

Forage Systems for Targeted Deer Production



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Introduction

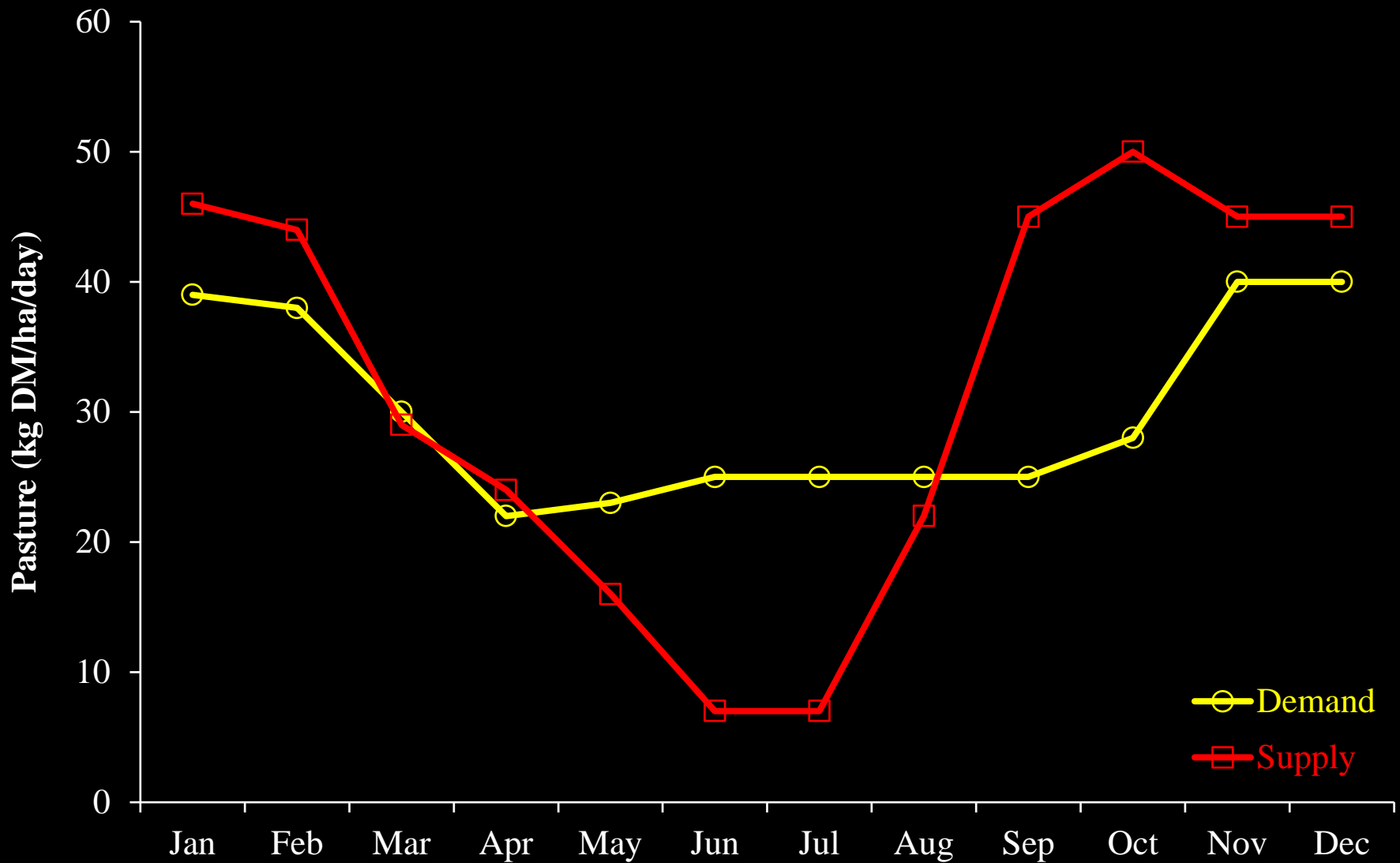
Production cycles - supply and demand

Forage in a deer context

- Grasses
- Legumes
- Grazing herbs
- Brassica /beet

Forage rotations

Supply and Demand



Demand

Stocking rate

- Hinds
- Young stock
- Cattle/sheep

Liveweight and LWG expectation

Timing of events

- Weaning
- Sale of stock
- Winter feeding/spring flush

Supply

Forage system

- New grass / old pasture
- Legumes
- Herbs
- Brassicas

Conservation

- Hay and silage

Change pasture cover

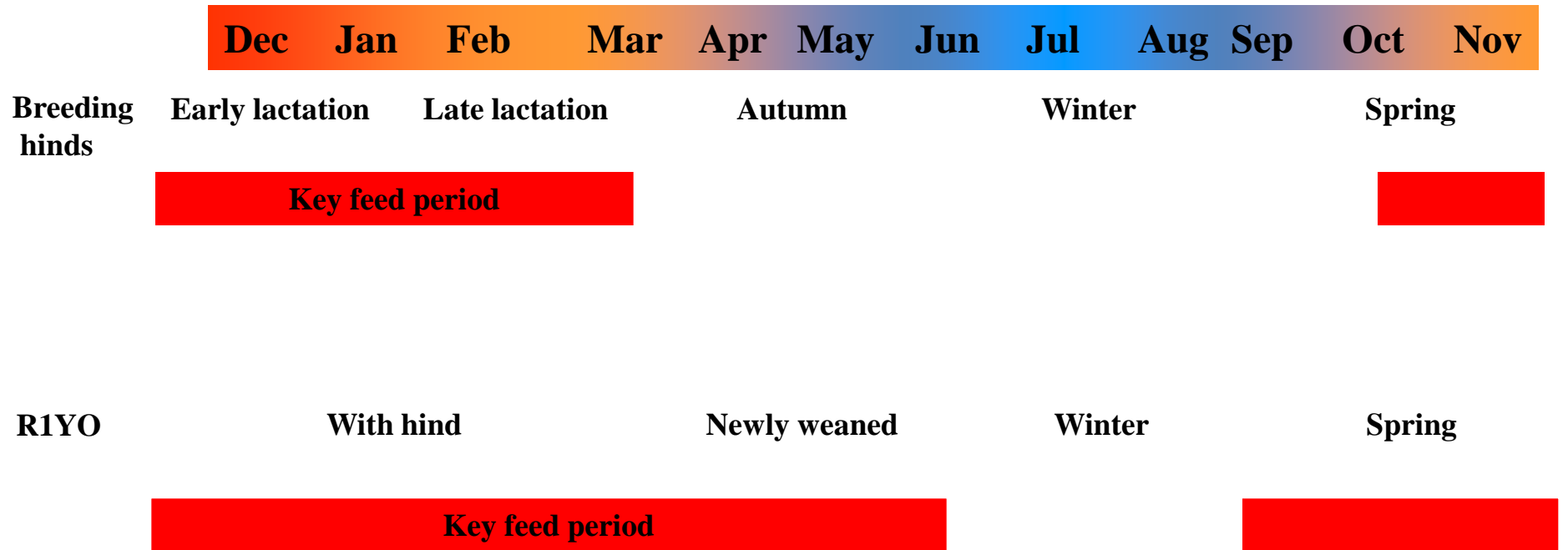
Grazing management

- Winter rotation length
- Control of reproductive growth

Buying in feed

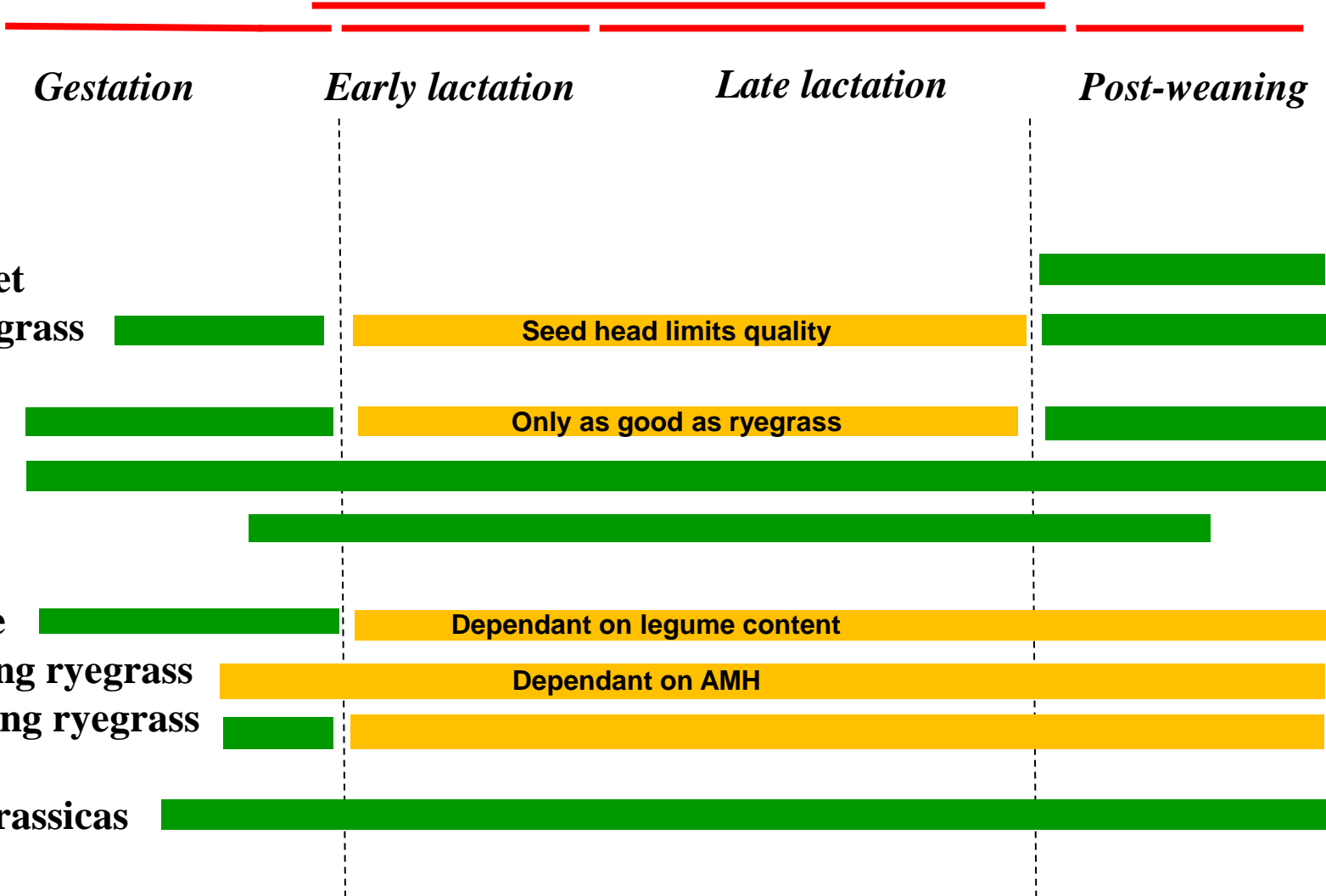
- Options
- Comparisons

Production cycle

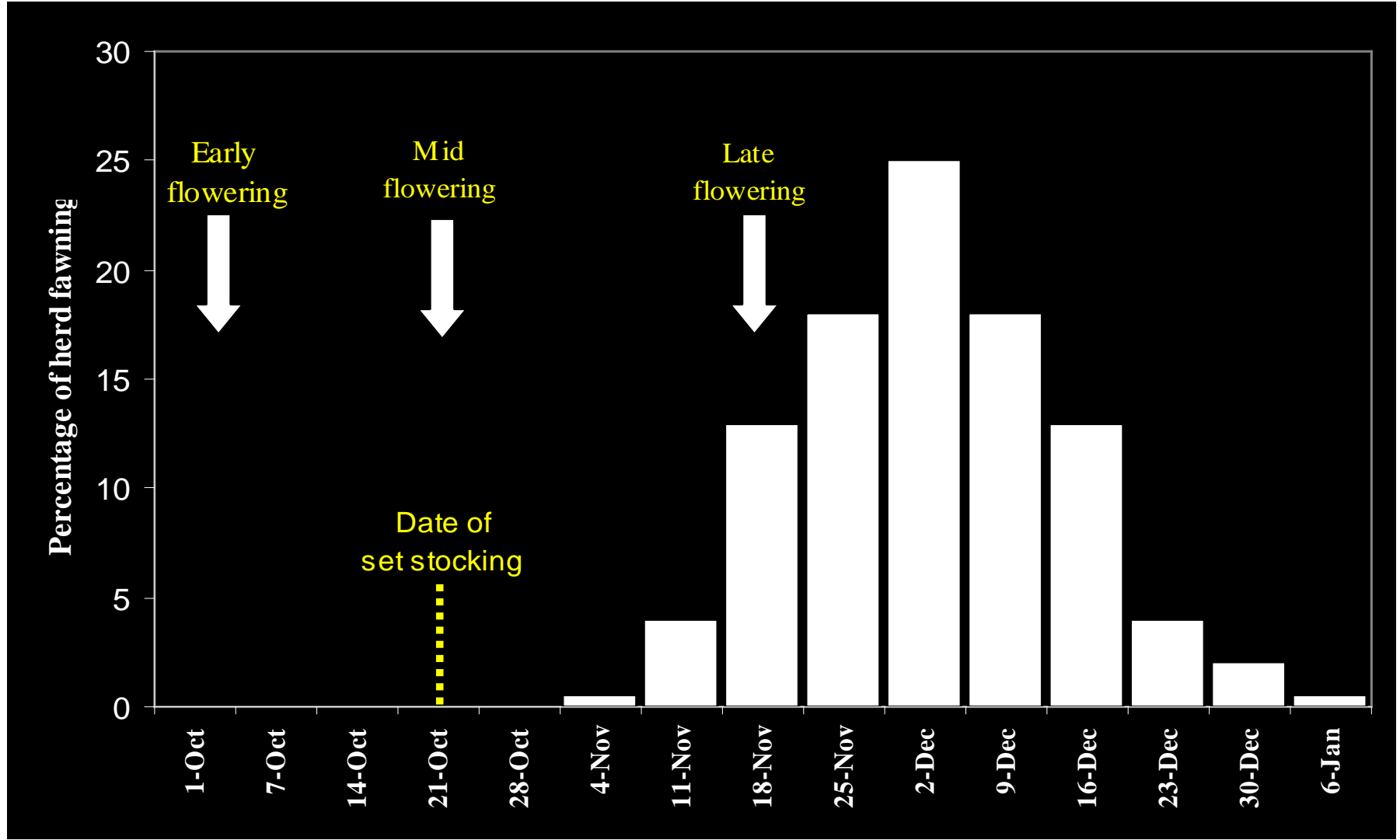


Fawning

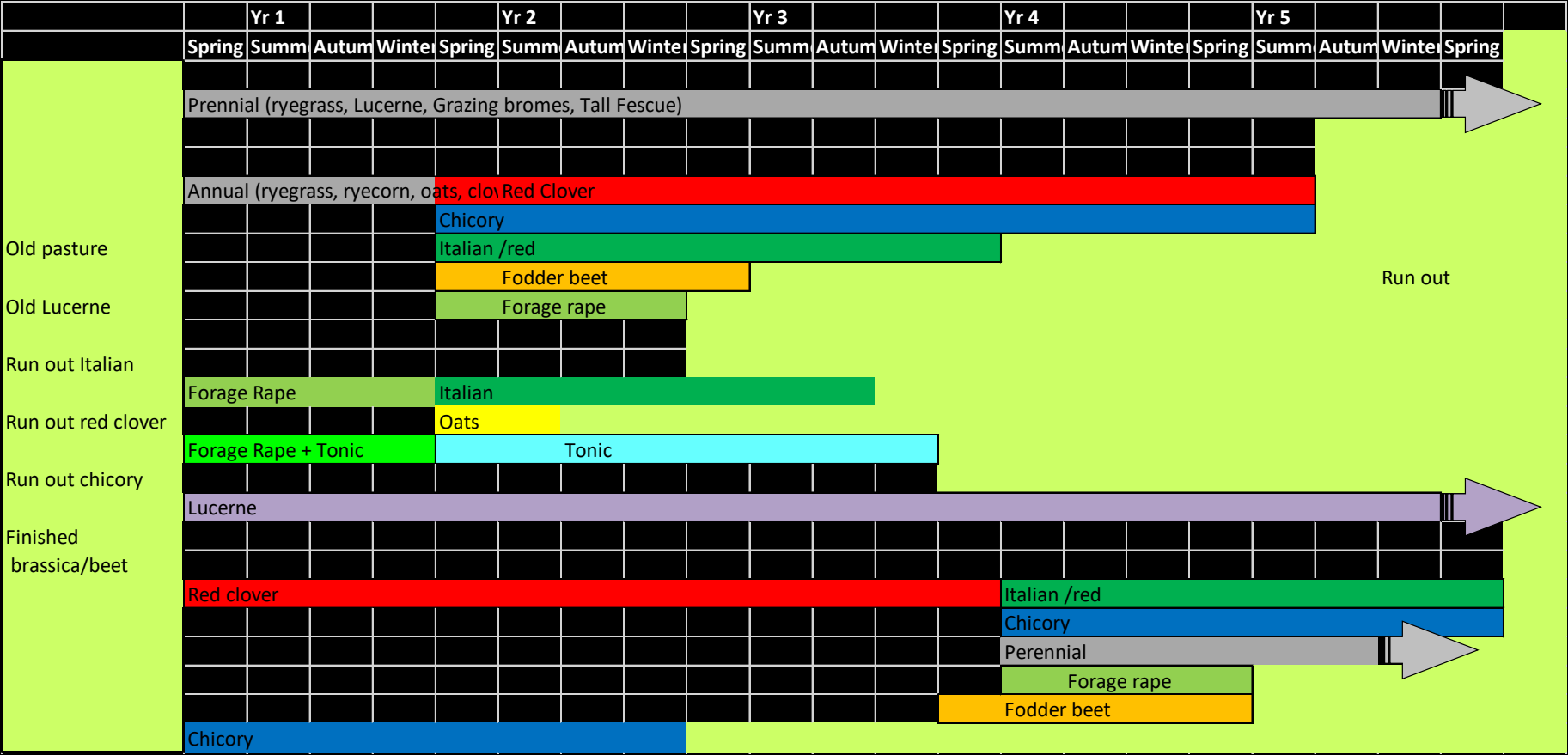
Weaning



Heading date relative to fawning



Forages Systems



Summary

- Matching Supply to Demand with targeted forages and forage rotations
- The aim to increase kg of product while increasing the profit per kg of product

