Finding New Technologies in the Pork Industry

Towards Precision Farming or just High-Tech Hype?

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How Many Meals in a Pig?

- Guess -Write it down
- 130KG BW
- 70% yield
- 8 oz serving (generous)
- 400 servings
- Have you served the "pork message" today?

Safety Tip

- Be careful lifting > 15% of your BW
- Avoid heavy carry over 15 meters
- Safety innovation sow removal



Key Outputs Model







Defining what is really an innovation - it will contribute value to our businesses, to the welfare of the animals or the environment.











2.5 billion gigabytes (2.5 exabytes) of data are created every day. That number doubles every month.

2.5 BILLION GIGABYTES

IBM

Our future partnerships/hiring need to be data specialists to support our animal scientists and engineers











WHY NAIROBI IS THE NEXT WORLD TECH CAPITAL





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Sensors will drive the future of hardware Speed Nutrient Load Temperature Moisture Displacement **Carbon Monoxide Distance Travelled Barometric Pressure** Pressure Proximity Sodium **Blood Pressure Light Colour** Estrus Humidity Irradiance Torque Glucose **Air Quality** Flow Bend **Electrical Conductivity** Inclinometer Wearables Position Heartbeat Fuel Gyroscope Vibration Consumption Pami Wes

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Automated Disease Detection

- Low cost ~ \$25.00/unit.
- Focused on Oomycota.
- Fusarium is a oomycete
- Supports forecasting and timely application of fungicides.



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Biosecurity Compliance



BE SEEN BE SAFE Confidential

monitoring of disease movement.









Other Systems

Farm Health Monitor

- Available 2018
- Uses clinical signs to provide alerts in time to reduce the impact of a disease threat
- Allows service representatives, field officers, and producers to report clinical signs of disease within the farm's network before official diagnosis
- Allows for proactive action







Potential Disease Spread Report







Castene Trailer Manufacture & DrySist



Assessing cleanliness of



Activities: Simulation Work



- started _____ and completed February 2017
- recommended the S2 S4 (2 front air inlets and 4 rear air outlets) design configuration as the best design option

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Activities: Moving of the Trailer





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WHAT WE DO

Building the future of livestock

transport Real time communications

- Instant alerts
- Long lasting battery life Ease of use
- - Easy to disinfect IoT
- Enable smart decisions





Initial lipid content and HTL oil conversion efficiency for different feedstocks. Energy recovery ratio is 3~11 to 1. Note that the HTL can convert the very low-lipid algae into crude oil – *a paradigm shift from 'extracting' to 'converting*'.





Eosot: Ein = 3:1; without heat recovery

Pilot Plant, 2007 (40 barrel/day, Houston, Texas)





Eout : Ein = 11:1; with heat recovery

Commercial Plant (160 barrel/day, Park Hill, SC, 2010)



Air Scrubbers **'Make Good** Neigbours'



Biotrickling air filtration study between CDPQ/PSC in 2013 Reduced ammonia 77%, Dust 92%, Odour 75%



Move Inside the Barn





Use of nanoparticles

- To assess impact of nanoparticles on manure gases and determine best deployment mode
- To test various deployment modes:
 - Embedded in filter
 - Dispersed in headspace
 - Mixed with slurry





Mixing – effect on H₂S levels





Antimicrobial properties of nanoparticles Surface treatment to control pathogens







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Antimicrobial properties of nanoparticles



Cleanliness and Performance

MS Schippers

Passion for Farming

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Total difference of return	€ 28,13	€ 15,89	E 0,00	E 49,80

Bent u klaar voor het Management van Morgen?

Are you ready for the Management of Tomorrow?

growth 57 - 61 ,98 kg/day 1d Day KG 65 29,0 64 30.1



Water



- Use of endoscope to look in pipes for grunge caused by iron-loving bacteria
- Water pH ,4.0 desirable use of organic acids. Acid
 - treated water good for gut health

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Prediction of health problems



Daily water and feed intakes at the barn for trials #1 and #2 along with daily maximum temperature inside the barn and the number of individual treatments (used as a proxy of sanitary status). Three different alerts levels, based on daily variations of water and feed intakes, were used to predict health treatments for trial #1. For trial #2, high temperatures prevent the prediction of health issues.

CDPQ Centre de développement du porc du Québec inc.

SuperSow - PigChampPro Europa

> 15 born alive first parity;



PigChamp Pro Europa

Developed by PigChamp Pro Europa based on records of over 1,000,000 matings.

- 1st litter >15 born alive
- These sows have 6% higher farrowing rate, produce 26 pigs more lifetime than herdmates.
 All starts with selection of gilt reject animals with birth wt <1.2kg (53% vs, 1.13kg.92% survive).
 This method of selection is reducing COP of 20kg pig by \$6 USD When we create super sows we need super stock people.
- Long-term goal is determining what data will allow us to move to predictive analytics.

The Pink Book of SuperSows®



Improving the best









The pattern of dots surrounding this letter "a" uniquely identifies its location.







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Web based data / Digital Pen Data collection Analysis – Monitoring



PRRSons Project







Data Gathering & Management Body Weight



Other Inno

- Burlap sheet in farrowing crate
 - Nest building, calm the animal, reduce fa





Given you scare for alle dine smågrise med Split-Ammer



all your piglets with Split-Suckling

Split-Ammer:

- Sikrer råmælk til alle pattegrisene
- Reducerer dødelighed med 1-2%
- Formindsker smitterisiko • Reducerer menneskelige fejl
- Sparer arbejdstid
- Forbedrer daglig rutine i farestald



Mangel på råmælk forklarer halvdelen af alle dødsfald i farestalden (VSP)

Split-Suckling:

- Ensures colostrum for all piglets
- Reduces the death rate by1-2%
- Reduces the risk of infection Reduces human mistakes
- Saves working time
- Improves daily routine in farrowing unit



Lack of colostrum explains 50% of piglets mortality in the farrowing unit (Danish Pig Research Centre)







JYGA Lactation Feeding System



Influence of a modified lactation feeding system on sow and piglet performance

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INTRODUCTION

- Electronic feeding systems for lactating sows have multiple advantages over manual feed delivery including collection of feed intake data, controlled delivery of fresh feed, and reduced feed wastage, however, these feed systems are costly to install and maintain
- A modified feeding system was developed which consists of a feed drop tube which extends to just above the base of the feeder and requires the sow to manipulate the tube to release feed
- The modified system provides the advantage of delivery of fresh feed to the sow without the expense of the

OBJECTIVE & HYPOTHESIS

- The objective of this study was to compare the impact of manual feeding, an electronic feeding system, or the modified feeding system on sow and piglet performance during lactation.
- It was hypothesized that the modified feeding system would result in similar animal performance as the electronic system and, therefore, be a viable option for

METHODOLOGY

Animals and Treatments

- A total of 45 sows and litters were randomly assigned to treatments over 3 blocks (15 sows/block)
- > Treatments were 1 of 3 feeding systems:
 - A. Manual feeding (MNL; n=15; fed large meals by hand)
 - B. Electronic feeding system (EFS; n=15; delivery of small meals as requested by sow)
 - C. Modified feeding system (MOD; n=14; feed drop tube above feeder requiring sow manipulation for delivery of feed)



METHODOLOGY

Measurements

- Sow body weight (BW), backfat thickness, and body condition score (BCS; 1-5) were recorded at 7-d pre-farrowing and 21 d postfarrowing
- Sow feed intake was recorded on a daily basis and adjusted for feed wastage (removal of feed due to spoilage or feed refusal due to presence of fines)

RESULTS

Table 1: Sow characteristics and performance

	MNL	EFS	MOD	SEM	
Initial BW, kg	286.7	272.9	288.3	10.3	0.49
Final BW, kg	263.7	241.3	257.3	10.8	0.31
Initial BCS	3.1	3.3	3.2	0.12	0.71
Final BCS	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.14	0.80
Initial backfat, mm	16.8	17.0	16.9	0.39	0.90
Final backfat, mm	15.4	14.7	15.5	0.57	0.54
Live born	14.8	13.0	13.3	0.80	0.21
Feed intake, kg/d					
d 0 to 7	5.13 ^a	3.46 ^b	2.68 ^b	0.32	< 0.001
d 8 to 14	6.80 ^a	5.55 ^b	5.12 ^b	0.35	<0.01
d 15 to 21	5.95	5.40	5.87	0.32	0.41
d 0 to 21	5.69ª	4.80 ^b	4.49 ^b	0.29	0.01

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	MNL		MOD	SEM			
Litter size at d 0	12.6	12.6	12.4	0.2	0.71		
Litter weight, kg							
d 0	18.1	17.9	17.4	1.02	0.87		
d 7	32.1	30.7	29.8	1.74	0.63		
d 14	54.6	52.0	52.8	2.75	0.78		
d 21	72.2	70.1	67.6	3.56	0.65		
Litter weight, kg/pig							
d 0	1.46	1.42	1.40	0.08	0.87		
d 7	2.74	2.51	2.49	0.12	0.26		
d 14	4.73	4.44	4.50	0.16	0.39		
d 21	6.51	5.91	5.91	0.24	0.12		
Litter ADG, g/pig/d							
d 0 to 7	170.0	149.7	148.6	12.3	0.37		
d 8 to 14	277.5	266.0	274.1	11.2	0.74		
d 15 to 21	292.8ª	253.6 ^b	260.5 ^{ab}	12.2	0.05		

^{a,b}Means within a row without a common superscript differ significantly (P



RESULTS

Sow Characteristics and Performance (Table 1)

- Initial body weight, backfat thickness, body condition score, and total piglets born alive were similar across all treatment groups
- Feed system had no impact on final body weight, backfat thickness, or body condition score, which all decreased during lactation
- Sow feed intake was significantly higher when manually fed when compared to either the electronic or modified feeding system in week 1, 2, and overall
 - The difference in feed intake was greatest during the first week post-farrowing
 - There was no effect of feeding system on sow feed intake in week three post-farrowing

Litter Performance (Table 2)

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- Litter average daily gain (g/pig/d) was higher with manual feeding compared to electronic feeding during the third week postfarrowing
- > There was no impact of dietary treatment on total litter weight or

DISCUSSION & IMPLICATIONS

- All three feeding systems evaluated resulted in similar performance of the sow and litter
- Both the electronic sow feeding system and the modified feeding system resulted in lower feed intake during the first two weeks of lactation. This is most likely the result of decreased feed wastage as there was no difference in sow or litter performance.
- The reduction in feed intake would result in approximately \$8.50 savings per 21-d lactation compared to manual feeding

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Optimal Pork Production, Lleida, Spain



3400 sow research barn.320,000 sow, 8M finisher system







Data Analysis

• Big Data is upon us

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- Culling decisions based on FE of offspring and total sow/litter performance, not just feet and legs and sow reproductive performance.
- In large herds analytics allows you to identify, find and manage the individual, The data is a welfare tool.



Automation

- Saw the originator of this, a 'flapper' at Agromek 2009. still looks like prototype
- Creep feeder, also added iron supplementation, feed curves drops just what is needed.
- Automated milk delivery for ever increasing litter size supplementation, only one system shown in 2016

Eurotier.







Farm Innovation's LISA LIfeSaver Farrowing Monitoring Device







Microfluidic











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That's equal to 379 billion Big Macs for China and Africa

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"In today's marketplace it is organizational capability to adapt that is the only sustainable competitive advantage" - Willie Pietersen, Reinventing Strategy



7 Habits of Highly Effective Research Organizations

- 1. Issues not Disciplines will engage your client
- 2. Industry driven mandate, and stay connected to the customer
- 3. Professional management; free researcher from administration
- 4. Be a catalyst share facilities and collaborate
- 5. Develop people who will make a difference
- 6. Global vision, plus a BHAG

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7. Quantify benefits - ROI, IRR. \$ per pig marketed

Adapted from Source: Steven Covey, 7 Habits of Highly Successful People Independence; be proactive, begin with end in mind, put first things first Interdependence; win-win, seek first to understand then be understood, synergize/teamwork

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