

# Spatial, inter- and intra- repeatability of thermal imaging in cattle

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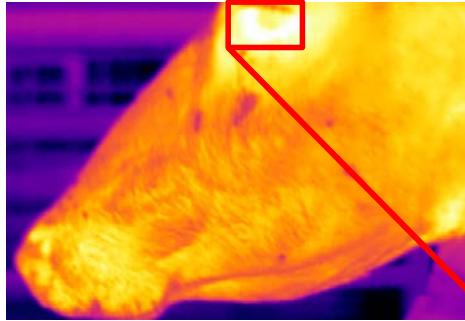
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# Infrared Thermography (IRT)

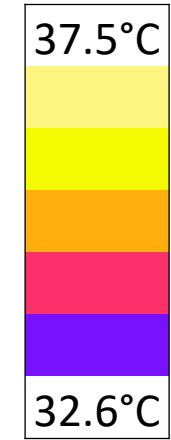


Digital Image



Thermal Image

32.9	33.7	34.4	35.1	34.8	34.3	33.7
34.2	34.4	34.8	34.8	34.8	34.8	34.3
34.9	34.8	35.5	35.5	35.5	35.2	34.9
35.5	35.4	35.9	35.6	35.6	35.5	35.4
36.7	36.2	36.1	35.7	35.9	36.2	36.7
36.8	36.4	35.9	35.9	36.1	36.4	36.8
36.9	36.5	36.1	36.2	36.3	36.5	36.9
37.2	37.1	36.5	36.4	36.4	36.5	37.1
37.4	37.2	36.9	36.5	36.5	37.1	37.3
37.3	37.3	37.2	37.1	36.9	36.9	37.2
34.8	37.1	37.1	36.9	36.8	36.7	34.8



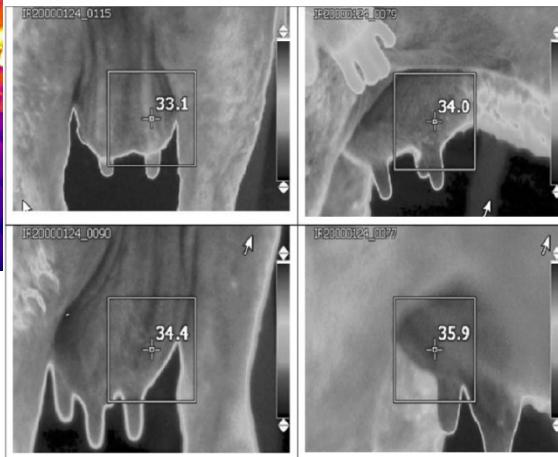
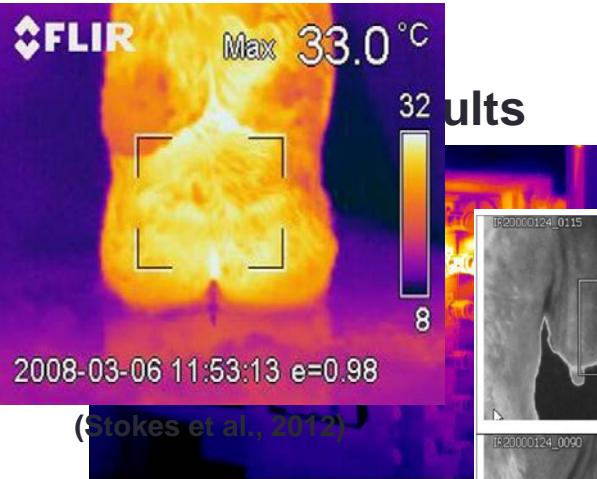
Max  
37.4 °C

Min  
32.9°C

Avg  
36°C

# Uses of IRT

## Hoof Lesions



**BRIEF COMMUNICATION:** The use of infrared thermography and feeding behaviour for early disease detection in New Zealand dairy calves

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Detection of foot-and-mouth disease virus infected cattle using infrared thermography

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The non-invasive and automated detection of bovine respiratory disease onset in receiver calves using infrared thermography

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### ABSTRACT

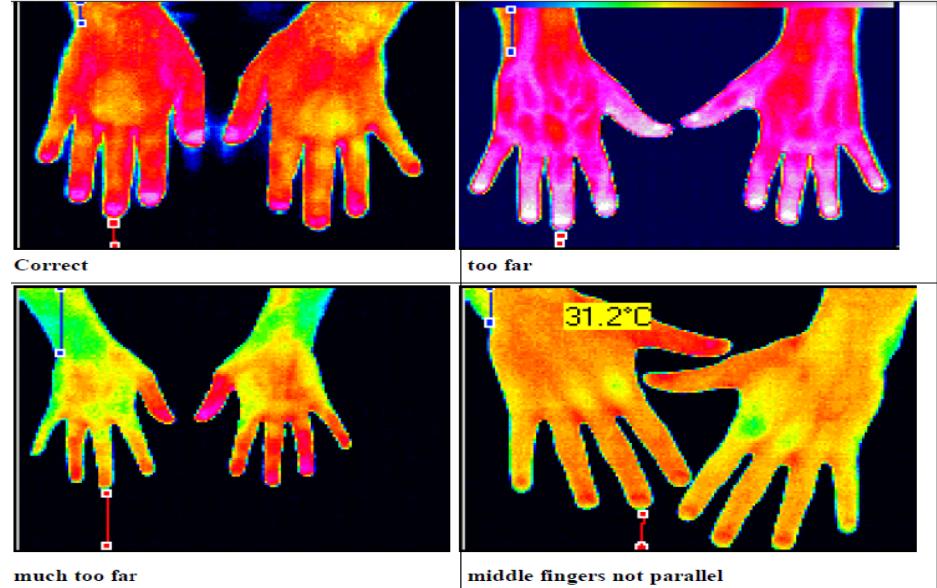
Bovine respiratory disease complex (BRD) causes considerable economic loss and biosecurity cost to the beef industry globally and also results in significant degradation to the welfare of affected animals. The

# Introduction

- Medical research
- Controlled conditions
- Precision
- Sick vs healthy temperatures

## Objective

- Quantify the precision of IRT
- Irish agricultural environment
- Dairy cattle

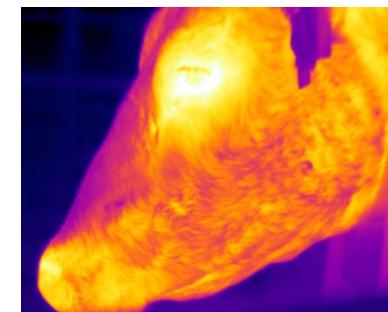
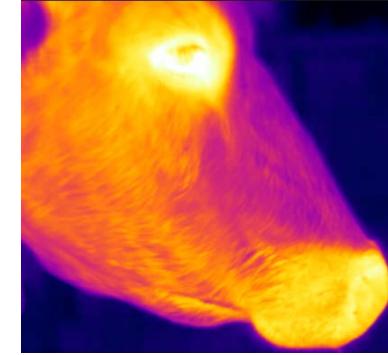
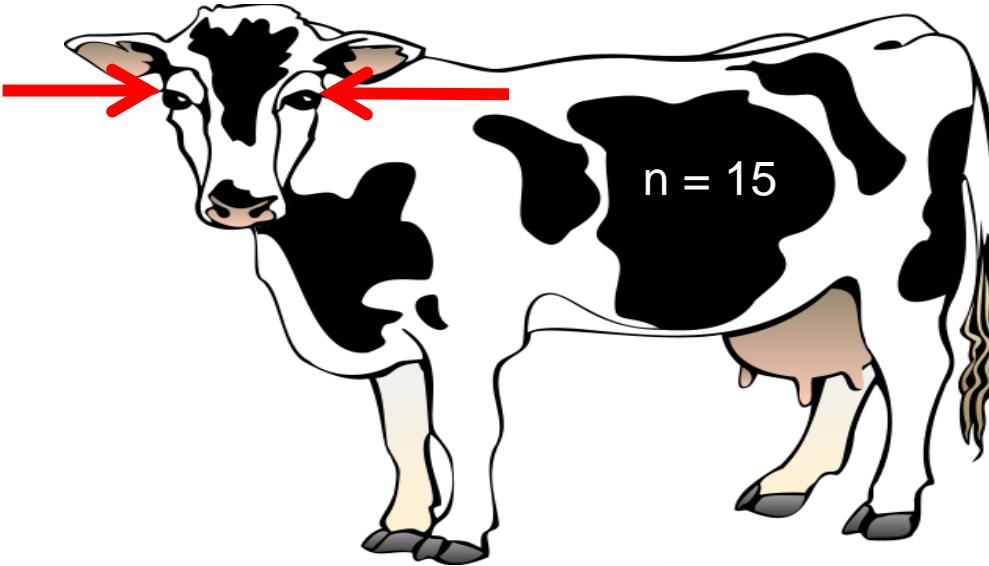


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# Materials & Methods

## Objective

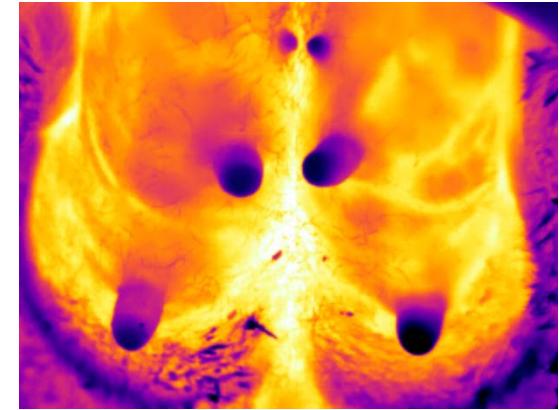
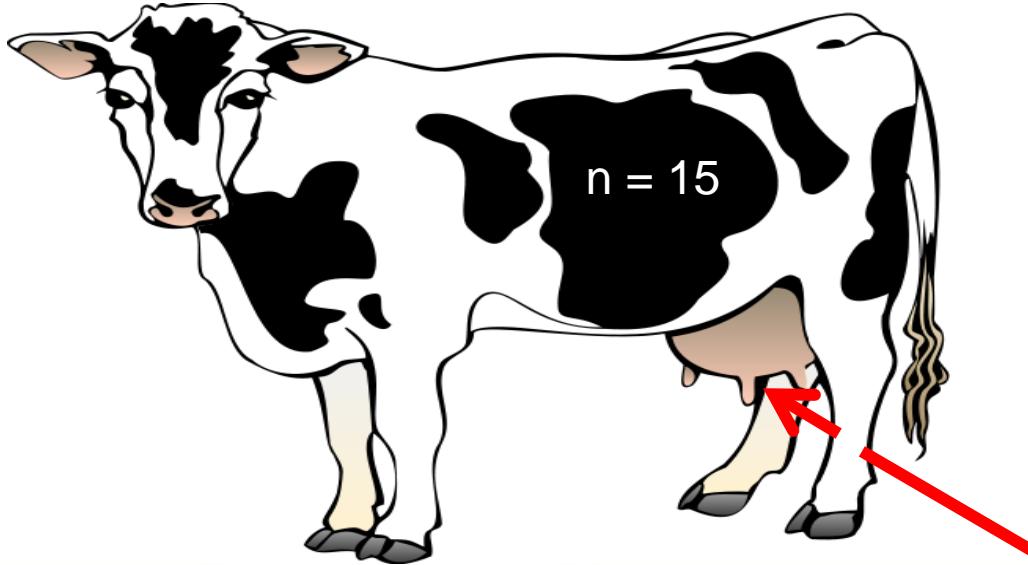
- Quantify the precision of **eye** images



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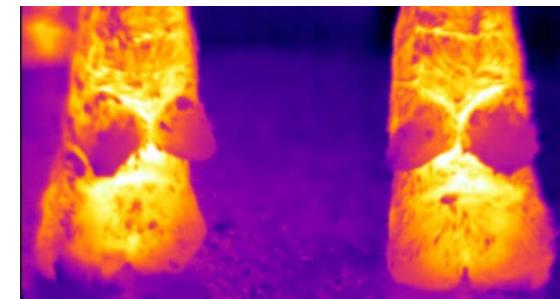
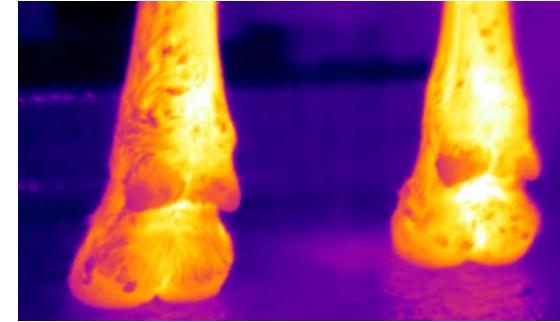
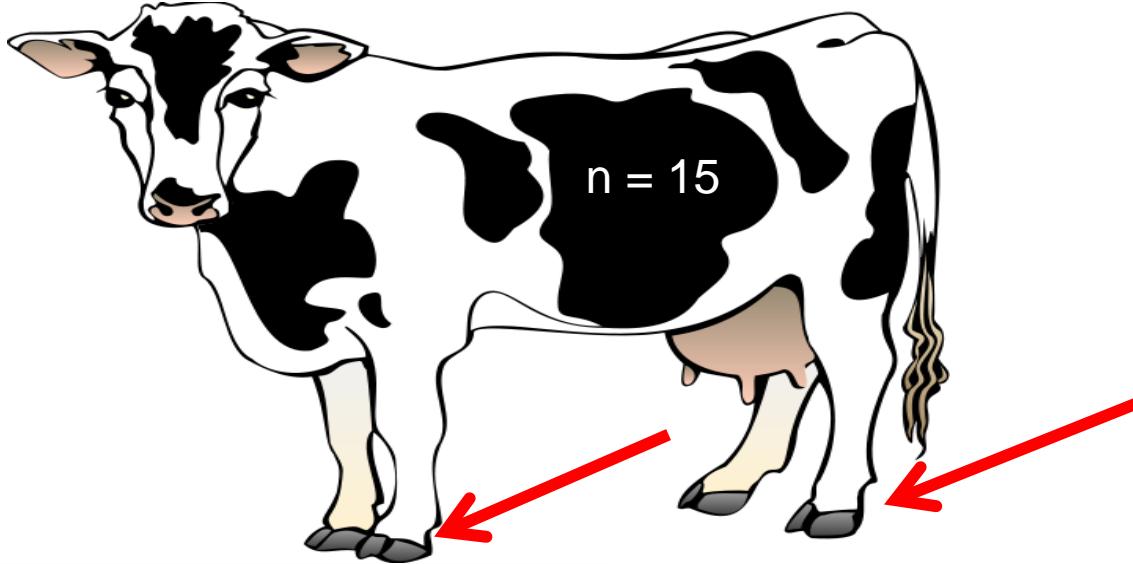
- Quantify the precision of **udder** images



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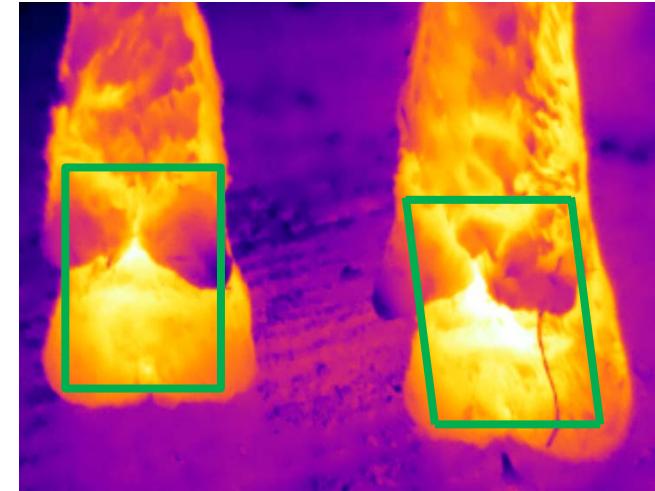
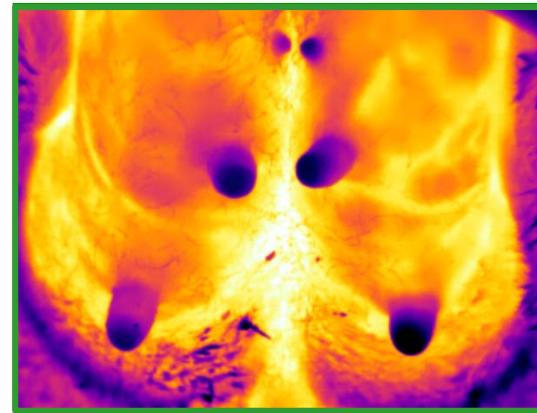
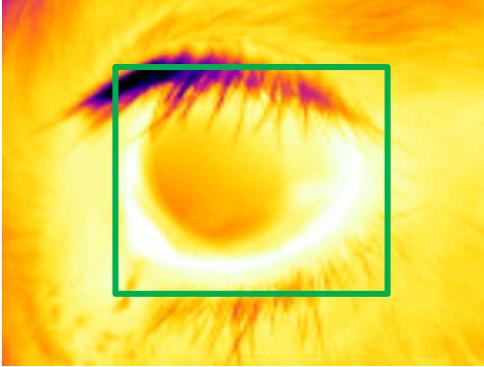
## Objective

- Quantify the precision of **hoof** images



# Image Analysis

- Rectangular shape for the eye
- Whole udder analysis
- Parallelogram shape for hooves
- Max Min Avg extracted



# Statistics

- Partition of the variance

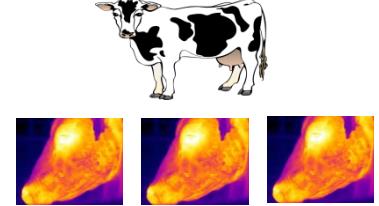
$$\bullet \quad t_{cow} = \frac{\sigma_{Cow}^2}{\sigma_{Total}^2}$$

$$\bullet \quad P_n = 1.96 \times \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{Error}^2}{n_{\in(1,30)}}}$$

**Total Variance ( $\sigma_{Total}^2$ )**

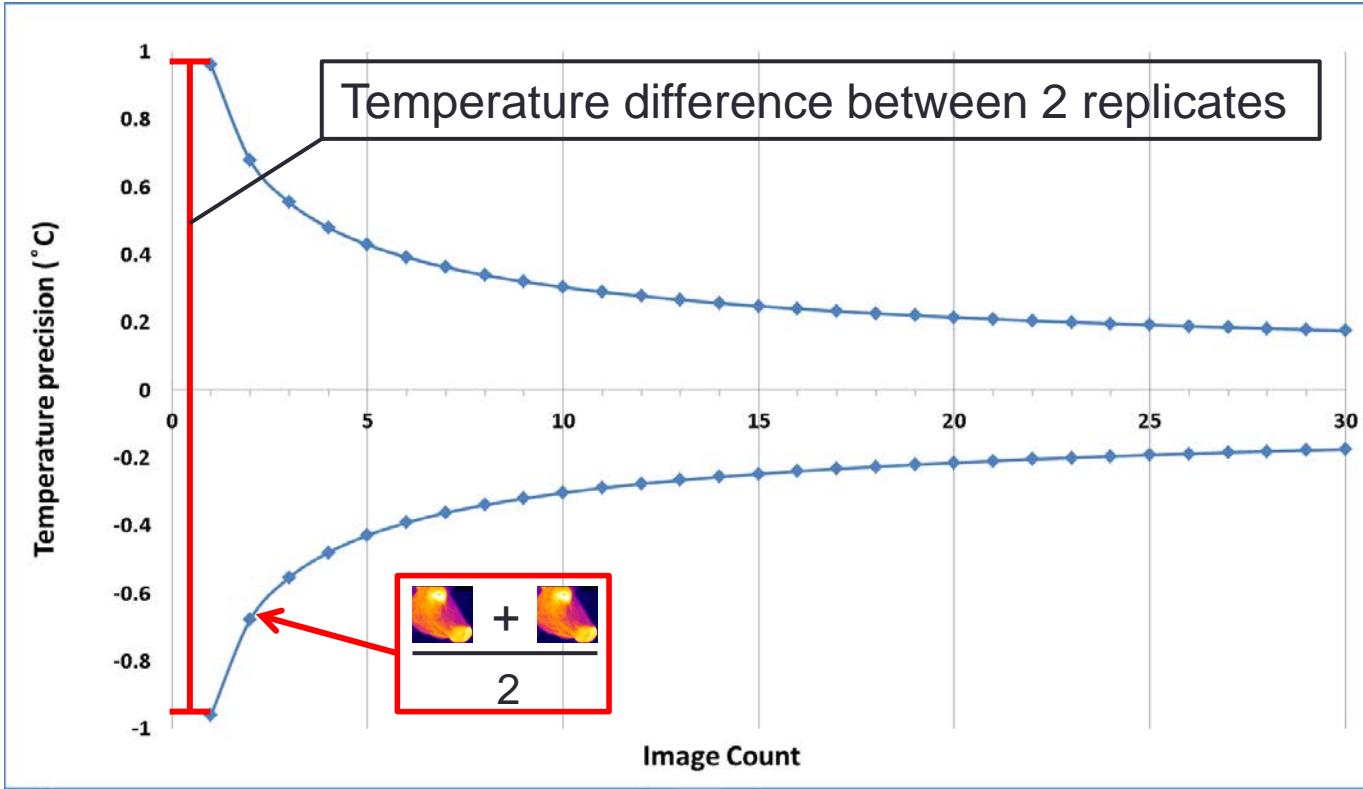
**Between Cow Variance ( $\sigma_{Cow}^2$ )**

**Within Cow Variance ( $\sigma_{Error}^2$ )**



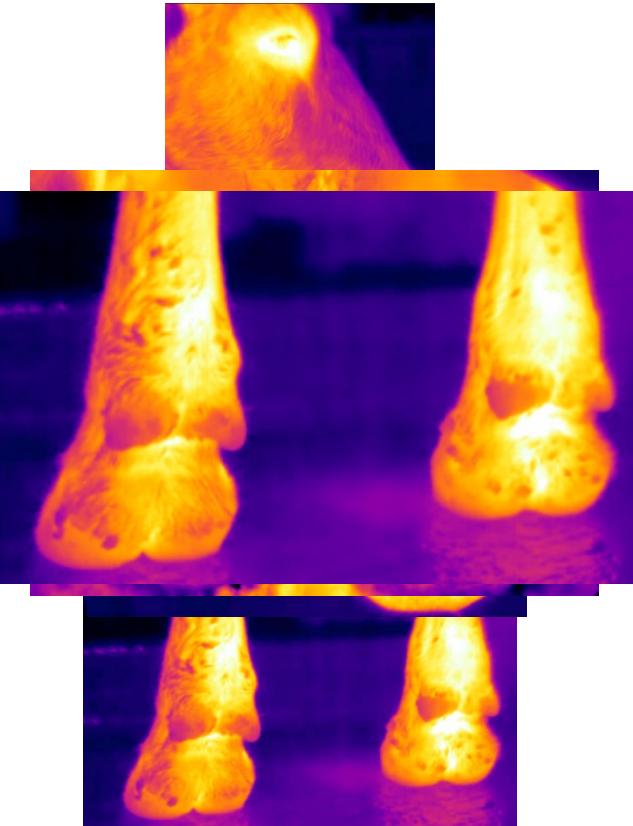
# Precision

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$$\frac{\text{[Image 1] + [Image 2]}}{2}$$

# Results



Temperature parameter to extract

**Average**

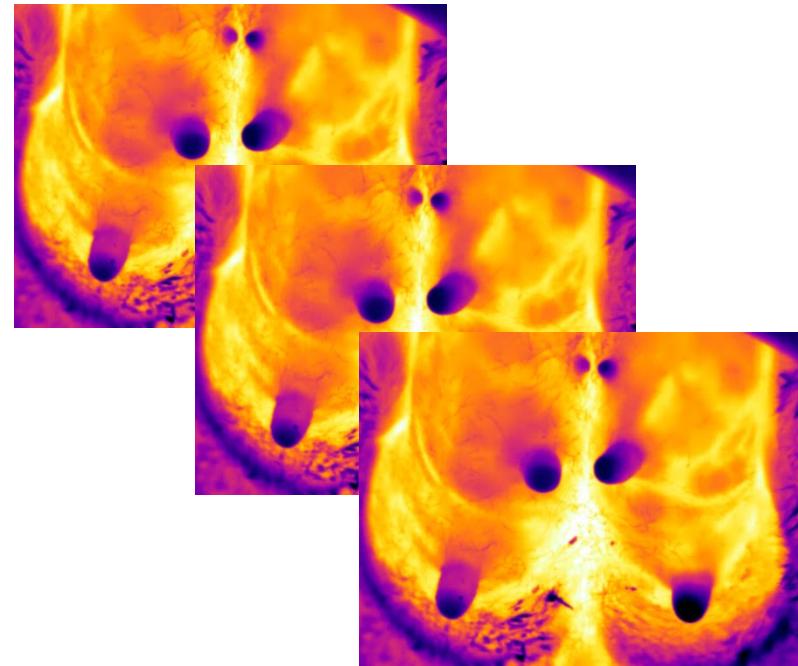
Temperature difference between 2 replicates

**0.88°C**

1 Image	2 Images	3 Images	4 Images	area	30 Images
0.88°C	0.92°C	0.75°C Hovis (+/- 0.65°C)	0.65°C 99.3 %	0.14°C	

# Conclusion

- Max temperature (udder & eye)
- Average temperature (hoof)
- Hoof Images are the most repeatable
- High level of precision possible
- Minimum of 3 replicates
- Disease detection



# Thank you for Listening



## Any Questions??