

Efficacy Trial in Broilers

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Trial description

A study with GalliPro in broilers was carried out by IMASDE. A total of 1680 Ross 308 male broiler chickens were allocated to either an untreated control group or groups supplemented with GalliPro in two different dosages, i.e. 500g/ton* and 1000g/ton** of feed. No antibiotics or coccidiostats were used in this study. Eight replicates per treatment were used. Trial duration was from 0 to 35 days of age.

A two stage-feeding schedule was used. The composition of the wheat and maize based diets used in this trial is given below in Table 1.

Table 1. Feed composition

	Starter 0-14 days	Finisher 14-35 days
Ingredients (%)		
Wheat	41.4	58.3
Maize	15	-
Soybean meal, 47%	35	31.3
Animal fat	4.6	6.8
Premix	4	3.6
Nutrients		
AMEn, kcal/kg	2998	3150
Crude protein, %	22.5	21.5
Ether extract, %	6.4	8.3
Starch, %	34.3	34.8
Tot. lysine, %	1.32	1.19
Tot. Methionine, %	0.58	0.52
Calcium, %	0.95	0.90
Total P, %	0.70	0.66

*: 8×10^5 CFU/g **: 1.6×10^6 CFU/g

Results & discussion

Results obtained in this trial are presented in table 2. Data was analyzed as a completely randomized design by GLM.

Table 2. Results for animal performance

	Control	GalliPro 500g/ton	GalliPro 1000g/ton
Start weight, g	48	47.6	47.4
End weight, g	1974	1995	1995
<i>Diff. from Control</i>	-	1.1%	1.1%
Feed intake, g	3458	3462	3402
Weight gain, g	1925	1946	1946
FCR g/g	1.80	1.78	1.75 ^α
<i>Diff. from Control</i>	-	-1.1%	-2.8

α: P=0.056

Supplementation with GalliPro tended to improve the feed conversion ratio (P=0.056). A non-significant increase of 1% in the final bodyweight was furthermore observed.

Conclusion

GalliPro numerically improved both chicken weight gain and feed conversion numerically.