





Positive effect of oral vaccination using Coliprotec® F4 in piglets with post-weaning diarrhea

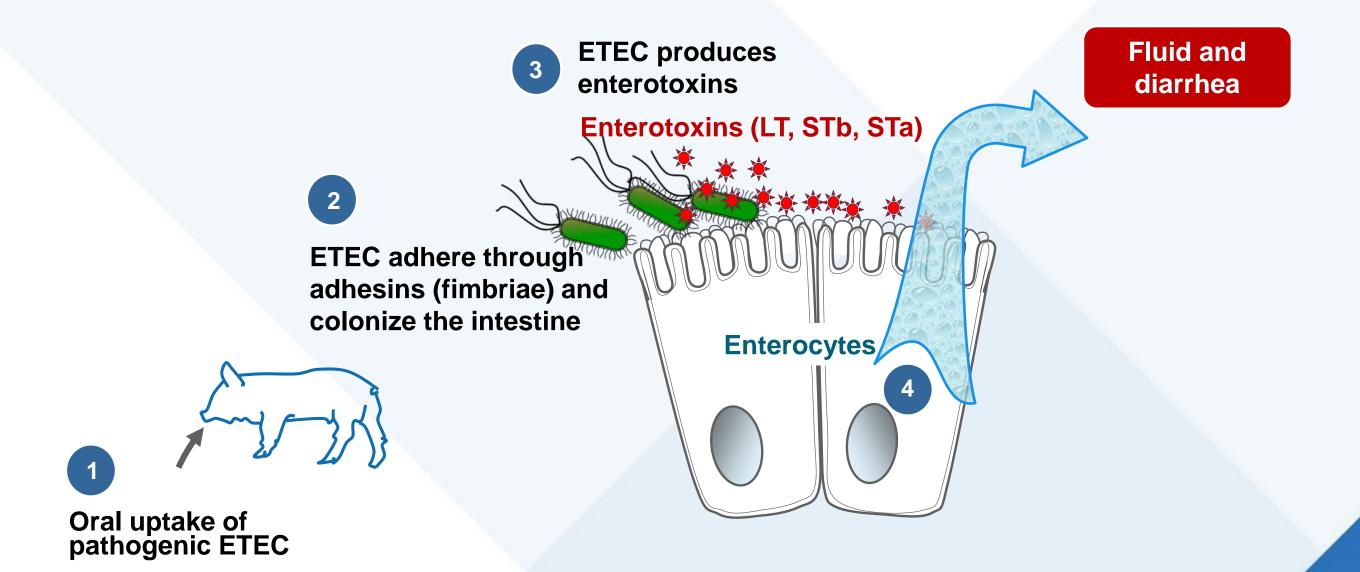
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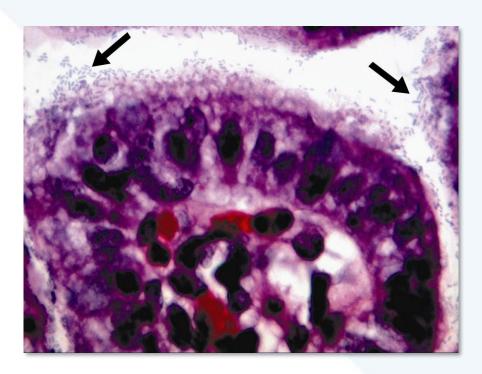
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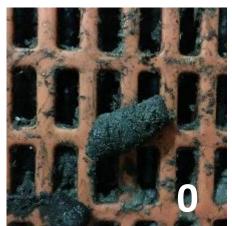


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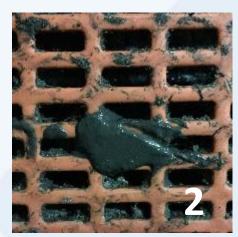


















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Introduction - Coliprotec® F4F18

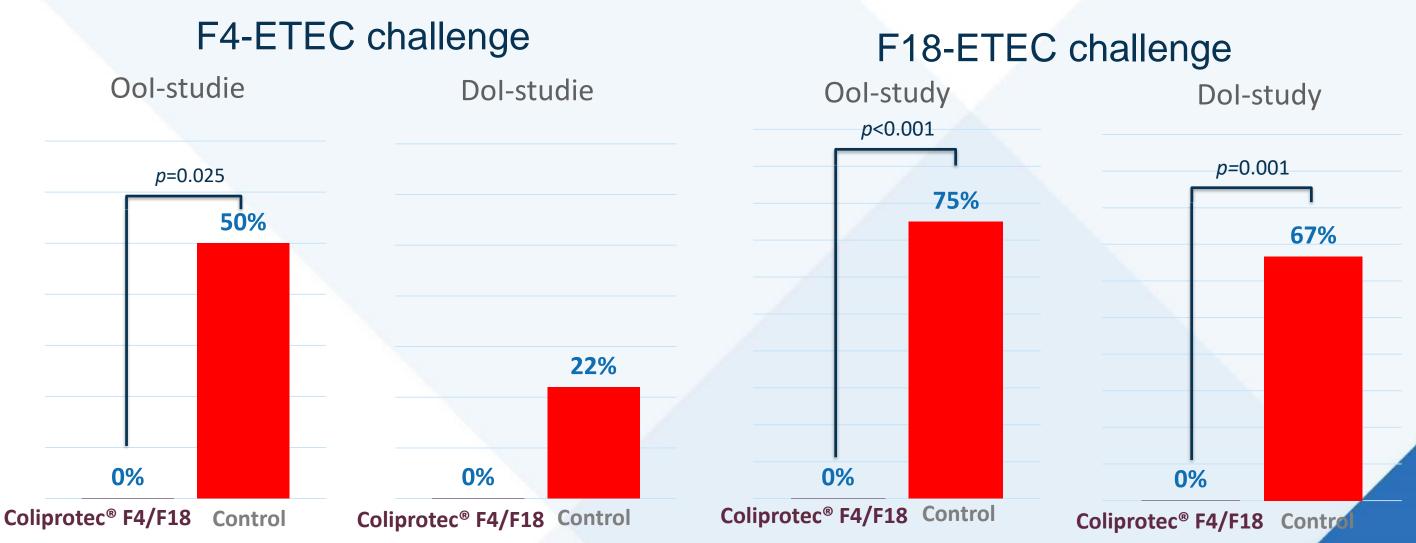
- Live, avirulent E. coli strains with fimbriae F4ac and F18ac
- Oral immunization at least 7 days before the clinical signs of post-weaning diarrhea
 - Administration from 18 days
 - Claim
 - Reduction of incidence of moderate and severe E. coli post-weaning diarrhea
 - Reduction of fecal excretion of F4-ETEC and F18-ETEC in infected piglets



Introduction – Coliprotec® F4F18

Reduction of incidence of moderate and severe diarrhea in piglets post-challenge

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Materials & Methods



M&M - farm description

Anamnesis:

- ➤ 600 DanBred sows
- > 4-week-BMS
- Weaning age: 3 weeks
- Weaning weight: 5-6 kg

Recurrent problems with PWD

- Ideal for feed trials with specific supplements for intestinal 'health'
- Unwanted antibiotic use

Diagnosis

- > Bacteriology: hemolytic *E. coli*
- > Adhesins: F4 (K88)
- > Toxins: enterotoxins: STa STb LT



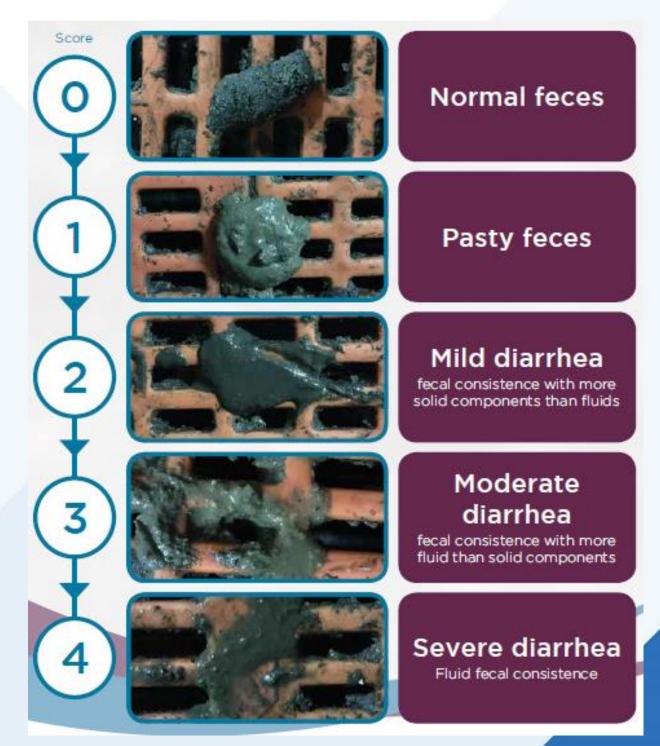
Trial compartment

- > 20 feeders
- > 2 pens per feeder
- Coliprotec[®] test
 - > 5 groups
 - > 4 feeders per group
 - > 8 pens per group



Parameters

- ✓ Clinical fecal score (0-4) based on fecal consistency of 5 fecal droppings per pen per day
- ✓ Weight (kg) >> average daily weight gain
 - √ weaning (d0)
 - √ 1^e phase (d21)
 - ✓ end (d50)
- √ Feed conversion rate (kg/kg)
- ✓ Mortality (day / kg)
- ✓ Treatment incidence



Experimental design

	Α	В	С	D	E
Name	1-phase / vaccine	2-phase / vaccine	3-phase / vaccine	Standard / nutriceutical	Standard + ZnO
Weaning starter		2 kg	5 kg	5 kg	5 kg
Starter			8 kg	8 kg	8 kg
Grow starter			•••		•••
ZnO (14d)	-	-	-	-	+
In-feed acids	-		-	+	-
Coliprotec®	+	+	+	-	-



Vaccination with Coliprotec®

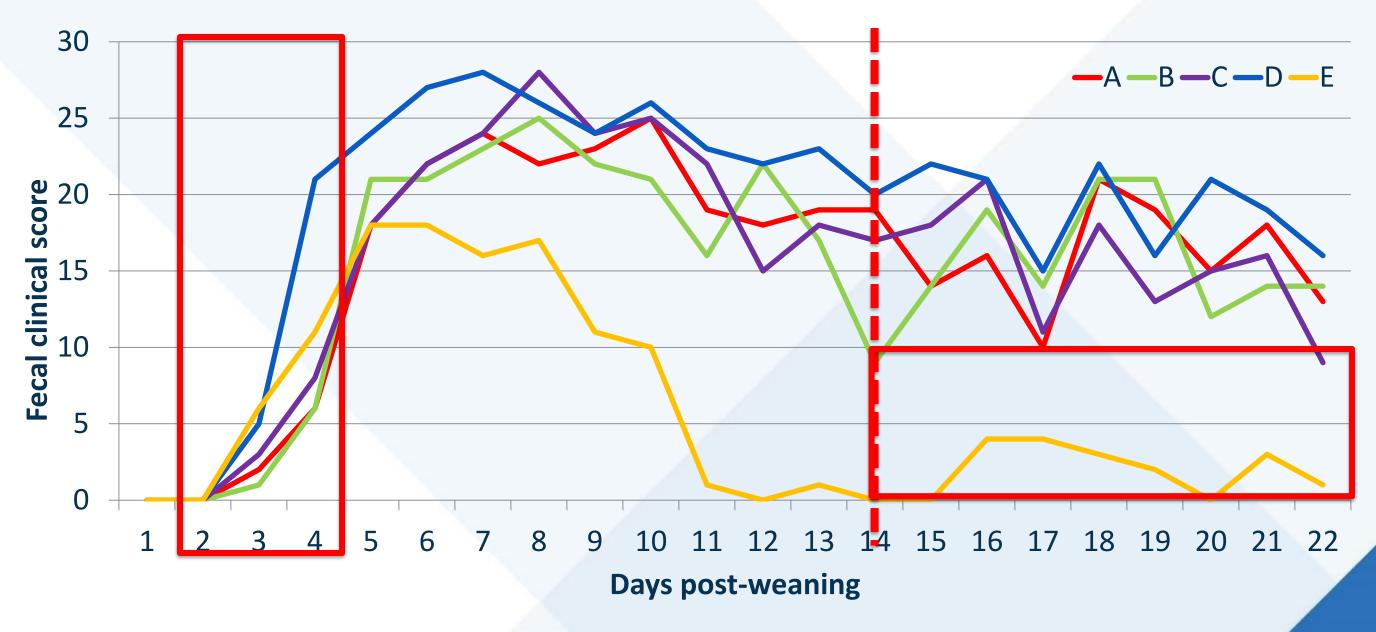
- Vaccine administration
 - 7 days before clinical signs of diarrhea
 - Diarrhea occurs at d3 post-weaning
 - Vaccination at 17-18 days during lactation
 - Individual drenching of 2 mL of vaccine solution
 - No antibiotics from 3 days before until 3 days after vaccination
- Unvaccinated control group



Results

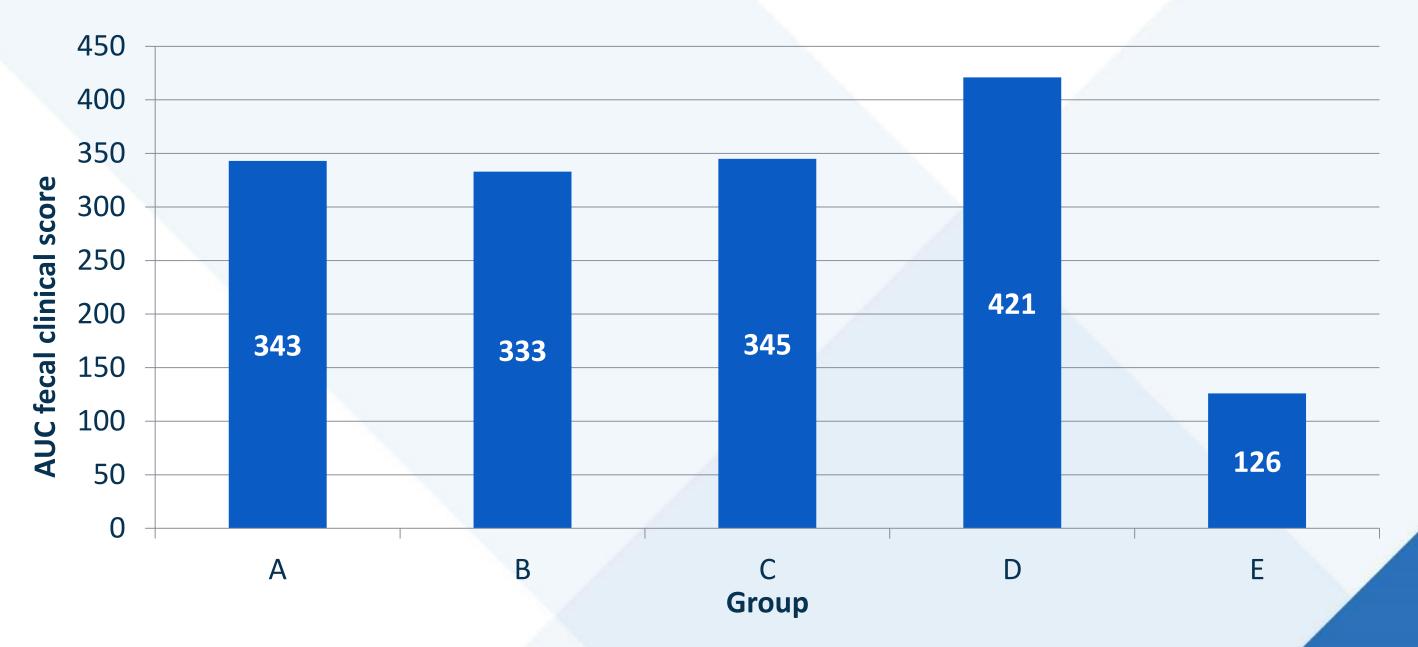


Fecal clinical score 0-21 d



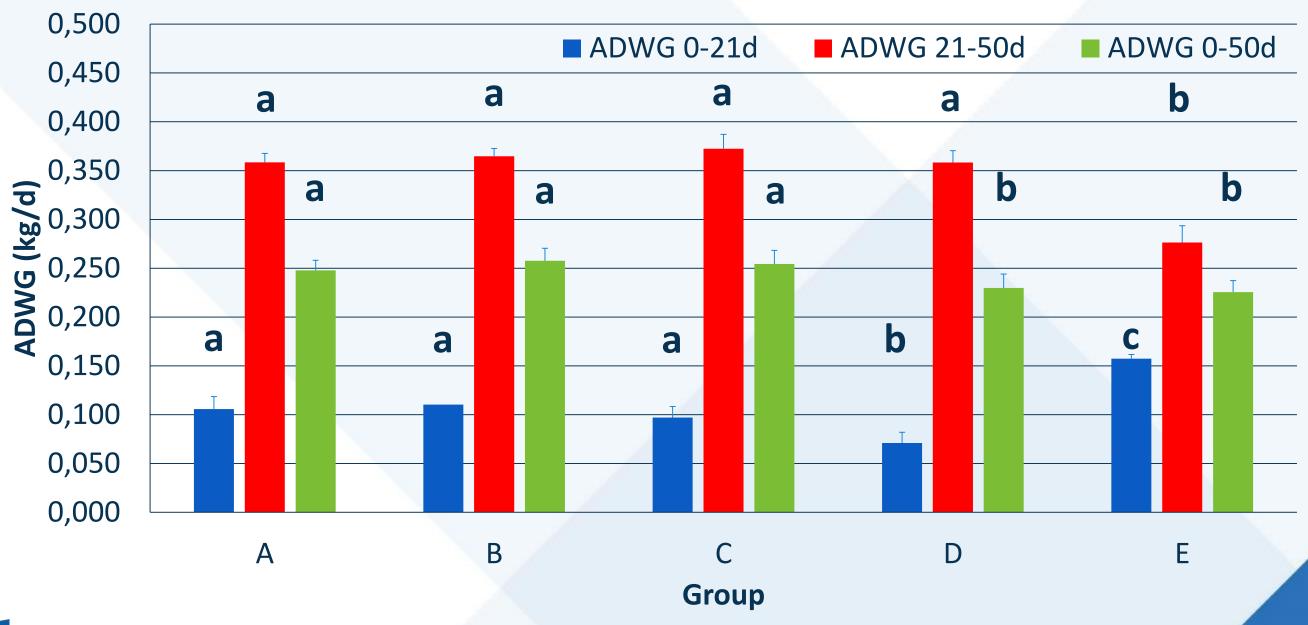


AUC fecal clinical score 0-21 d



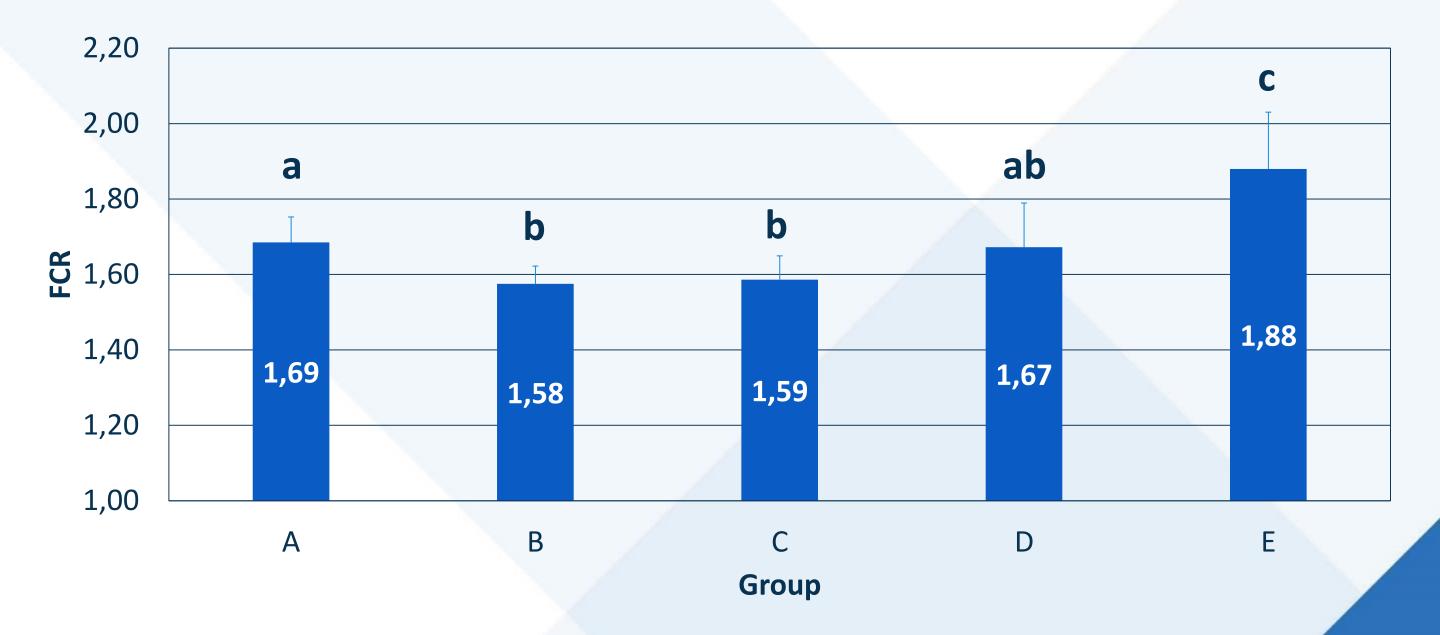


Average daily weight gain



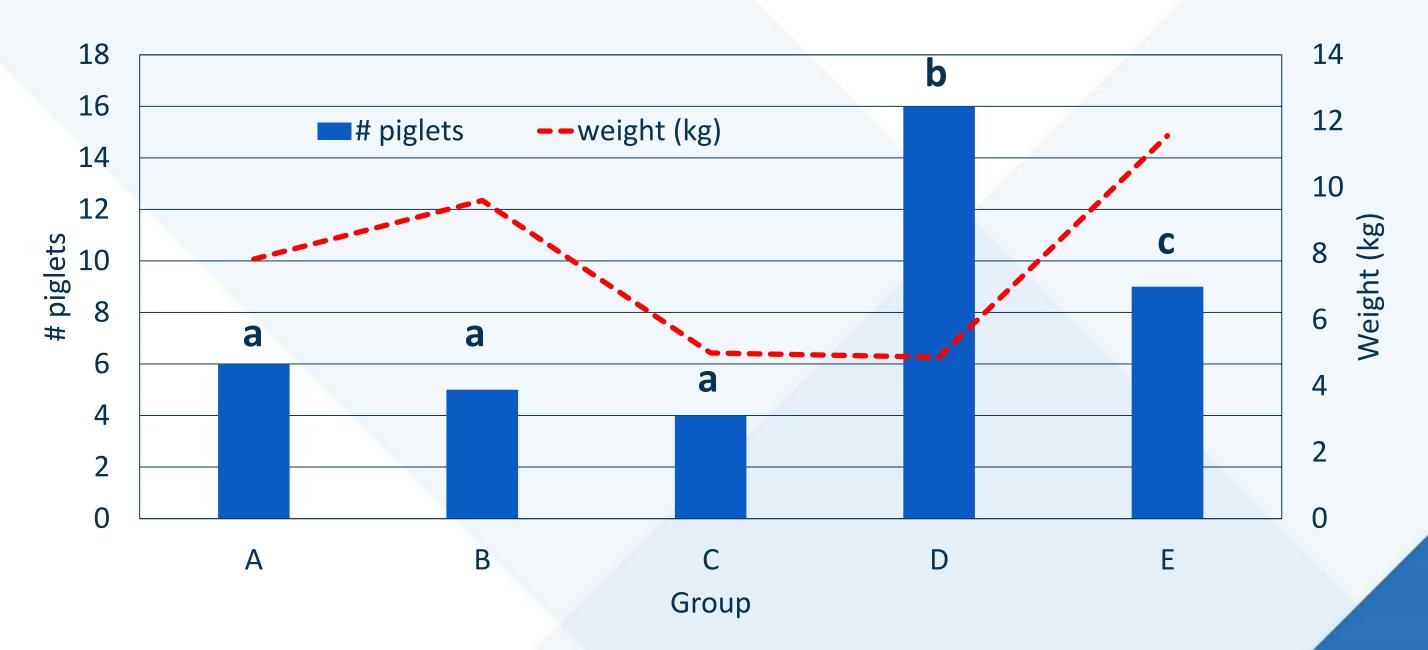


Feed conversion rate



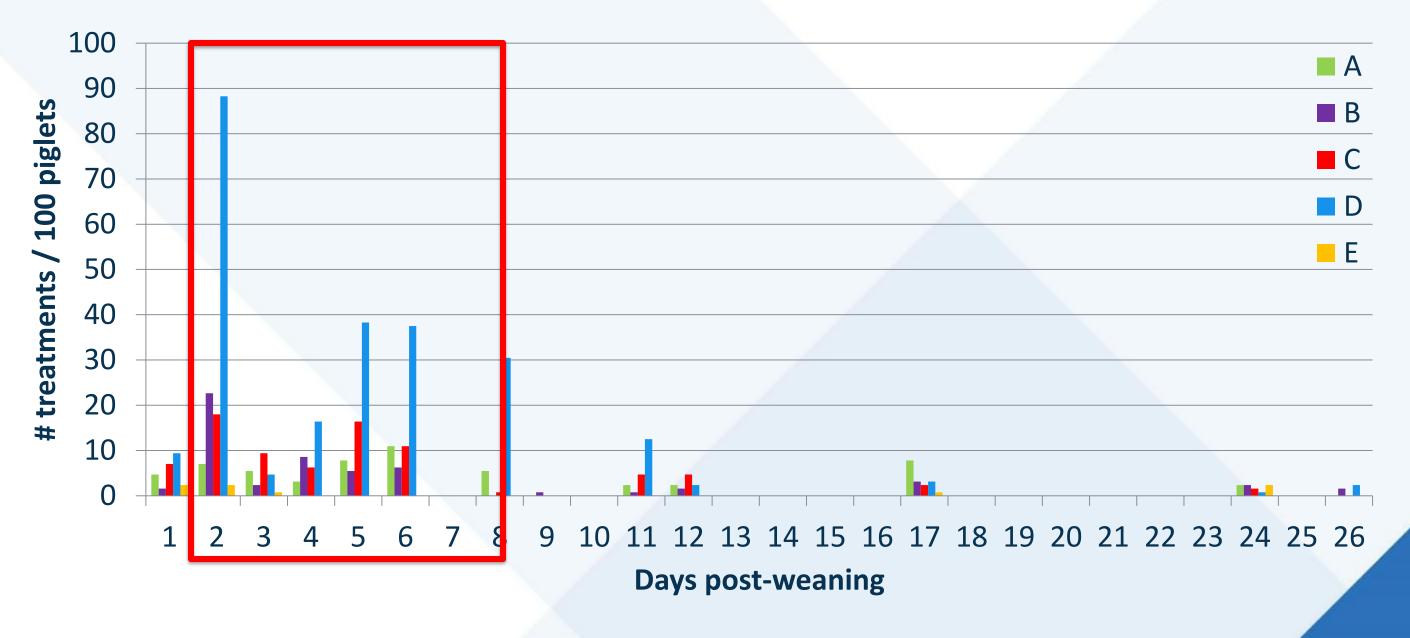


Results - Mortality



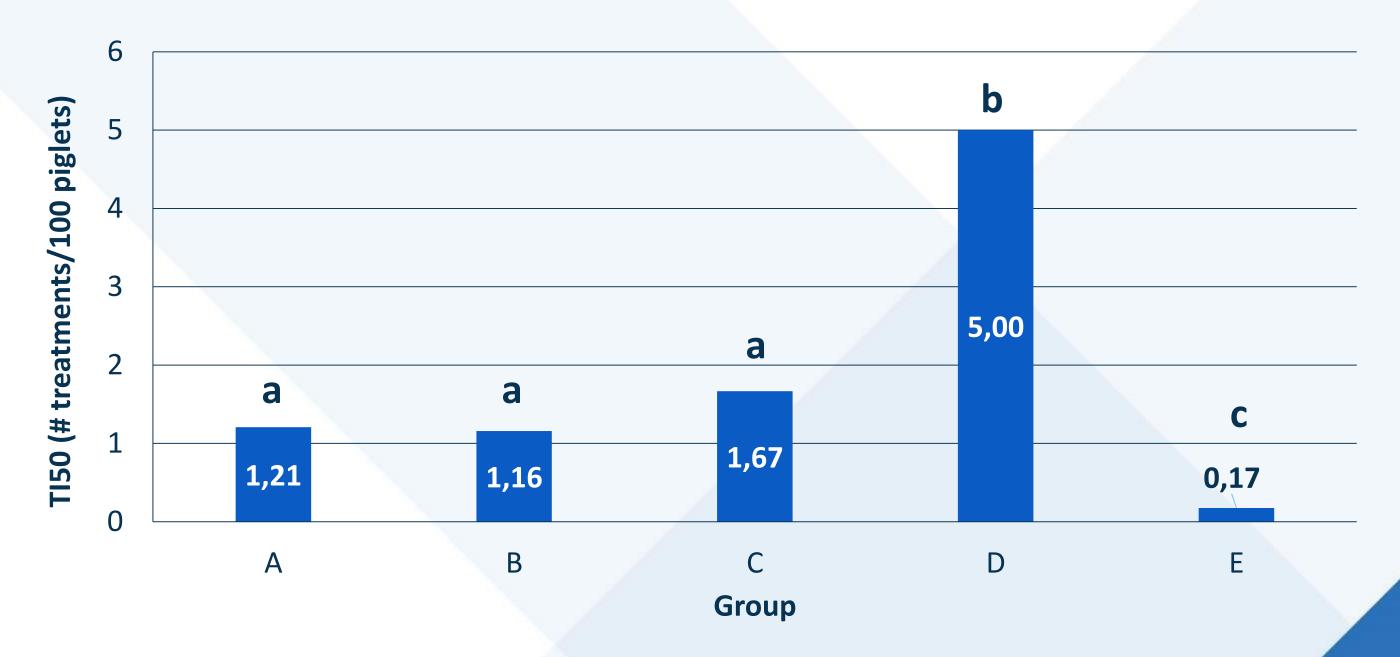


Treatment incidence by day





Treatment incidence over 50 day post-weaning period





Discussion & conclusions



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- ZnO supplementation and safe feed are both percieved in practice as the standard approaches to cope with postweaning *E. coli* diarrhea
 - ZnO supplementation does not results in maximal piglet performance, but farmers only have one group in their barn and do not perform regular comparison with other approaches
 - Safe feed does not protect against heavy infection pressure resulting in clinical diarrhea with increased antibiotic use and mortality

Discussion & conclusions

- Vaccination with Coliprotec® before weaning (17-18 days of age) resulted in:
 - Improvement of fecal clinical score <> control
 - Higher average daily weight gain <> ZnO & control
 - Lower feed conversion rate <> ZnO
 - Lower post-weaning mortality <> ZnO & control
 - Lower treatment incidence <> control
- Vaccination is a valuable alternative to prevent postweaning E. coli diarrhea under field conditions



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