

HEALTHY START[®] Animal Study

For the health and performance of calves

Healthy Start[®] improves performance and Profitability of calves: Summary of 8 trials

Daily Calf Trials

Location	Daily Gain, lbs.		Feed Intake, lbs.		Feed/Gain	
	Control	Culbac [®]	Control	Culbac [®]	Control	Culbac [®]
New Hampshire	0.48	0.56	0.37	0.45	0.77	0.80
New Hampshire	0.22	0.51	0.44	0.94	2.00	1.84
Louisiana	0.70	0.76	0.79	0.57	1.13	0.75
Wisconsin	0.69	0.76	2.66	2.62	237	155 ¹
New Hampshire	0.62	0.75	—	—	—	—
Louisiana	0.89	0.96	0.79	0.88	1.27	1.17
Tennessee	0.76	0.91	0.51	0.35	0.57	0.59
Tennessee	0.57	0.66	1.18	1.55	1.55	0.36
Average	0.62	0.72	1.34	2.35	2.35	2.30
Improvement	17.7%		11.7%		15.9%	

Calves ranged from 1 to 8 days of age at beginning of trial. Healthy Start[®] was fed at recommended daily doses for 28 days.

Healthy Start[®] is a unique *Lactobacillus* fermentation product that helps maintain a high population of beneficial bacteria in the intestine of the calf translating into improved feed intake, ADG and feed efficiency.

Summary of eight trials

The trial summary above shows the consistent positive benefits of Healthy Start[®] treated calves compared to non-treated controls.

Healthy Start[®] treated calves gained weight 17.7% faster, consumed 11.7% more feed with a 15.9% better feed efficiency.

Improvements in health and performance of young calves usually translate into better health and production in latter production phases.

These include:

- Faster stimulation of rumen function
- Reduction in mortality, morbidity
- Higher performance following weaning and during the growing phase
- Healthier, and higher producing cows

Healthy Start[®] is a valuable management tool that can help get calves off to a fast, healthy start which will drive both performance and profitability.

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