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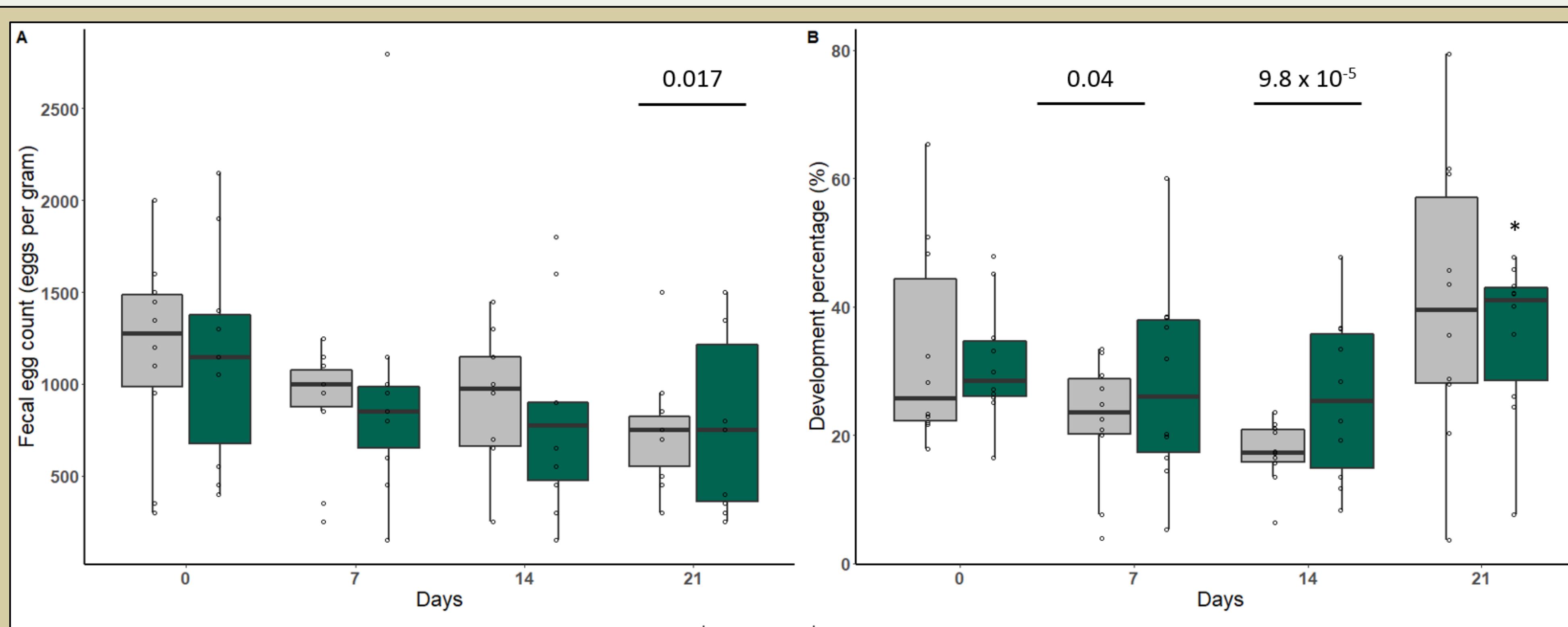
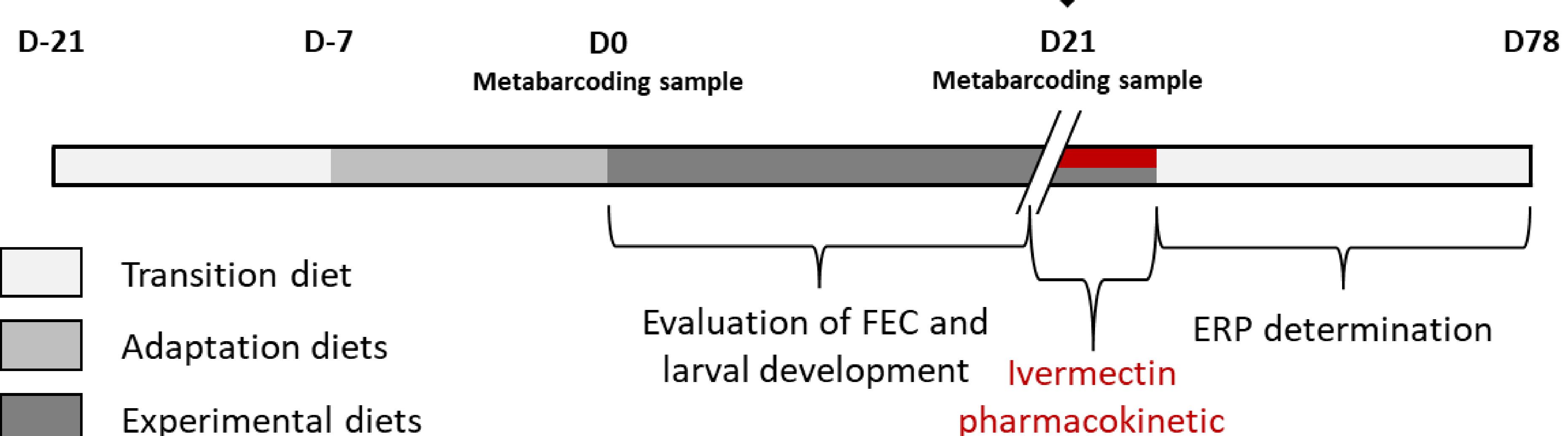
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## Sainfoin from plant to pellet



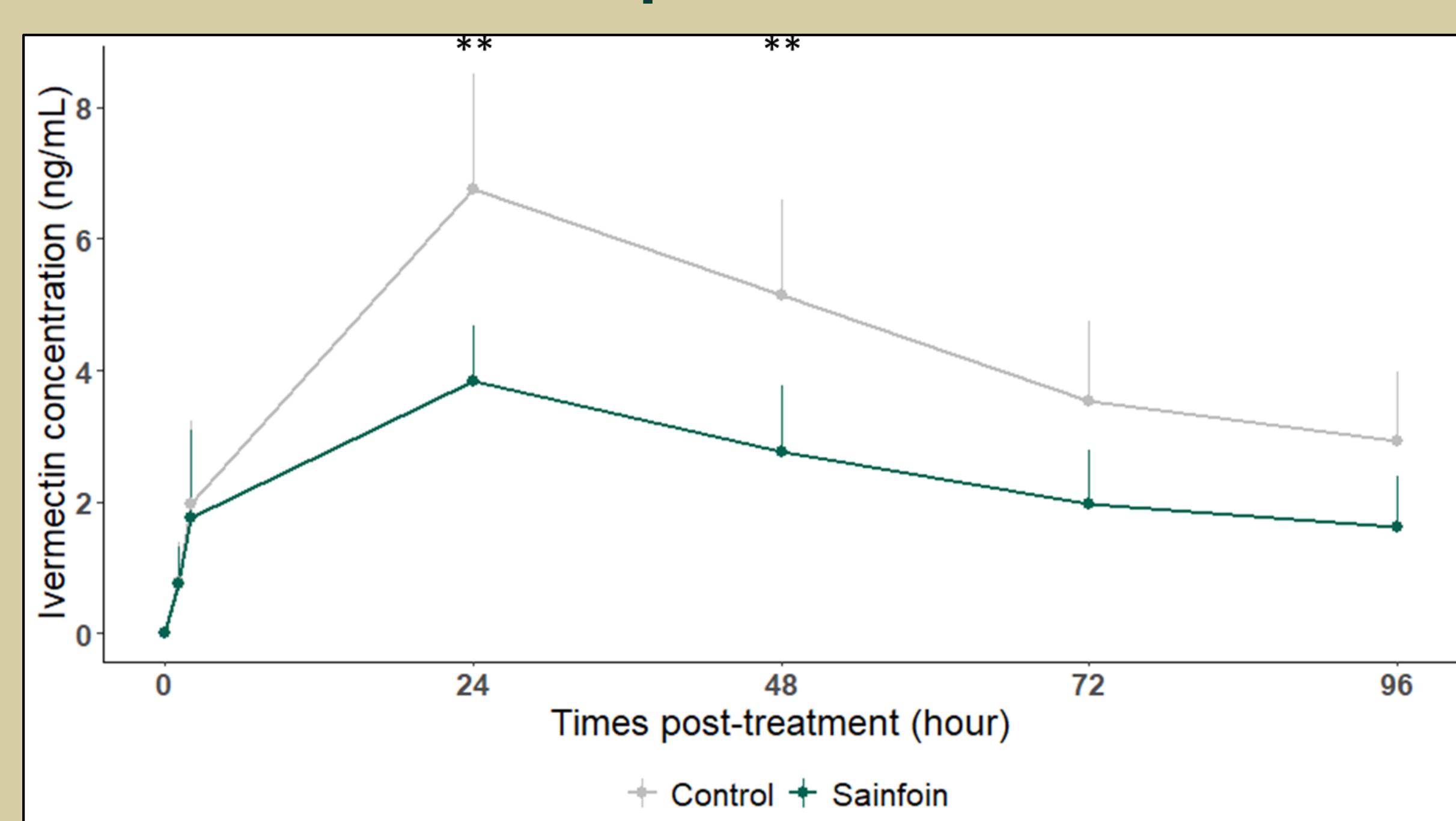
## Materials & methods



**Arithmetic average of FEC (A) and larval development rate (B) measured over the experimental period**

The bars indicate a significant difference in the mean larval development compared to day 0. \*Statistically significant difference in larval development rate from day 14 to day 21 between the sainfoin and control groups ( $P = 0.02$ ).

## Effect of the diet on ivermectin blood concentration and pharmacokinetic



	Control	Sainfoin
Cmax <sup>a</sup> (ng.mL <sup>-1</sup> )	6.8±1.7	3.8±0.8***
Tmax <sup>b</sup> (h)	24±0.0	24±0.0 <sup>ns</sup>
AUC <sup>c</sup> 0→t (ng.h.mL <sup>-1</sup> )	419.8±111.9	240.4±77.5***

\*\* Statistically significant difference of average plasma IVM concentration between groups at 24 and 48 h post-treatment ( $P < 0.01$ ).

<sup>ns</sup>Not significant.

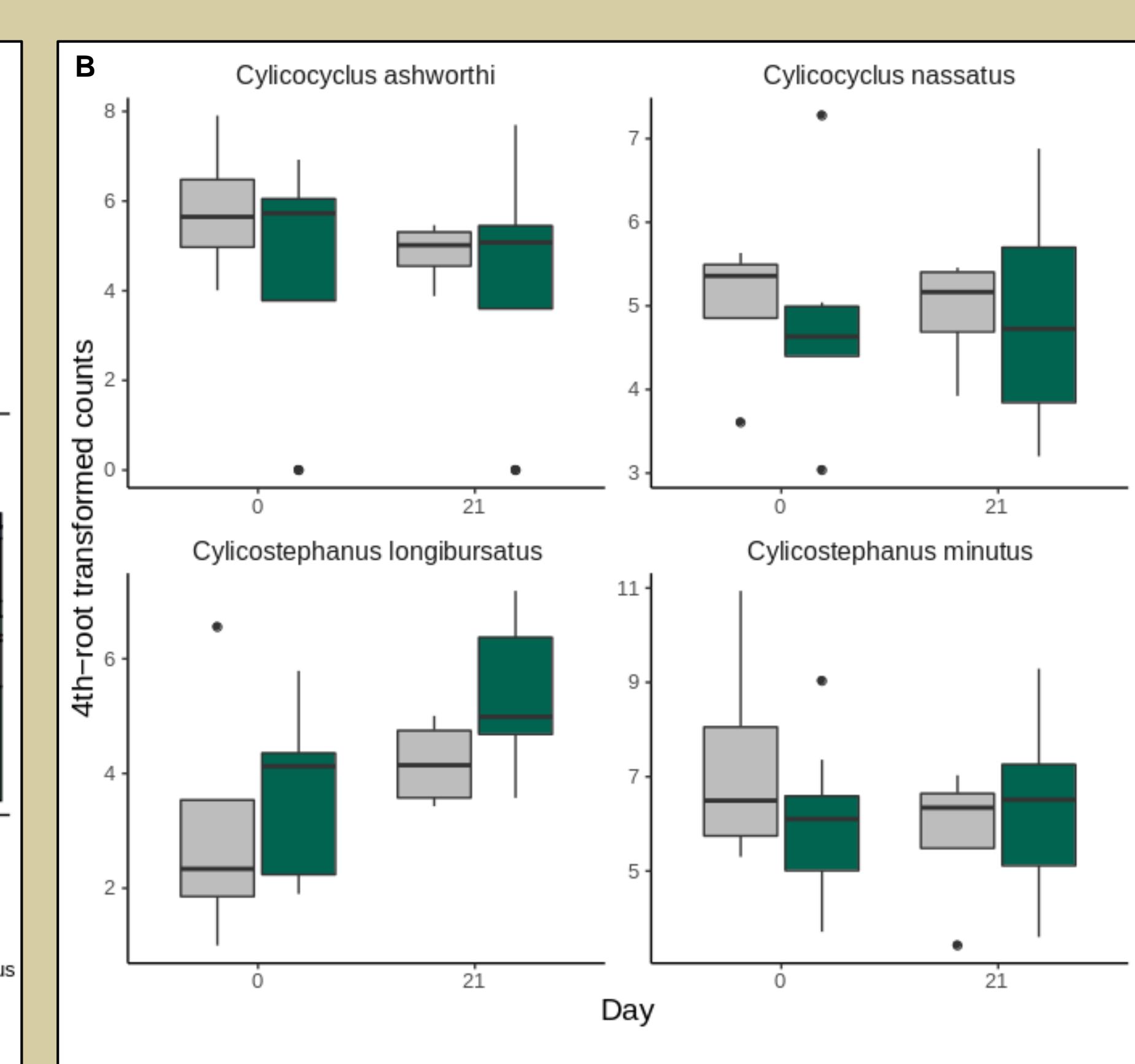
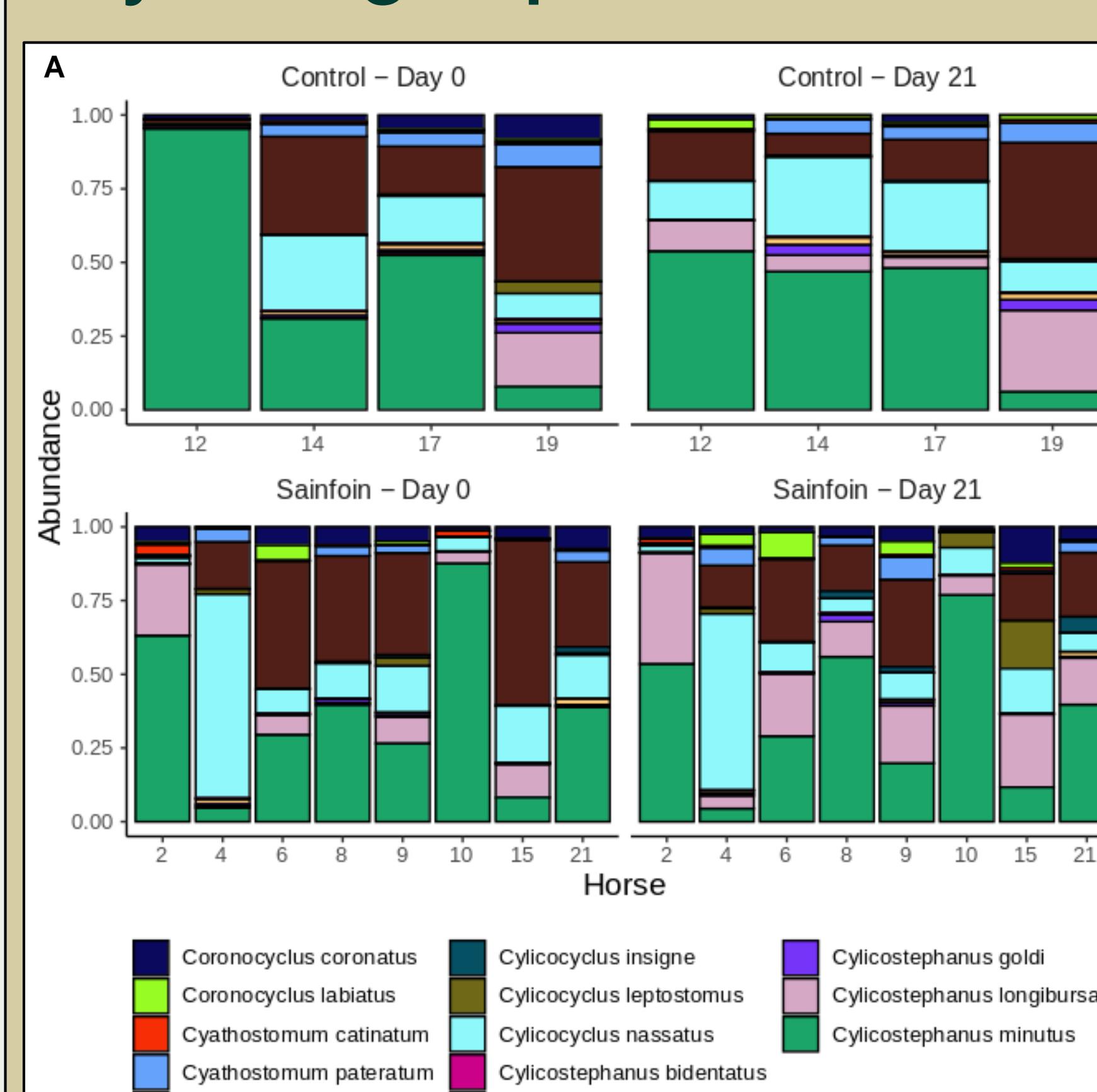
\*\*\* Statistically significant difference of kinetic parameters compared to control ( $P \leq 0.001$ ).

<sup>a</sup>Maximum plasma concentration.

<sup>b</sup>Time of maximum concentration.

<sup>c</sup>AUC from 0 to the last time point.

## Cyathostomin larval community structure (A) and most abundant species (B) estimated using the metabarcoding approach across days and groups



## Conclusion

- Absence of *in vivo* effects of dehydrated sainfoin pellets on cyathostomin and larval population structure
- Significant reduction of ivermectin plasma concentration in horses

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