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Effect of enzyme addition on slaughter studies of broilers fed with corn-soya based diet

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Abstract

A biological trial in broilers was conducted for a period of 42 days with six treatments 30 birds each. T₁ as control, T₂: control + 250 g /ton NSP enzyme, T₃: control + 500 g/ton NSP enzyme, T₄:1000 g /ton NSP enzyme, T₅ - T₂: 0.8 percent reduction of metabolizable energy and 0.4 percent reduction of protein T₆ - T₃: 1.6 percent reduction of metabolizable energy and 0.6 percent reduction of protein. T₇ - T₄: 3.4 percent reduction of metabolizable energy and 1.1 percent reduction of protein. T₈ - Control + Phytase enzyme (300 IU/Kg of feed), 14.6 percent reduction of available phosphorus. T₉ - Control + Phytase enzyme (600 IU/Kg of feed), 30 percent reduction of available phosphorus. Significantly ($p<0.05$) higher and lower dressing percentage was observed in T₃ and T₉. There was no significant difference in organs weight between enzyme added groups and control group. A significant increase ($p<0.05$) in the length of small intestine and caecum length was observed in T₉ compared to the control. Colo-rectum length did not differ significantly between enzyme added groups and control group.

Keywords: Enzyme, carcass characteristics, growth of internal organs and small intestine

Introduction

Adding Non-Starch Polysaccharides (NSP) degrading enzymes in poultry diets has increased considerably in recent years. However, the effects of exogenous enzymes can be variable and are dependent on a large number of factors such as the age of the bird and the quality and type of diet (Bedford 2000) [2]. Further in case of corn-soybean diet, they are rich in phytic acid which is not available for poultry and phytate phosphorus is excreted as undigested material along with excreta. This is not only leads to waste of resource, but also increases the environmental pollution. Phytase is enzymes which degrades the phytate phosphorus in the vegetable material and make it available in the gut. According to Simons *et al.*, (1990) [4] techniques have been developed to produce microbial phytase for the diets of simple-stomached animals and improve the efficiency of phytase-P. Nagata *et al.* (2011) [3] has reported that phytase can improve the growth performance and nutrient utilization of broilers. in this connection the present study was formulated to study the effect of enzyme addition on slaughter studies in broilers fed on corn-soybean meal diets.

Materials and Methods

A biological trial in broilers was conducted for a period of 42 days with six treatments 30 birds each. T₁ as control, T₂: control + 250 g /ton NSP enzyme, T₃: control + 500 g/ton NSP enzyme, T₄: 1000 g /ton NSP enzyme, T₅ - T₂: 0.8 percent reduction of metabolizable energy and 0.4 percent reduction of protein T₆ - T₃: 1.6 percent reduction of metabolizable energy and 0.6 percent reduction of protein. T₇ - T₄: 3.4 percent reduction of metabolizable energy and 1.1 percent reduction of protein. T₈ - Control + Phytase enzyme (300 IU/Kg of feed), 14.6 percent reduction of available phosphorus. T₉ - Control + Phytase enzyme (600 IU/Kg of feed), 30 percent reduction of available phosphorus. Chicks were given a free choice access to diets and tap water for 42 days. The chicks were fed the experimental diets (Table 1, 2 and 3) throughout the experimental period. At the end of six week of age, six male birds from each experimental group were selected randomly and slaughtered for estimating digesta viscosity, ileal digestibility and histo morphological studies of small intestine. The dressing percentage, the weights of gizzard, liver, heart, pancreas, and intestinal length were measured and recorded. The data collected on various parameters were statistically analyzed as per the method of Snedecor and Cochran (1989) [5].

Results and Discussion**Carcass studies**

The carcass characteristics in terms of dressing percentage,

weights of gizzard, liver, heart and pancreas are presented in Table 4.

Table 1: Ingredients and nutrient composition of broiler pre starter diet (% DM)

Ingredients (%)	Treatments								
	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈	T ₉
Maize	44.50	44.63	44.63	44.63	45.59	46.55	48.47	45.16	45.69
Soya	41.25	41.22	41.22	41.22	40.86	40.50	39.78	41.08	40.93
Fish meal	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Rice bran oil	5.40	5.36	5.36	5.36	4.78	4.20	3.04	5.13	4.90
Dicalcium phosphate	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.09	1.05	1.27	1.16	0.26
Calcite	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.94	0.93	0.61	0.76	1.49
Lysine (g/100 kg)	49.29	49.75	49.75	49.75	57.68	65.60	81.47	52.47	55.19
DL methionine (g/100 kg)	230.00	230.00	230.00	230.00	231.00	231.00	232.00	230.00	230.00
Salt (g/100 kg)	258.47	337.00	337.00	337.00	336.66	336.30	335.64	336.76	336.53
Sodium bicarbonate (g/100 kg)	206.73	64.91	64.91	64.91	64.81	64.70	64.51	64.91	64.91
NSP enzyme (g/100 kg)	0.00	25.00	50.00	100.00	25.00	50.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
Phytase (g/100 kg)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.50	13.00
Additives and supplements (g/100 kg)	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00
Nutrients (%)	Treatments								
	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈	T ₉
Dry matter	93.08	92.9	93.3	93.56	93.35	93.19	93.99	93.05	93.85
Crude protein	23.01	23.00	23.01	23.01	22.87	22.75	22.99	22.95	22.95
Crude fibre	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25
NDF	10.77	10.5	10.54	11.11	10.79	10.84	11.49	11.27	11.27
ADF	1.92	1.89	1.94	1.87	1.9	1.98	1.93	1.94	1.93
Hemicellulose	8.84	8.64	9.17	8.91	8.94	9.51	9.33	9.26	9.12
Cellulose	1.78	1.82	1.85	1.81	1.82	1.84	1.79	1.85	1.84
Lignin	0.14	0.15	0.14	0.15	0.16	0.15	0.14	0.14	0.14
Ether extract	6.50	6.93	6.92	6.86	6.36	6.01	6.21	6.76	6.29
Total ash	8.51	8.87	8.16	8.92	8.93	8.25	8.31	8.42	8.12
NFE*	57.73	56.9	57.66	56.96	57.59	58.74	58.24	57.62	58.39
Acid insoluble ash	2.31	2.4	2.55	2.51	2.55	2.11	2.15	2.15	2.18
Calcium	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	0.99	0.98	1.01	1.01	1.01
Available phosphorus	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.42	0.34
Lysine*	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30
Methionine*	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.58
Cystine + Methionine*	0.93	0.94	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.93
Metabolizable energy*(kcal/kg)	3050	3050	3050	3050	3027	3001	2948	3043	3039

Mineral mixture added at the level per kg feed supplied manganese-81 mg, zinc 78 mg, iron-30 mg, iodine- 3 mg, and copper -3 mg and cobalt - 1.5 mg

Vitamin AB₂D₃K added at the level per kg feed supplied vitamin A-16500 IU, B₂-10 mg, D₃-3200 IU and vitamin K-2 mg.

Vitamin B complex added at the level per kg feed supplied, thiamine 2.8 mg, pyridoxine 5.6 mg, Niacin 42 mg, cyanocobalamine 28 mcg, vitamin E 28 mg, calcium D pantothenate 28 mg and folic acid 2.8 mg, calcium 30.1 mg

Coccidiostat added at the level per kg feed supplied 125 mg of Di-nitro-ortho-toluamide.

Antibiotic (Oxy tetracycline) 0.5 g was added per kg of feed. *Calculated values

Table 2: Ingredients and nutrient composition of broiler starter diet (% DM)

Ingredients (%)	Treatments								
	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈	T ₉
Maize (kg)	48.84	48.84	48.84	48.84	49.80	50.76	52.68	49.37	49.90
Soya (kg)	36.60	36.60	36.60	36.60	36.25	35.89	35.17	36.46	36.32
Fish meal (kg)	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Rice bran oil (kg)	5.77	5.77	5.77	5.77	5.19	4.61	3.45	5.54	5.31
Dicalcium phosphate (kg)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.83	0.67	0.35	0.50	0.00
Calcite (kg)	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.14	1.25	1.47	1.37	1.70
Lysine (g/100 kg)	118.00	118.00	118.00	118.00	126.77	134.70	150.56	121.56	124.28
DL methionine (g/100 kg)	234.00	234.00	234.00	234.00	235.03	235.40	236.00	234.35	234.04
Salt (g/100 kg)	338.03	338.03	338.03	338.03	337.69	337.36	336.68	337.80	337.57
Sodium bicarbonate (g/100 kg)	38.58	38.58	38.58	38.58	38.48	38.38	38.19	39.00	38.59
NSP enzyme (g/100 kg)	0.00	25.00	50.00	100.00	25.00	50.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
Phytase (g/100 kg)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.50	13.00
Additives and supplements (g/100 kg)	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00	630.00
Nutrients (%)	Treatments								
	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈	T ₉
Dry matter	92.30	90.80	93.94	93.06	92.89	92.54	93.10	92.65	92.23

Crude protein	21.49	21.50	21.49	21.49	21.45	21.38	21.26	21.5	21.46
Crude fibre	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.05
NDF	11.42	11.2	11.02	11.01	11.31	11.42	11.16	11.17	11.03
ADF	1.49	1.57	1.59	1.61	1.55	1.61	1.54	1.54	1.48
Hemicellulose	9.41	9.41	9.69	9.58	9.81	9.81	9.41	9.49	9.58
Cellulose	1.22	1.25	1.27	1.29	1.28	1.12	1.28	1.28	1.28
Lignin	0.24	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34
Ether extract	6.96	6.96	6.96	6.96	6.65	6.60	6.44	6.51	6.31
Total ash	8.21	8.63	8.52	8.25	8.45	8.61	8.51	8.31	8.21
NFE*	59.29	58.9	58.98	59.25	59.4	59.36	59.74	59.63	59.97
Acid insoluble ash	2.41	2.41	2.58	2.52	2.57	2.14	2.12	2.12	2.14
Calcium	0.99	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01
Available phosphorus	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.42	0.41	0.35	0.37	0.29
Lysine*	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Methionine*	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56
Cystine + Methionine*	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
Metabolizable energy*(kcal/kg)	3125	3125	3125	3125	3101	3075	3030	3118	3113

Mineral mixture added at the level per kg feed supplied manganese- 81 mg, zinc 78 mg, iron-30 mg, iodine- 3 mg, and copper -3 mg and cobalt - 1.5 mg.

Vitamin AB₂D₃K added at the level per kg feed supplied vitamin A-16500 IU, B₂-10 mg, D₃-3200 IU and vitamin K-2 mg.

Vitamin B complex added at the level per kg feed supplied, thiamine 2.8 mg, pyridoxine 5.6 mg, Niacin 42 mg, cyanocobalamine 28 mcg, vitamin E 28 mg, calcium D pantothenate 28 mg and folic acid 2.8 mg, calcium 30.1 mg.

Coccidiostat added at the level per kg feed supplied 125 mg of Di-nitro-ortho-toluamide.

Antibiotic (Oxy tetracycline) 0.5 g was added per kg of feed. *Calculated values

Table 3: Ingredients and nutrient composition of broiler finisher diet (% DM)

Ingredients (%)	Treatments								
	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈	T ₉
Maize	51.31	51.08	51.08	51.08	52.03	52.97	54.87	51.84	52.36
Soya	32.68	32.73	32.73	32.73	32.37	32.01	31.30	32.53	32.39
Fish meal	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Rice bran oil	7.37	7.45	7.45	7.45	6.87	6.30	5.14	7.14	6.91
Dicalcium phosphate	1.05	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.21	1.10	0.73	0.60	0.05
Calcite	1.03	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.92	1.00	1.25	1.36	1.69
Lysine (g/100 kg)	76.85	76.07	76.00	76.07	83.96	91.86	107.64	79.56	82.27
DL methionine (g/100 kg)	91.16	91.42	91.42	91.42	91.80	92.17	92.93	90.85	90.54
Salt (g/100 kg)	318.04	318.56	318.56	318.56	311.80	305.12	291.67	315.92	313.81
Sodium bicarbonate (g/100 kg)	51.46	50.71	50.71	50.71	62.15	73.58	96.45	54.87	58.29
NSP enzyme (g/100 kg)	0.00	25.00	50.00	100.00	25.00	50.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
Phytase (g/100 kg)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.50	13.00
Additives and supplements (g/100 kg)	630.00	630	630	630	630	630	630	630	630
Nutrients (%)	Treatments								
	T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈	T ₉
Dry matter	93.01	93.40	93.17	93.6	93.82	93.35	93.68	93.78	93.24
Crude protein	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.0	19.94	19.87	19.75	19.96	19.98
Crude fibre	3.85	3.85	3.85	3.85	3.85	3.85	3.85	3.85	3.85
NDF	10.32	10.41	10.42	10.52	11.95	12.31	12.05	12.04	12.09
ADF	1.61	1.72	1.74	1.82	1.92	1.68	1.75	1.76	1.89
Hemicellulose	9.51	9.55	9.75	9.95	9.96	9.91	10.21	10.05	9.95
Cellulose	1.84	1.85	1.94	1.95	1.99	2.14	2.06	2.13	2.01
Lignin	0.42	0.42	0.45	0.41	0.53	0.49	0.48	0.51	0.51
Ether extract	9.18	9.75	9.68	9.12	8.95	8.16	8.25	8.74	8.32
Total ash	8.34	8.62	8.51	8.74	8.61	8.53	8.72	8.46	8.21
NFE*	58.63	57.8	57.96	58.29	58.65	59.59	59.43	58.99	59.64
Acid insoluble ash	2.51	2.5	2.61	2.54	2.61	2.14	2.16	2.15	2.15
Calcium	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.98	0.99	1.01	1.02	1.01
Available phosphorus	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.37	0.30
Lysine*	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12
Methionine*	0.40	0.41	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Cystine + Methionine*	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72
Metabolizable energy*(kcal/kg)	3250	3250	3250	3250	3226	3200	3146	3238	3239

Mineral mixture added at the level per kg feed supplied manganese-81 mg, zinc 78 mg, iron-30 mg, iodine- 3 mg, and copper -3 mg and cobalt - 1.5 mg

Vitamin AB₂D₃K added at the level per kg feed supplied vitamin A-16500 IU, B₂-10 mg, D₃-3200 IU and vitamin K-2 mg.

Vitamin B complex added at the level per kg feed supplied, thiamine 2.8 mg, pyridoxine 5.6 mg, Niacin 42 mg, cyanocobalamine 28 mcg, vitamin E 28 mg, calcium D pantothenate 28 mg and folic acid 2.8 mg, calcium 30.1 mg

Coccidiostat added at the level added per kg feed supplied 125 mg of Di-nitro-ortho-toluamide.

Antibiotic (Oxy tetracycline) 0.5 g was added per kg of feed. *Calculated values

Table 4: Effect of different levels of enzymes addition on carcass characteristics in broilers

Treatments	Dressing percentage*	Gizzard (g)/kg of live weight	Liver (g)/kg of live weight	Heart (g)/kg of live weight	Pancreas (g)/kg of live weight
T ₁	75.48 ^b ±0.91	16.44±0.41	19.84±1.07	3.72±0.40	1.90±0.14
T ₂	74.65 ^b ±1.21	16.04±0.44	20.50±1.60	4.02±0.16	2.10±0.15
T ₃	78.24 ^a ±0.50	15.40±0.30	20.56±0.77	4.09±0.20	1.85±0.12
T ₄	74.30 ^b ±0.48	14.85±0.46	17.03±0.71	3.78±0.25	1.78±0.07
T ₅	75.14 ^b ±0.70	15.01±0.53	19.47±1.95	3.80±0.24	1.93±0.22
T ₆	74.90 ^b ±0.79	15.56±1.00	20.34±1.04	4.05±0.10	1.68±0.15
T ₇	75.11 ^b ±0.70	14.77±0.62	18.32±1.10	4.00±0.18	1.63±0.18
T ₈	75.14 ^b ±0.79	15.24±0.38	18.87±0.79	4.18±0.25	1.78±0.14
T ₉	71.45 ^c ±1.82	15.41±0.89	21.38±2.83	4.24±0.26	2.09±0.04

Each value is a mean of six observations.*Means with atleast one common superscript in a column do not differ significantly ($p<0.05$)

Table 5: Effect of different levels of enzymes addition on intestinal length in broiler chickens

Treatments	Small intestine length (cm/kg body wt)*	Caecum length (cm/kg body wt)*	Colo-rectum length (cm/kg body wt)
T ₁	88.59 ^b ±3.87	17.91 ^{abc} ±0.86	4.34±0.52
T ₂	90.87 ^{ab} ±2.47	16.90 ^{bc} ±0.67	3.94±0.40
T ₃	89.15 ^b ±3.95	15.53 ^{bc} ±0.71	3.96±0.30
T ₄	85.11 ^b ±3.12	17.46 ^{abc} ±0.23	4.26±0.23
T ₅	86.73 ^b ±3.15	15.78 ^{bc} ±0.82	4.25±0.41
T ₆	87.79 ^b ±3.80	18.35 ^{ab} ±1.08	4.65±0.29
T ₇	85.68 ^b ±2.53	17.15 ^{abc} ±1.04	4.01±0.23
T ₈	89.90 ^{ab} ±3.34	18.25 ^{ab} ±0.82	4.33±0.25
T ₉	100.03 ^a ±4.57	19.63 ^a ±0.67	4.17±0.40

Each value is a mean of six observations.

* Means with atleast one common superscript in a column do not differ significantly ($p<0.05$)

Dressing percentage

Dressing percentage of different treatment groups was 75.48 (T₁), 74.65 (T₂), 78.24 (T₃), 74.30 (T₄), 75.14 (T₅), 74.90 (T₆), 75.11 (T₇), 75.14 (T₈) and 71.45 (T₉). No consistent pattern could be observed in the dressing percentage in the various treatment groups, even though T₃ recorded a significantly ($p<0.05$) higher dressing percentage, T₉ recorded a significantly lower dressing percentage compared to the control. Balamurugan (2004) [1] observed no significant difference in dressing percentage of broilers fed with enzymes supplemented corn soya based broiler diet.

Organs weight

The mean weight (g/kg of live weight) of gizzard, liver, heart and pancreas of the birds fed diets T₁ to T₉ are presented in Table 4. No significant difference in organs weight was observed between the control and enzyme added groups. Similarly Balamurugan (2004) [1] observed no significant difference in the weight of giblets due to supplementation of NSP degrading enzymes alone or in combination with phytase to corn soya based broiler diet.

Intestinal length

The mean length of different segments of intestine is presented in the Table 5. Variation was observed in the mean length (cm/kg body weight) of small intestine between the different treatment groups. A significant ($p<0.05$) increase in the length of small intestine was observed in T₉ (100.03) compared to the control (88.59). A numerical increase in the length of the small intestine was observed in T₂, T₃ and T₈ groups and a decrease in length was observed in T₄, T₅, T₆ and T₇ groups compared to T₁. Similar to small intestine length the mean length (cm/kg body weight) of caecum also varied among the treatment groups, though T₉ recorded a significantly ($p<0.05$) increased length compared to T₂ and T₃, the increase was not significant when compared to the control.

Colo-rectum length did not differ significantly between enzyme added groups and control group. Similarly, Balamurugan (2004) [1] in his trial with broilers, fed with corn soya diet, though observed decreased length in the entire enzyme added groups, the differences were not significant. But Wang *et al.*, (2005) [6] observed a linear decrease in the length of ileum with the increase in the level of enzyme in the wheat based diet of broilers.

Conclusion

In conclusion, significantly ($p<0.05$) higher and lower dressing percentage was observed in T₃ and T₉. There was no significant difference in organs weight between enzyme added groups and control group. A significant increase ($p<0.05$) in the length of small intestine and caecum length was observed in T₉ compared to the control. Colo-rectum length did not differ significantly between enzyme added groups and control group. From the research, it can be concluded that the supplementation of enzyme to corn-soya based diet did not affect the slaughter parameters.

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