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The True Benefits of Using Saponin Containing Products – Fact vs Myth

Robert L. Owen, V.M.D., Ph.D., DACPV Director of Technical Services

Veterinary practice is one of the most challenging of the medical disciplines because, as been said countless times, a veterinarian's patients can't talk to him/her. The challenge has been magnified recently due to the "antibiotic free" mania that is sweeping food animal production today. Veterinarians rather than being able to go to the shelf and pull down a product that has been thoroughly researched for safety, efficacy, environmental impact, and residue are being forced to use a myriad of products that meet an AAFCO ingredient definition (Association of American Feed Control Officials) and the marketing company does not promote it as a drug or vaccine.

Last year, in order to better understand whether some of the urban myths associated with this new wave of "Natural" products can be in any way substantiated by scientific research, the owners of BVS decided to build the BVS Center for Science and Technology. Wes, Ross, and Randy are to be complimented for this endeavor as it is being undertaken for the sole purpose of helping veterinarians better understand what natural products will or will not do and in that way better help the animals that are receiving these natural treatments. One of the goals of the center is to find a natural product or

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It's been a much quieter spring compared to last year at this time when we were in the middle of the worse HPAI outbreak that we've ever seen in our U.S. poultry industry. It was quite frankly hard to watch what people had to endure as they were dealing with putting flocks down and the clean-up that followed. We have a strong industry and we survived the battle and are much stronger as a result. It heightened our awareness as to how we need to address biosecurity at all

Earlier in the year everyone was reminded about how we need to always be on alert, with the HPAI break in southern Indiana. Those that were affected need to be commended for their quick response and actions that they took to shut down this challenge. It was a direct result of what we had learned from our experience in the upper Midwest. My hats off to people like Dr. Hermes and Dr. Murphy who got on top of things quickly!

I would also like to announce that BVS has hired a new veterinarian; Dr. Rosemary Marusak has just come on board with us. She will be based out of our Mechanicsburg, PA location. She will be a great asset to our technical team.

With that said; Dr. Owen continues to vet products for ABF, NAU, NAE, and Organic poultry production. We've learned a lot in this past year... what works... what doesn't work... and dispelled some myths about products. Dr. Owen has done a great job of setting up pen studies. We will continue to vet new products through his work. In addition we will take this to the next level as we find products that show results in our pen studies and in the field; we are now collaborating with Dr. Tim Johnson at the University of Minnesota to see how these products change bacterial populations in the gut.

As summer approaches, keep in mind the onset of those first days of hot weather. Making sure that cool cells are properly maintained and cleaned. Inside this edition you'll find information on how to do this. Also, being prepared for those extremely hot days with extra electrolyte supplementation.

I hope that everyone has a safe and great summer!

Until next time and God bless, Randy



Using Saponin Containing Products, continued from cover

combination of products that act as a natural coccidiostat and impact the cycling and clinical effects of Eimeria spp. in both chickens and turkeys

Products of

plants belonging to the genus *Yucca*, of the agave family, are labeled for sale in the United States as flavor enhancers and to control odor. One of the urban myths about these products is that their effect in improving intestinal health is interference with cycling of Eimeria species. In a series of studies done on both broilers and turkeys the effect of saponin containing products was investigated. For all the studies the experimental design was approximately the same. Day-of-age poults or chicks were orally vaccinated with commercially available vaccines for coccidiosis. Individual groups (10 birds) were housed in 8 sq. ft. pens and feed and

water was available ad libitum. Products being tested were administered in the feed as the sole source of feed for each group. Feces were collected daily for 3 days on a weekly basis for each group and oocyst counts were done using McMaster counting chambers.

In order to ascertain if there was an effect on the cycling of Eimeria as evidenced by differences in oocyst counts and if this effect was dose related, two dose titration studies using Biosupreme® were performed. The first study was done using broilers and the second was done with turkeys. The results of the oocyst counts in these studies are shown in figures 1 and 2. Statistical analysis of the data showed no statistical differences between any of the groups and untreated controls. In addition, as can be seen in the graphs, the groups are virtually superimposed and

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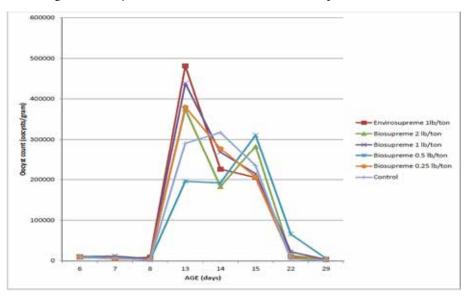
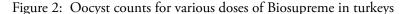
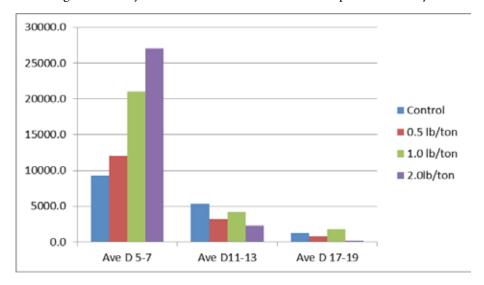


Figure 1: Oocyst counts for various doses of Biosupreme in broilers





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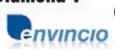


















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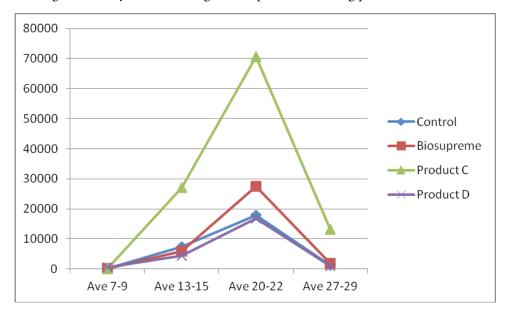


Figure 3: Oocyst counts using three saponin containing products in broilers

there is no apparent reduction in counts from the untreated controls.

In a follow-up study, a comparison was done in oocyst cycling using Biosupreme and two other saponin containing commercial products administered to broilers. All products in this study were administered at 1 lb./ton. Results of this study are shown in figure 3. Once again there were no statistical differences between groups or between any group and controls and the graphs are virtually superimposed on one another.

While these studies have not yielded the natural coccidiostat that we are looking for, the results are important for field clinicians using these saponin containing products. One fear is that these products could potentially interfere with proper cycling in birds vaccinated for coccidiosis. This work has shown that this is not the case and these products can be used at any time in the bird's life without concern that cocci cycling will be impaired.

If in fact, as many clinicians believe, these saponin containing products do influence intestinal health the question remains as to the mechanism. If the mechanism is not the influence on cycling of Eimeria, the next most likely mechanism is modulation of the microbiome of the intestine. To answer this question the next series of studies will be in collaboration with researchers at the University of Minnesota to investigate the effects on the microflora.

And so the search continues for a natural coccidiostat. As stated above the purpose of the BVS Center is to try and help animals being reared in today's non-conventional programs – most especially organic. Several years ago this author was asked the question of how we treat birds being reared organically if they break with coccidiosis. My answer was Amprol – WRONG. There is nothing we have found yet with proven efficacy at reducing cycling and clinical effects of this disease that is organically approved. A lot of people talk about it but we are discovering when put to the scientific test it is all idle chatter. If anyone reading this article has ideas or products that you feel are worth testing please come forward and let us test them. This is not about selling product it is about the animals.





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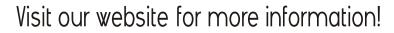
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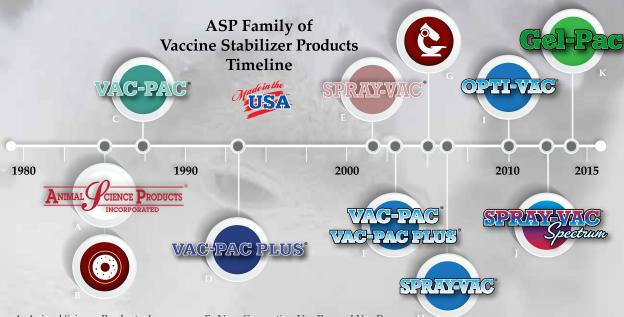


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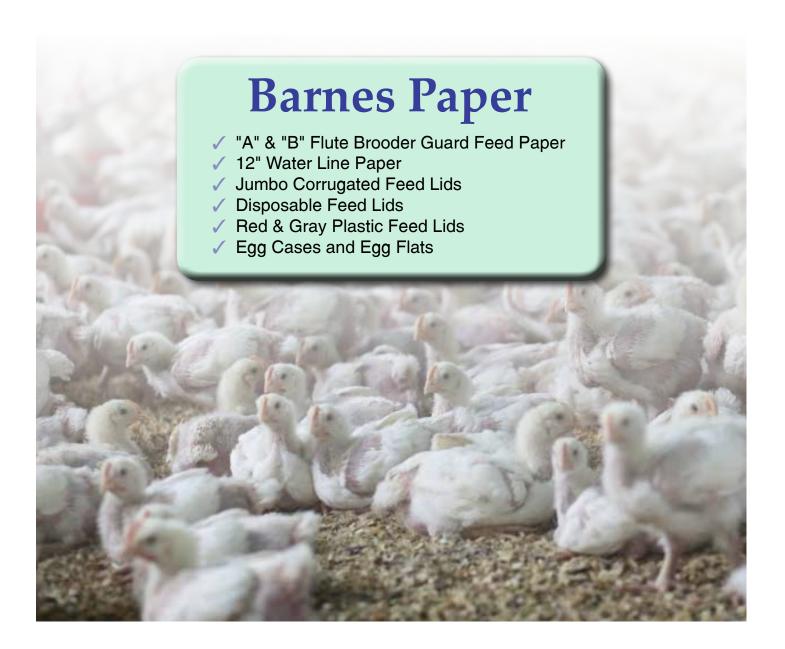


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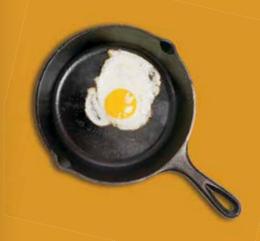
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Modern commercial practices of hatchery hygiene and the use of *in ovo* antibiotics have led to an inconsistent level of total bacteria and specifically lactic acid bacteria in chicks and poults. Although these practices are effective in reducing egg contamination and disease transmission, they have the undesirable effect of causing highly variable bacterial colonization of the GI tract. In essence, modern practices have contributed to removal of beneficial bacteria from the laying hen.

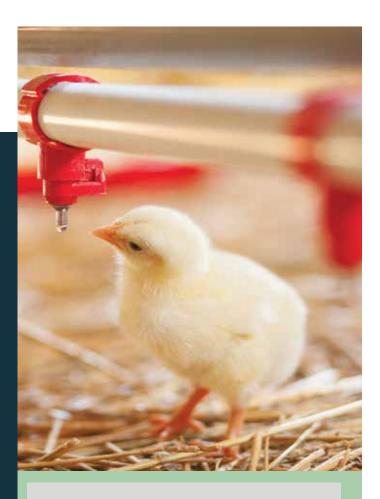
What is Microbial Terroir?

Our Microbial Terroir™ technology is the foundation of our research and development. Terroir, loosely translated as sense of place, is the embodiment of the sum of the effects of the local environment on the characteristics of a product. It includes the microbiota of the host, environment, feed, and water.

In the case of poultry - the microbial terroir of the gastrointestinal tract interacts with the host immune system (acquired and innate), litter, and feed components. This interaction is critical for the health and performance of the bird.

Powering Your





GUT PRO™ gives them an edge from the start

Immune development and immune function

- Acquired immune system (B and T cells)
- Innate immune system (mucin chemistry)

Microbial homeostasis

- Lactobacillus Microbiome makes up the complex community that acts as barrier to infection
- Bacillus Production of bacteriocins to ensure low levels of pathogenic challenges

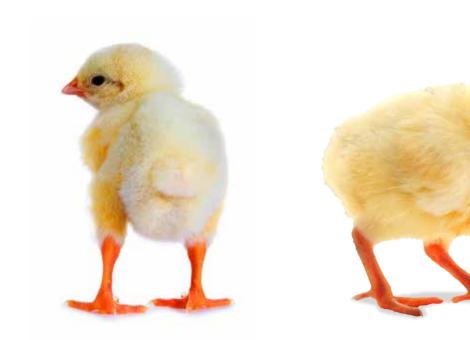
Nutritional processing

- Microbiome processes complex feed ingredients more readily absorbed
- Processes phytochemicals (polyphenols) improves function and bioavailability

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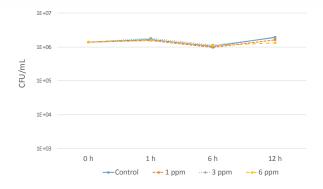
GUT PRO consists primarily of *Bacillus subtilus* and *Lactobacillus*. These strains were tested to improve gut integrity, intestinal health and overall performance in poultry when added to drinking water. The addition of Vac-Pac in GUT PRO, provides superior stability and compatibility with typical drinking water additives.

This study was designed to show that due to the inclusion of Vac-Pac in GUT PRO, GUT PRO is compatible with ClO₂ at typical drinking water levels.

Levels of GUT PRO with Vac-Pac over time with various concentrations of CIO,

Bacillus

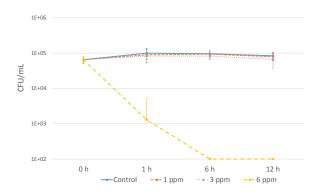
There was no effect of CIO₂ on *Bacillus* levels at all concentrations tested as none of the treatments differed from the control.



Data shows CIO₂ can be run in tandem with GUT PRO at concentrations up to 3 ppm for at least 12 hours without any deleterious effect to the live bacterial components of GUT PRO.

Lactobacillus

In general, CIO₂ had very little effect on the *Lactobacillus* component of GUT PRO. Levels of CIO₂ at 1 and 3 ppm in combination with GUT PRO did not affect *Lactobacillus* populations up to 12 hours.



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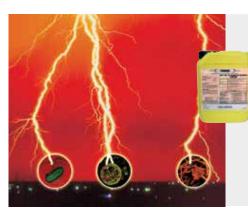
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APPROPRIATE DESIGNING:

- Evaporative Cooling (EC) Pads should be installed with appropriate supports/frame.
- Avoid water absorbing material (such as cement) at EC Pads' bottom guttering as such material exposes them to continuous humidity which shortens the life of EC Pads.
- Water Tank should be, properly, designed (divided into 2-3 portions) to avoid re-circulation of dirty water through the system which, gradually, keeps on clogging EC Pads. It would be of an additional significance, if capacity of water tank is kept in accordance with the requirements of circulating water, through the system. Proper covering of tanks is necessary to avoid surrounding contaminations to get in it.
- During construction of farm house, the side for the installation of EC Pads should be designed as to avoid their direct exposure to sunlight (as in a "EC Pads Room" or "Doghouse Plenum" or simply curtains, otherwise, in front at suitable distance from them) to prevent algae or bacterial growth. For directly exposed EC Pads, in farm environment, the installation of nylon net about 1 m before them is recommended to prevent small insects, dust, or unwanted particles to clog the air channels of EC Pads.

FLOW AND QUALITY OF WATER:

 Required Water Flow Rate, for 7 mm (0.28 ") flute height EC Pads, is 60 litres/minute/sqm (1.6 gal / min / sq ft) of top surface for up to 2000 mm (7.9") high EC Pads while Required Water Flow Rate, for 5 mm (0.2") flute height EC Pads, is 90 litres/minute/sqm (2.3 gal / min / sq ft). of top surface for up to 1000 mm high EC Pads.

OR

- To supply water for EC Pads; water pump capacity should be around 5.5 litres/minute (1.5 gal / min) for 2000 x 600 x 150 mm (6 ½ ' x 23.6 " x 6") EC Pads (7 mm or 0.28 " flute height) while the same for 1000 x 600 x 100 mm (3 1/3 ' x 23.6 " x 3.9 ") EC Pads (5 mm or 0.2 " flute height).
- The proper water flow on the top and uniform distribution along the length of EC Pads would reduce the mineral build-up on them.
- Avoid operating EC Pads beyond range of pH of water between 6 and 8.
- Proper treatment of water is significant, on regular basis.
- Avoid water with high concentrations of calcium, bicarbonates or sulphates (more than 100 ppm).
 Proper bleed-off design and pre-treatment of water should be utilised to reduce the potential danger for the life of EC Pads.
- Avoid contaminating oxidising agents such as chlorine or copper compounds into the water.
- Allow EC Pads to completely dry, periodically (overnight), to reduce the bacterial/algae/fungus growth on them.
- Water tank and distribution pipes should be cleaned, on weekly basis.

BLEED-OFF CONTROL:

Bleed-off mode is designed not only to make up evaporated water from the system but it, also, supports in preventing the built-up concentrations within the water that could be harmful for the life of EC Pads. Bleed-off can, simply, be done by adding proper amount of fresh water into the circulating water. To control the proper bleed-off amount, the following is recommended.

1-pH Control:

- Water pH is the proxy of calcification residual in the water. The higher the pH, the lower the dissolvability of calcium and bicarbonates while the higher the concentration of residual in the water.
- The simplest way, to control the bleed-off amount, is that the pH of water, to be circulating in the system, is not exceeding 8.

2-Concentration Control:

- The analysis of ion-concentration (ppm) of water input such as calcium, bicarbonates, sulphates and water pH are necessary inputs for this method.
- The higher the concentration and the pH of water, the higher the bleed-off amount.

BLEED-OFF RATIO:

 General-rule-of-thumb is between 1-1.5 times of water evaporation, that is, if water is being evaporated at the rate of 100 litres/minute then the proper bleed-off amount would be 100-150 litres/minute (26 – 40 gal / minute)

CLEANING & TREATMENT OF EVAPORATIVE COOLING PADS by CID LINES' Products

To keep Evaporative Cooling System, running efficiently, the water in the system must be treated with a wide spectrum biocide. The correct chemical(s) also increases its life and reduce the risk of contamination that could lead to a disease problem, as well. The recommendations of manufacturer(s) should be kept in considerations that the chemical(s), being used, should not damage the EC Pads/Systems. Check the water filters (if being used) and should remove sediments build-up, on monthly basis.

(I) Prior to Start-up of System:

Examine the EC Pads to determine if they are fouled with algae or heavy mineral scales.

To Clean Algae Build-up:

- Spray or foam on EC Pads with CID 20 @ 6.6 15.0 ml/litre (0.66 1.5%) OR VIROCID @ 3.3 ml 7.5 ml/litre (0.33 0.75 % or ½ to 1 oz / gal) of water.
- Allow the product to remain on the surface of EC Pads for 10 minutes.
- Flush/spray off with clean water.
- Repeat, if necessary.
- Drain the system and flush with clean water.
 (CID 20 and VIROCID are bactericidal, fungicidal, virucidal, algaecidal that eliminates clogging up by algae or microbial contamination by "slime forming bacteria". These products have residual

by algae or microbial contamination by "slime forming bacteria". These products have residual activity and inhibit bio-film as both of the products contain Quaternary Ammonium Compound and Gluteraldehyde).

To Clean Mineral Scale build-up:

Choice of 2 methods:

- (1) Add PHO CID to the system @ 7.5 15 ml/litre (0.75 - 1.5 % or 1 – 2 oz / gal) of water; Let this solution to circulate through the system until EC Pads are cleaned; Drain the system and flush with clean water.
- (2) Foam or spray with TORNAX-S @ 30 45 ml/ litre of water (3.0 - 4.5 % or 5 - 6 oz / gal) on the surface of EC Pads; Allow it to remain for 10 minutes; Rinse off with clean water; Drain the system and flush with clean water.

Refill the system with clean water.

(II) Initial Treatment:

Add **CID 20** @ 400 ml/1000 litres of water (0.04%) OR **VIROCID** @ 200 ml/1000 litres of water (0.02% or 1 oz / 40 gal) within the system as to acquire the desired results.

(III) Maintenance Treatment:

Add **CID 20** @ 110ml/1000 litres of water (0.011%) OR **VIROCID** @ 55 ml/1000 litres of water (0.0055% or 1 oz / 150 gal) within the system, continuously, with the help of medicator or treat this way, in general, on weekly basis.

(Average consumption per US 22,000 broiler house is 7.6/3.8 litres/year (2 – 1 gal) while per

Chemical Name: Virocid or CID-20

Chemical Family: Quaternary Ammonia and gluteraldeyde
Active ingredient level: 36%

Manufacturer's Recommended Doseage:

VIROCID- initial treatment 2.5oz per 100 gals; maintenance treatment 1.25oz per 100 gals weekly, or as needed. CID 20- initial treatment 5oz per 100gals; maintenance treatment 2.5oz per 100gals weekly, or as needed.

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PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Form	Liquid
Color	Colorless
Fragrance	Baby powder
Typical specific gravity	0.891
Antiseptic	
ingredient Isopropyl alc	ohol (63% v/v)

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Wet hands thoroughly with Cal Stat Plus Antiseptic Handrub with Enhanced Emollients and rub until dry.

Storage: Do not store at temperatures below $32^{\circ}F$ (0°C).

Flammable, keep away from fire or flame.

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Storage: Protect product from freezing. Store and use at 55-85°F (12-29°C); do not store above 120°F (49°C).

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Form	Foam
Color	White
Fragrance	Mild alcohol
Antimicrobial62%	

DIRECTIONS FOR USE Surgical Scrub

Clean under nails with a pick. Nails should be maintained with a 1 mm free edge. Dispense 5 g (about the size of a tennis ball) onto one hand. Spread on both hands paying particular attention to the nails, cuticles and interdigital spaces and forearms. Rub into skin until dry. Dispense 2.5 g (approximate size of a golf ball) onto one hand and spread over both hands and the wrists and rub into the skin until dry.

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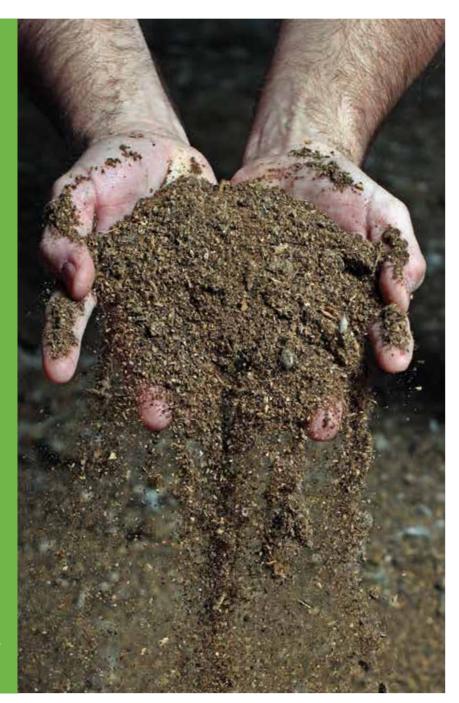


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Litter Management: The Foundation for Success or Failure Best Management Practices for Maintaining Optimal Brooding Conditions

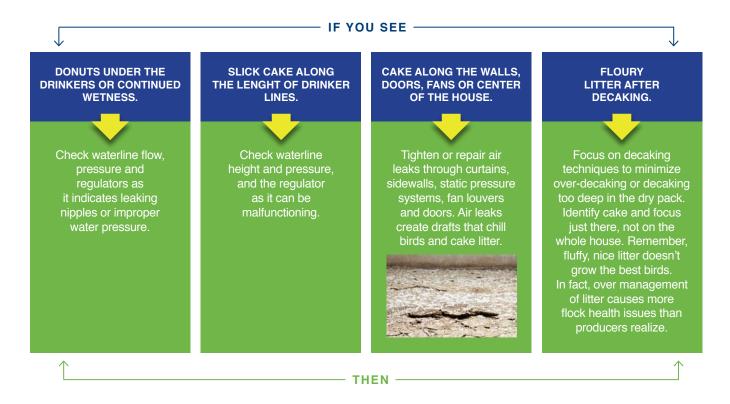
Litter management is a crucial part to maintaining a healthy environment and reducing challenges for every flock. Managing the litter will become increasingly vital as more companies shift toward antibiotic-free programs, or when new bedding material is scarce or extremely costly to replace.

Litter serves as the foundation of a flock's success and careful management is required to ensure a positive impact on a flock's performance. If proper management isn't made a top priority, producers will more than likely be battling higher fuel costs and poor performance. Many producers take a reactive approach to litter management, but once litter has been mishandled, it is difficult to correct and in some cases it is more advantageous to clean out and start over with new bedding. That's why it's imperative to carefully manage litter from the time a clean out is performed so the new litter can be utilized for many flocks thereafter. In fact, litter preparation for the next flock should start while the current flock is in the house. Determining when cake formation starts in a flock and making proper changes to address the cause will ensure a much healthier floor environment.



Begin with Best Management Practices

Smart litter management begins with the development of and adherence to best management practices (BMPs) for waterlines, ventilation and litter conditions. For maximum performance, these BMPs should address these three areas. Begin by carefully observing the litter to identify issues with current conditions:



Starting the Flock Off Right with Proper House Clean Out

When cleaning out, it's vital to remove all litter down to the pad as well as dust from fixtures (pulleys, tensioners, screens, louvers, lights, etc.). This includes litter along the sidewalls, in the corners and under the fans. If necessary, remove litter by hand. Any litter left in the house will cause problems later when the floors are heated.

Once the litter has been removed, clean and disinfect ceilings, sidewalls and any other hard surface with a strong virucidal and bacterial disinfectant. At this point, producers may want to consider applying an acidifier such as sodium bisulfate (PLT®-Litter Treatment) to the dirt pad; especially if performance declines or disease outbreaks without a clear reason have been occurring. The dirt pad acts as a sponge and absorbs water, ammonia, bacteria and other challenges over time. Therefore, lowering the pH of the floor environment will rid the pad of any ammonia that might volatize off once new bedding and heat is added. Also, lowering the pH to a very low level will impact the ability of some microbial growth. (See Table 1)

Level of Bacterial Growth at Varying pH levels.				
рН	E. coli	Clostridium	Salmonella	Pasteurella
7.4	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
7.0	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
6.8	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy	Moderate
6.5	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy	Light
6.4	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy	Light +
6.3	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy	Very light
6.2	Moderate	Heavy	Heavy	Very light
6.0	Moderate	Heavy	Moderate	Very light
5.8	Light	Heavy	Light	Very light
5.7	Light	Heavy	Very light	ZERO
5.4	Very light	Moderate	Very light	ZERO
5.2	Very light	Moderate	Very light	ZERO
5.0	ZERO	Light	Very light	ZERO
4.8	ZERO	Light	ZERO	ZERO
4.5	ZERO	Very light	ZERO	ZERO
4.3	ZERO	ZERO	ZERO	ZERO

Table 1. Effects of pH on bacteria growth (Hardin and Roney)

If you have a concrete pad there is no benefit to applying sodium bisulfate before bird placement since there will be no ammonia to react with the product. However, once the birds have been on the litter for one to two weeks, sufficient ammonia will exist. The ammonia will react with PLT while also working to suppress pH low enough to negatively impact microbial populations.

If the litter is being reused, the moment the last bird leaves, shut the house tightly in order to retain heat from the previous flock and remove excess moisture in the litter and floor. Ammonia concentrations will continue to rise while the house is closed, but unless you're working in the house there is no need to ventilate. Ventilating during this time will actually shut down ammonia release and accelerate heat loss from the previous flock. Minimal ventilation maybe required in the first 48-72 hours to prevent condensation, but during the daytime only. This will help reduce corrosive condensation from forming on equipment, sidewalls and ceiling. Once the condensation subsides the house should be shut down with no ventilation until preparation for placement starts.

Proper Pre-heating Procedures Can Reduce Stress, Increase Performance

After the house is cleaned out and the pad treated, new litter should be put in at a depth of 4-6 inches. Select clean dry bedding that preferably has less than 15% moisture. It's critical to understand how different bedding substrates handle absorption of moisture, compaction and decomposition in order to know how to maximize the life of the litter and the number of flocks that can successfully utilize it. Once the new litter is in, the house should be shut again to keep litter dry and clean.

When it's time to pre-heat, begin 48-60 hours prior to bird placement to reach the desired placement temperature in the core of the litter base. Remember, new litter can be damp, so the pre-heating period may need to be increased. Damp litter can easily cool chicks once placed, which can make them susceptible to many challenges that can reduce profitability from the very moment of placement. Whether the litter is new or built-up, the core litter temperature is extremely critical. Surface temperature is just that, on the surface; but core temperature impacts the birds' ability to

stay warm as well as ammonia volatilization and microbial challenges.

If you're using built up litter, it is recommended to treat litter with sodium bisulfate just prior to bird placement to reduce the stress of ammonia and bacteria. Your treatment level will depend on litter quality, ammonia load and microbial stress.

Once birds are in the house and you're working to maintain healthy litter conditions, use tilling as a last resort, as it creates more surface area, releases large amounts of ammonia and reduces litter's ability to wick moisture off the surface. If tilling is required, go no deeper than the thickness of the caked areas to minimize surface area. Once tilling is finished, treat the area immediately with sodium bisulfate to eliminate ammonia. The same will happen if windrowing or litter manipulation is utilized as a heat treatment. More surface area equals more released ammonia—even if microbe levels are decreased.



The Role of Water Management

House conditions and litter ecology are also impacted by bird diet and water management. Itbegins with the gut of the bird. The first line of defense for challenges is in the GI tract. Gut receptor sites will be seeded down with either good bacteria or challenging bacteria. The sooner the normal healthy microflora can be established, the less likely the bird's gut will be colonized by unwanted bacteria such as salmonella and clostridium.

Research shows that acidifying drinking water allows for the crop to be acidified both before and after the normal crop flora becomes established (Byrd et al, 2001). Providing the bird with water at a pH below 4.0 for its first 7 to 10 days of age assists in the establishment of normal flora. The method used to lower pH matters. If organic acids or a mixture of organic acids are being used for crop acidification or waterline management, birds will typically back off of the water. This is due to the bitter/sour taste created when the hydrogen ions that make up the molecules of acid are released in the mouth. The use of a mineral acid such as sodium bisulfate allows the pH of the water to be lowered to biologically significant levels without negatively impacting water consumption; this is because hydrogen ions are displaced in the manufacturing process making the water more desirable and palatable. Sodium bisulfate is effective in cleaning up the waterlines as well.



Summary

Getting a flock off to the right start is critical not only for the birds, but also for financial gain. It's easy to forget the small details that, in the end, cost greatly. A solid, strong foundation and the understanding that anything that is done to the environment that the birds are in direct contact with (i.e., water, feed, air and the floor) will impact them for better

or for worse. An optimally managed environment provides the best chance of maximizing a flock's health and financial potential. There are no silver bullets to litter management of ammonia and bacterial challenges. Focusing on the things that impact or produce them, however, is the key to a successful flock.

Prooxine[®](AH) Disinfecting Solution

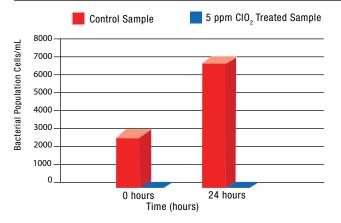
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Efficacy of ProOxine® against Biofilm

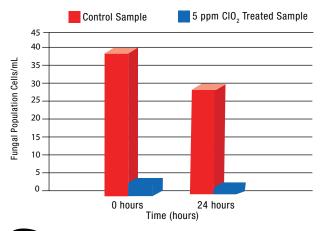
CONTROL EFFECT OF 5 ppm CIO, AGAINST BIOFILM BACTERIA

On Bacteria	Control Sample	5 ppm ClO ₂ Treated Sample
0 Hour	3000	30
24 Hours	7000	2



CONTROL EFFECT OF 5 ppm CIO, AGAINST BIOFILM FUNGI

On Fungi	Control Sample	5 ppm ClO ₂ Treated Sample
0 Hour	40	4
24 Hours	30	2



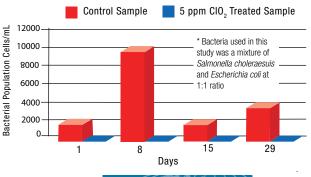


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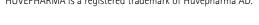
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