



Zinpro® Availa® Zn and Zinpro® Availa® Z/M Improve Immunity of Chickens Challenged with Infectious Bronchitis Virus

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Study Objective

- Evaluate the susceptibility of two major histocompatibility complex (MHC) congenic chicken lines to Infectious Bronchitis Virus (IBV) challenge when fed Zinpro Availa Zn or Zinpro Availa Z/M compared to inorganic Zn and Mn sources.



Animals

- 20 one-day-old layer type birds, 2 MHC haplotype
 - 331/B2 IBV resistant
 - 335/B19 IBV susceptible

Treatments

Corn-soybean meal basal diet supplemented with:

- 0 ppm Mn
- 120 ppm Mn Sulfate
- 80 ppm Zinpro Availa Mn

Treatment	ZnSO ₄	MnSO ₄	Zinpro Availa Zn	Zinpro Availa Mn
ppm				
Control	60	60	0	0
Zinpro Availa Zn	—	60	60	0
Zinpro Availa Z/M	—	—	40	40

Study Duration



37 days

IBV Occulo-nasal challenge on d 23 (strain M41 at an EID₅₀ of $2 \times 10^{3.5}$ in 200 µl)

Location



University of California, Davis, CA, USA

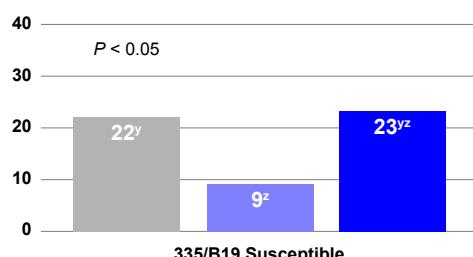
Results Summary

Compared to chickens fed sulfate minerals, feeding Zinpro® Performance Minerals® resulted in:

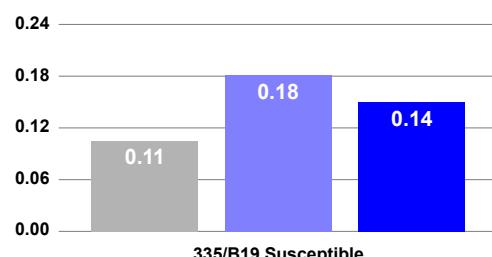
- Reduction in respiratory signs in IBV susceptible birds fed Zinpro Availa Zn
- Higher antibody response in IBV susceptible birds fed Zinpro Availa Zn or Zinpro Availa Z/M
- Decrease in airsacculitis in both bird lines fed Zinpro Availa Zn or Zinpro Availa Z/M

Zinpro Availa Zn or Zinpro Availa Z/M supplementation can contribute to reducing the severity of the infection caused by IBV challenge

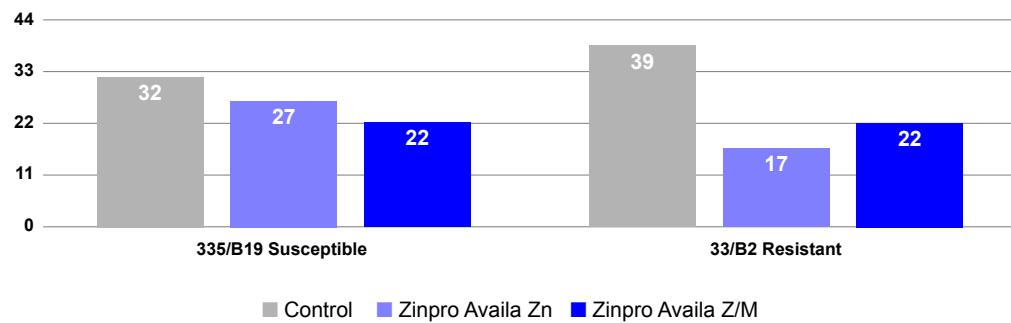
Respiratory Signs on d 27, 4 d Post Infection, %



IgA Antibodies in Tears on d 37, 13 d Post Infection, S/P



Airsacculitis Prevalence on d 37, 14 d Post Infection, %



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