

# Practical Options for PEDv Mitigation During Feed Manufacturing

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# Prevention of Biological Hazards in Feed

- Why is PEDv mitigation important?
  - Control animal food safety hazards to fulfill our role in preserving farm-to-fork food safety.



# K-State Study 1: PEDv is highly infectious!

- **With PEDv, a dose as low as 200 infectious particles** in feed has been demonstrated to result in pig infection.
- An acutely infected piglet can produce 100,000,000 infectious particles per gram of feces
- Thus, 1 gram of feces from an acutely infected pig could contaminate up to 500 tons of feed with each gram of feed being infectious



# Cargill Feed Safety Research Center

- 3 story BSL-2 Lab
  - *Salmonella*, *E. Faecium*, PEDV
  - Pellet mills, coolers, and bagging capacities
  - Containment mode
    - Equipped with sanitation features
    - Air flow alarms
    - HEPA filters
    - Decontamination

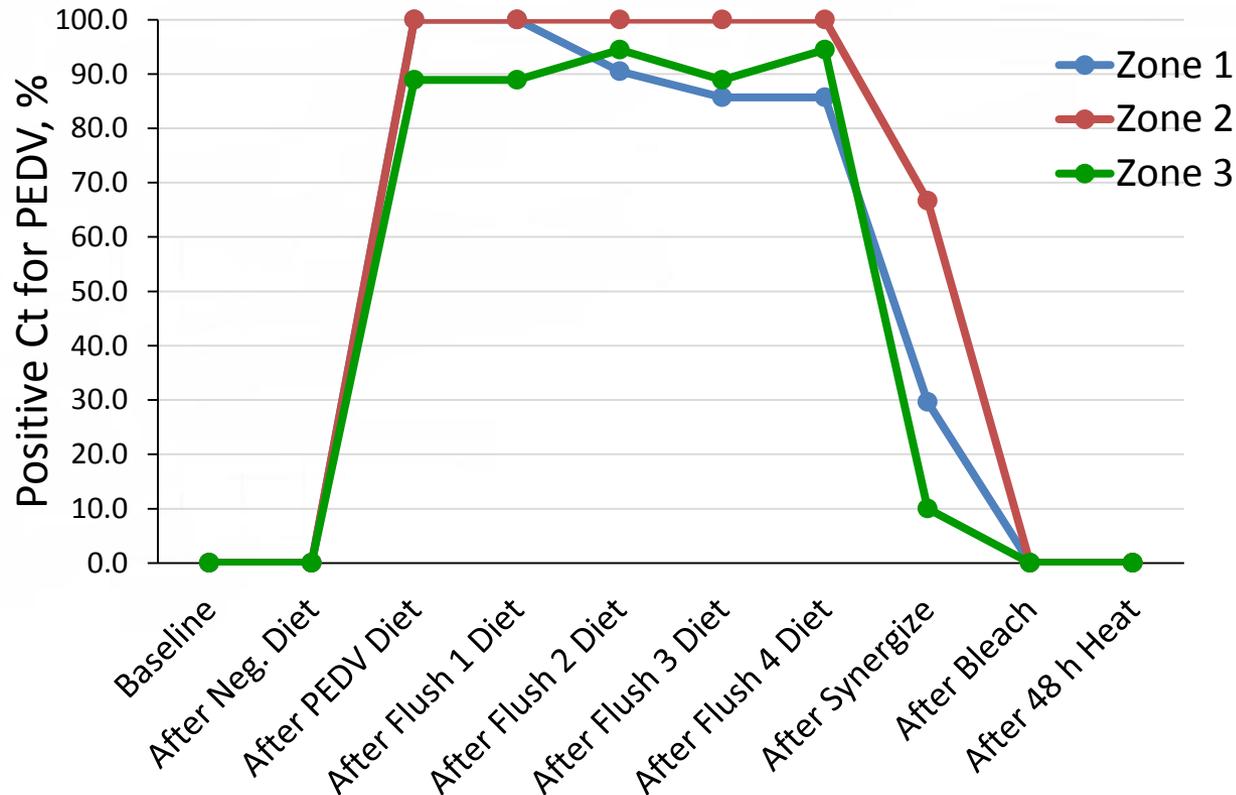


## KSU Study 2: What happens when PEDv contaminated feed is produced?

- 3 replications (days) of PEDv-inoculated feed mixed, discharged through a bucket elevator in the FSRC.
- Environmental swabs collected of equipment and facility surfaces after each batch and analyzed via PCR for detection of PEDv.



# Environmental contamination after processing PEDv-inoculated feed

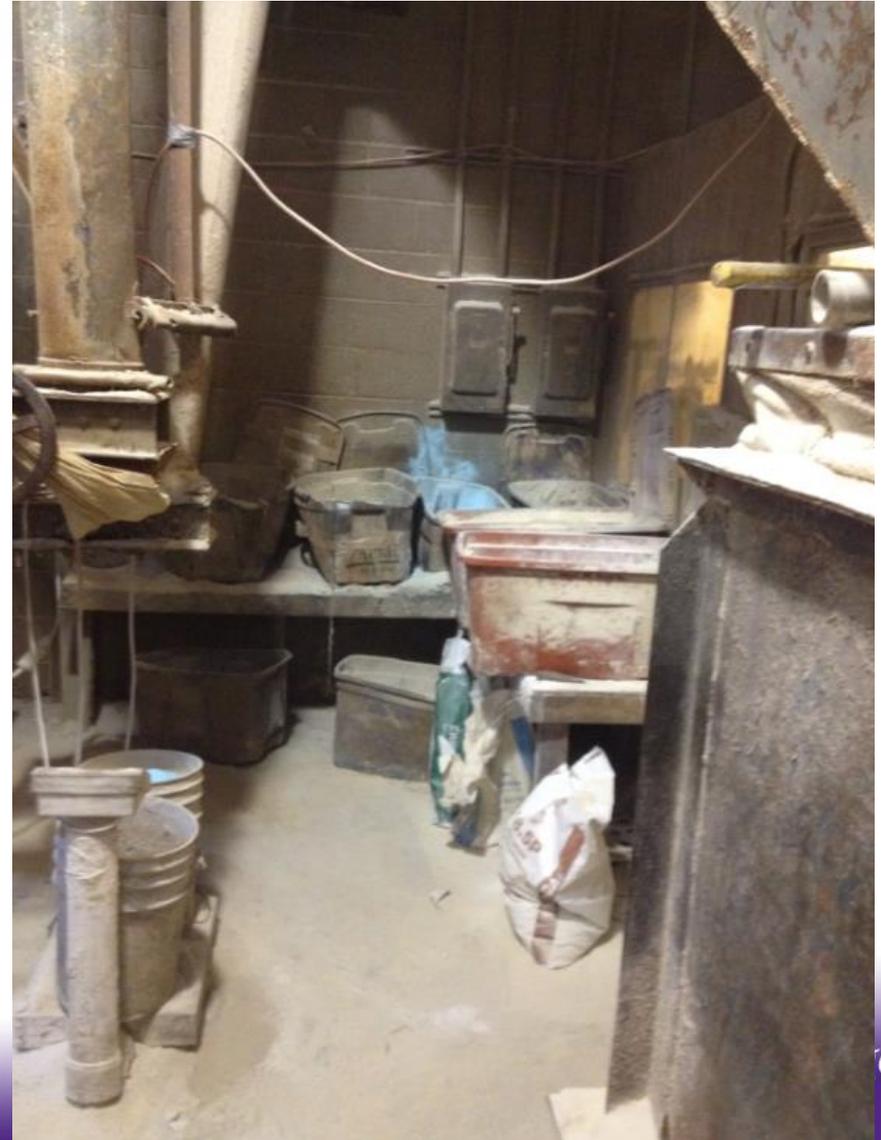


**Zone 1 = direct feed contact surfaces- equipment interiors**

**Zone 2 = surfaces directly adjacent to zone 1**

**Zone 3 = structural surfaces- floors, walls**

# Preventing cross contamination during production: Housekeeping



# Mitigation of Hazards

- Dust Collection

**DO NOT add  
back to the  
feed!**



## KSU Study 3: Can PEDv Infectivity Be Reduced by Flushing or Sequencing Diets?

- Sequencing or flushing are recognized cleanout procedures for CGMPs of medicated feed
- One batch of PEDv-negative feed mixed, conveyed through bucket elevator, discharged
- One batch of PEDv-positive feed followed
- Four subsequent sequences of PEDv-negative feed followed
  - Feed and environmental samples at multiple locations collected after each batch

## KSU Study 3: Can PEDv Infectivity Be Reduced by Flushing or Sequencing Diets?

### Number of Feed Samples When PEDv was Detected by PCR

Location	Time Point				
	After PEDV Diet	After Sequence 1	After Sequence 2	After Sequence 3	After Sequence 4
Mixer	9/9	7/9	0	0	0
Bucket Elevator	9/9	7/9	2/9	0	0

### Number of Pigs Infected with PEDv by Bioassay

Location	Time Point				
	After PEDV Diet	After Sequence 1	After Sequence 2	After Sequence 3	After Sequence 4
2 dpi (fecal)	9/9	1/9	1/9	?	?
7 dpi (cecum)	9/9	3/9	3/9	?	?

# Feed mills decontamination can be a challenge



## KSU Study 4: Can Pelleting Reduce the Infectivity of PEDv?

- Low dose and high dose (20 and 13 Ct)
- 3 pellet mill conditioner retention times (45, 90, 180 s)
- 3 conditioning temperatures (155, 175, 195°F)

**Low Dose PCR Ct Values (20 Ct)**

Temp, °F	Time, sec		
	45	90	180
155	43	40	45
175	37	40	42
195	40	37	36

**High Dose PCR Ct Values (13 Ct)**

Temp, °F	Time, sec		
	45	90	180
155	30	30	30
175	30	30	30
195	30	31	30

Low Dose Feed No processing = 31

High Dose Feed No processing = 24

**No infectivity developed from  
any of the pelleted diets**

## KSU Study 5: Is There Risk for PEDv Infectivity at Lower Conditioning Temperatures?

- Single dose (11 Ct)
- Single conditioner retention time (30 s)
- 5 conditioning temperatures (100, 115, 130, 145, and 160°F)
- Replicated manufacturing conditions
  - 3 pigs/room – one from each manufacturing rep

**PCR Ct Values**

Temp, °F	Time, sec
	30
100	32.5
115	34.7
130	37.0
145	36.5
160	36.7

## KSU Study 5: Is There Risk for PEDv Infectivity at Lower Conditioning Temperatures?

### Number of Pigs Infected with PEDv by Bioassay

	Feed	0 dpi	2 dpi	4 dpi	6 dpi	7 dpi	7 dpi Cecum
<b>No PEDV</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>100°F</b>	9/9	0	1/9	3/9	3/9	3/9	3/9
<b>115°F</b>	9/9	0	3/9	3/9	3/9	3/9	3/9
<b>130°F</b>	9/9	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>145°F</b>	8/9	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>160°F</b>	8/9	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Infectivity developed in diets pelleted below 130°F**

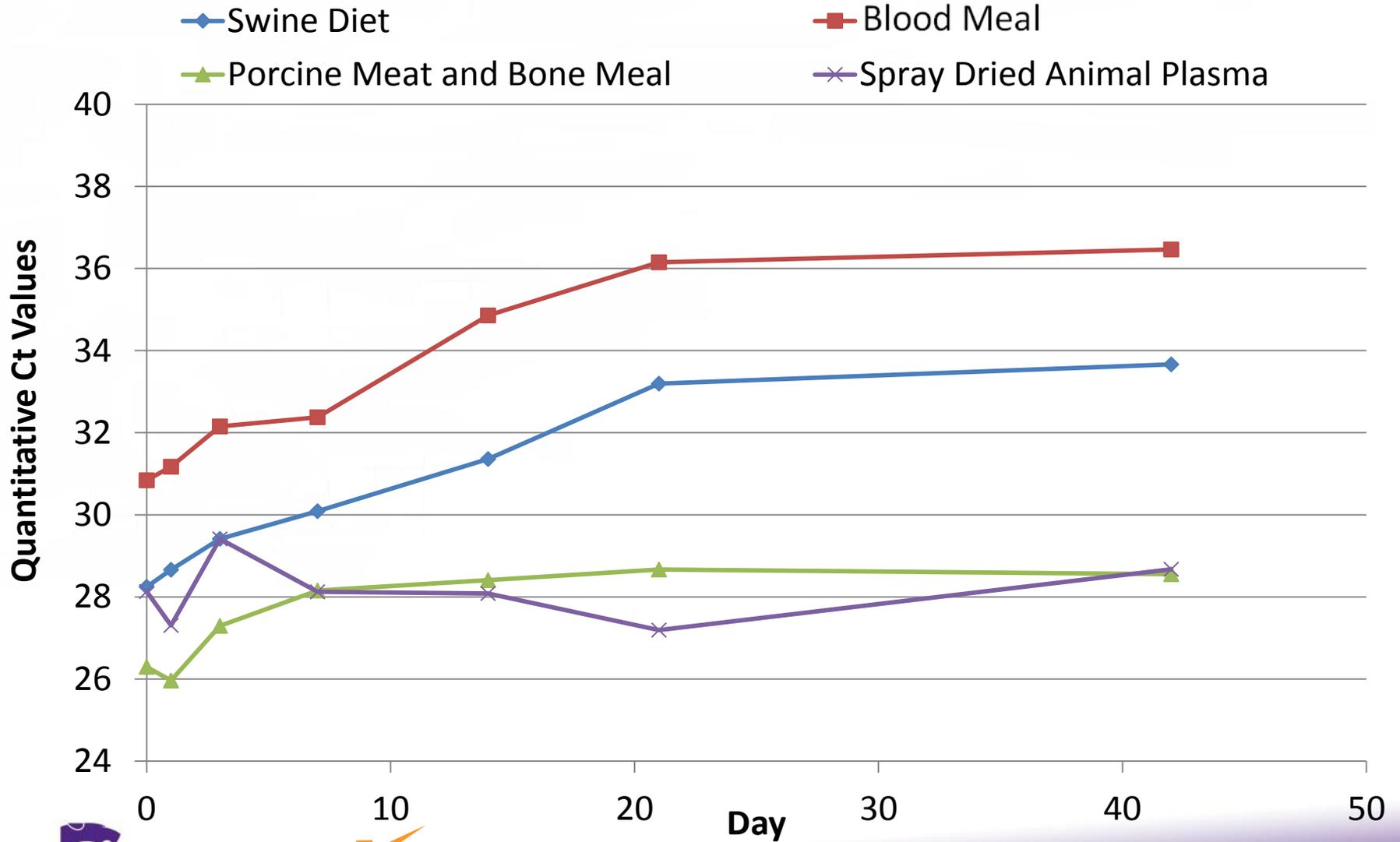
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- Thermal mitigation of PEDv by pelleting
  - When is feed NOT conditioned to at least 130°F?
    - Intentional extremely low conditioning temperatures (rare)
    - Start-up
    - Plugged dies
  - Other potential mitigation strategies may be necessary to consider IN ADDITION to pelleting

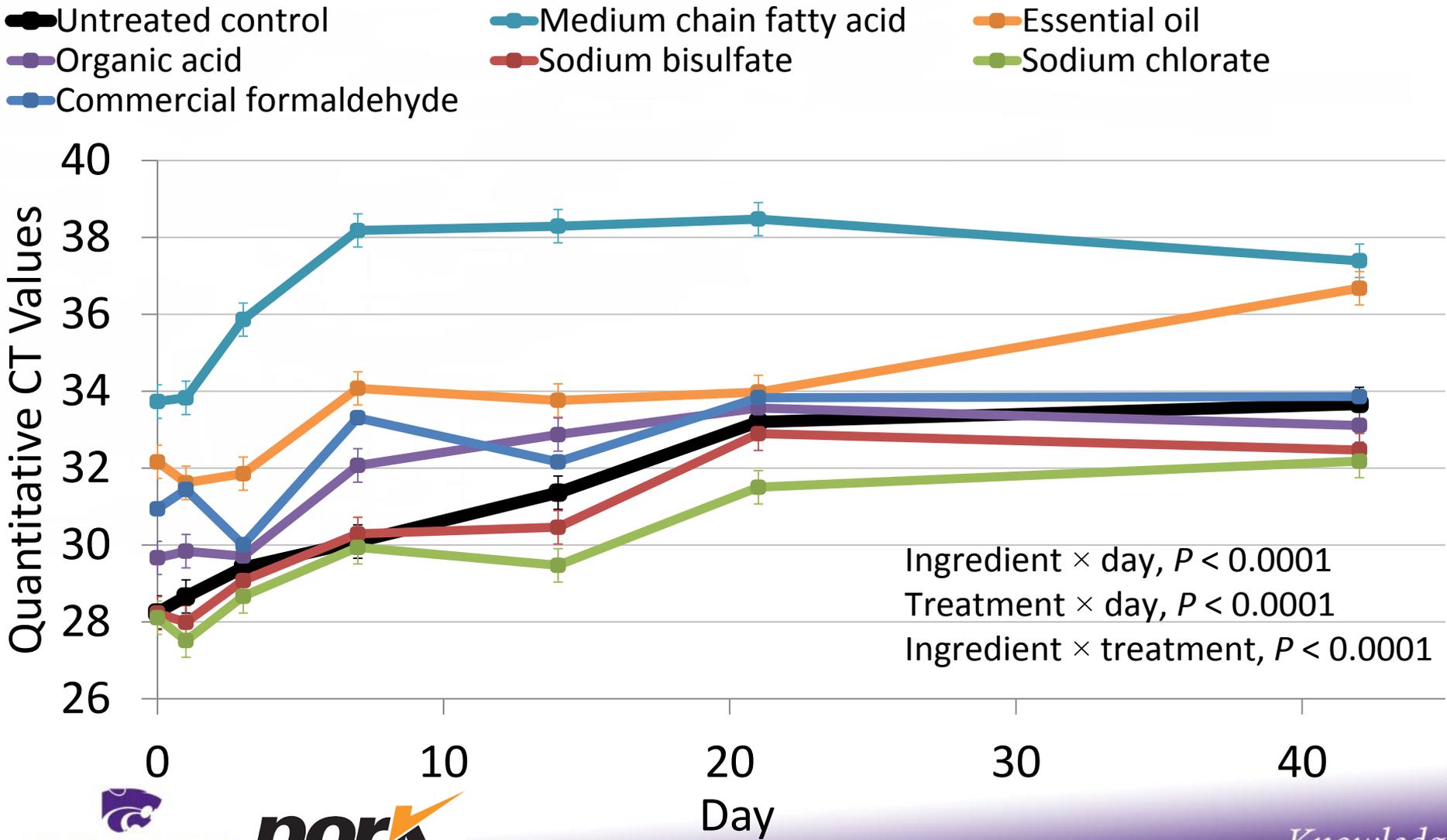
## KSU Study 6: Can Chemicals be Added to Feed or Ingredients to Reduce the Risk of PEDv Cross-Contamination?

- 4 different feed or ingredients to be treated:
  - Complete nursery feed, porcine MBM, blood meal, SDAP
- 5 chemical treatments:
  - Organic acids, essential oils, sodium bisulfate, Termin-8, and sodium chlorate
- After the feed or ingredients were treated they were inoculated with PEDv ( $5.6 \times 10^4$  TCID 50/g)
- Samples evaluated on days 0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 21, and 42 after inoculation for determination of PEDv RNA via RT-qPCR

# Untreated Controls stored at Room Temperature



# PEDv contamination post-treatment in swine diets stored at room temperature

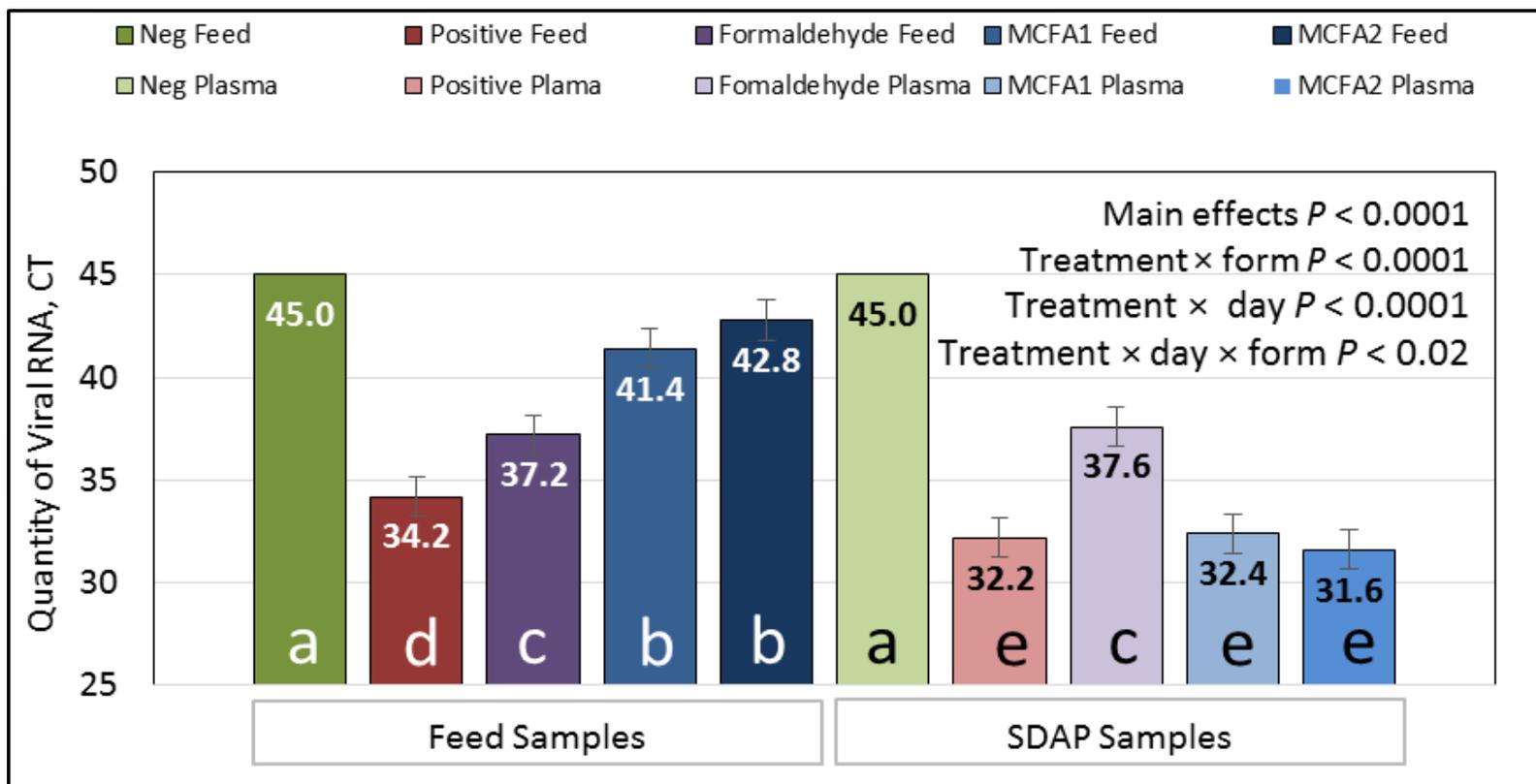


## KSU Study 7: What is the Role of MCFA on Preventing PEDv Infectivity in Various Ingredients

- 15 different ingredients or feed treated:
- 3 chemical treatments:
  - Control, SalCURB, 2% MCFA blend
- Samples evaluated on days 1, 8, 27, and 37
- All samples treated with MCFA and SalCURB were non-infectious.

## KSU Study 8: What Quantity of MCFA is Needed to Prevent Infectivity of PEDv?

- Bioassay scheduled in December



# Summary of PEDV Findings

- Feed mill biosecurity is important to prevent cross-contamination of PEDv.
- Sequencing diets dilutes PEDv, but infectivity remains.
  - Particularly on equipment surfaces
- Diets pelleted with a 30 s conditioning time above 130°F were non-infectious.
  - Considerations required for plugs, start-up of pellet mills.
- Formaldehyde and MCFA demonstrate some ability to reduce PEDv RNA, but is ingredient dependent.
  - Effectiveness against infectivity and feasible concentrations in process of being determined.
- Multiple preventive and proactive strategies may need to be employed to maximize PEDv control.

# Partners for our PEDv Research

- KSU Applied Swine Nutrition Team
  - Drs. Nitikanchana, Dritz, Woodworth, Tokach, DeRouchey, Goodband, Schumacher, Jordan Gebhardt
- KSU Grain Science
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- KSU VDL
  - Drs. Hesse, Bai, Haus, Anderson, and their team
- ISU VDL
  - Drs. Main, Zhang, Gauger, and their team
- National Pork Board and USDA

# Impact of Feed Processing on Pig Performance

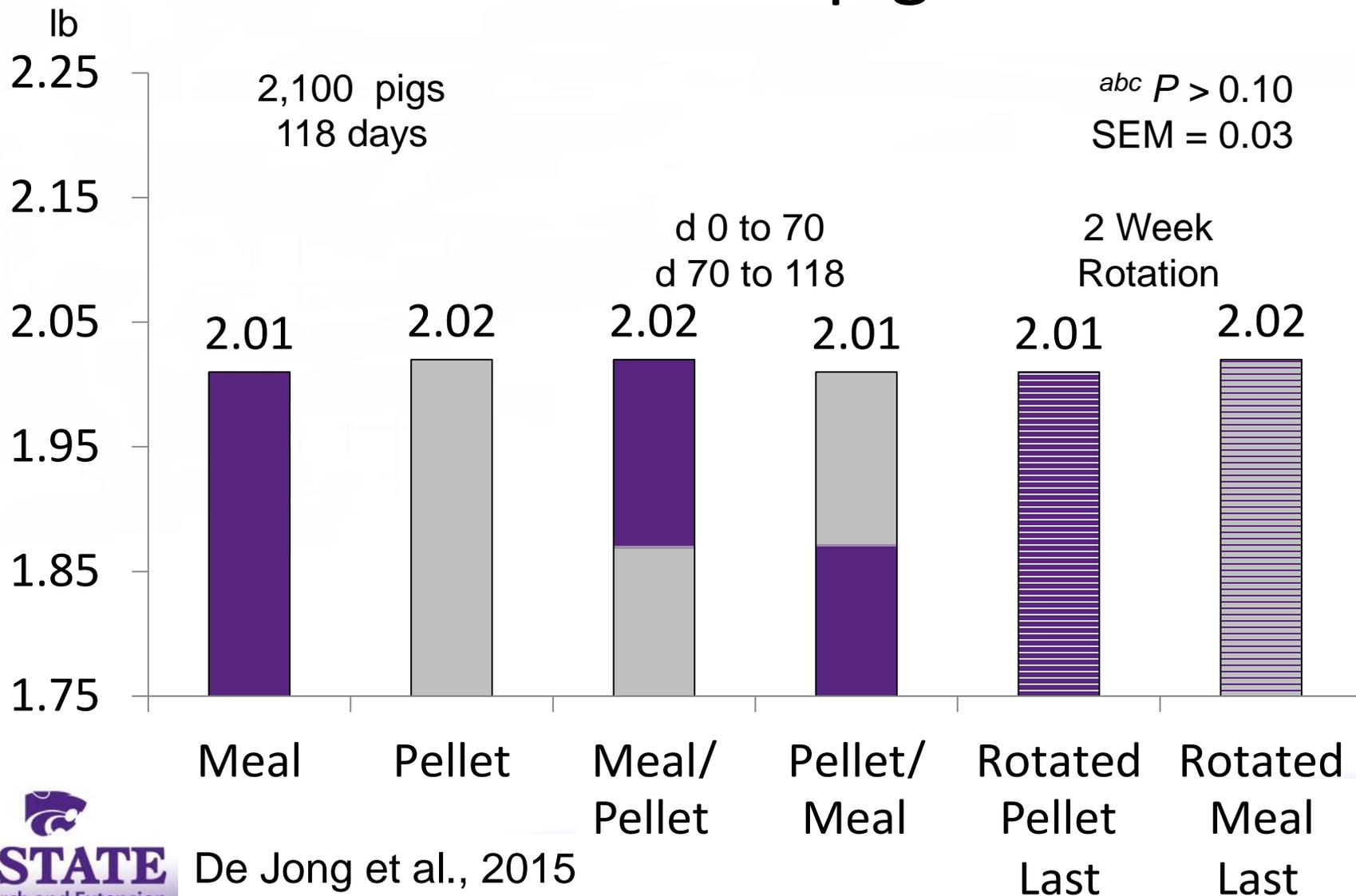
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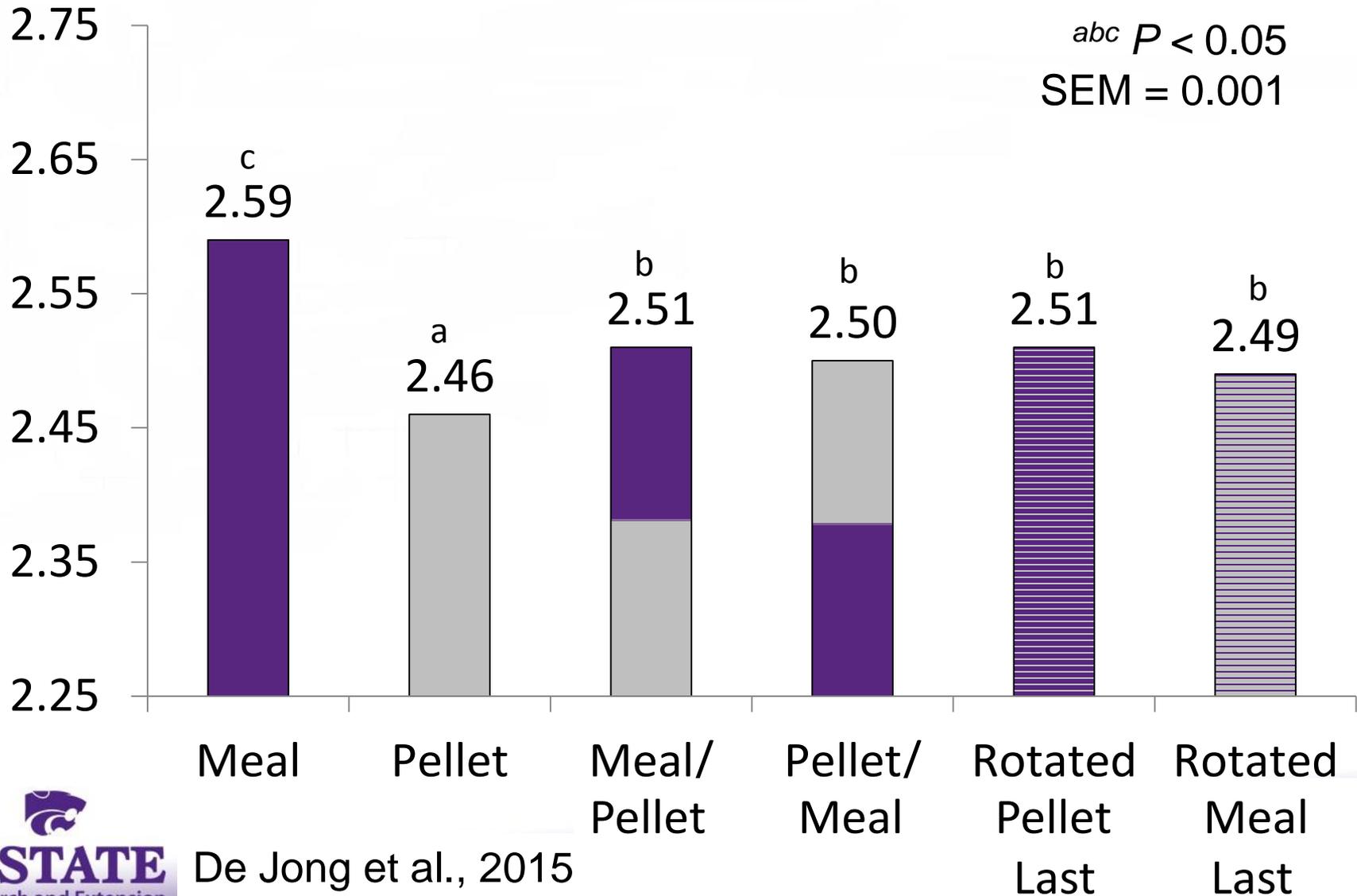
# Evaluating pellet and meal feeding regimens on finishing pig growth performance and stomach morphology



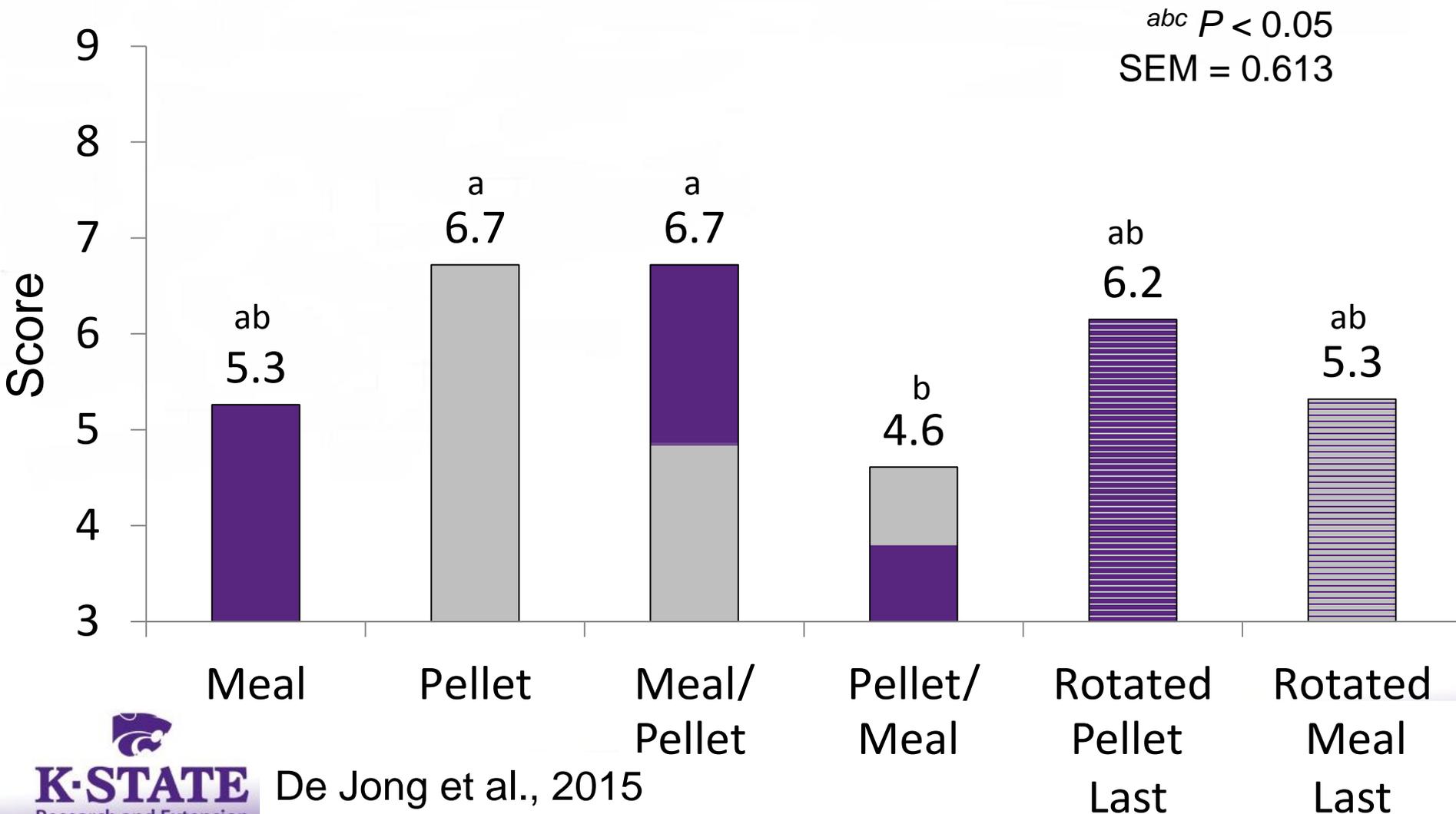
# Effects of pelleting regimen on ADG of 70 to 300 lb pigs



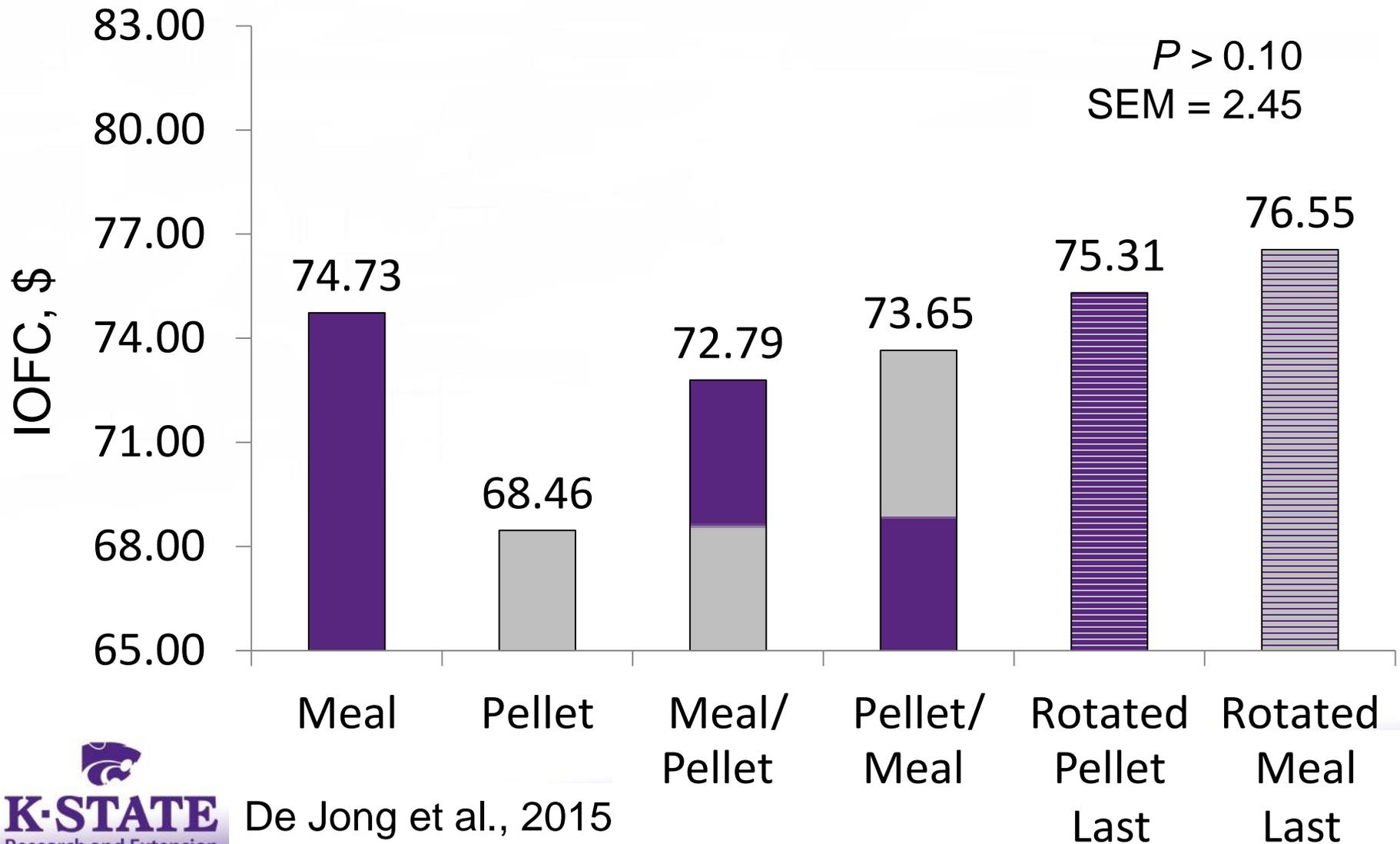
# Effects of pelleting regimen on F/G



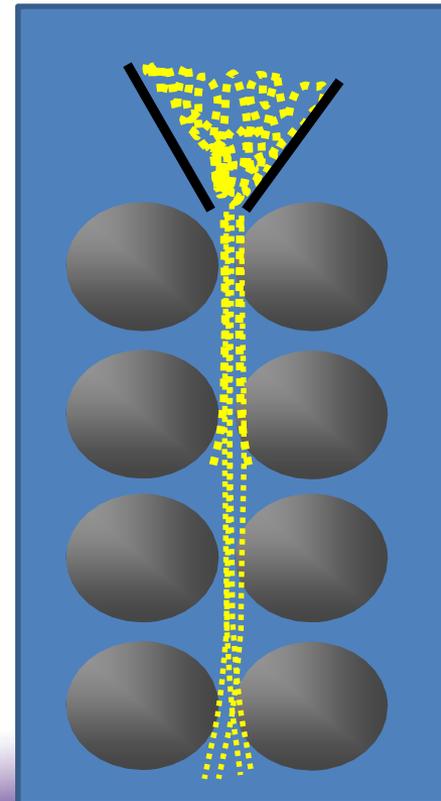
# Effects of pelleting regimen on stomach morphology (combined ulceration & keratinization)



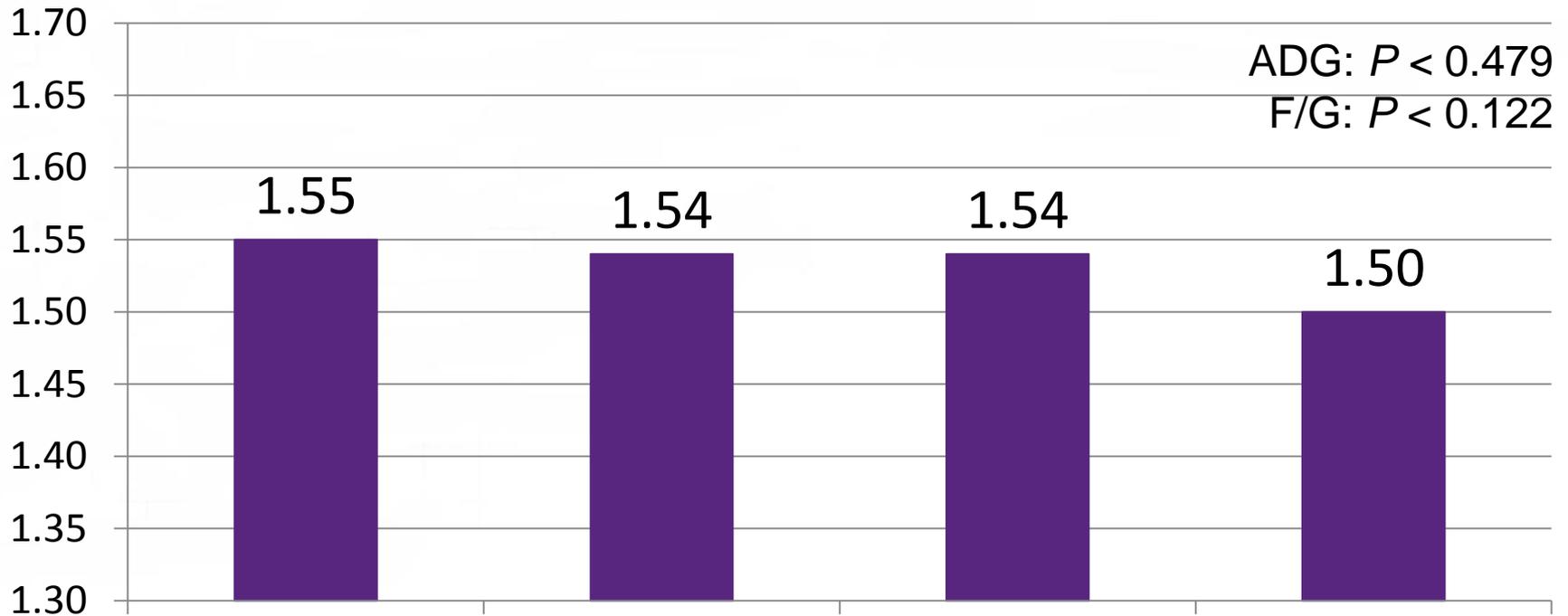
# Effects of pelleting regimen on IOFC



# Effects of Grinding Corn through a 2-, 3-, or 4-High Roller Mill on Milling Characteristics and Pig Performance



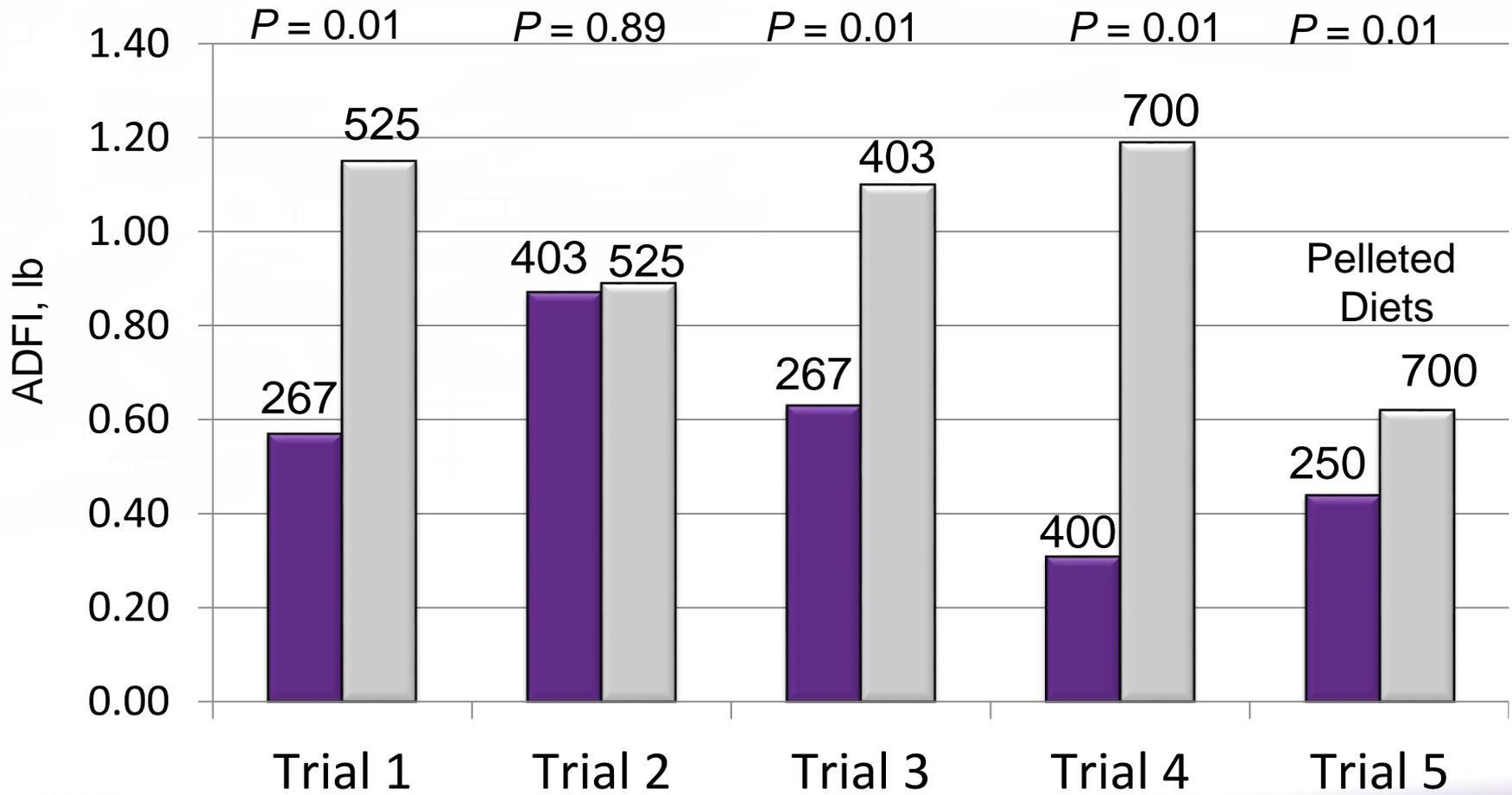
# Influence of roller mill configuration on F/G of 25-50 lb pigs



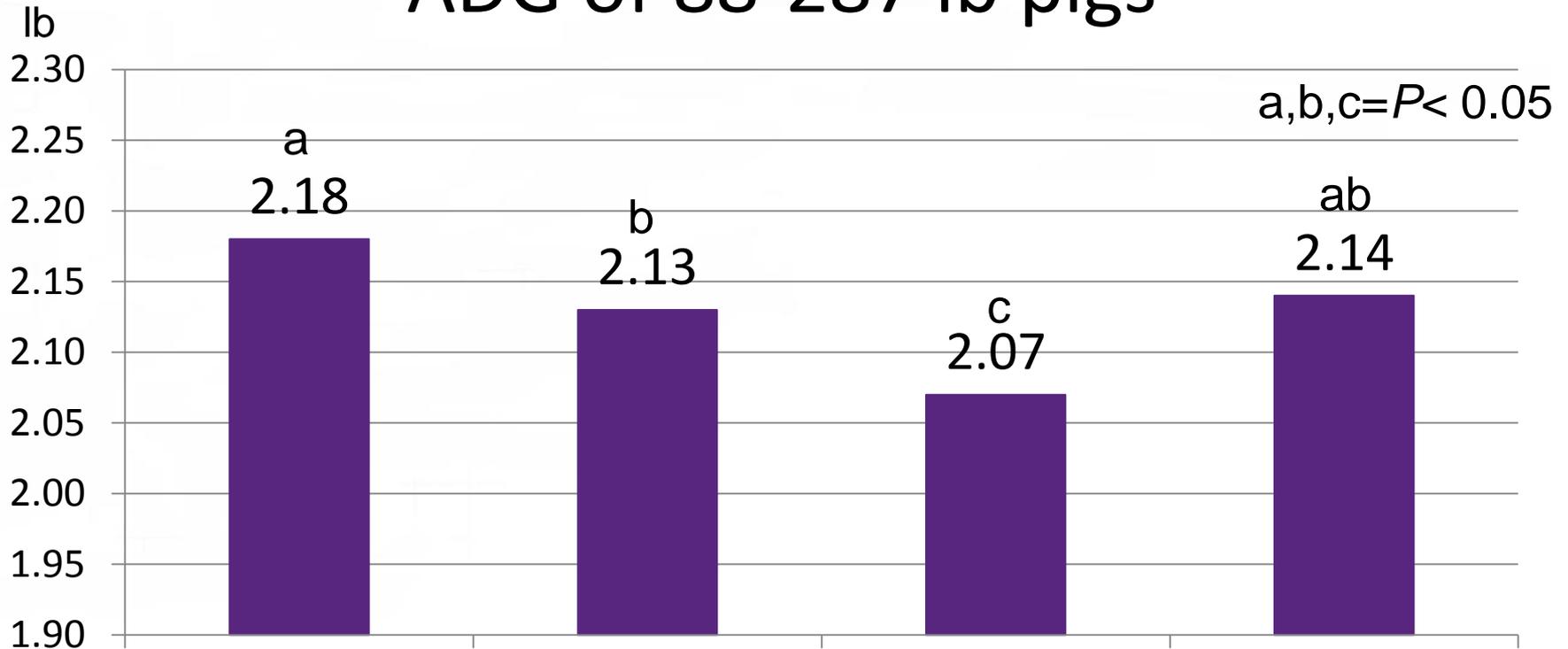
Rolls	2	3	4-Fine	4-Course
Particle Size	525	394	267	403
Std. Dev.	3.14	2.73	2.57	2.81

# Corn particle size affects feed preference of nursery pigs

*\*\*Particle size ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) of corn is noted above columns\*\**

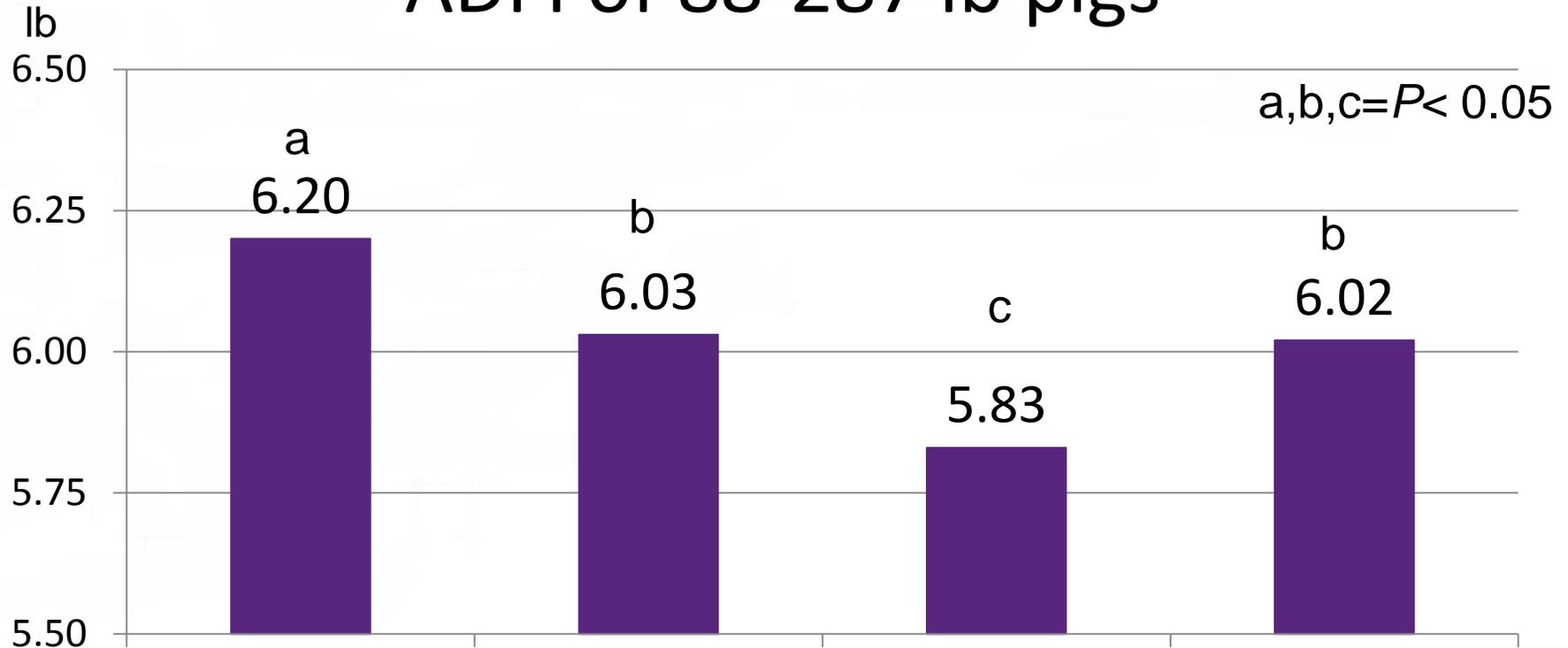


# Influence of roller mill configuration on ADG of 88-287 lb pigs



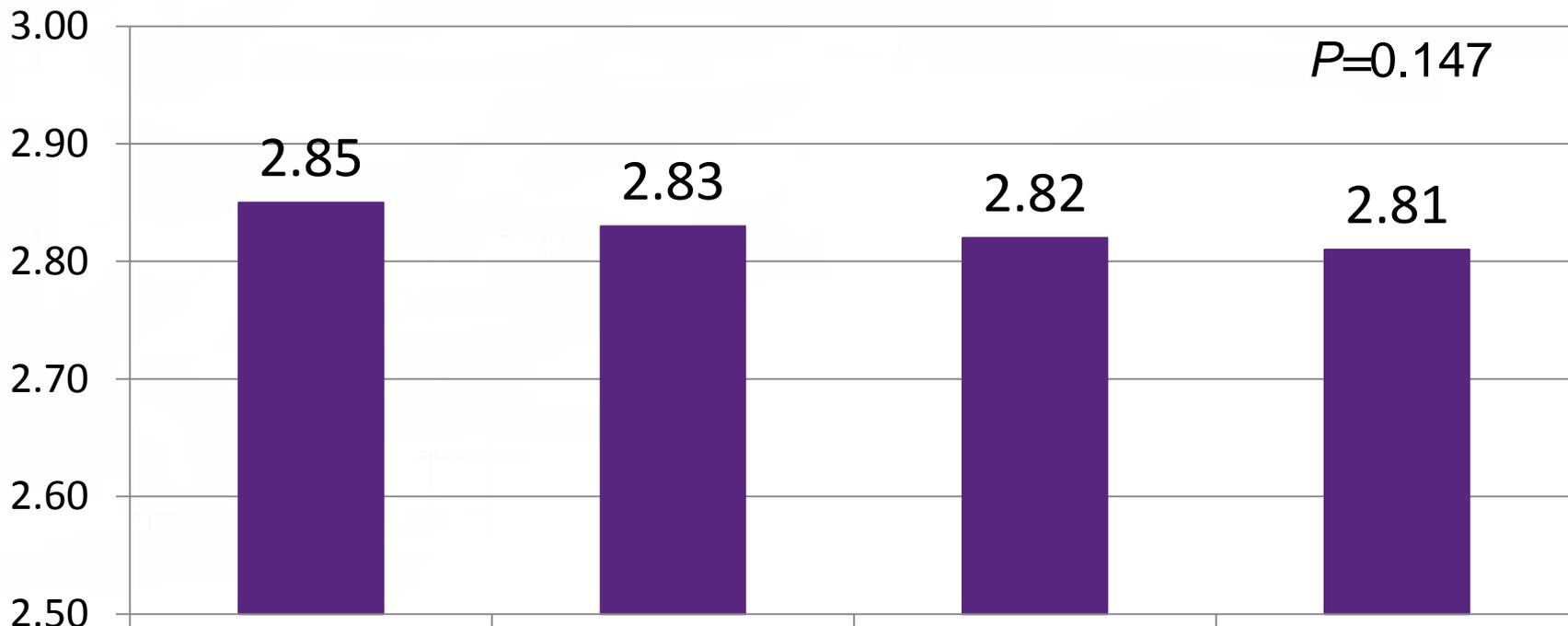
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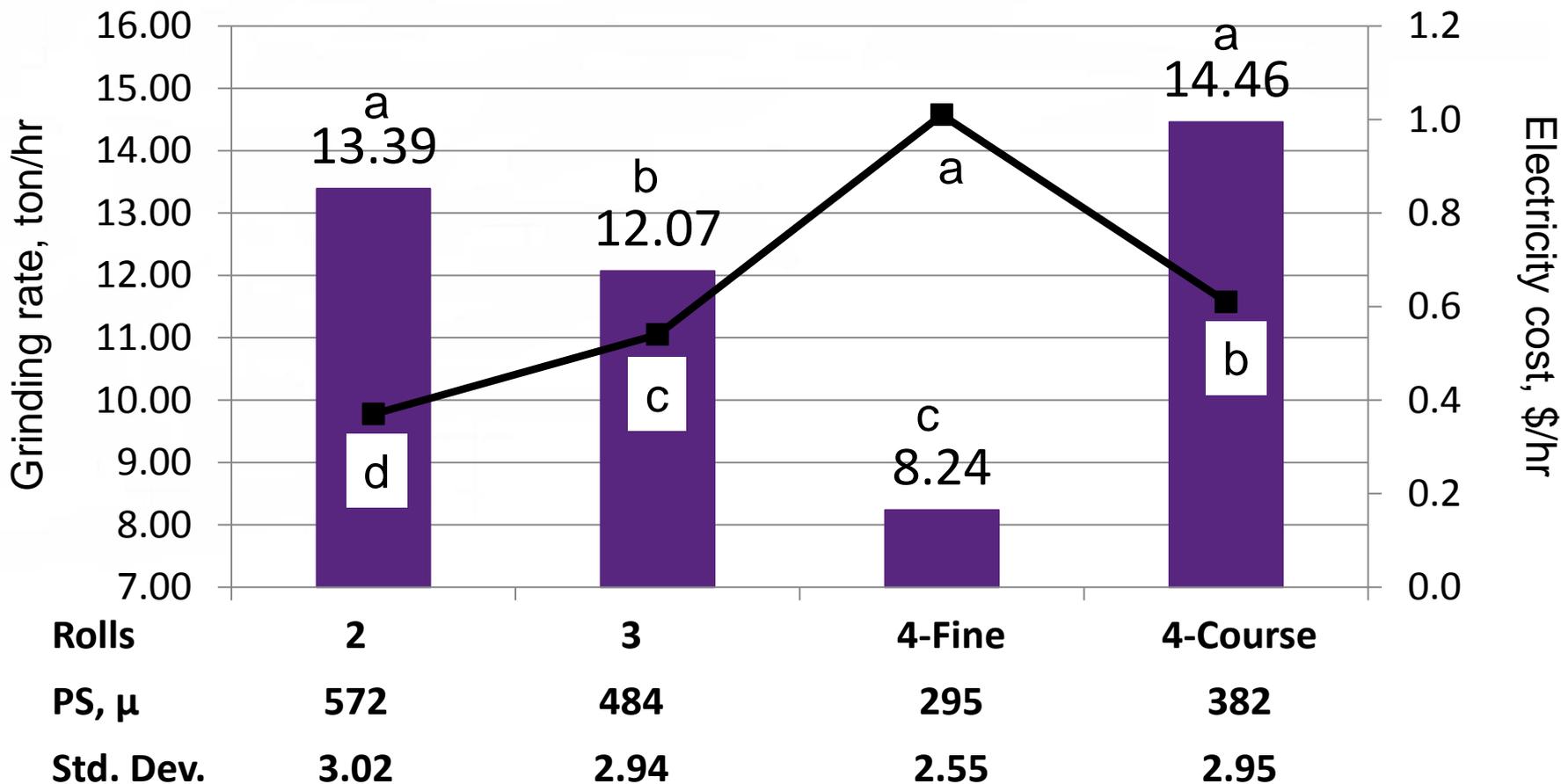
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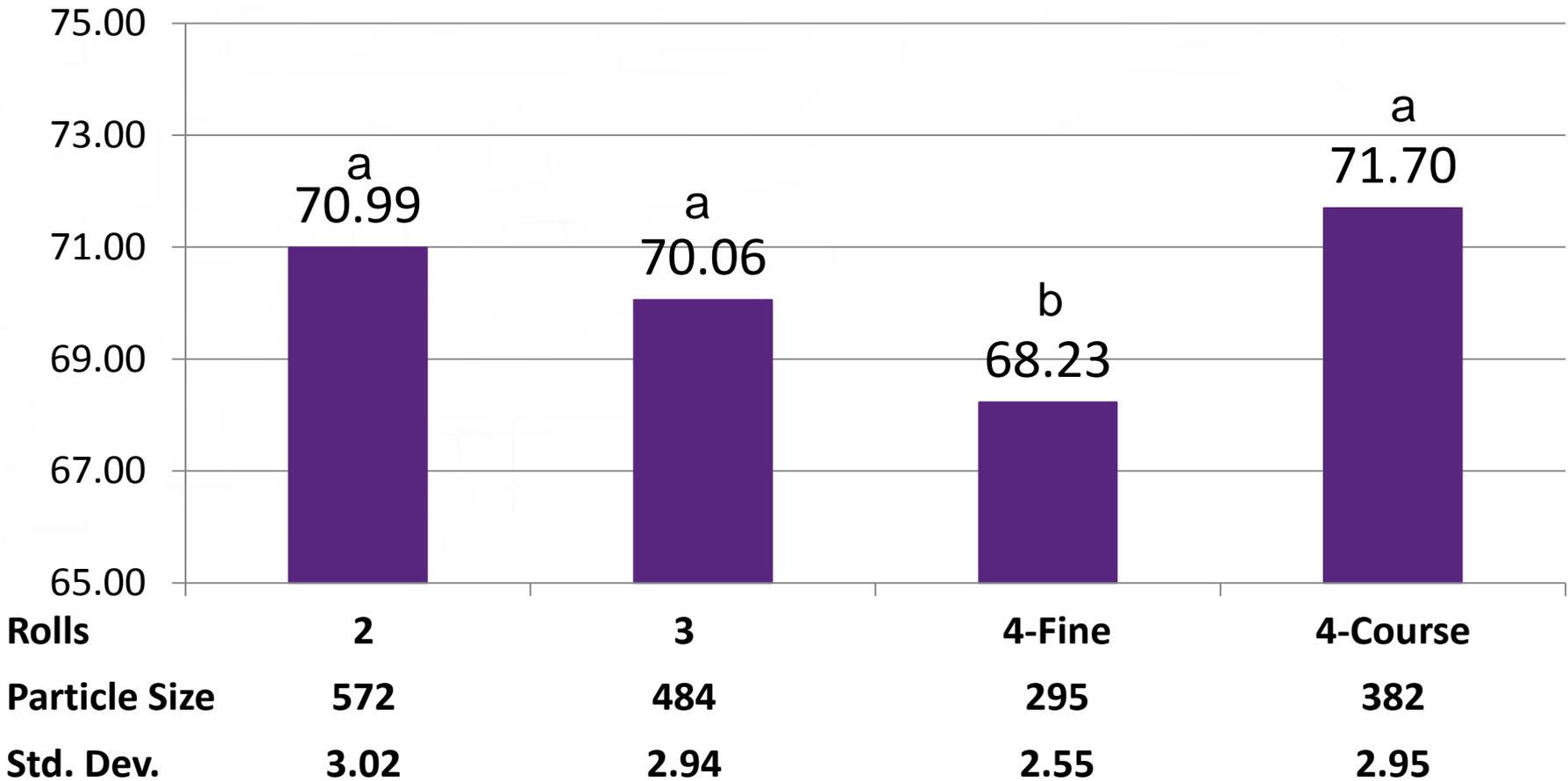


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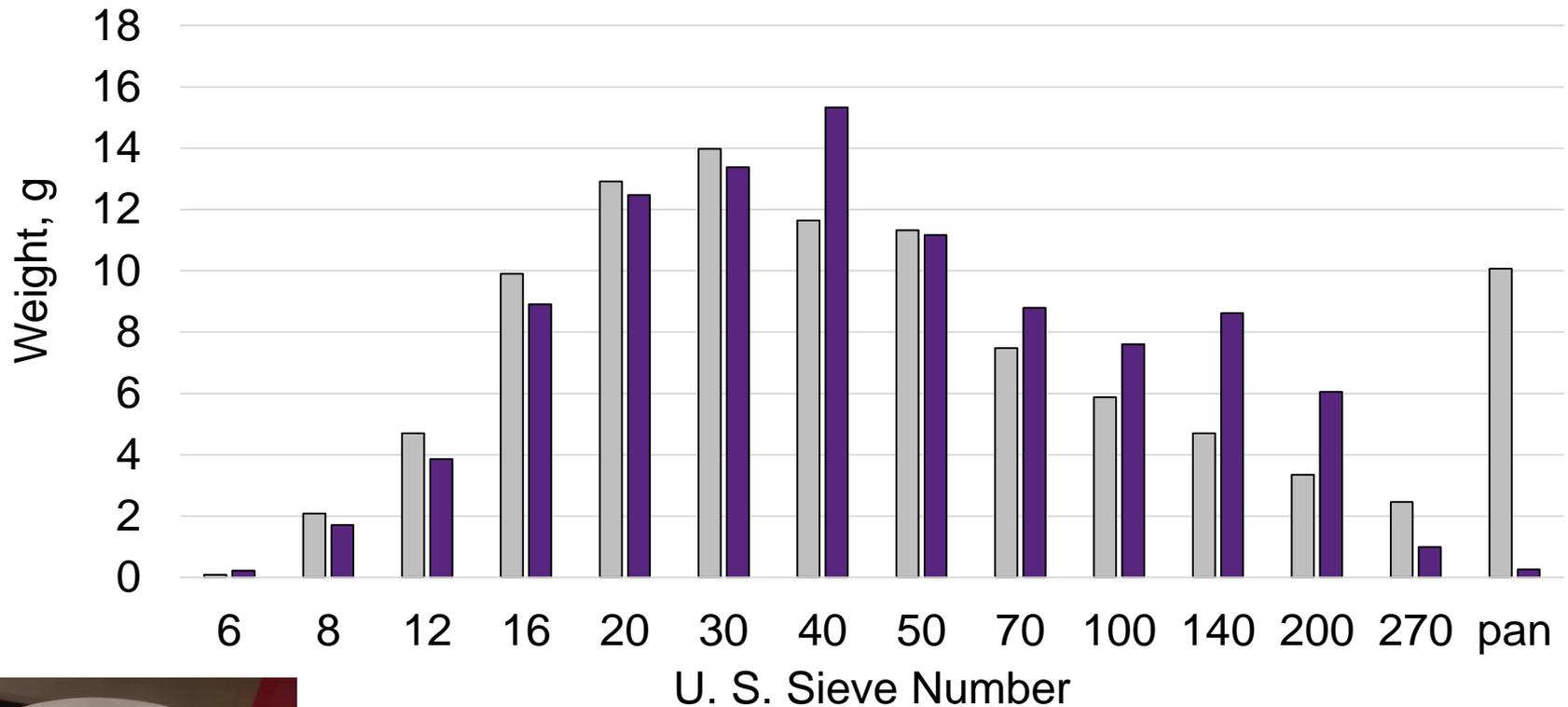
# Influence of roller mill configuration on mill performance of 88-287 lb pigs



# Influence of roller mill configuration on IOFC of 88-287 lb pigs



# Example sample of corn analyzed with or without flow agent

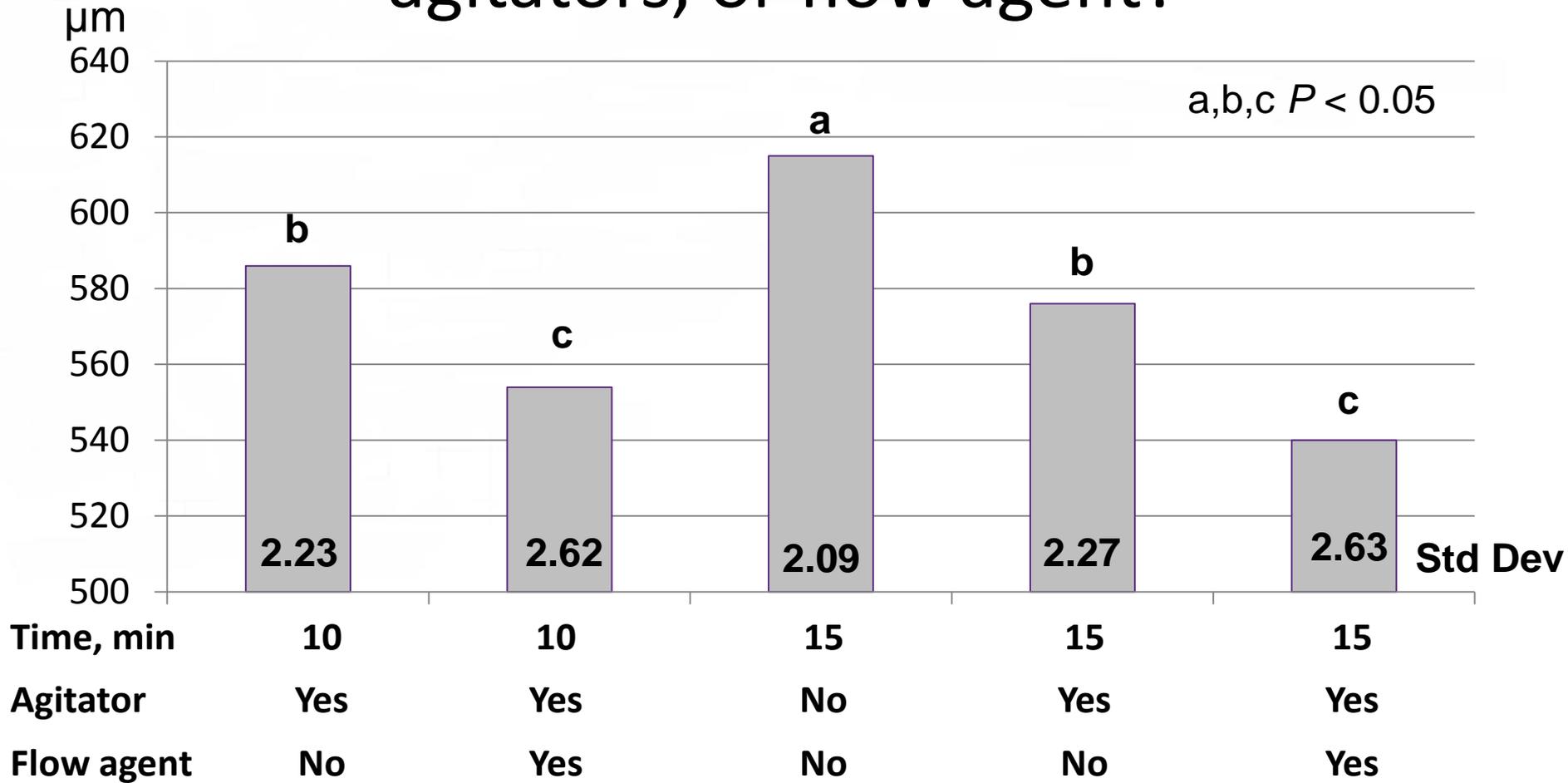


■ With flow agent, dgw = 402; Sgw = 3.11

■ Without flow agent, dgw = 448; Sgw = 2.50

Kalivoda et al., 2015

# What is the influence of shake time, sieve agitators, or flow agent?



# K-State Particle Size Procedures

- We will change our procedures to determine particle size:
  - **Include flow agent (0.5 g fumed silica)**
  - Same sieves and agitators
  - Same 10 minute shake time
- **Results will have a lower mean particle size and a higher standard deviation**

# Summary of Feed Processing Research

- Pelleting improved G:F at expense of ulcers, removals
  - Rotating provided intermediate G:F, fewer removals than pellets alone
- Little benefit to fine grinding in nursery pig diets
- Fine grinding in finishing no benefit F/G or IOFC
- Flow agent improves particle size analysis
  - Future K-State results will be conducted using flow agent
  - Lower mean particle size and higher standard deviation