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Growth rate and feed conversion ratio in two commercially available slower growing broiler hybrids

Aim

To compare growth rate and feed conversion ratio between the two slower growing hybrids (Rowan Ranger (RR) (5 groups) and Hubbard CYJA57 (H)) available on the market for Swedish producers.

Conclusion

There are differences in performance between RR and H of importance for commercial organic broiler production and further investigations are needed.

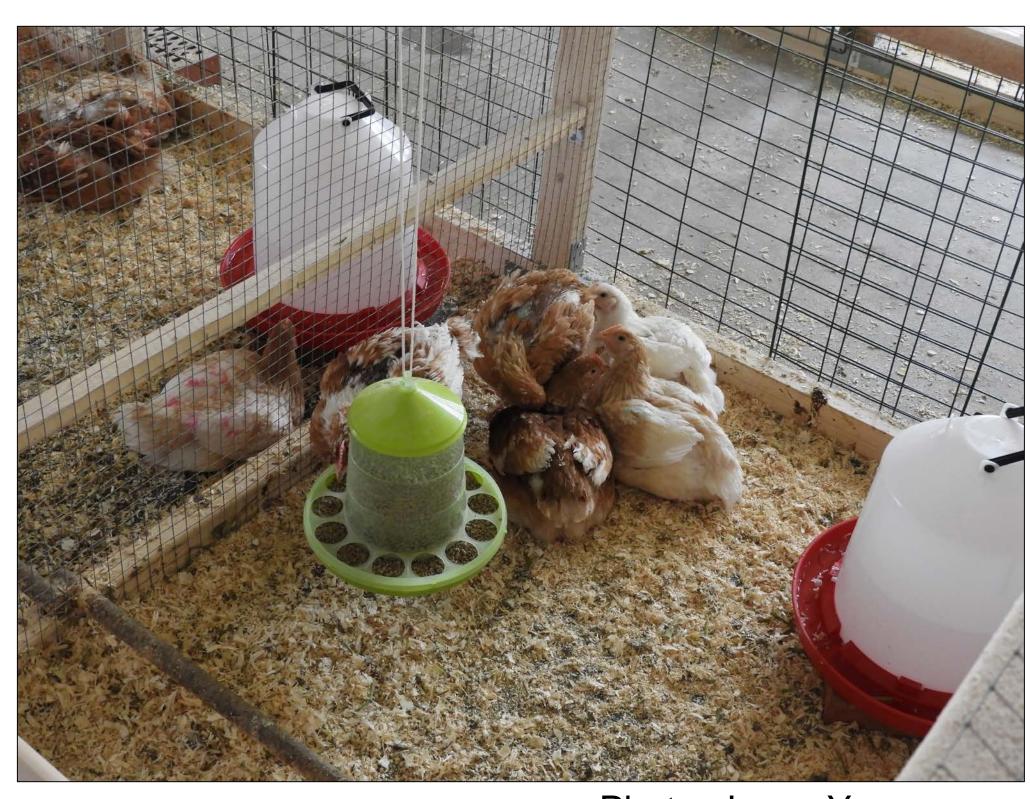
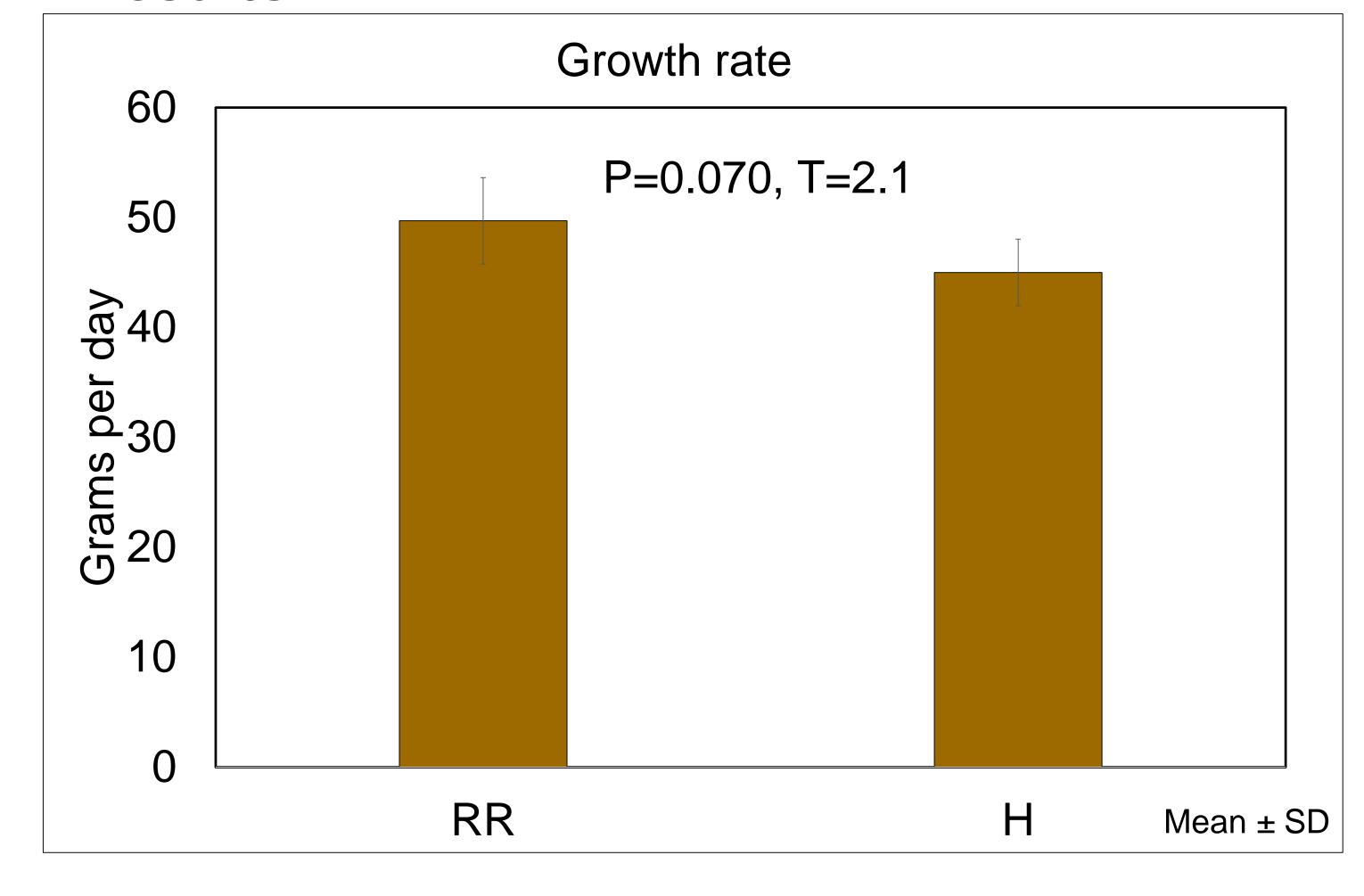
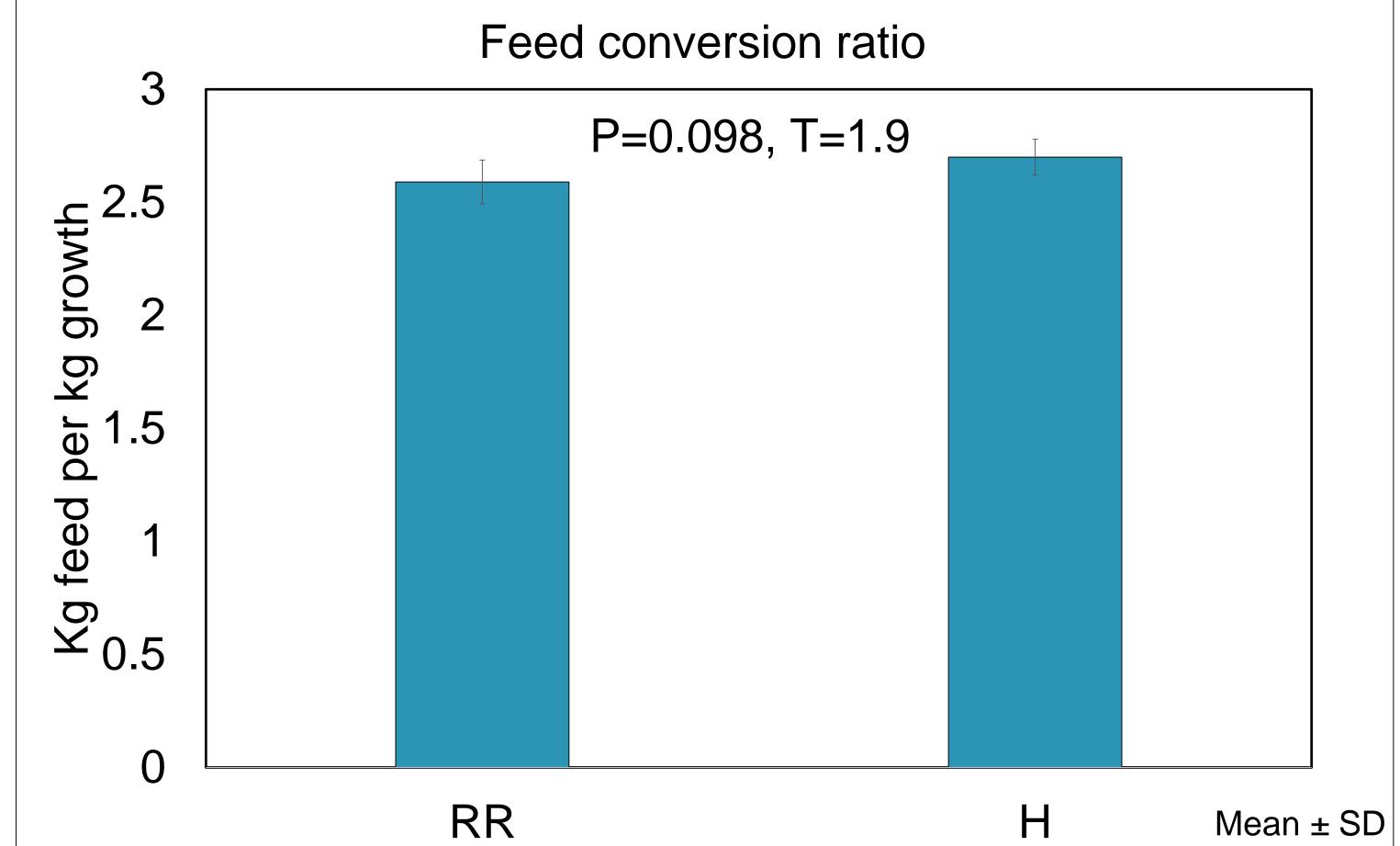


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Results





Methods

- Two slower growing hybrids: Rowan Ranger (RR) (5 groups, 5 birds per group) and Hubbard CYJA57 (H) (5 groups, 5 birds per group).
- All birds were fed a commercial standard organic diet (O, 12.0 MJ ME and 196 g protein/kg feed) during a 68 day rearing period.
- Littered pen (1.0 m × 1.5 m) with bell drinker and hanging tube feeder and perches at two levels.



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