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Example of Table, Figure, and Graph

Table 1. Ingredients and nutrient composition of basal diet (g/kg)

Ingredients	Starter (Days 1-10)	Grower (Days 11-24)	Finisher (Days 25-42)
Maize (8 g CP/kg)	526.95	580.75	624.15
Soybean oil	23.6	22.6	32.2
Soybean meal (44 g CP/kg)	381.2	331.0	311.0
DL- Methionine 99%	2.5	2.5	1.8
L-Lysine, HCl	1.8	1.5	0.5
Limestone	14.0	12.0	11.3
Maize gluten	30.0	30.0	-
Sodium bicarbonate	1.0	1.0	1.0
Common salt	3.0	3.0	3.0
Vitamin premix ^a	2.5	2.5	2.5
Mineral premix ^b	2.5	2.5	2.5
Dicalcium phosphate	10.9	10.6	10.0
Phytase (10000 FTU/kg)	0.05	0.05	0.05
Nutrient composition ^c			
Metabolizable energy (MJ/kg)	12.5	12.8	13.0
Crude protein (g/kg)	231.0	214.0	189.0
Digestible lysine (g/kg)	12.7	11.3	9.8
Digestible methionine +cystine (g/kg)	9.50	9.05	7.6
Calcium (g/kg)	10.0	8.9	8.5
Available phosphorus (g/kg)	4.5	4.4	4.2
Sodium (g/kg)	1.6	1.6	1.6
Chloride (g/kg)	2.3	2.3	2.2

Note: ^a= Vitamin premix provided following amounts per kilogram of diet: vitamin A (retinyl acetate), 15,000 IU; vitamin D3, 5,000 IU; vitamin E (dl- α -tocopheryl acetate), 80 mg; vitamin K, 5 mg; thiamin, 3 mg; riboflavin, 10 mg; pyridoxine, 5 mg; vitamin B12, 0.02 mg; niacin, 70 mg; choline chloride, 350 mg; folic acid, 2 mg; biotin, 0.4 mg; and pantothenic acid, 20 mg.

^b= Mineral premix provided following amounts per kilogram of diet: Mn (manganese sulphate), 100 mg; Zn (zinc sulphate), 65 mg; Cu (copper sulphate), 5 mg; Se (sodium selenite), 0.22 mg and I (calcium iodate), 0.5 mg.

^c= Determined using individual feed analysis results.

Table 2. Growth and economic performances of Indonesian crossbred chickens given experimental diet up to 10 weeks of age

Variables	Treatments					SEM	p value
	LSD	HSD	HSD+mE	HSD+FPLS	HSD+FPLS+mE		
Final BW, g	863	857	868	863	889	5.45	0.43
Weight gain, g	621	622	633	628	653	5.51	0.37
Cumulative FI, g	2,503 ^a	2,160 ^b	2,103 ^b	2,175 ^b	2,131 ^b	48.8	0.04
FCR	4.03 ^a	3.47 ^b	3.33 ^b	3.47 ^b	3.26 ^b	0.08	0.01
Feed cost per weight gain (IDR) ¹	25,081 ^a	21,558 ^b	20,732 ^b	20,033 ^b	18,850 ^b	565	<0.01
Income over feed cost (IDR) ²	2,559 ^c	4,552 ^b	5,138 ^{ab}	5,553 ^{ab}	6,351 ^a	343	<0.01

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¹= Calculations were conducted at the period of investigation as the cost of feed ingested to reach a kilogram of live body-weight gain; ²= Calculations were conducted at the period of investigation as the entire income minus entire feed cost; LSD= chicks fed conventional feed at low stocking density; HSD= chicks fed conventional feed at high stocking density; HSD+mE= chicks fed conventional feed plus multienzyme at high stocking density; HSD+FPLS= chicks fed FPLS at high stocking density; HSD+FPLS+mE= chicks fed FPLS plus multienzyme at high stocking density; BW= body weight; FCR= feed conversion ratio; FI= feed intake; IDR= Indonesian Rupiah (Indonesian currency); SEM= standard error of means.

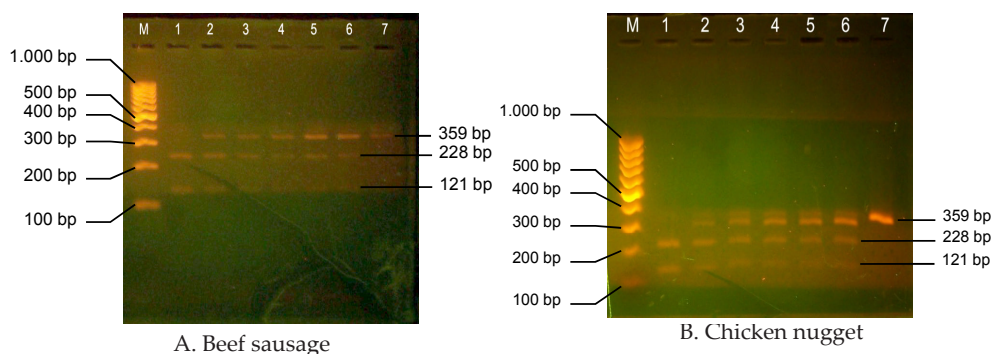


Figure 1. BseDI restriction profile of cytochrome b PCR product amplified from samples. (A) M= 100 bp ladder size standard; 1= pork (100%); 2= (beef 75% : pork 25%); 3= (beef 90% : pork 10%); 4= (beef 95% : pork 5%); 5= (beef 97% : pork 3%); 6= (beef 99% : pork 1%); 7= beef 100%. (B) M= 100 bp ladder, 1= pork (100%); 2= (chicken 75% : pork 25%); 3= (chicken 90% : pork 10%); 4= (chicken 95% : pork 5%); 5= (chicken 97% : pork 3%); 6= (chicken 99% : pork 1%); 7= chicken (100%).

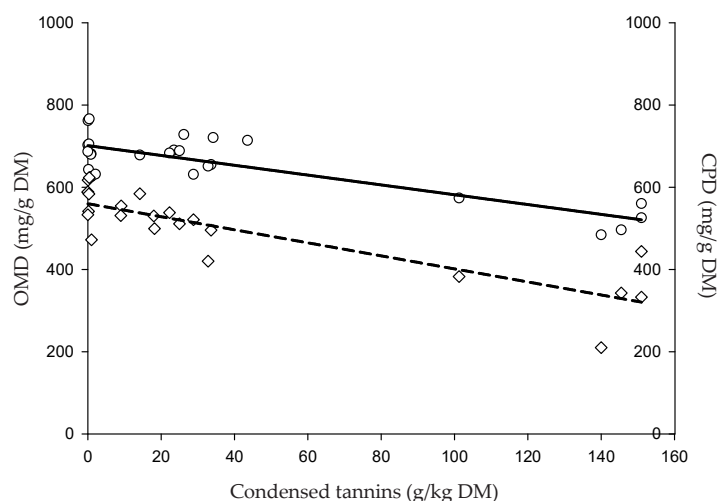


Figure 2. Relationships between dietary condensed tannin concentration and organic matter digestibility (OMD) (-o-, full regression line; $OMD = 701.2 - 1.19 CT$, $p < 0.001$, $R^2 = 0.701$) and crude protein digestibility (CPD) (-◇-, dashed regression line; $CPD = 559.7 - 1.59 CT$, $p < 0.001$, $R^2 = 0.730$) in the *in vivo* studies.

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ATP	adenosine triphosphate
cal	calorie
cfu	colony-forming unit
CoA	coenzyme A
CP	crude protein ($N \times 6.25$)
CV	coefficient of variation
d	day(s)
DM	dry matter
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
F	F-distribution (variance ratio)
g	gram
GC	gas chromatography
GE	gross energy
GH	growth hormone
h	hour(s)
ha	hectare
hCG	human chorionic gonadotropin
HPLC	high-performance liquid chromatography
Hz	hertz
IU	international unit

J	joule
L	liter
LD_{50}	lethal dose 50%
LSD	least significant difference
m	meter
ME	metabolizable energy
min	minute(s)
mo	month(s)
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P	probability
PCR	polymerase chain reaction
RNA	ribonucleic acid
rpm	revolutions/minute (not to be used to indicate centrifugal force)
s	second(s)
SAS	Statistical Analysis System
SD	standard deviation (sample)
SE	standard error
sp.	species
ssp.	subspecies
t	t- (or Student) distribution

TDN	total digestible nutrients
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VFA	volatile fatty acid(s)
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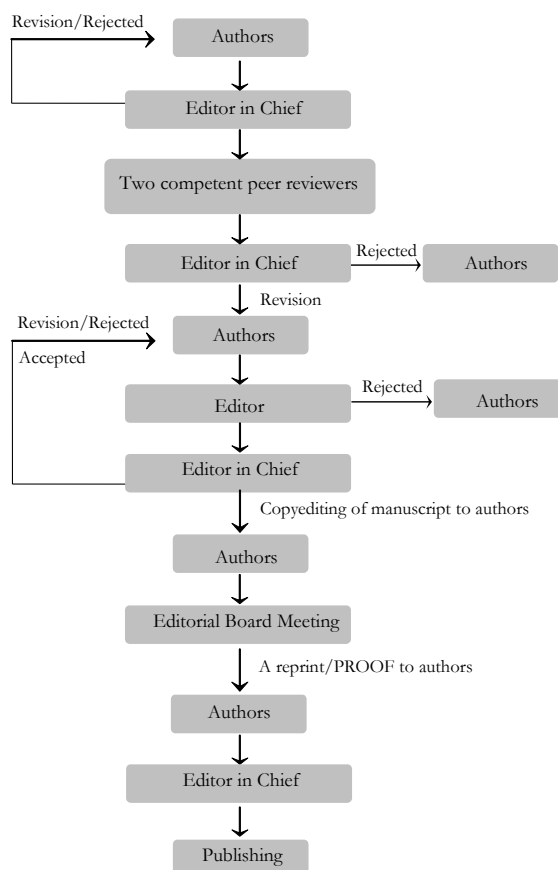
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