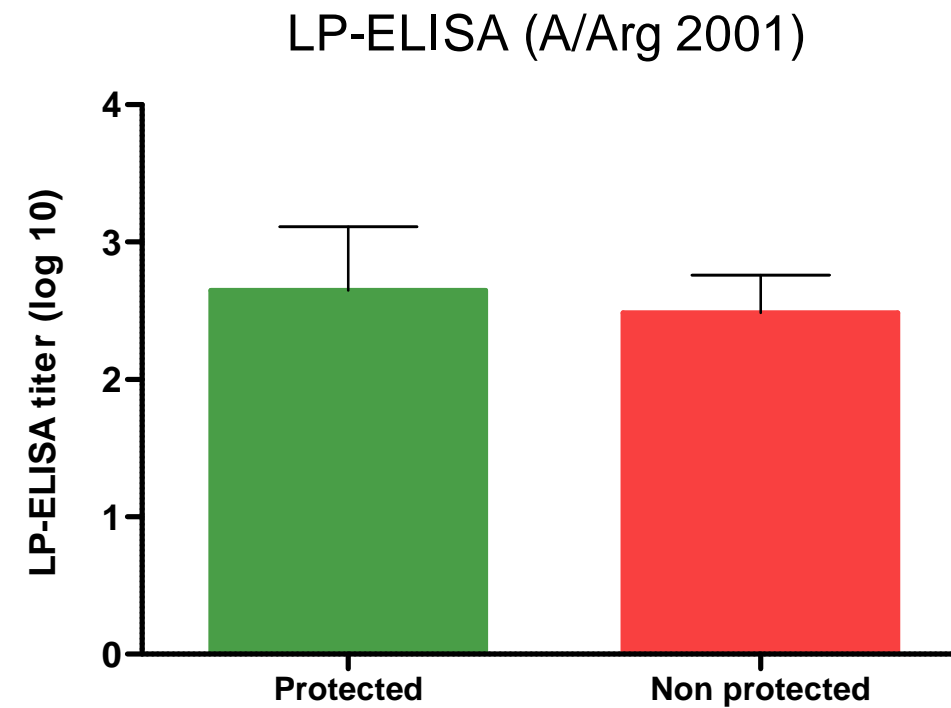
- no significant differences in VNT titers against A2001

order according to LP-ELISA titers



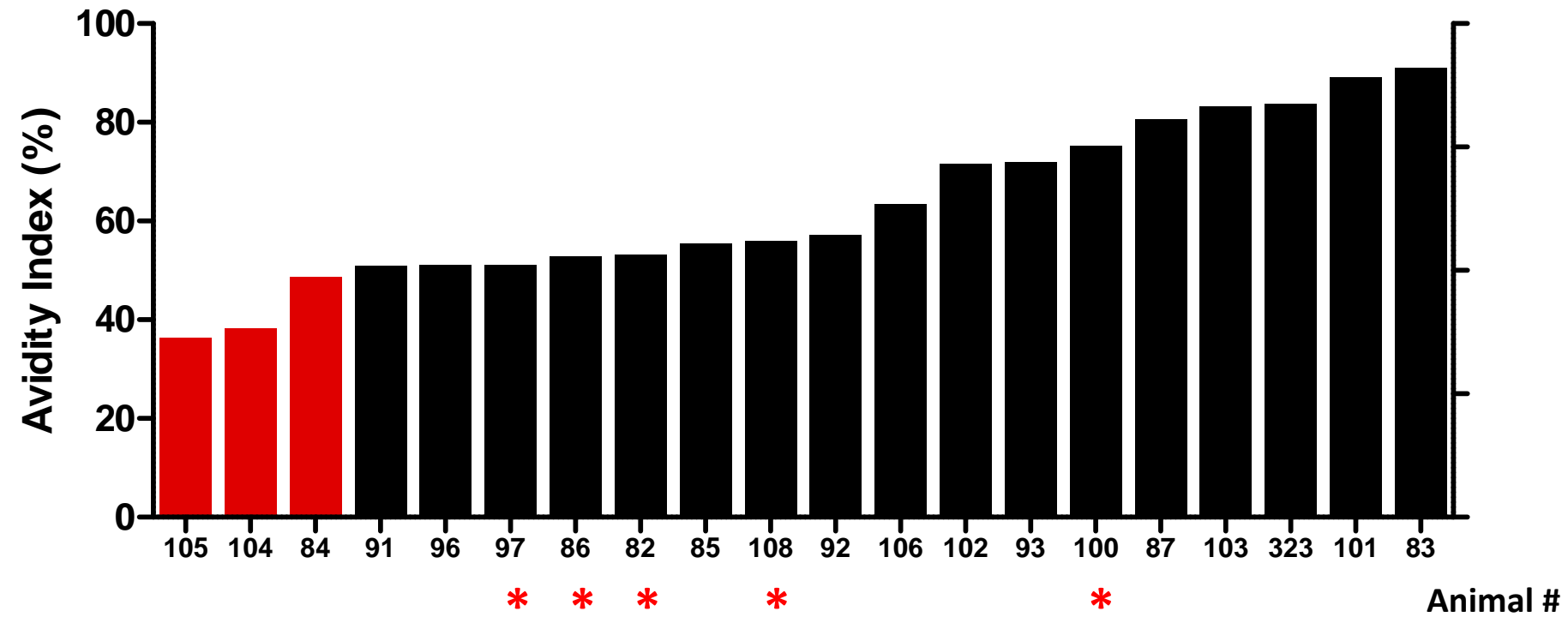
- all non-protected animals showed LP-ELISA titers above those established for 75% of expected protection (EPP75) for this assay
- 4 out 17 protected animals had mean LPELISA titers below those of the EPP75 for the A2001 strain

protected VS non-protected for LP-ELISA



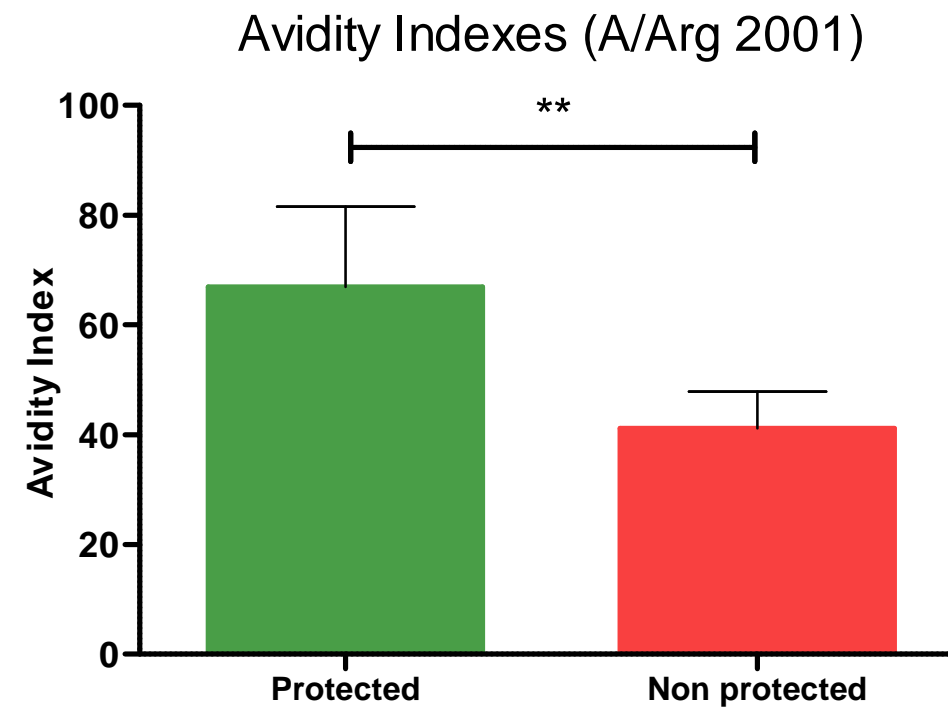
- no significant differences in LP-ELISA titers against A2001

order according to AI values



- Non-protected steers were those also showing the lowest avidity indexes against A2001 (between 36% and 46%)
- Protected animals with titers below the EPP75 cut off for LP-ELISA (82, 97, 86, 100) or EPP75 cut off for VNT (82, 97, 86, 108), showed AI between 53% and 75%

protected VS non-protected for avidity index



- mean avidity index in protected animals (n=17) was significantly higher ($p < 0,01$) than that of the non-protected steers (n=3)

conclusions

- *only animals from the revaccinated group or those immunized with the polyvalent formulation did not present FMD-generalization symptoms*
- *protection % in the A24 10µg group was similar to that previously reported*
- *no statistical differences were found among groups for A2001-specific IFN-γ production, IgG1/IgG2 titers, or avidity indexes.*

conclusions

- significant differences among groups for A2001-specific Ab were more evident when analyzing VNT titers (A24 40µg & A24 10µg X2>A24 10µg & A24/C3I/O1C) than LP-ELISA (A24 10µg X2>A24 10µg)
- However, VNT and LP-ELISA titers did not show a clear correlation with the heterologous protection
- **Determination of the avidity of sera against the heterologous strain (A2001) was the only assay capable of differentiating protected from non-protected animals**

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