



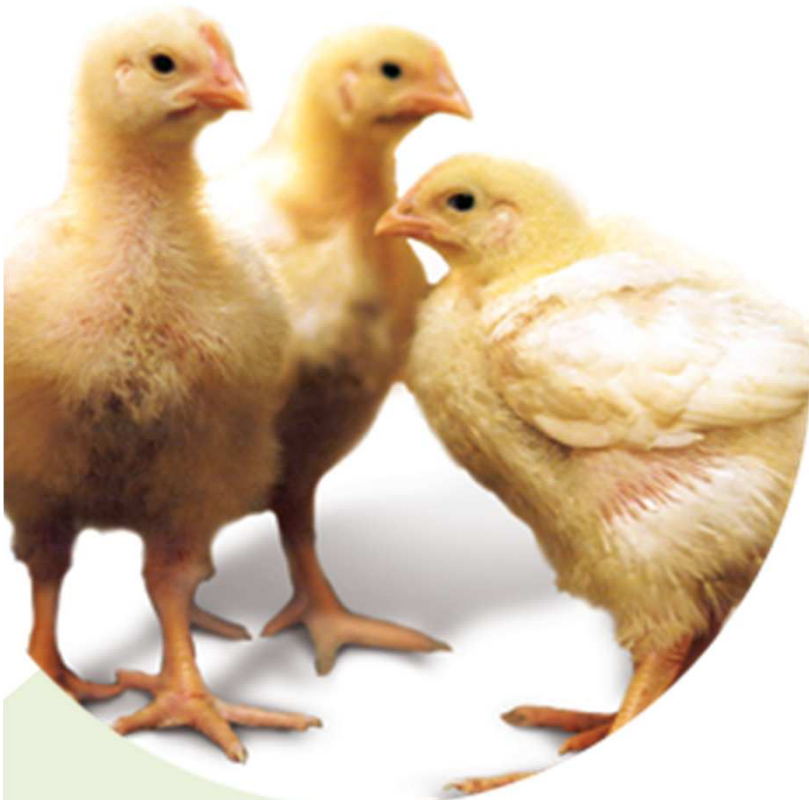
## Plasma in broiler diets Boost the intestinal resilience

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Improvement  
by nature

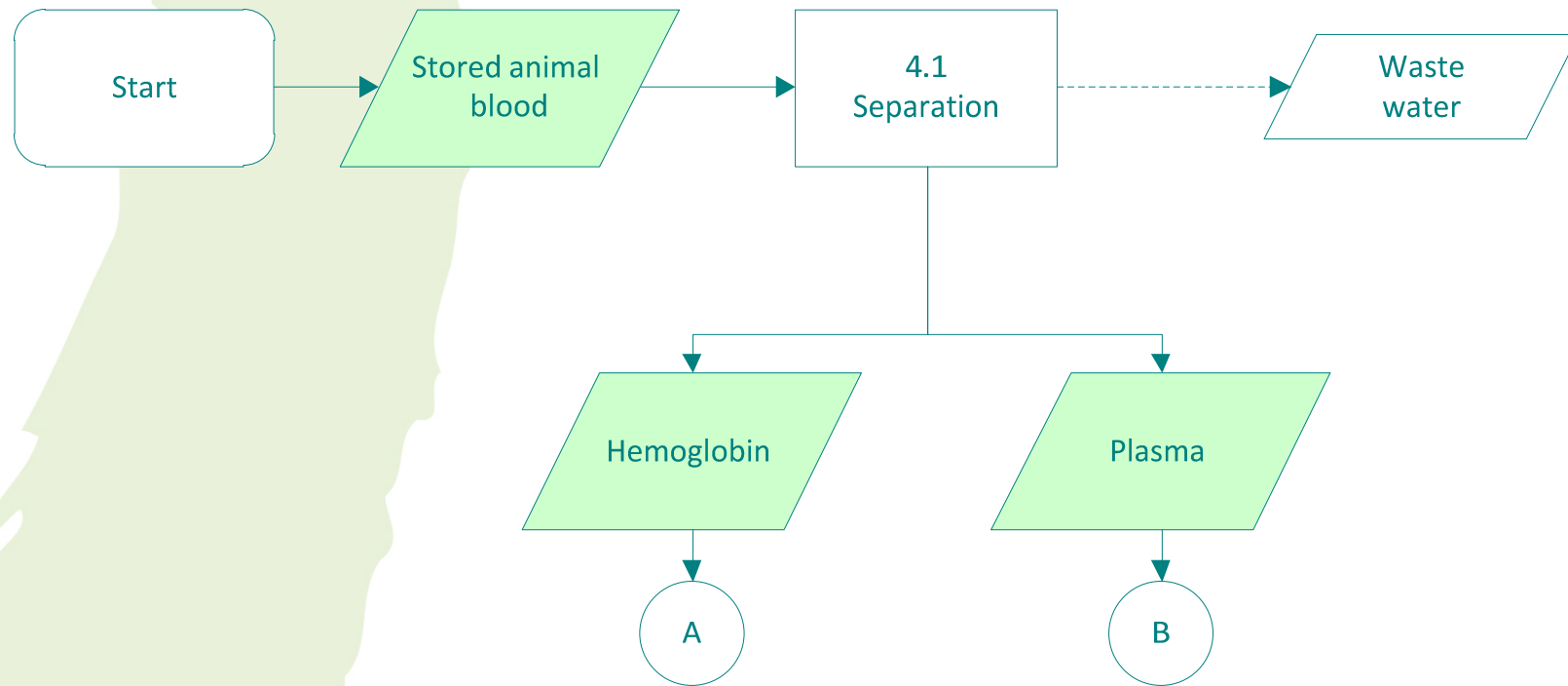


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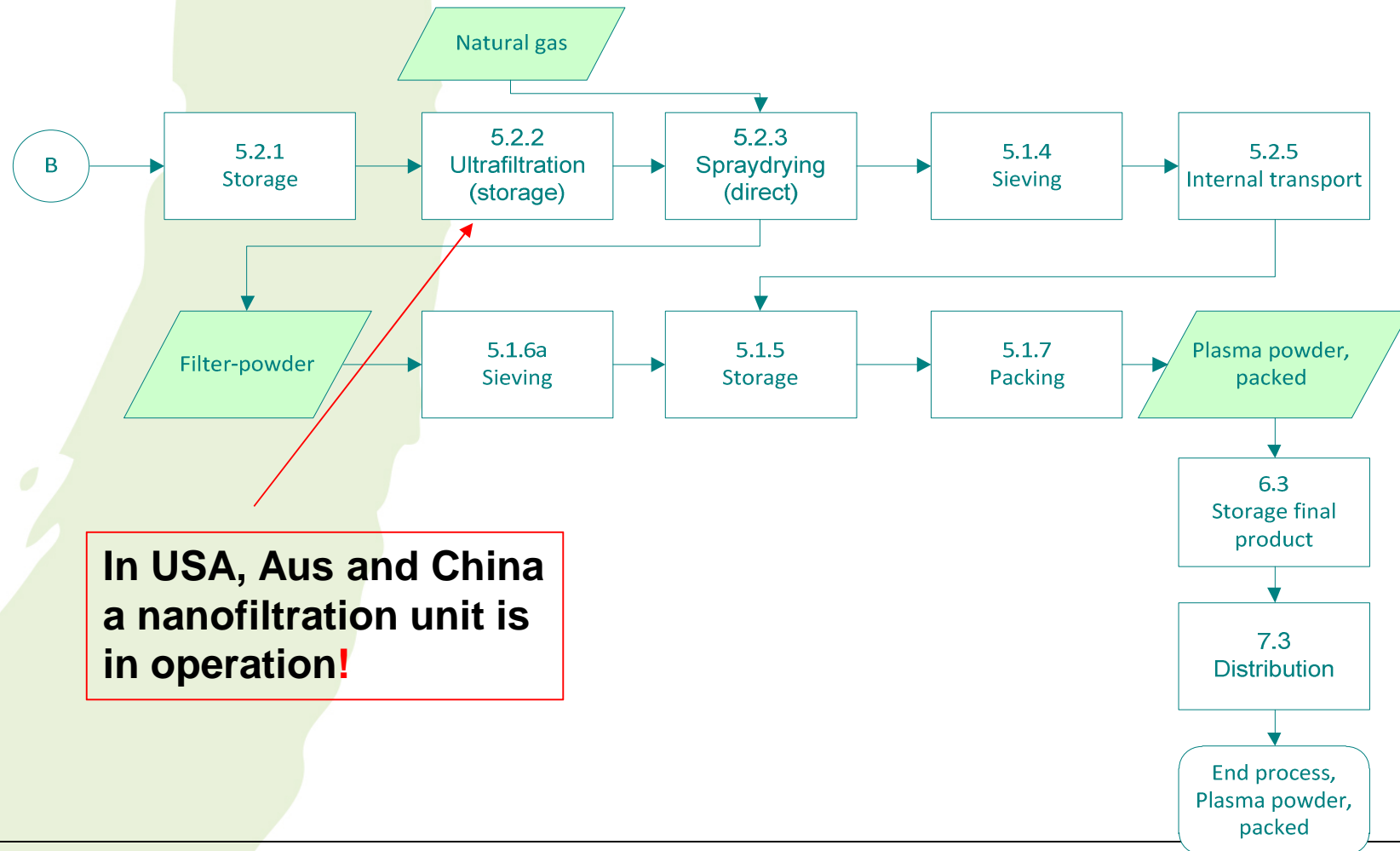


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**In USA, Aus and China  
a nanofiltration unit is  
in operation!**

# Plasma application in Piglet and poultry Feed Market Segments

Mainly in the first stages of life / around weaning:

## **Application of plasma in the following piglet feed market segments:**

- Piglet feeds before weaning (Creep feeds)
- Weaning diets (0 - 14 days after weaning)
  - Especially for early weaning ( 14 and 21 days)

## **Application of plasma in poultry diets:**

- Starter diets for 5, 7 or 10 days
- If 5 days (or less) then also higher inclusion rate necessary
- For broilers and turkeys

## Well documented effects of plasma protein in piglets:

- Improvement of Feed Intake
- Improvement in ADG
- Improvement in Feed Efficiency

Excellent digestibility for young animals

in Poultry not so much research has been done,

But there is some

# Proteins in plasma

- Proteins are normally digested to amino acids prior to absorption
- Research indicates that some proteins retain biological activity in the intestinal tract

- Globulin proteins

- alpha-globulin
- beta-globulin
- gamma-globulin (Ig)

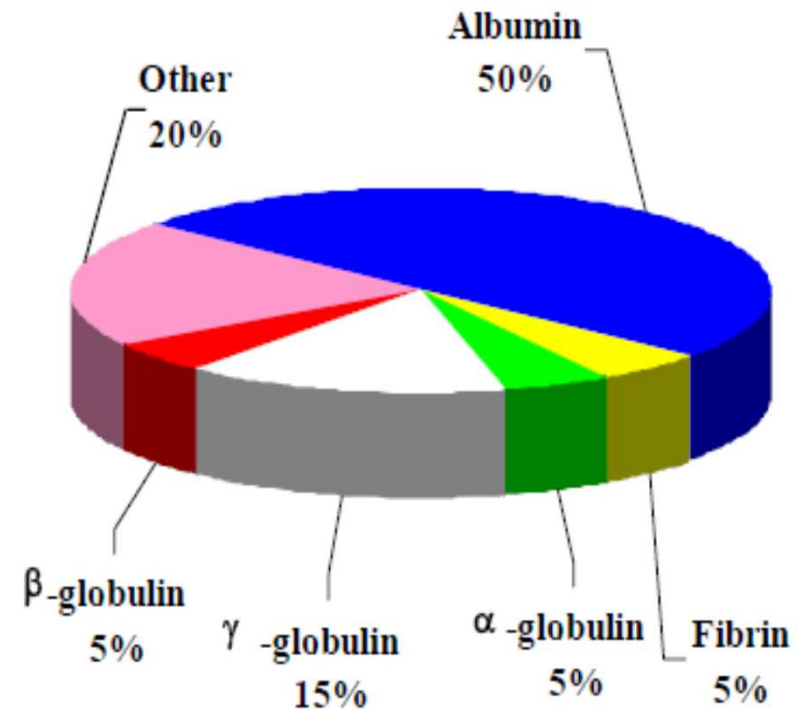
- Albumin

- Bio-active peptides

- Enzymes

- Growth factors (like IGF)

- Endocrine factors



## Mode of action of plasma protein as known from (foremost) piglet research

- Response to plasma protein is most likely mainly – but not only- linked to the IgG : many other bio-active components are present as well ( abt 1400 proteins)
- Protects the intestinal mucosal layer
  - ➡ reduced tissue damage ➡ better absorption
  - ➡ increased villus surface area ➡ increased enzyme activity (e.g. maltase and lactase)
- Attenuates the (local) immune response to pathogens or external stimuli
  - Keeps the feed intake at a normal ( higher) level
- Can bind to pathogens, like E. coli



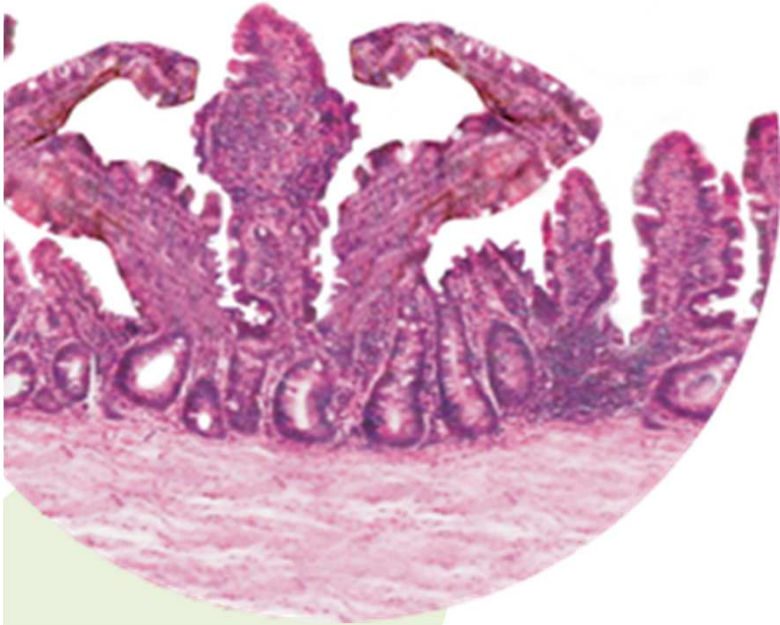
## Immunoglobulin's and Insulin Growth factor

(J. Houdijk, SRUC 2014)

	<b>IgG</b> g/kg	<b>IGF-1</b> free mg/kg	<b>IGF-1</b> total mg/kg	<b>IGF-1</b> % active
Plasma	275	19	740	3
Enriched plasma	457	104	1001	10
Skim milk powder	0	11	1079	1

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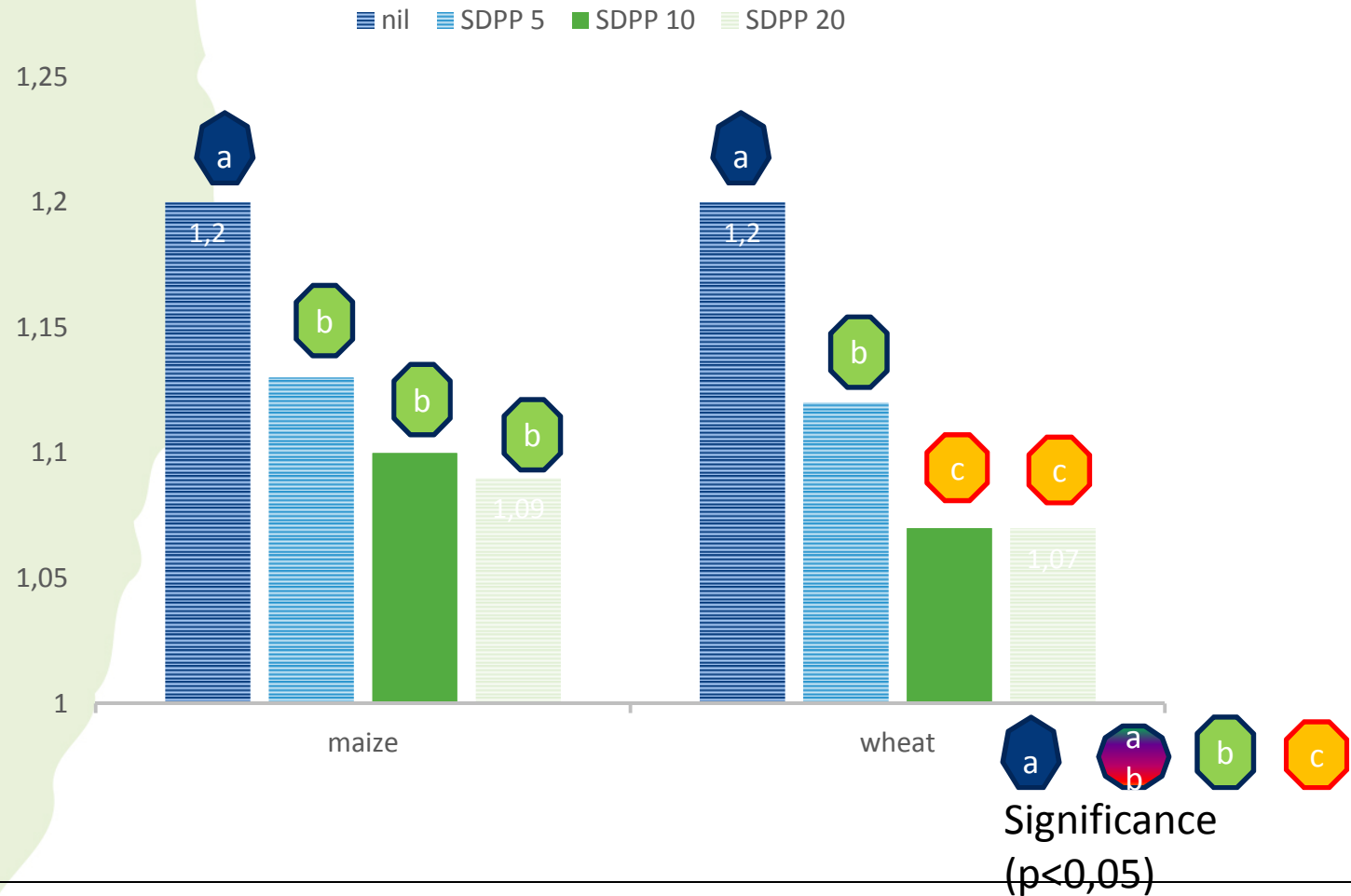
## Overview broiler research

trial	Country / year	Organisation	Breed	Number of animals	Repli-cations	No. of animals/c age, pen	challenge	cereal	com-paired to	Plasma type	Days fed	Dosage %	FCR 0-10 days			FCR 0-35 days*			FCR 0-49 days*								
													points	↓	sign	points	↓	sign	points	↓	sign						
1	Australia 2014	University of New England, Armidale (Bhuiyan, et al)	male Ross 308	240	6	8	No	Wheat	BLM, SBM, MM	Porcine	10	0,5	1,12	5	s	1,50	8	ns									
													1,14	3	s	1,48	10	ns									
													1,15	2	ns	1,44	14	s									
													1,16	1	ns	1,47	11	s									
2	Australia 2014	University of New England, Armidale (Beski, et al)	male Ross 308	480	10	8	No	Maize	BLM, SBM, MM	Porcine	10	0,5	1,13	7	s	1,58	3	ns									
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3	Australia 2014	University of New England, Armidale (Bhuiyan, et al)	male Ross 308	480	10	8	No	Wheat	BLM, SBM, MM	Porcine	5	1,0	1,09	5	ns	1,5	2	ns									
											10	2,0	1,06	8	s	1,49	3	ns									
												1,0	1,04	10	s	1,47	5	s									
												2,0	1,01	13	ss	1,45	7	ss									
4	USA 2015	University of Missouri-Columbia (Firman, et al)	hubbard/Ross cross	1.440	16	30	no	Corn	soya48	Porcine	10	0,5	1,27	-8	s	1,60	-2	ns	1,82	3	ns						
												1,0	1,31	-12	s	1,57	1	ns	1,77	7	s						
5	NL 2015	Research Institute Schothorst (Van de Belt, et al)	Ross 308	12.300	5	820	no	Wheat	potato protein	Porcine	10	1,0	1,24	3	ns	1,50	1	ns									
												2,0	1,20	6	s	1,50	0	ns									

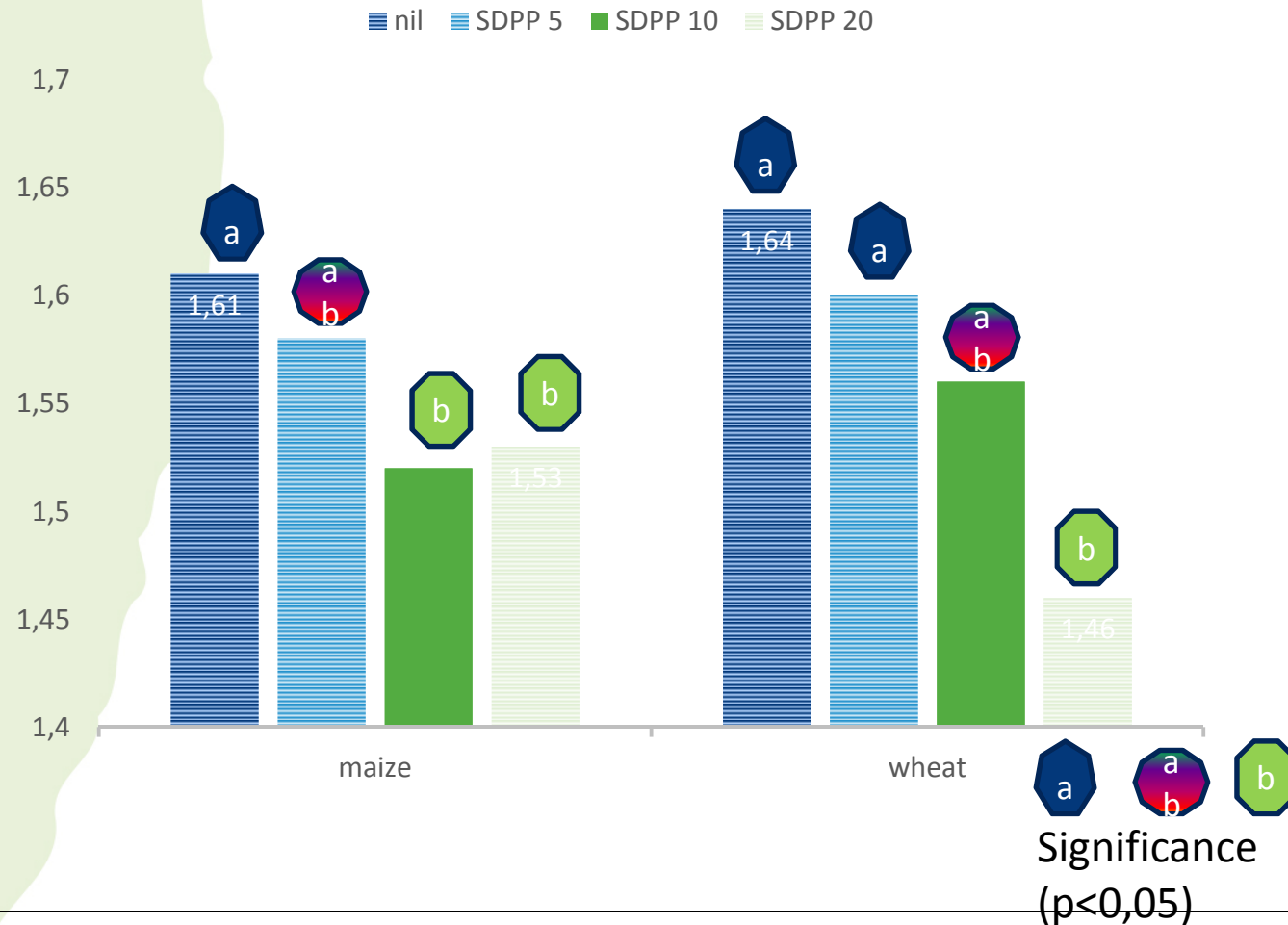
# Australian trials in Detail

cereal	com- paired to	Plasma type	Days fed	Dosage %	FCR 0-10 days			FCR 0-35 days*		
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Wheat	BLM, SBM, MM	Porcine	10	0,5	1,12	5	s	1,50	8	ns
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			10	1,0	1,04	10	s	1,47	5	s
				2,0	1,01	13	ss	1,45	7	ss

## FCR in the first 10 days (starter period )



## FCR during 35 days (overall )

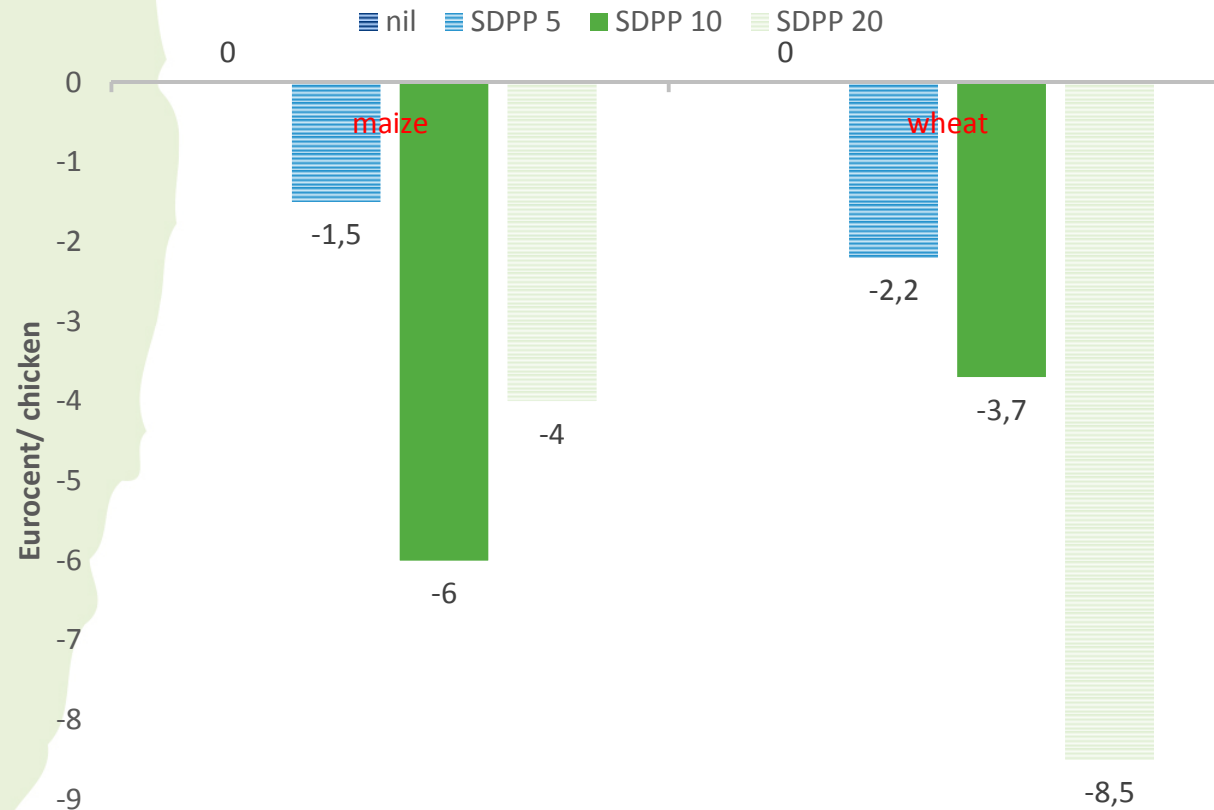


## Economics

For the economical evaluation following assumptions have been made:

- Diet costs were recalculated using Dutch feed formulas for starter, grower and finisher diets
  - Price level: September 2014
  - Plasma price set at 4 €/kg
  - 1 % plasma addition increases cost price by app. 30 €/ton
  
  - Cost price starter 26,34 €/100 kg (no premix)
  - Cost price grower 28,54 €/100 kg (no premix)
  - Cost price finisher 27,40 €/100 kg (no premix)
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## Economics: feed cost benefit per chicken (2500 g gain) against the control diet





## 1<sup>st</sup> Wrap-up

- Australian trials:
    - Clear effect in first 10 days
    - Already effects possible at 0,5%
    - Shorter period ↔ higher inclusion necessary
    - Wheat is more challenging than corn
    - Both bovine and porcine plasma show effects
  - US trial (Missouri):
    - Probably an incorrect nutrient value of plasma
    - Significant results after 49 days
  - Dutch trial (Schothorst)
    - No challenge, too optimal circumstances
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6	USA 2005	IOWA (Campbell, et al)	male Ross 308	240	8	6	used litter	Corn	SBM		42 3 fases	1,0/0,5/0,25 0,75/0,375/0,18 0,5/0,25/0,125 0,25/0,125/0,062									quadratic response with increasing levels	s
7	USA 2006	IOWA (Campbell, et al)	male Ross 308	240	8	6	used litter	Corn	SBM		0-35 0-14	1,0/0,5/0,25 1,0/0/0	1,31	15-19	S*	1,71	20-27	S*				
8,1	Brazil 2013	Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (Henn, et al)	male Ross 308	1.400	8	35	used litter + contaminated coccidian	Corn	SBM	Bovine	1-7 1-21	1,5/0/0 1,5/0,5/0 3,0/0/0 3,0/0,5/0				1,35	3	s	1,69	2	s	
8,2	Brazil 2013	Rio Grande do Sul (Henn, et al)	male Ross 308	880	10	22	used litter	Corn	SBM	Bovine	1-8 1-21 1-42	1,5/0/0 1,5/0,5/0 1,5/0,5/0,25							1,81	-2 ns		
																			1,74	4 ns		
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\*contrast: control vs SDP

## Details of trial No.7 (USA)

Item	Treatment					SEM	Contrasts <sup>2</sup> ( <i>P</i> -values)			
	Control 1	Powder, continuous 2	Powder, discontinuous 3	Granular, continuous 4	Granular, discontinuous 5		1	2	3	4
d 0 to 14										
ADG, g/d	19.21	25.97	24.61	25.97	26.96	0.54	0.0001	0.0372	NS	—
ADFI, g/d	28.58	34.72	32.83	33.55	34.66	0.60	0.0001	NS	NS	—
Gain:feed	0.675	0.751	0.753	0.777	0.778	0.009	0.0001	0.0087	NS	—

<sup>2</sup>Contrasts were as follows: 1) control (treatment 1) vs. SDP (treatments 2, 3, 4, and 5); 2) Powder (treatments 2 and 3) vs. Granular (treatments 4 and 5); 3) SDP continuous feeding (treatments 2 and 4) vs. SDP discontinued feeding (treatments 3 and 5); 4) interaction of feeding duration and form of SDP (treatments 3 and 4 vs. 2 and 5).

## Natural Necrotic Enteritis Exposure (No.7)

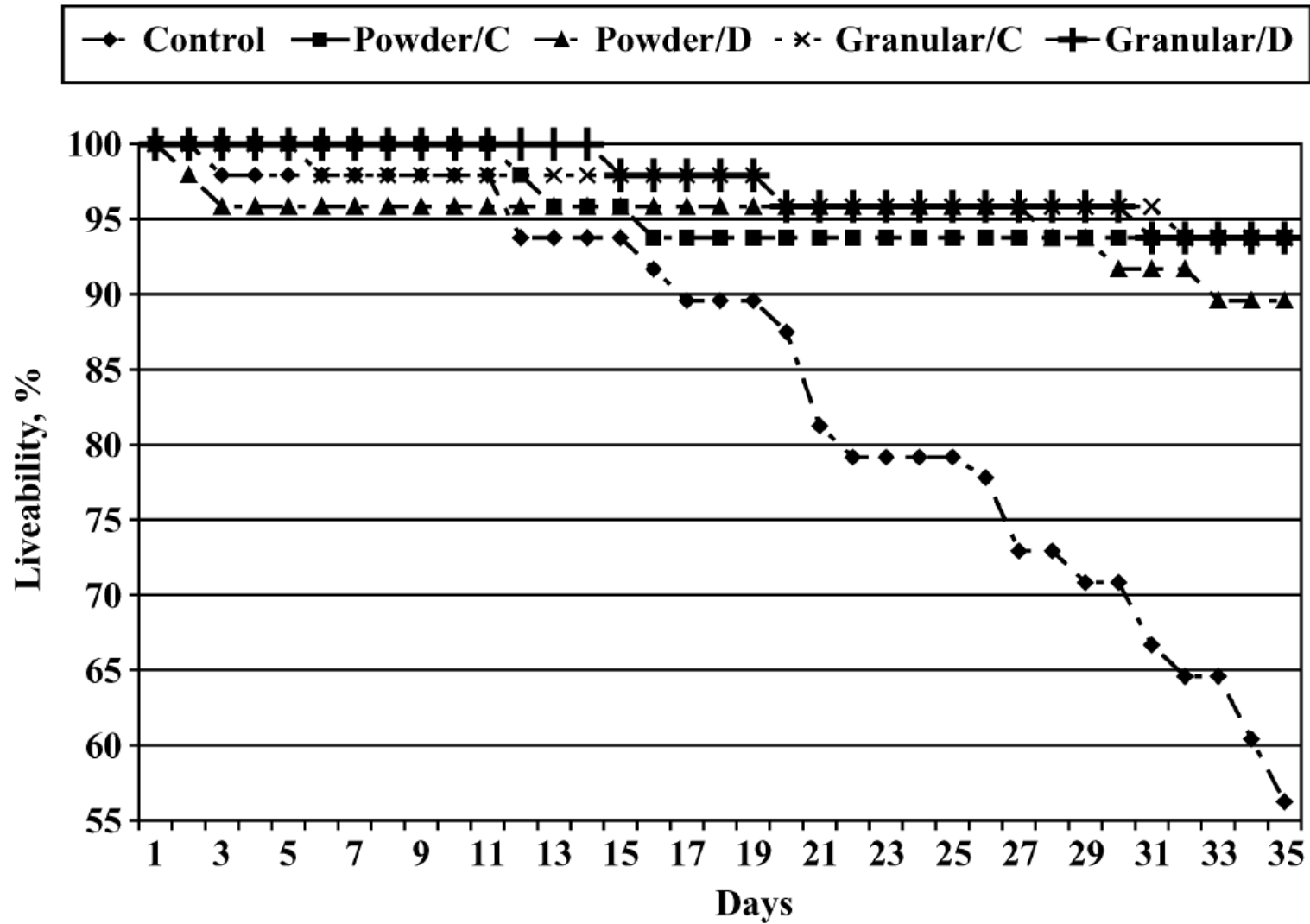
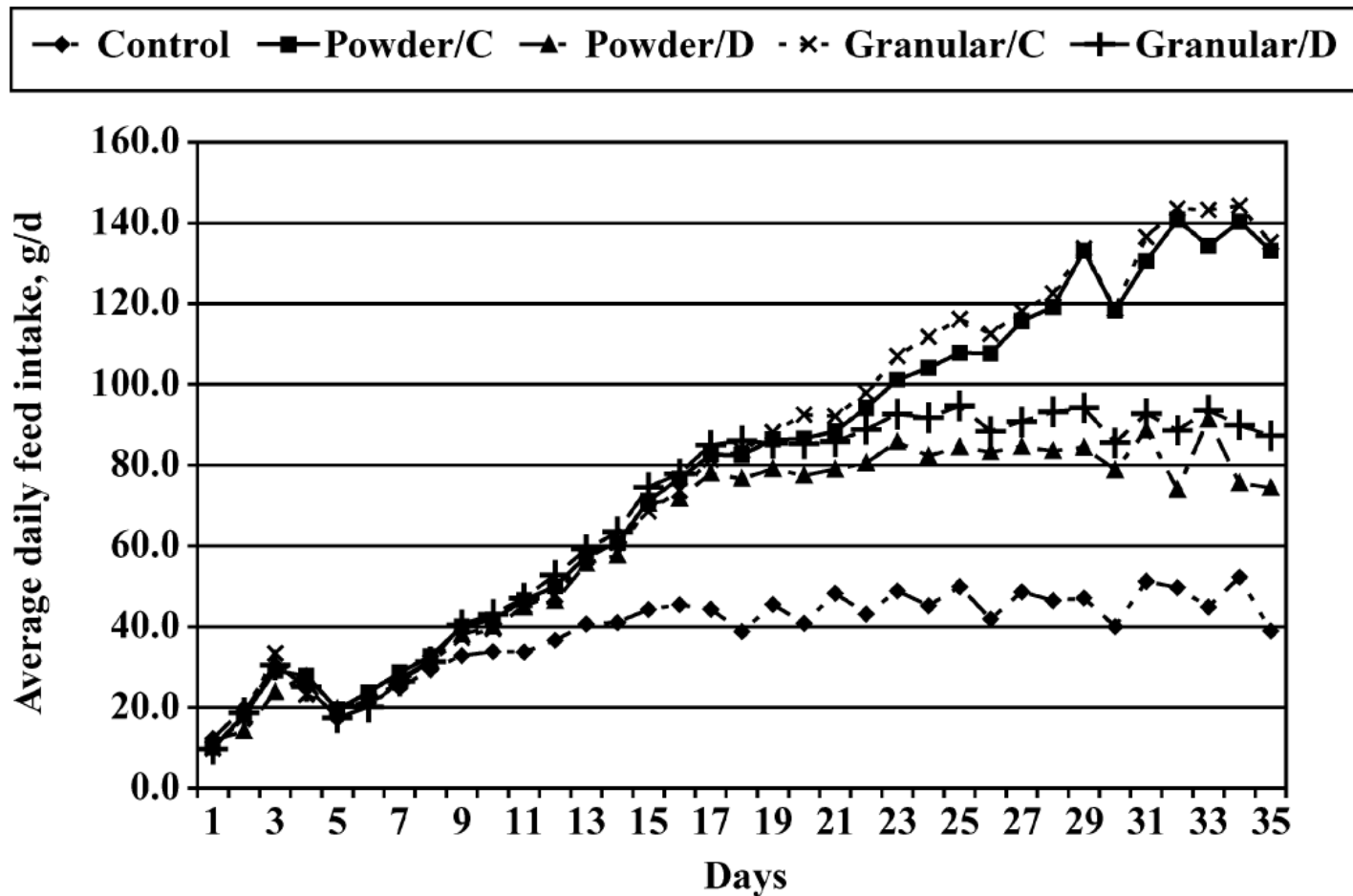


Figure 1. Effect of spray-dried plasma (powder or granular) fed continuously (C) or not (D) on liveability (%).

## Effect of continuous vs discontinuous and granular and powder



**Figure 2.** Effect of spray-dried plasma (powder or granular) fed continuously (C) or not (D) on average daily feed intake (g/d).

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Wrap-up

- Increased levels show increased effects
  - Continuous > discontinuous
  - Course ground (granular) => gizzard motility ↑
  - Challenged trials show clear results: spray dried plasma improved ( $P < 0.05$ ) livability
    - independent of the form or duration
  - Trials with bovine plasma also with interesting results
  - Second (challenged) Brazilian trial showed effects on weight gain
    - from d 8-21 and d 1-42
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## Turkeys

trial	Country / year	Organisation	Breed	Turkey poults	Repli- cation animal s/ pen	No of s/ pen	Challenge	treatme nt	Plasma type	Days fed	Dosage %	FCR 0-7 days	point s ↓	sign	FCR 0-28 days	poin ts ↓	sign	FCR 35-49 days	poin ts ↓	sign
9.1	USA 2004	IOWA (Campbell, et al)	Hybrid Turkeys	280	10	7	clean litter	via drinking water	Bovine serum	0-28	0,45/0,90/1,35	1,16-1,19	6-9	s	1,36	4	ns			
9.2	2004		Hybrid Turkeys	224	8	7	used litter		Bovine serum		0,45/0,90/1,35	1,3	0	ns	1,4	5	s			
10	USA 2004	IOWA (Campbell, et al)	Nicholas Turkeys	80	3	6 or 7	no challenge day 35 pasteurella	via drinking water	bovine serum	0-49	1,3 (d 0-7)/0,65 (d 8-14)/0,325 (d15-21)/1,3 (d22-49)	1,20	15	s				1,79	6	s
																		1,72	4	s

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Wrap-up

- Spray dried serum => increased performance in 1st week
  - Strong effects of a challenge
  - In experiment 9.2 linear increase in ADG
  - With addition via drinking water one escapes the depressed feed intake due to immune stimulation
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# Challenge with *Pasteurella multocida* on day 35

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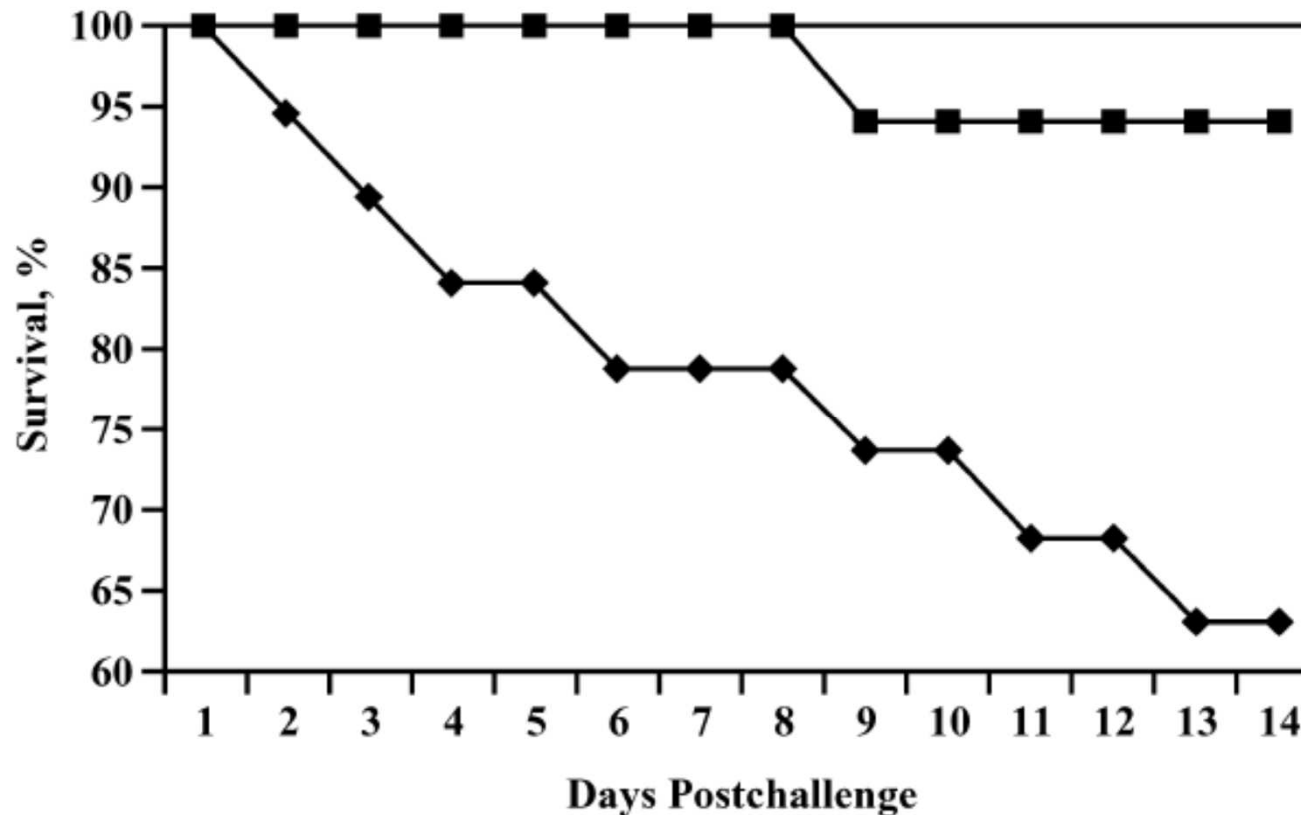
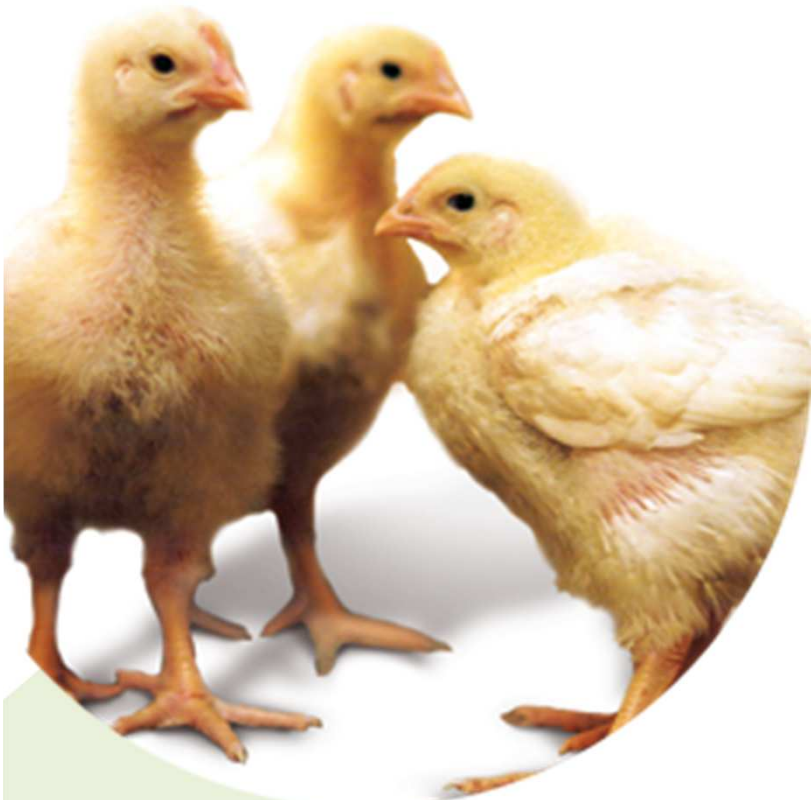


FIGURE 1. The effect of water treatment on survival of poult 14 d postchallenge with *Pasteurella multocida*. ■ = Innavax (INX), ♦ = control;  $P < 0.03$ .

## 4<sup>th</sup> Wrap-up

- Pasteurella multocida => fowl cholera => a respiratory challenge
  - Plasma serum dosed via drinking water => improved survival of poults  
P < 0.03 => 63.2 vs 94.1 %
  - Suggestions for the mode of action:
    - Bind toxins
    - Improve repair of damaged tissue
    - Direct antigen-antibody interaction
  - Several literature references (pigs) => suggest reduced local intestinal inflammatory response
  - Result: less stimulation of immune system => more nutrients for growth and systemic immunity
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## Discussion

- Relative response to plasma is greater => high antigen environment
  - Stimulating immune system = altered metabolism =
    - Reduced feed intake, growth rate, protein accretion
  - Hypothesis: plasma provides passive protection and prevents overstimulation of the immune system
  - Early nutrition influences intestinal and immune system development
  - Plasma has been shown to improve:
    - intestinal morphology (Bosi et al, 2001 & 2004) - pigs
    - Digestive enzyme activity (Cain et al, 1995) - pigs
    - Diet digestibility (Quigley et al, 2004) – dogs
  - Plasma => reduced morbidity & mortality in challenged animals:
    - Turkeys, calves, pigs, trout, shrimp
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## Plasma and the antibiotic theme

- Dutch report (SDA-report) about the use of antibiotics in feed producing animals in the Netherlands in 2014 (published in May)
  - Within EU the largest reduction in NL
  - BUT: in broilers is has been increased compared to 2013 with 21.1% and in turkeys with 4.9 % !!!
- So alternatives to stimulate the resilience of poultry is a must!!



## Plasma as protein substitute

