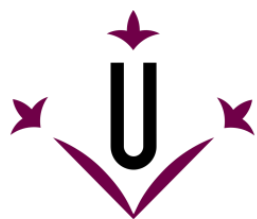




# Effect of Productive Type, age and dietary protein supply on protein and fat metabolism

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# Introduction

The Genetic Selection pressure exerted on different pig breeds in performance parameters (ADG, FCR, meat quality, etc.) that differences in:

## Protein and Fat metabolism



That also changes as the pig grows



Understanding these processes allow us to use precision feeding strategies, optimizing natural resources and decreasing environmental load.



# Objectives

Our purpose was to analyse the influence of three factors:

- Productive type (TP)
- Dietary crude protein (CP) content
- Animal age

On Protein and Fat metabolism (Synthesis and Deposition), in order to improve further **precision feeding** and **productive efficiency**

# Material & Methods

A total of **32** male pigs of **2** physiological phases and **2** productive types (PT):

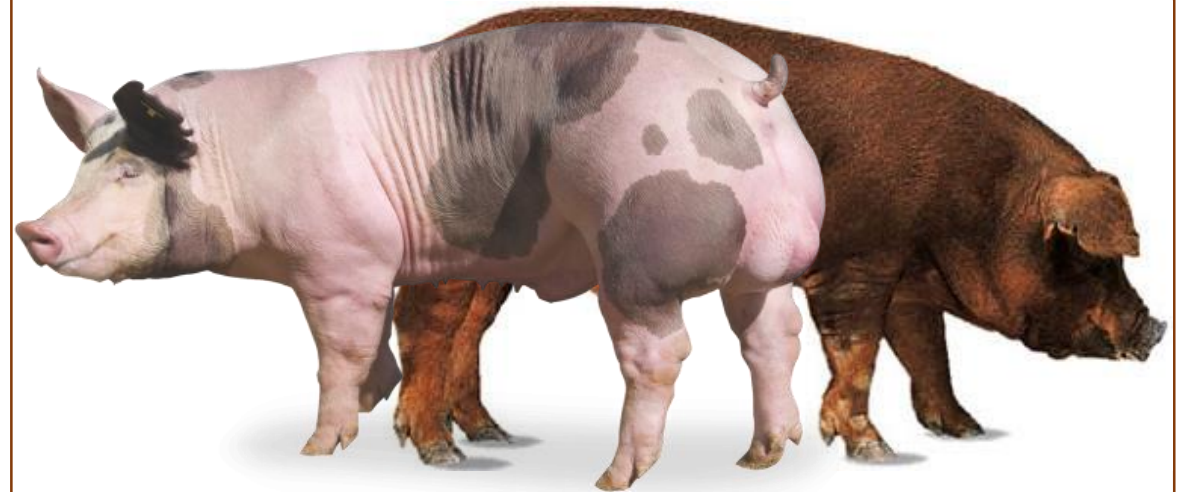
1st phase



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$29.4 \pm 0.85$  kg BW

2nd phase



16

$88.5 \pm 1.66$  kg BW

8 entire **F2** hybrid pigs:  
8 castrated purebred **Durocs**  
(Pietrain ♂ x (Duroc x Landrace) ♀)

# Material & Methods

Diets

4 pigs/ PT:

During 7 days

## LOW PROTEIN (LP) DIET:

- 15% CP in growing pigs
- 13% CP in fattening pigs



## STANDARD PROTEIN (NP) DIET:

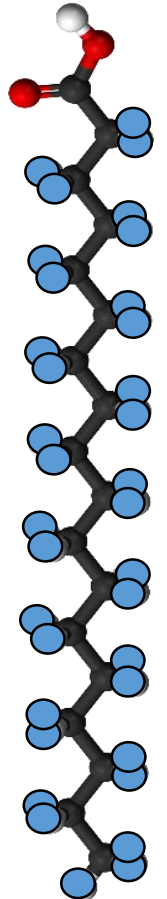
- 17% CP in growing pigs
- 15% CP in fattening pigs



*Ad libitum*

0.029%

C18:0D35



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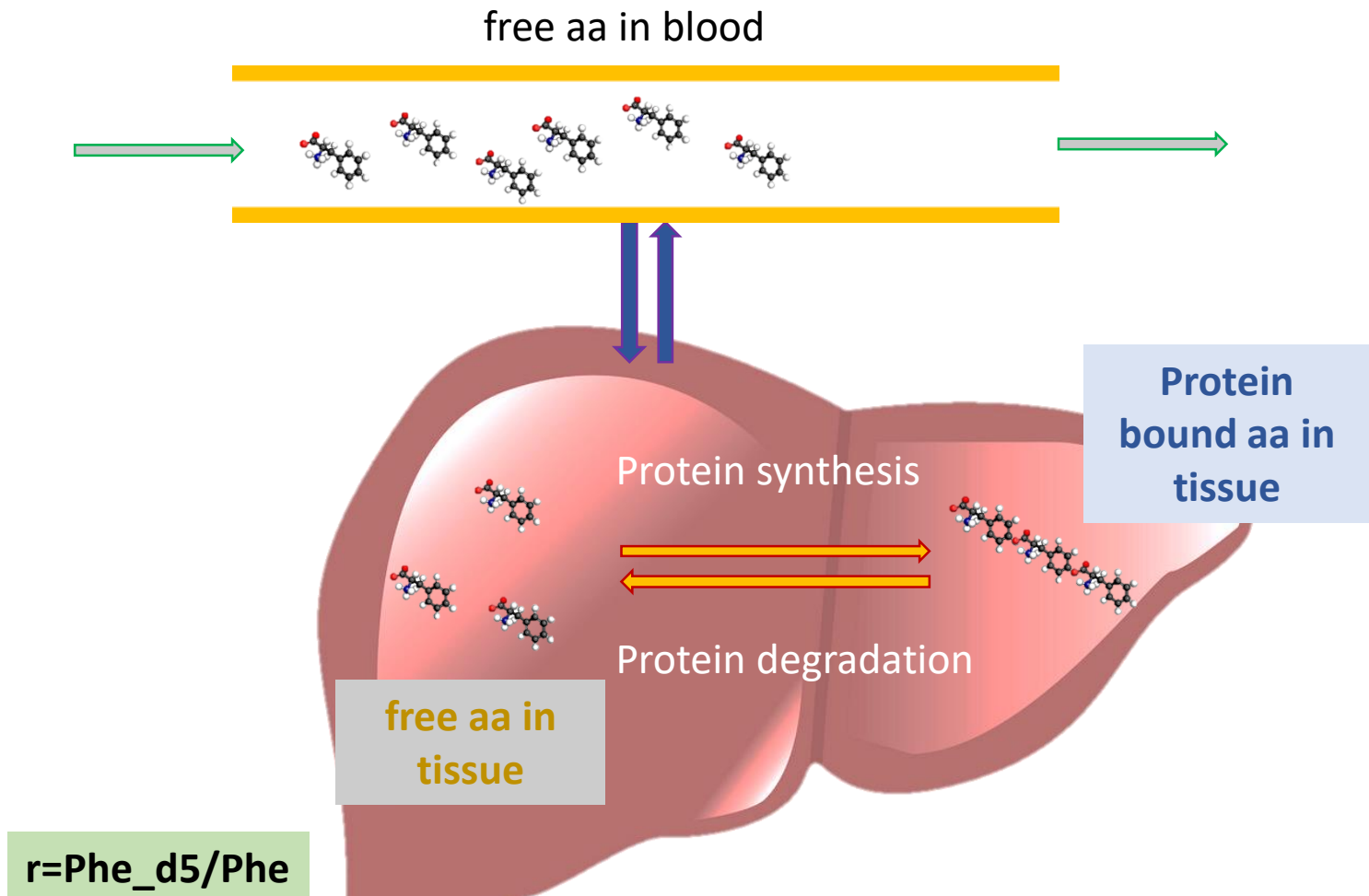


Pigs were housed in Metabolic cages (MC) during 5 days in which they were subjected to:

- Catheterization (right external jugular vein)
- Daily blood sampling
- **Flooding dose technique** (last day of trial)



# Protein metabolism

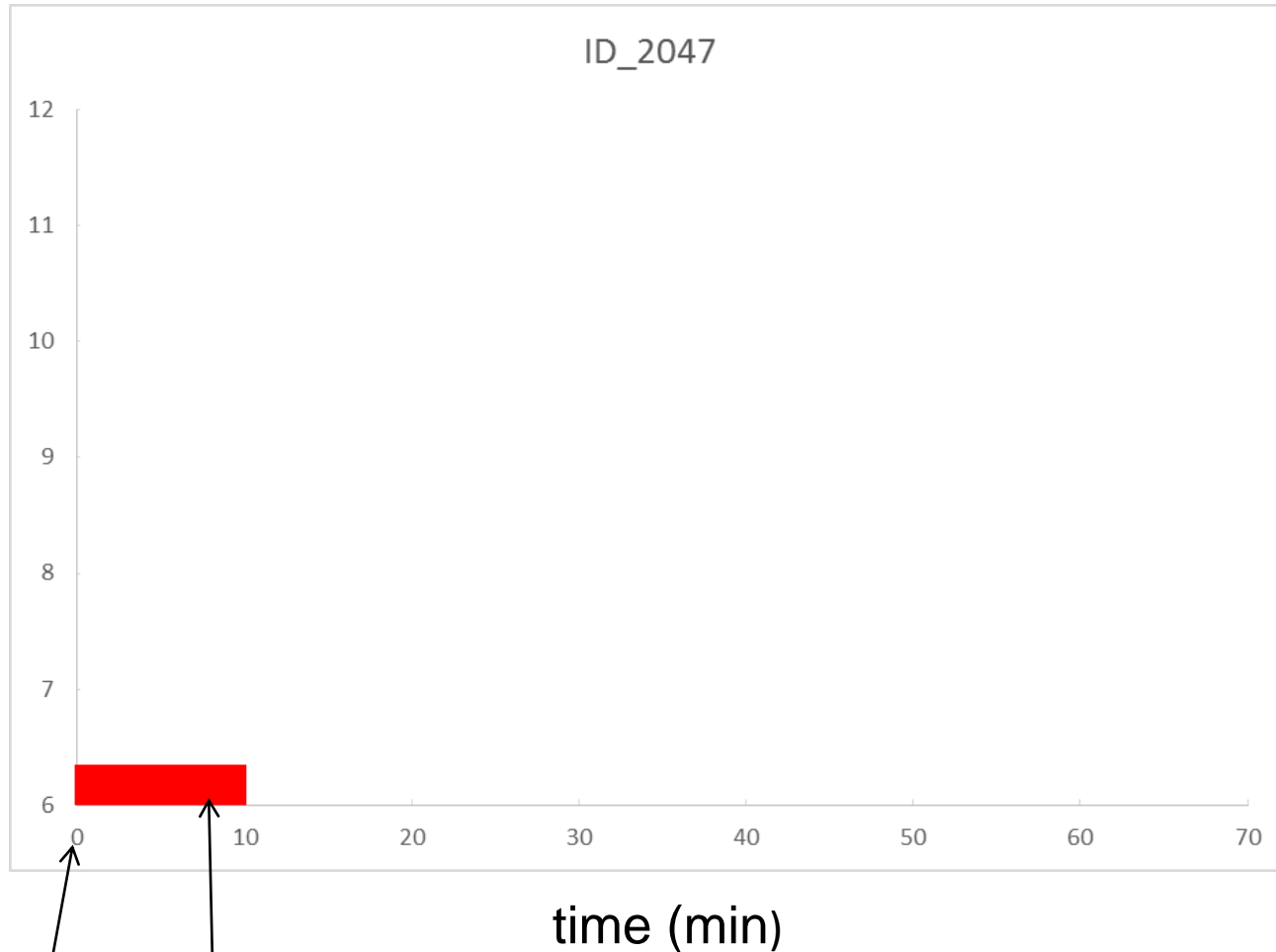


$r = \text{Phe}_{d5} / \text{Phe}$

$$\text{MPE (moles percent excess)} = \frac{\text{Phe}_{D5}}{\text{Phe}_{tot}} = \frac{\text{Phe}_{D5}}{\text{Phe} + \text{Phe}_{D5}} = \frac{\text{Phe}_{D5} / \text{Phe}}{1 + \text{Phe}_{D5} / \text{Phe}} = \frac{r}{1+r}$$

Garlick *et al.* (1980)  
Waterlow *et al.*, 1978

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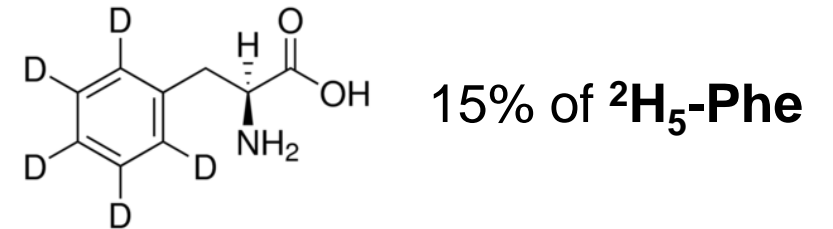


## Flooding dose Technique

Garlick *et al.* (1980) → Rivera-Ferre *et al.* (2005)

1. **Determination of natural enrichment in AA**

2. **Flooding dose of Phenylalanine**



3. **Determination of the Phe enrichment curve in plasma**

Blood sampling on **12, 15, 20, 25, 30** and **40'** after the start of the infusion



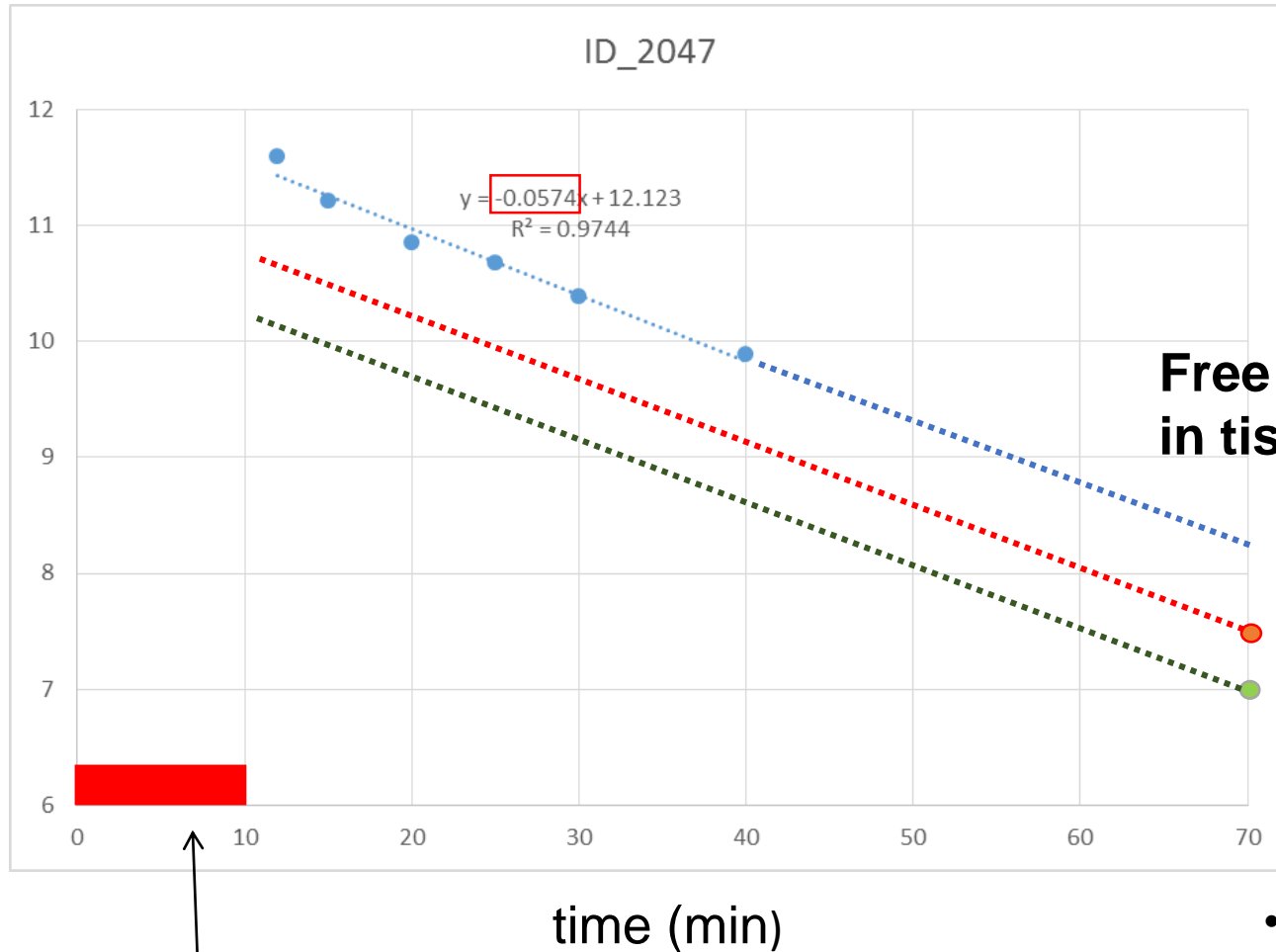
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Free Phe in plasma

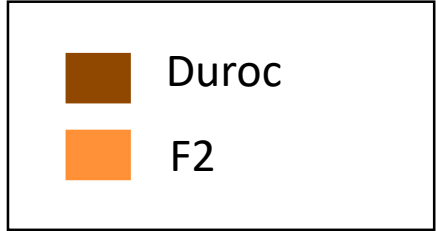


Phe Infusion 10'

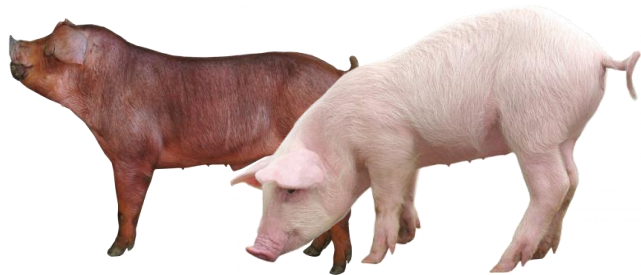
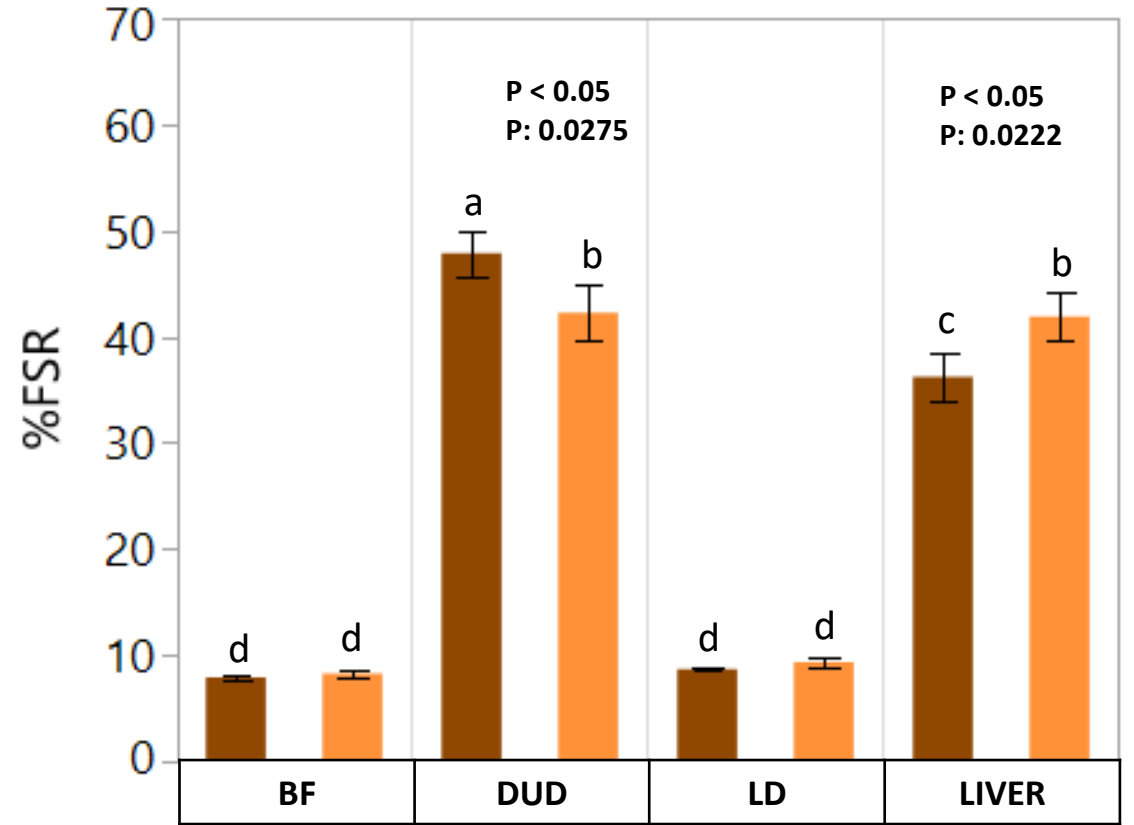
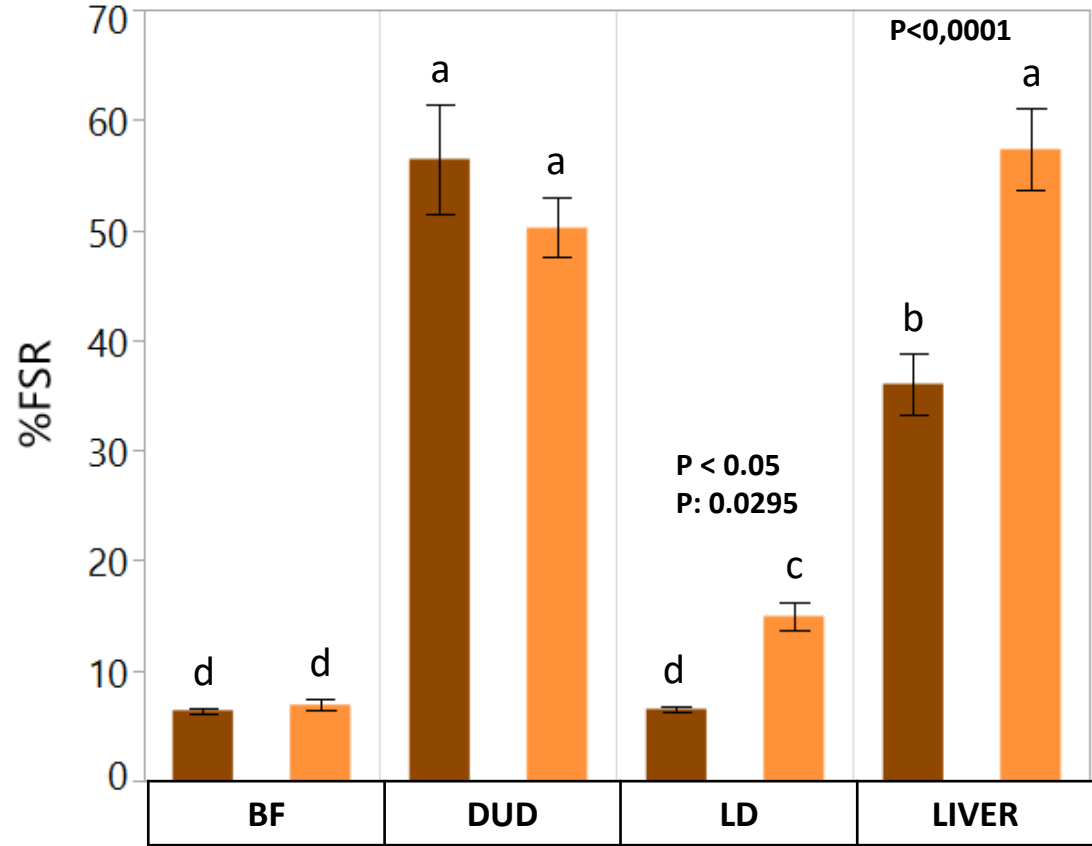
Sample collection:

- **Liver**
  - **Duodenum (DUD)**
  - **Longissimus dorsi (LD)**
  - **Biceps femoris muscle (BF)**
- Free Phe in plasma → Piraud *et al.* (2005)
  - Free Phe in tissues → Qin, *et al.* (2015)
  - Bound Phe in tissue → Colgrave *et al.* (2008)
  - Quantification AA UPLC/MS → Guo *et al.* (2013)

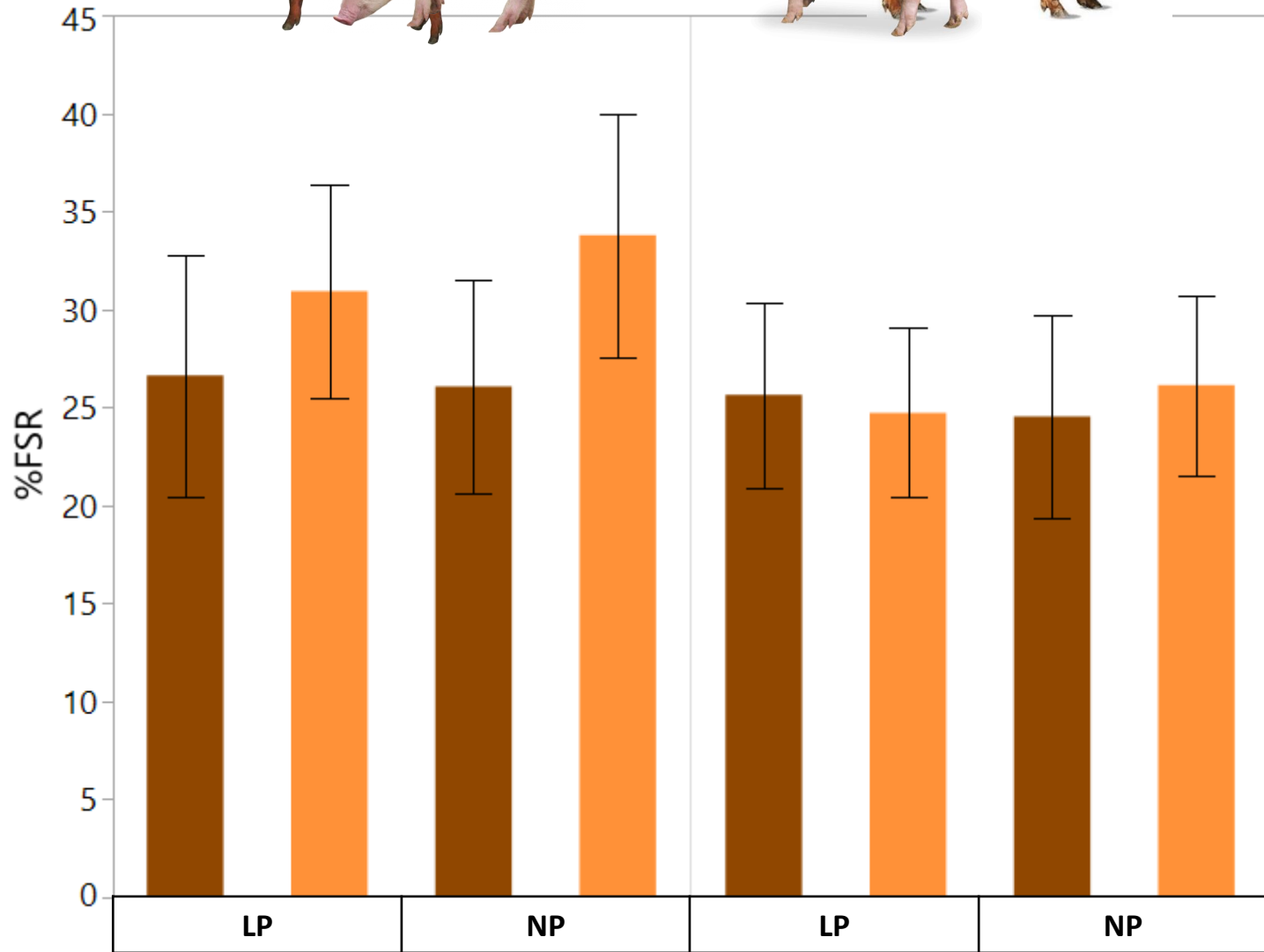
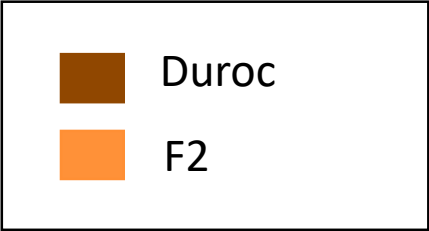
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$$FSR (\%/day) = \frac{MPE_{bound}}{aveMPE_{free}} \times \frac{100}{t (days)}$$

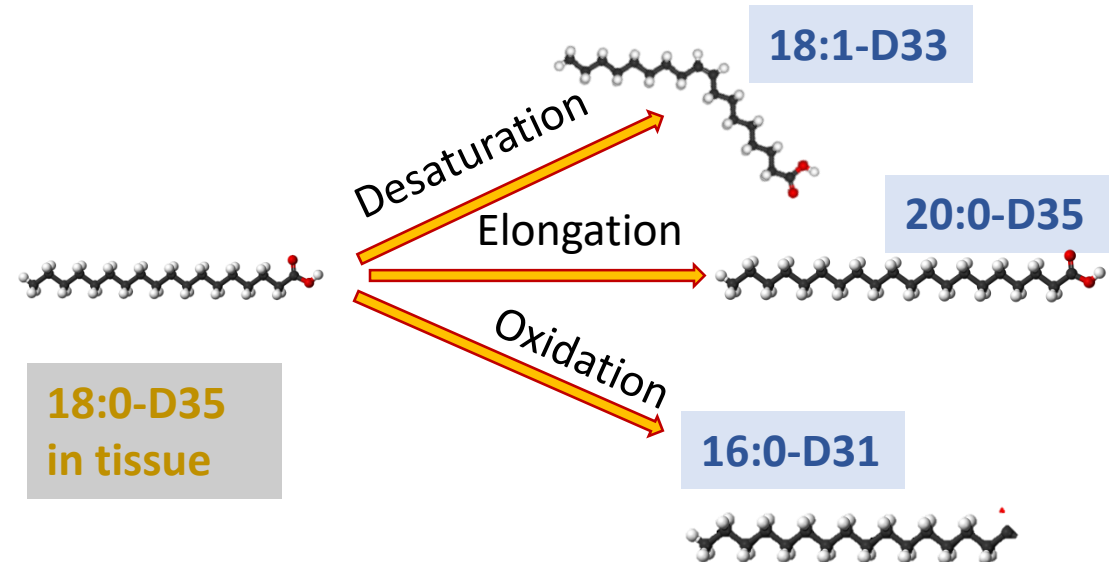
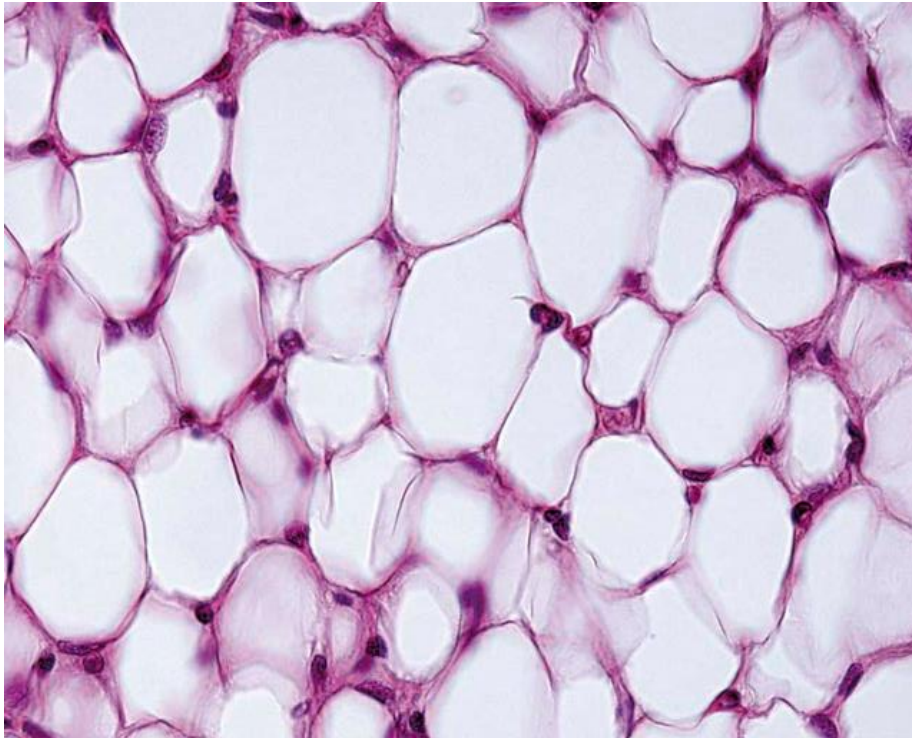
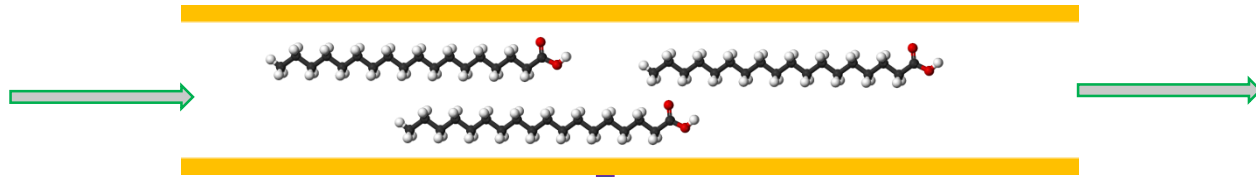


# Results



# Fat metabolism

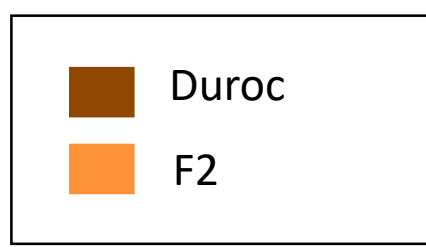
18:0-D35 in blood



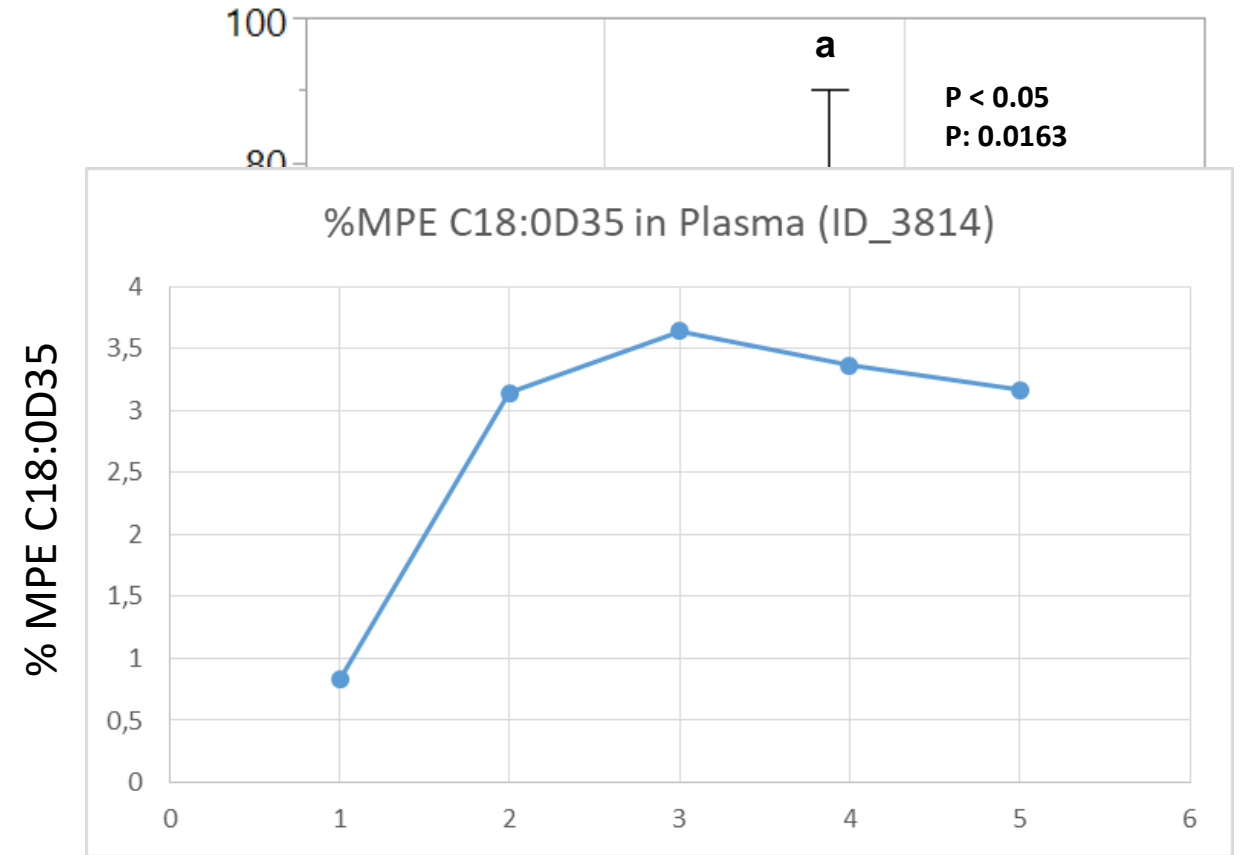
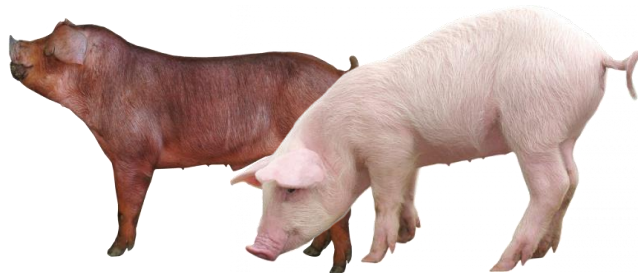
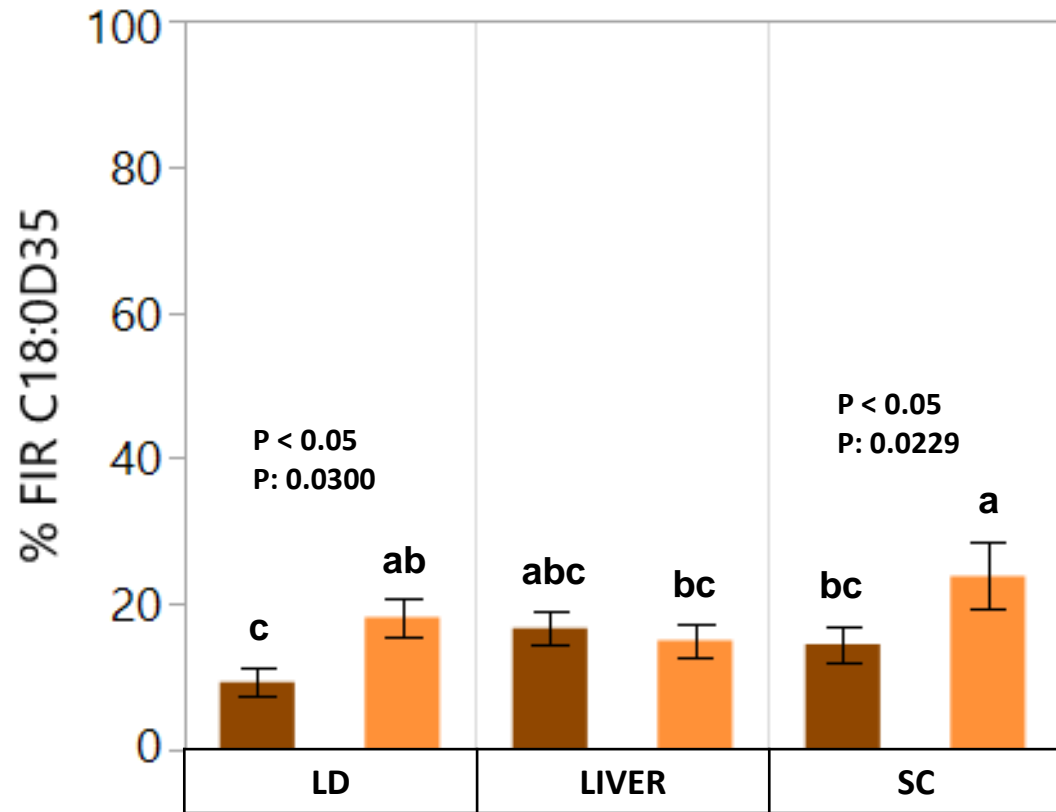
$$r = \text{Ste}_{d35} / \text{Ste}$$
$$\text{MPE} = r / (r + 1)$$

Garlick *et al.* (1980)

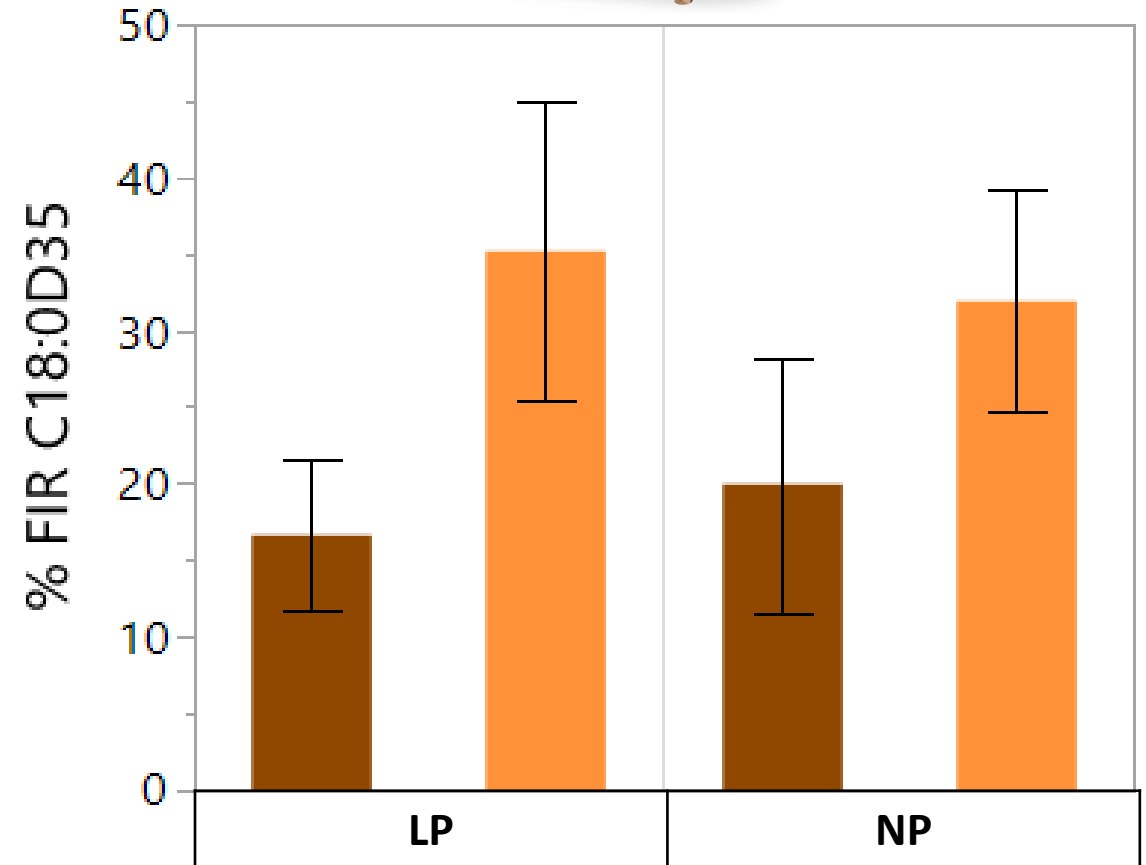
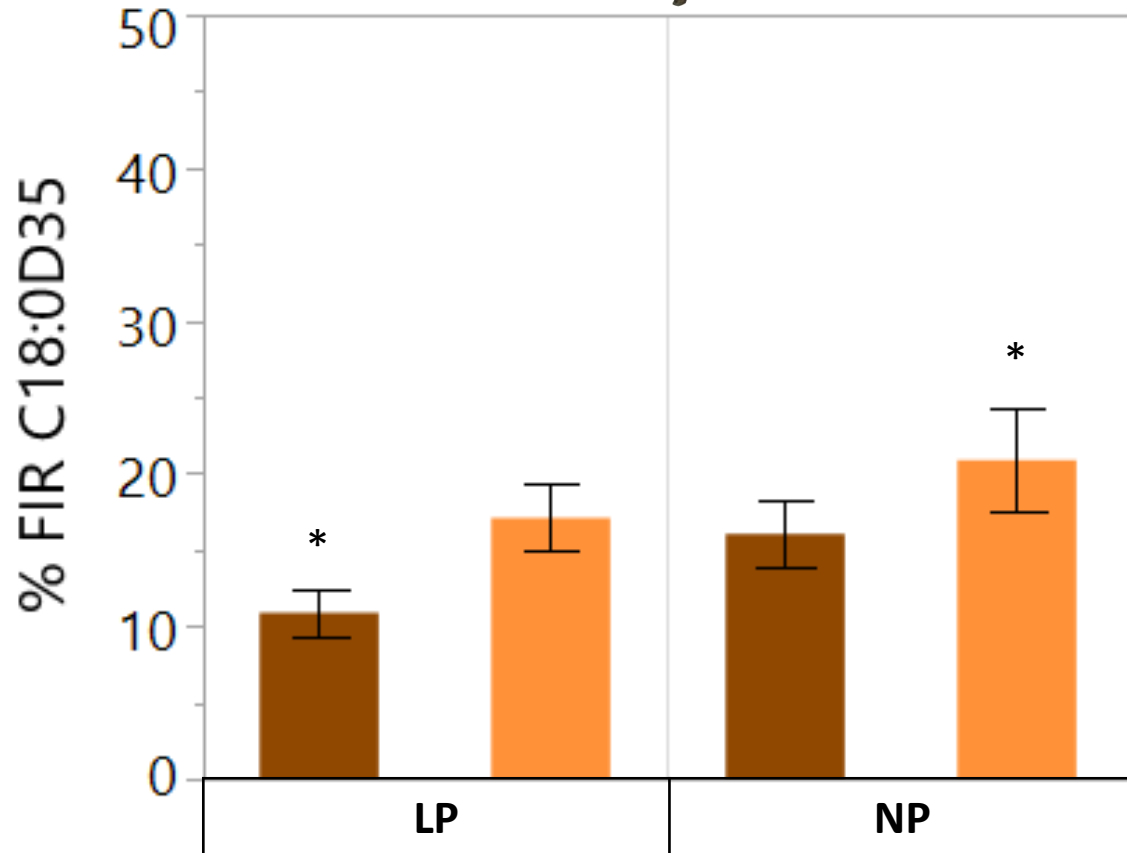
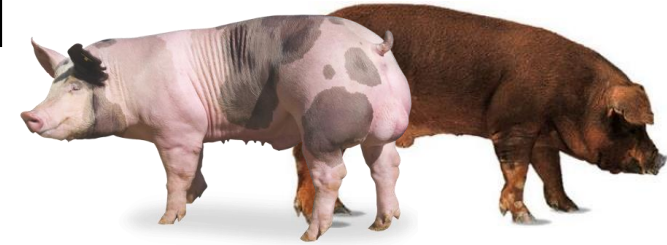
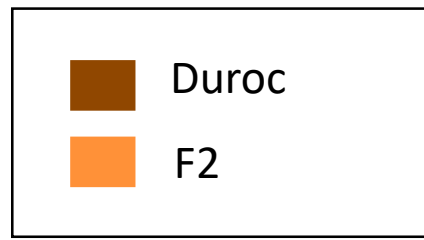
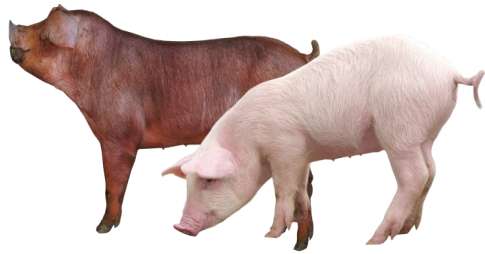
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$$\text{FIR (\%/day)} = \frac{\text{MPE C18:0D35 in tissue}}{\text{aveMPE C18:0D35 in plasma}} \times \frac{100}{t \text{ (days)}}$$



# Results



## **Conclusions** ... about **Protein Fractional Synthesis Rate**

- The FSR is higher in visceral tissues, due to their greater rates of protein turnover.
- The F2 hybrid pigs obtain higher data in LIVER in both physiological phases and also in LD in growing pigs, explaining the better productive performance and lean meat of this breed.
- Duroc fattening pigs show a higher FSR in the duodenum, due to a possible more intense metabolic activity of their gastrointestinal tract.

## **Conclusions** ... about **Fractional Incorporation Rate of Fat**

- The FIR of C18:0D35 is higher in Fattening pigs than in the growing ones, since the adipose tissue is more active at later stages.
- The LIVER gets higher values than the other tissues in fattening pigs, due to the higher fat metabolism that occurs in this organ in this physiological phase.
- The F2 pigs show higher results, which could be related to increased lipid activity, including mobilization.



# Acknowledgments



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# Thanks for your attention!

