The Impact of Feeding Corn DDGS and Phytase on Manure Phosphorus Management in Pork Production

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Quantity of Manure Excreted Annually By Livestock and Poultry in the U.S.

Source: Cromwell (2002)
% Phosphorus in Livestock and Poultry Manure

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Annual Amounts of Phosphorus Excreted in Livestock and Poultry Manure in the U.S.

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Phosphorus in Swine Manure

- Swine manure has a N:P ratio of 3:1
  - Lower than needed by crops grown (e.g. corn 6:1)
  - When manure is applied to meet the N needs of the crop:
    - Excess P is applied
  - Excess P in soil has potential for leaching and runoff that contributes to eutrophication of surface water
Chemical Forms of Phosphorus In Manure

- Phosphorus compounds in manure vary in:
  - Solubility
  - Availability for plant uptake
  - Absorption potential in soils

- Manure P composition is affected by:
  - Age of the animal
  - Diet
  - Amount and type of bedding material
  - Storage method
Phosphorus in Soil

- Soils contain between 100 to 3000 ppm P
  - Soluble P
    - Form is available for plant uptake
    - Predominantly orthophosphates
  - Reactive P
    - Found in fresh organic material
    - Converted over time to soluble P
  - Stable P
    - Largest portion of soil P
    - Crystalline compounds with very low solubility
    - Stable organic compounds that are not available to plants
Lbs. of \( \text{P}_2\text{O}_5 \) per Lb. of Animal Wt./Yr

Total and Available P Requirement (g/day) of Growing Pigs (NRC, 1998)
Total and Available P Requirement (% of diet) of Growing Pigs (NRC, 1998)
Nutritional Methods to Reduce Manure Phosphorus

- Use ingredients that are high in digestible or bioavailable P
- Minimize “safety margin” for P when formulating diets
- Add phytase to the diet
- Maintain a 1:1 to 1.5:1 calcium-to-phosphorus ratio when formulating diets
- Minimize feed wastage
Comparison of Total P Concentration and P Bioavailability Between Corn, Soybean Meal (47.5%) and DDGS for Swine
Potential for Reducing P Excretion in Manure From 175 Lb Pigs

![Graph showing potential for reducing P excretion]

Source: Adapted from G.L. Cromwell, Feedstuffs, October 7, 1991.
Potential for Reducing P Excretion in Manure By Feeding Swine Grower Diets Containing 10 or 20% DDGS

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Phosphorus Balance in the Pig

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\text{Amount of P Consumed} - \text{Amount of P Excreted} = \]

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(\text{Feed Intake} \times \% \text{ P in Diet}) + (\text{Amt. Feces Excreted} \times \% \text{ P in Feces}) + (\text{Amt. Urine Excreted} \times \% \text{ P in Urine})
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\text{Amount of P Retained}
Effect of DDGS Level and Diet Formulation Method on Manure Phosphorus Excretion in Nursery Pigs (23 lbs.)

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Effect of Dietary Level of DDGS on Daily Fecal Excretion (g/d)

Means with different superscripts are significantly different (P < .05).
Effect of Dietary Level of DDGS on Dry Matter Digestibility (\%) 

- 2.2% - 5.1%

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Effect of Dietary Level of DDGS on Fecal Phosphorus Concentration (%)

![Bar chart showing fecal P concentration for different levels of DDGS]

- 15.5 %
- 34.1 %

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Effect of Dietary Level of DDGS on Daily Urine P Excretion (g/day)
Effect of Dietary Level of DDGS on Total P Excreted as a % of Phosphorus Intake

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Effect of Diet Formulation Method on Daily Total Phosphorus Excretion (g/day)

- 5.8%
Effects of Adding 10 or 20% DDGS to Nursery Diets on % Total, Soluble and Particulate P in Swine Manure

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Summary

- For every 10% DDGS added to the nursery diet:
  - dry matter digestibility ↓ 2.2%
  - daily fecal excretion ↑ 15%
  - fecal P concentration ↓ 16%
  - daily P excretion ↓ 2 to 4% ??
    - theoretical maximum is 6%
Summary

Formulating nursery diets on an available P basis vs. total P basis:

- ↓ daily total P intake by 11%
- ↓ fecal P concentration by 6%
- May ↓ daily fecal excretion by 6%
Conclusions

- Adding DDGS to nursery diets has a small effect on reducing manure P excretion
  - not as much as mathematically possible because of reduced DM digestibility

- Adding 20% DDGS to a nursery diet and formulating on an available P basis will result in the greatest reduction in manure P.
Conclusions

- Using a P bioavailability coefficient of 90% for DDGS appears to reasonable when formulating DDGS diets for swine.

- Adding DDGS to nursery diets and formulating on an available P basis has minimal effects on the amount of soluble and particulate P excreted.
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![Bar chart showing % of Phosphorus Intake Retained]

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Summary

- Adding 20% DDGS and phytase to swine diets:
  - ↓ diet P concentration
  - ↓ daily P intake
  - ↓ fecal P concentration
  - ↓ fecal and total P excretion
  - ↑ P digestibility
  - ↑ % of P intake retained by the pig
Summary

- Calcium:Available P ratio:
  - No effect on DM digestibility
  - 3:1 tended to have increased fecal P excreted than 2:1
  - No effect on fecal P concentration
  - P digestibility tended to be increased for 2:1 vs. 2.5:1 and 3:1
  - No effect on P retention
Conclusion

- Adding 20% DDGS + phytase to nursery pig diets:
  - reduces manure P excretion by 36%
  - improves P retention
    compared to feeding a corn-soybean meal diet
    without DDGS and phytase

- Ca:Available P ratio is of little concern as long as it
  is between 2:1 to 3:1
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