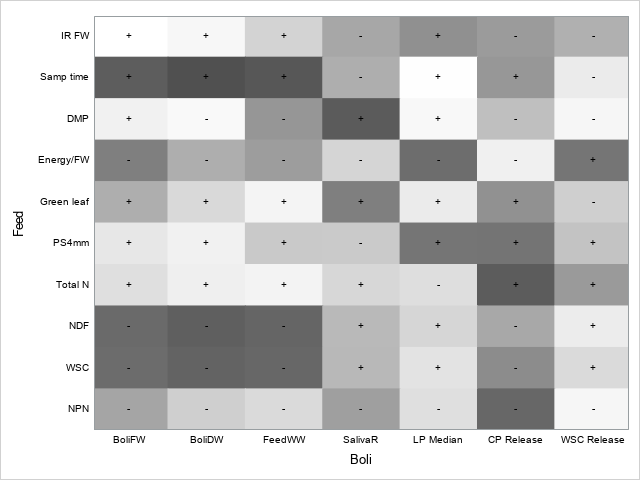
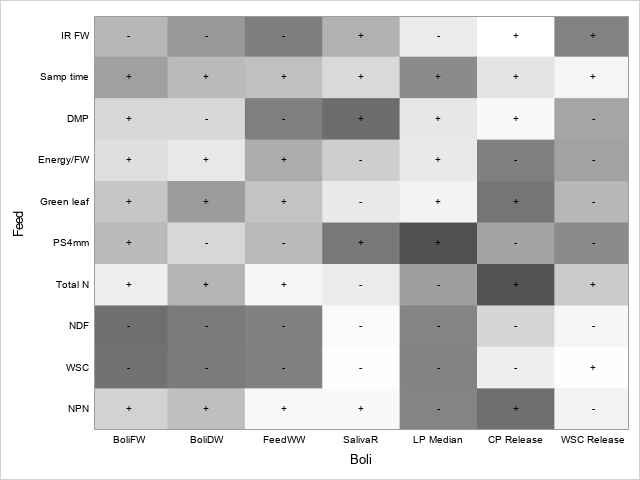
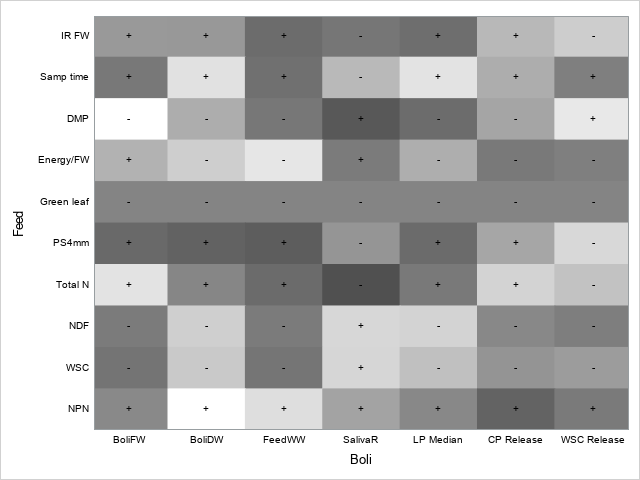
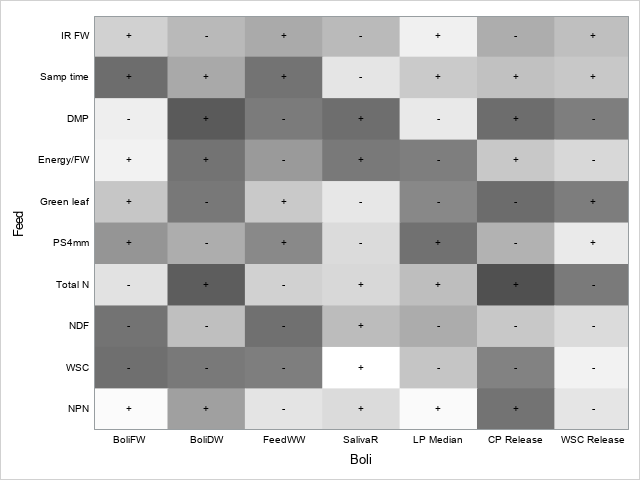
Supplementary material

Characteristics of boli formed by dairy cows upon ingestion of fresh ryegrass, lucerne or chicory

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***Supplementary Figure S1*** Heat map diagrams describing the associations between feed characteristics and boli characteristics from dairy cattle (*Bos taurus*) for (a) all forages, (b) chicory, (c) lucerne, and (d) ryegrass. Colour scale represents the absolute strength of the correlation (from white if |r| close to 0, to dark grey if |r| close to 1) and the sign indicates whether the correlation is negative or positive.

(c)

(d)

(b)

(a)

Abbreviations: IRFW, Intake rate of fresh material; Samp time, sample time; DMP, herbage dry matter percent; Energy/FW, energy required to macerate fresh material; Green leaf, percentage of green leaf material in herbage; PS4mm, percentage of particles greater than 4 mm; Total N, herbage nitrogen concentration; NDF, neutral detergent fibre; WSC, water soluble carbohydrate; NPN, non protein nitrogen; BoliFW, fresh weight of boli; BoliDW, dry weight of boli; FeedWW, feed wet weight consumed; SalivaR, saliva content of boli; LP Median, median length of large particles; CP release, crude protein release; WSC release, water soluble carbohydrate released.