Distributions of emissions intensity for individual beef cattle reared on pasture-based production systems

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Figure S1. Map of the North Wyke Farm Platform in Devon, UK. Green = permanent pasture (PP); Blue = white clover/high sugar grass (WC); Red = high sugar grass monoculture (HS).



Figure S2. Distribution of emissions intensity per animal under each system. Outliers located further than 1.5 times the interquartile range beyond the quartiles are each denoted with a cross (×).

Activity	РР	WC	HS
Ploughing	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Rolling	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Harrowing	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Seeding	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Fertiliser spreading	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Herbicide spraying	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
FYM spreading (solid)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Liming	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Mowing	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Silage making	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Table S1. Farm activities carried out under each system.

Emission source	Uncertainty	Distribution	Reference
Animal/housing			IPCC (2006)
Methane (EF and MM)	± 20 %	Triangular	
Nitrous oxide (direct MM)	SD ² = 2	Lognormal	
Nitrous oxide (indirect MM leaching)	-1500%/333%	Triangular	
Nitrous oxide (indirect MM volatilisation)	SD ² = 5	Lognormal	
Pasture			IPCC (2006)
Nitrous oxide (direct)	SD ² = 3	Lognormal	
Nitrous oxide (indirect leaching)	-1500%/333%	Triangular	
Nitrous oxide (indirect volatilisation)	SD ² = 5	Lognormal	
Carbon dioxide (lime)	-50%/0%	Triangular	

Table S2. Distributions of uncertainty parameters assumed in Monte Carlo simulations.

System	Representative animal approach			Individual animal approach				
	Mean	LL^1	UL^1	Range	Mean	Min	Max	Range
РР	17.8	15.0	21.5	6.5	18.4	16.3	21.7	5.4
WC	14.4	12.7	16.2	3.5	16.0	13.7	20.9	7.2
HS	19.0	16.3	22.5	6.2	20.2	16.6	25.6	9.0

Table S3. Comparison of emissions intensity (kg CO₂-eq/kg LWG) derived under two methods

¹ Lower and upper limit values of the 95% confidence interval estimated by Monte Carlo simulations.