

Understanding Feeding Behaviour and Daily Feed Intake of Sows

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Swine Nutrition and Environmental Adaptation

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Nutritional Requirements and Body Condition Dynamics

40 kg
62,5 kg

Piglets/ year
Weight conceptus

(12,5 x 2,5 x 1,25)
(24 x 2,5)

36,6 %
Body mass/
year

560 L
32 kg

Milk production
Protein excreted

(24 x 9,7 x 2,5)

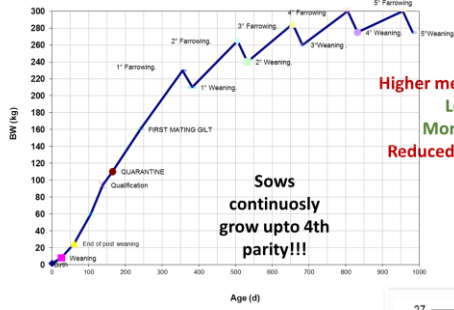
200 %
Body mass/
year

56 kg
28 kg

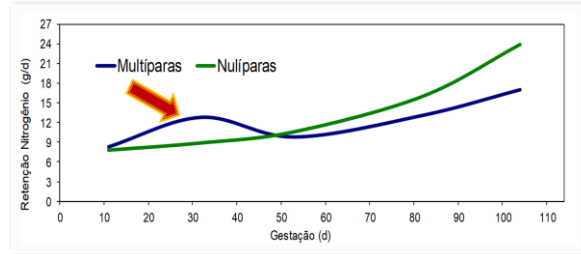
Fat excreted
Lactose excreted

Adapted from Lebreton P. (2019/ Even Nubiote)

Dynamics of Body Weight Change and Growth



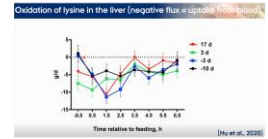
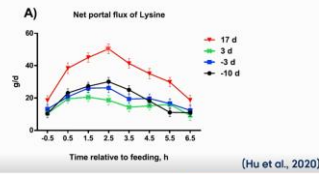
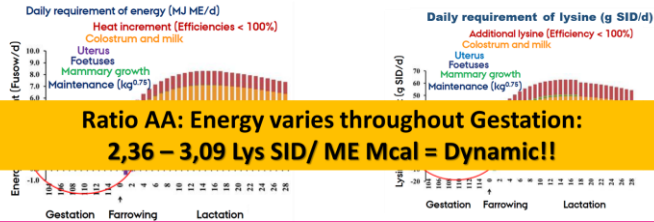
BW Dynamics and Parity Order



Adapted from Clowes et al. (2003); and De Bettio et al. (2014)



Energy and AA Requirements are Dynamic!!

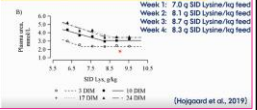


Dia 3: 3 g/d Lys for the GI
Dia 17: 11 g/d Lys for the GI

30 g/d - 65 g/d Lys Throughout Lactation

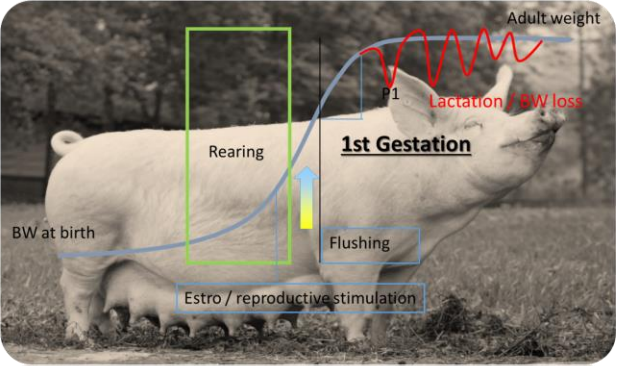
Dia 3: 6 g/d Lys for hepatic oxidation
Dia 17: 4 g/d Lys for hepatic oxidation

Dia 3: 21 g/d Lys for mammary gland usage
Dia 17: 50 g/d Lys for mammary gland usage



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How to feed sows properly to meet its nutritional needs?



What factors can Impact on Sow Voluntary Feed Intake?



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Feeding Management vs. Feeding Behaviour

Its not the same!!!



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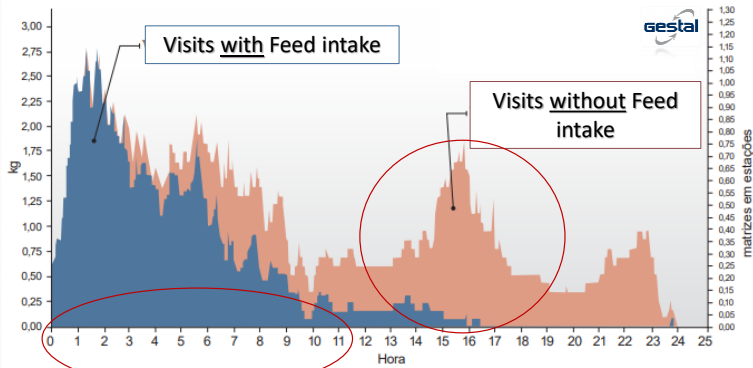
Feeding Behaviour during Gestation and Lactation...



- Does the number of meals make a difference?
- Stress x Intake: cortisol ??
- Formulation x Absorption Efficiency

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Kinetics of Feeding Behavior during Gestation with ESF Corn/Soybean based diets

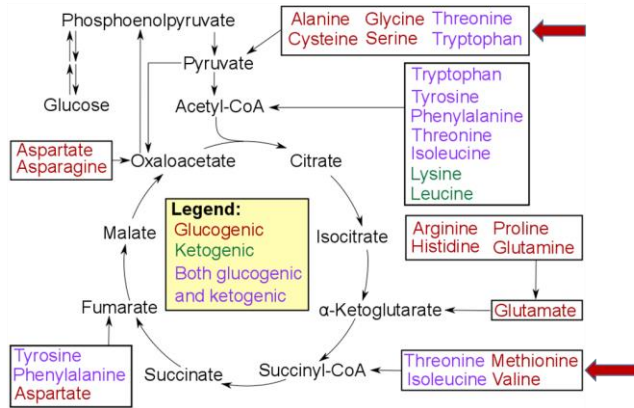


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Nutrient Absorption Efficiency

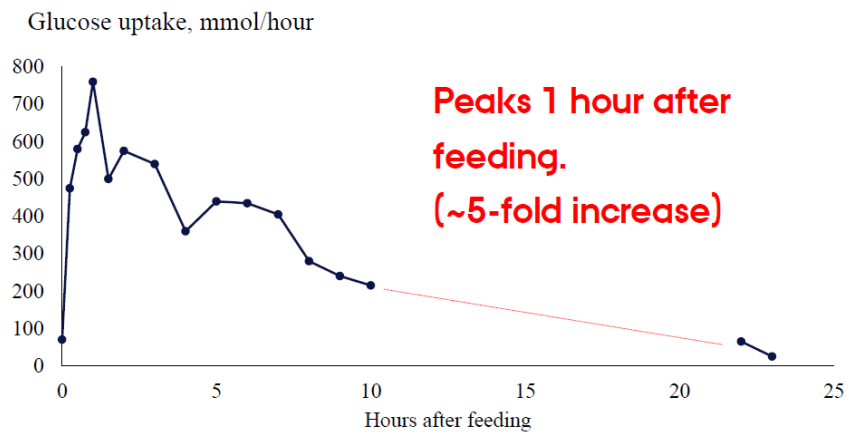
Fasting time vs. Gluconeogenesis vs. AA Efficiency absorption



Prolonged fasting time activates hepatic Gluconeogenesis » ingestion of free AA are redirected for energy synthesis!! Unbalance ratio AA!!

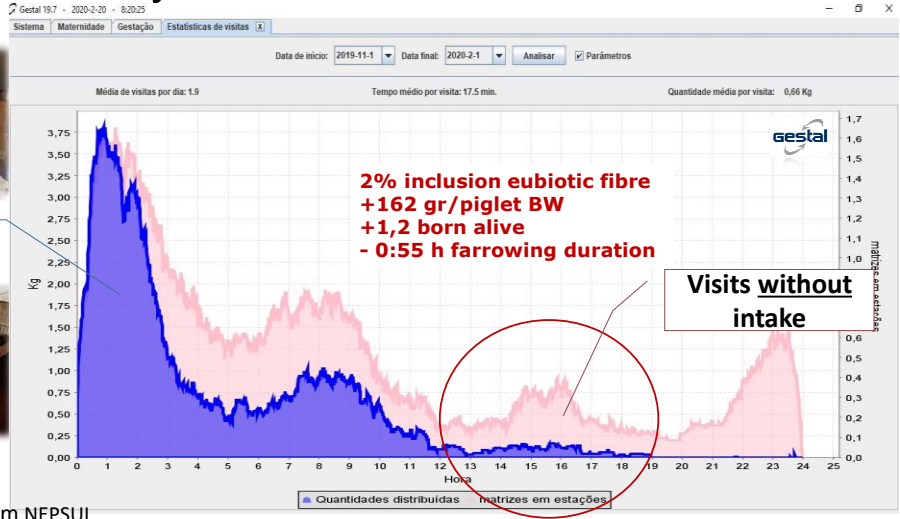


Dietary Formulation impacts on Feed Intake!!



Adapted from Serena et al. (2009)

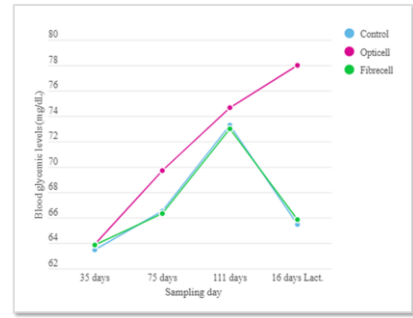
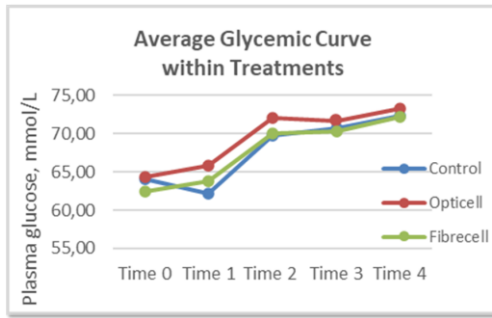
Kinetics of Feeding Behavior during Gestation with ESF Corn/Soybean based diets + eubiotic fibre



Adapted from NEPSUI



Glucose Curve during Gestation Corn/Soybean based diets + eubiotic fibre



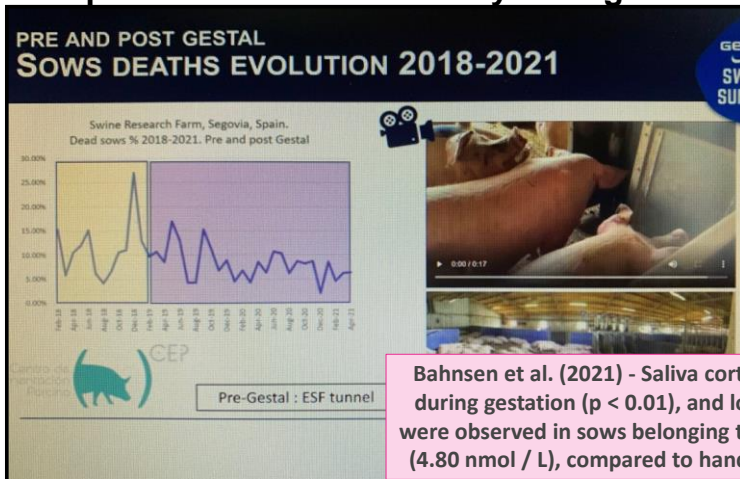
Adapted from M.G.B. Filho (non-published)

Feeding management/ pattern can impact on performance and mortality during Gestation!!



Adapted from C. Piñeiro (Gestal Summit 2021)

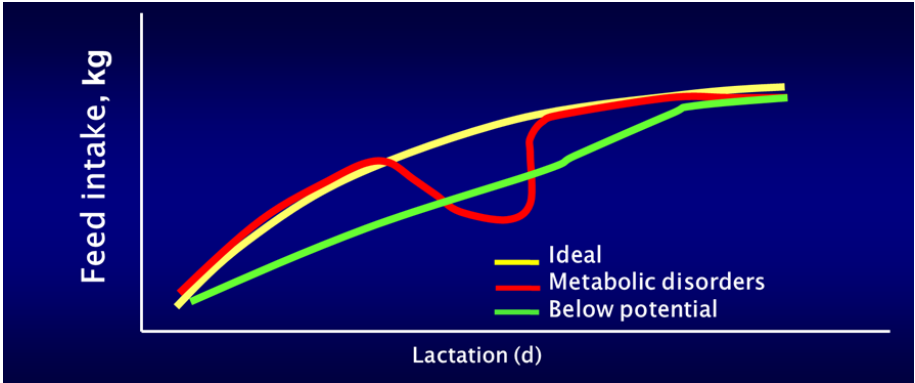
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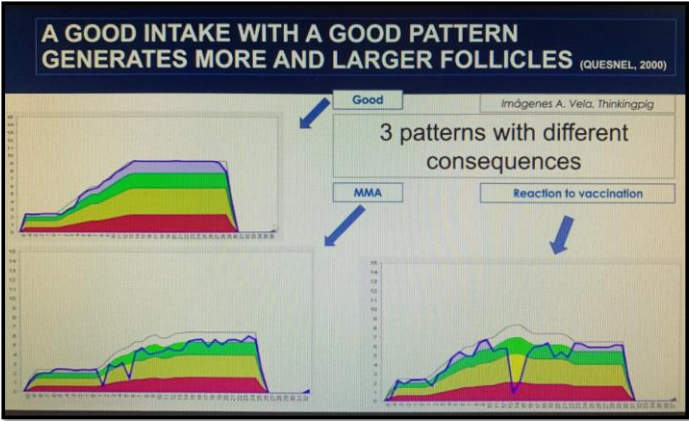
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Effect of Individual Sow on Voluntary Feed Intake during Lactation



Lactating Sows have different Feeding Patterns



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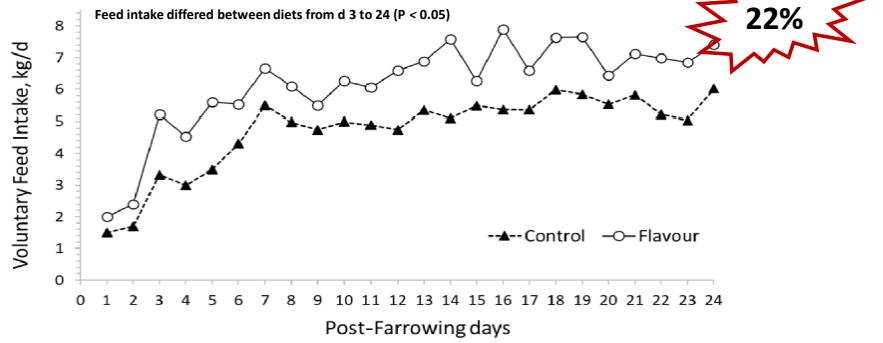
Effect of Genotype on Voluntary Feed Intake



Total 700 sows

Adapted from Tolentino et al (2015); Taveira et al. (2016) and Silva et al. (2017) – UFMG/ICA

Effect of feed Flavor and Day of lactation on Daily Feed Intake in Lactating Sows

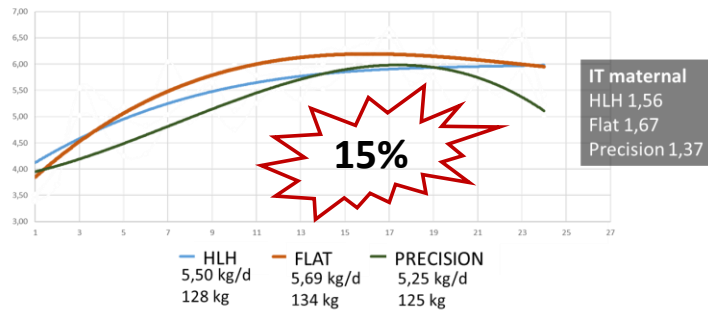


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Effect of Feeding Program during Gestation on Lactation Voluntary Feed Intake



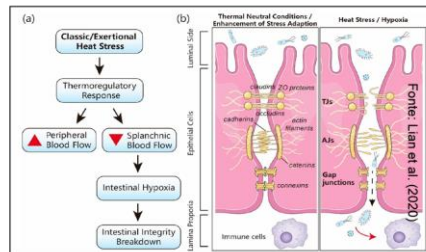
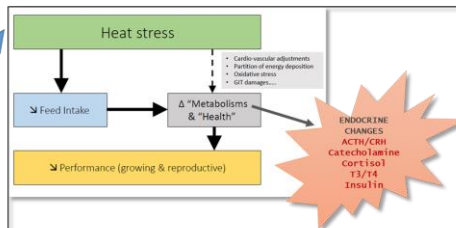
Kinetics of feeding behaviour during lactation (1344 inputs)



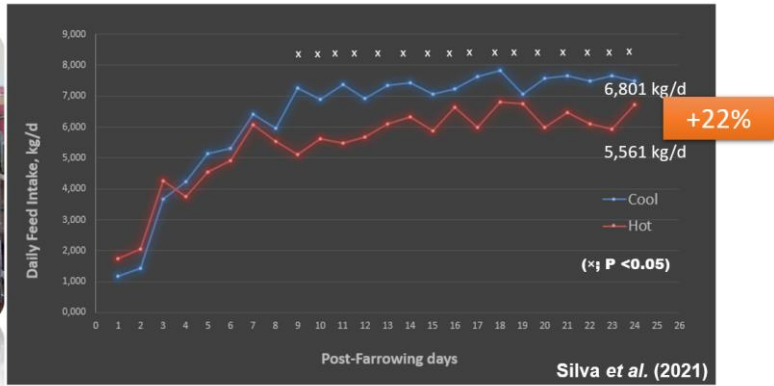
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Heat stress impacts on feed intake, metabolism and intestinal health



Feeding Behavior during Lactation according to Season



Kinetics of Feeding Behavior during Lactation according to Season

Summer

Av. Temp. 27,06°C

Av. RH 70%

ADFI 5,561 kg/d

75% Intake

00:00 – 10:00 h

Winter

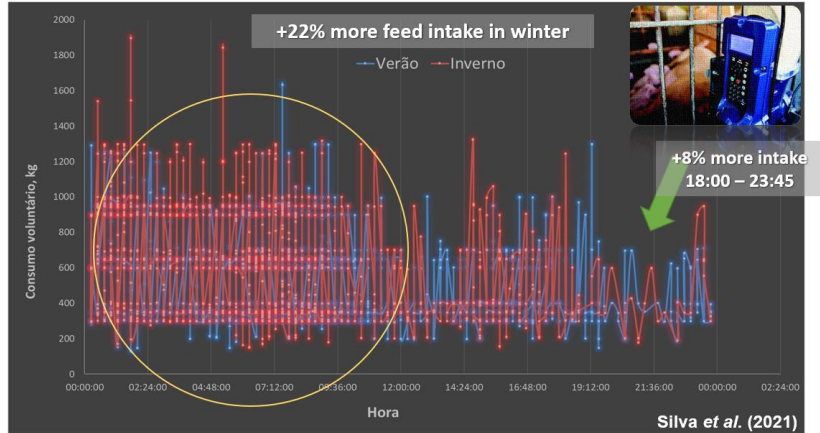
Av. Temp. 23,05°C

Av. RH 56%

ADFI 6,801 kg/d

81% Intake

00:00 – 10:00 h



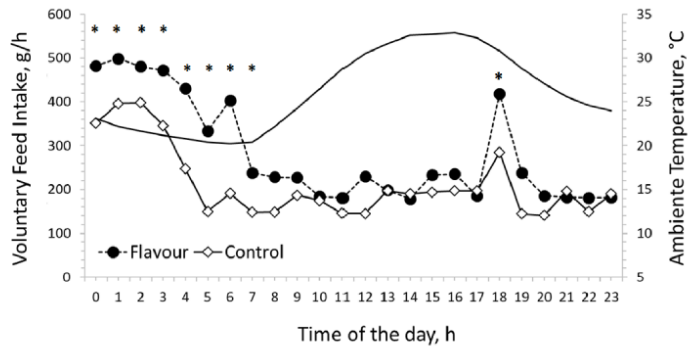
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Kinetics of Feeding Behavior during Lactation with Flavour during Summer (7132 inputs)

Temp. Max. 35,16°C
 Temp. Min. 19,05°C
 RU Max. 94%
 RU Min. 35%

Control
 AVFI 4,78 kg/d
 76% Intake
 00:00 – 10:00 h

Flavour
 AVFI 5,91 kg/d
 87% Intake
 00:00 – 10:00 h



Adapted from Silva et al. (2021)

Effects of dietary protein concentration on Feeding Behaviour of lactating sows in a tropical humid climate

Effects of exposure to high ambient temperature and dietary protein level on performance of multiparous lactating sows¹

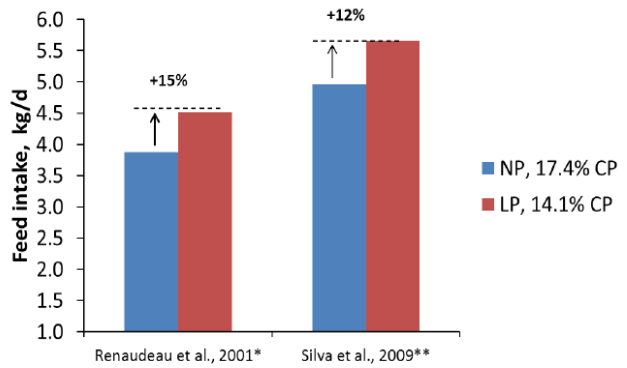
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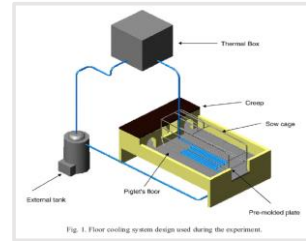
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Concluding Remarks

- ✓ Sows have “changed” production and body.
- ✓ Feeding Behavior vs. Feeding Management.
- ✓ Sows are “hungry” during gestation - impact on behavior.
- ✓ Feeding behavior is more nocturnal independent of season during lactation.
- ✓ Feed additives and feed formulation have an important impact on voluntary feed intake.



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