

Nor-Spice AB® supplementation effect on weaned piglets zootechnical performances.

& Introduction

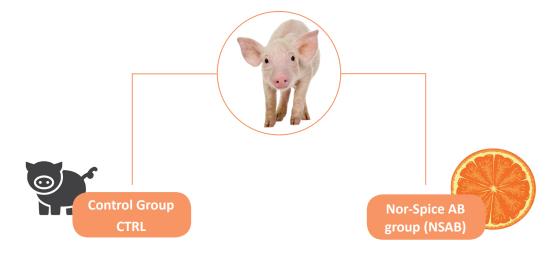


Nor-Spice AB is a 100% natural premixture of feed additive based on citrus extract. Thanks to its standardized biologically active compounds like pectic oligo saccharides and citroflavonoids, Nor-Spice AB supplementation positively impacts animal zootechnical performances.

The objective of this study was to assess the effect of Nor-Spice AB on **piglets**' growth performances, after weaning.

& Material and Methods

- ▶ Trial carried out in the **Philippines**, in a commercial farm with **Ariela Marketing Co.**
- ▶ 180 weaned **piglets** were randomly selected at day 29 and divided into 2 groups.
- ▶ Each group contained 6 replicates of 15 piglets each.



Fed with a control diet in order to increase zootechnical performances of piglet.

Supplemented with 250 ppm of Nor-Spice AB in addition to the control diet.



Zootechnical performances of piglets such as weight, feed intake and mortality were daily recorded from day 29 until day 70.

















c Results

Table 1: Zootechnical performances of piglets from day 29 until day 70

Nor-Spice AB® Variation CTRL group group Initial weight (kg) day 29 7.21 7.24 27.67 28.46 Final weight (kg) day 70 +0.790 Average Weight Gain (kg) 20.46 21.22 +0.76 +0.018 0.487 0.505 Average Daily Gain (kg) Feed intake per Head (kg) 29.25 30.33 +1.08 Ave. Daily Feed Intake (kg) 0.696 0.722 +0.026 Feed Conversion Ratio 1.432 1.431

- ► As shown in Table 1, piglets from Nor-Spice AB group were heavier and had a higher feed intake than piglet from CTRL group, even if the difference was not significant.
- ▶ Regarding the average weight gain, it is important to notice that a difference of 760 g at 70 days shows the possible gain of 3 days for earlier slaughter weight.
- ▶ Moreover, Nor-Spice AB group had a better feed intake (an increase of 1.08 kg per piglet).

Table 2: Piglet's classification regarding the weight at the end of the trial

| | | Nor-Spice AB® |
|----------------|------------|---------------|
| Classification | CTRL GROUP | Group |
| Over 28 kg | 44 | 51 |
| 25- 27.9 kg | 30 | 24 |
| Below 24.9 kg | 16 | 15 |



- ▶ According to table 2, there were heavier piglets from the **Nor-Spice AB group**, compared to the CTRL group.
- ▶ No mortality was observed during the trial.

& Conclusion

Results obtained from this study showed that **Nor-Spice AB** supplementation allow to improve the increase of zootechnical performances of piglets fed with a positive control diet.

Feed stimulation allowed to optimize piglets' performances.

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