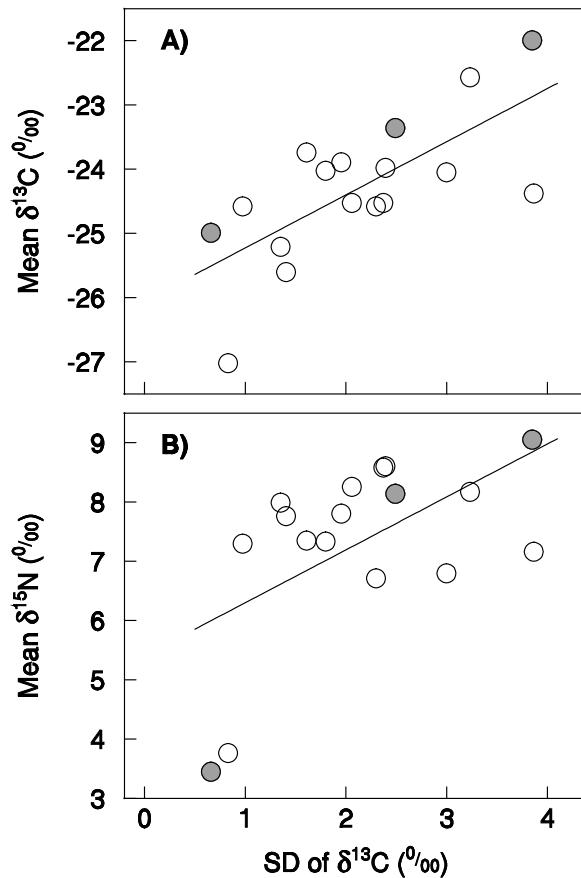
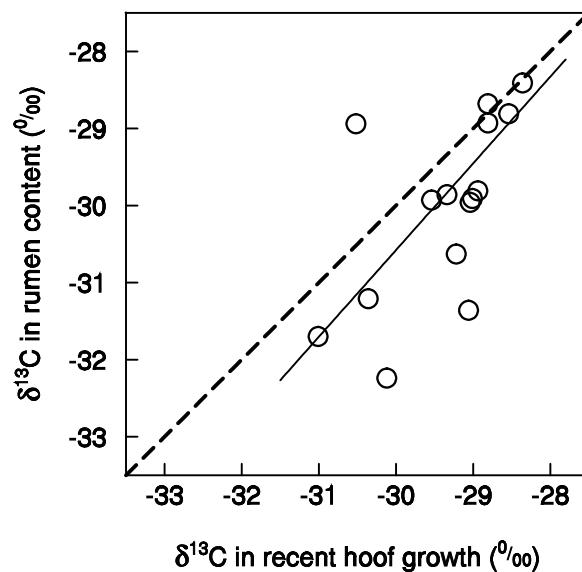


# Supplementary: Hoof Growth Rates of the European Roe Deer (*Capreolus capreolus*) for Dating the Hoof's Isotopic Archive

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**Figure S1:** Relation between the seasonal variation of  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  (quantified as standard deviation SD) and the mean  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  (A) and the mean  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$  (B) in hoof keratin. The lines are linear regressions (A:  $R^2 = 0.496$ ,  $p < 0.01$ ; B:  $R^2 = 0.326$ ,  $p < 0.05$ ). Grey filled symbols denote animals shown in Fig. 4.



**Figure S2:** Comparison of  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  of the rumen content and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  of the youngest millimeter of the hoof wall close to the periople;  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  of the hoof is adjusted by a diet-keratin shift of 2.7 ‰ [21]. Dashed line shows unity; solid line is a linear regression ( $y = 1.12 x + 3.17$ ;  $R^2 = 0.396$ ,  $p < 0.01$ ).

**Table S1:** Statistical parameters (mean, standard deviation, youngest increment and range) of isotope ratios ( $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  and  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ ) in hooves of 17 analyzed roe deer. Horizontal lines separate groups with clear end of maize feeding, second peak of maize feeding and weak peak of maize feeding.

Anim al	$\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{mean}}$ [%]	SD $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ [%]	1. Increment $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ [%]	$\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{max-min}}$ [%]	$\delta^{15}\text{N}_{\text{mean}}$ [%]	SD [%]	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$ [%]	1. Increment $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ [%]
#216	-22.0	3.8	-26.2	11.3	9.0	1.5	9.8	
#225	-22.6	3.2	-27.5	9.8	8.2	1.1	6.7	
#119	-23.9	2.0	-25.8	6.4	7.8	0.5	7.0	
#128	-24.0	2.4	-26.0	6.8	8.6	0.8	8.3	
#132	-24.0	1.8	-25.5	5.3	7.3	0.7	7.7	
#131	-24.0	3.0	-26.3	7.7	6.8	0.6	5.7	
#222	-24.4	3.9	-26.5	10.3	7.2	0.7	6.7	
#231	-24.5	2.1	-27.4	6.3	8.3	1.1	9.9	
#207	-24.5	2.4	-27.1	7.4	8.6	1.7	10.0	
#136	-24.6	2.3	-26.1	7.1	6.7	0.6	6.5	
#142	-25.2	1.4	-25.9	4.3	8.0	0.7	7.2	
#141	-25.6	1.4	-25.8	4.3	7.8	1.0	6.2	
#228	-23.4	2.5	-26.0	7.1	8.1	1.1	9.0	
#134	-23.7	1.6	-25.7	5.2	7.3	0.8	8.6	
#118	-24.6	1.0	-25.4	3.8	7.3	0.5	7.4	
#138	-25.0	0.7		2.4	3.4	0.4		
#212	-27.0	0.8	-28.0	2.8	3.8	3.1	8.9	
Min	-27.0	0.7	-28.0	2.4	3.4	0.4	5.7	
Mean ± SD	-24.3 ± 1.1	2.1 ± 1.0	-26.3 ± 0.8	6.4 ± 2.5	7.3 ± 1.5	1.0 ± 0.6	7.9 ± 1.4	
Max	-22.0	3.9	-25.4	11.3	9.0	3.1	10.0	