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Hermetia illucens meal as feed ingredient in Rainbow trout farm – preliminary data of a commercial scenario

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N N N N Why trout?







Protein shortage of the main sources







From 1960 to now

The soybean meal production



increased 300 million tonnes





Yields improvement



Extension of land use

The fish meal production



increased 7 million tonnes



of the world's fishmeal production already comes from byproducts







Literature



10/15 fish/tank

Dietz et al., 2023

24 fish/tank Caimi et al., 2021



30 fish/tank Melenchón et al., 2020



50 fish/tank Biasato et al., 2022

Materials and Methods



Ingredients	HIO (g/kg)
Wheat soft	15.3
Soy meal	18
Soya protein conc.	7.5
Fish meal	20.3
Feather meal	6.5
Poultry meal	8
Blood meal	6
<i>Hermetia</i> meal	0
Fish oil	15.7
Monocalcium Phospate	1
Vit/Min premix	1.7

Materials and Methods



130 fish/tank 117.1 ± 6.4 g



Ingredients (g/kg)	HI2.5	HI5	HI10	
Wheat soft	15.3	15.3	14.6	
Soy meal	18	18	18	
Soya protein conc.	7.5	7.5	7.5	
Fish meal	17.8	15.3	11	
Feather meal	6.5	6.5	6.5	
Poultry meal	8	8	8	
Blood meal	6	6	6	
<i>Hermetia</i> meal	2.5	5	10	
Fish oil	15.7	15.7	15.7	
Monocalcium Phospate	1	1	1	
Vit/Min premix	1.7	1.7	1.7	

Chemical composition

	DM%	Ash, %	СР, %	EE, %	Chitin, %	GE, MJ/kg
HIO	93.80	8.89	44,60	17.18	0.00	21,82
HI2.5	95.91	8.98	45,38	17.06	0.26	21,85
HI5	94.14	8.76	44,41	17.35	0.57	21,71
HI10	93.92	8.67	45,57	16.74	1.02	21,80
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	BSF meal
DM%	93,90
Ash %	10,48
СР %	44,05
EE%	7,77
Chitin %	11,10
GE MJ/kg	20,03

as it

Growth performance

Mortality Individual weight gain Specific growth rate Feed conversion ratio





 $FCR = \frac{feed \ consumed}{\Delta \ weight}$

 $SGR = \frac{\Delta weight}{days}$

Slaughtering performance

 $CY = \frac{(fish weight - gut + gonad weights)}{fish weight} x 100$ $K = \frac{fish \ weight}{body \ lenght} \ x \ 100$ Carcass yield Fulton's condition factor (K) Coefficient of fatness $HSI = \frac{liver weight}{fish weight} \times 100$ Hepatosomatic index Viscerosomatic index $VSI = \frac{gut \ weight}{fish \ weight} \ x \ 100$ $CF = \frac{previsceral fat weight}{fish weight} \times 100$

Fillet physical quality

pH Colour Drip, thawing and cooking losses



Oxidative stress





Every 38 days

Free radicals

Products derived from physiological chemical reactions that use oxygen

They are reactive molecules that contain at least one unpaired electron

They are highly unstable and try to return to the equilibrium state by subtracting the electron from other atoms nearby.

When are they produced?



Oxidative stress

physiological situation



non-physiological situation



Normal Cell

Free Radicals Attacking Cell Cell with Oxidative Stress

Results - Growth performance

Items	ню	HI2.5	HI5	HI10	SEM	p-value
Initial individual average weight	116.97	117.56	116.83	117.10	0.119	0.148
Final individual average weight	389.15	381.12	389.52	363.31	4.813	0.176
Mortality %	11.79	8.46	10.26	11.79	1.063	0.708
iWG	272.18	263.56	272.69	246.21	4.835	0.173
SGR	2.39	2.31	2.39	2.16	0.042	0.167
FCR	1.34 ^{ab}	1.31ª	1.32ª	1.42 ^b	0.056	0.020



Results - Slaughtering performance

	HIO	HI2.5	HI5	HI10	SEM	p-value
К	1.32	1.37	1.33	1.35	0.009	0.345
CY	81.94	82.77	82.94	82.56	0.383	0.810
HSI	1.48	1.50	1.49	1.52	0.021	0.929
VSI	13.05	13.27	13.41	13.64	0.187	0.728
CF	7.59	6.24	6.54	7.30	0.246	0.232



Results - Physical quality

	ню	HI2.5	HI5	HI10	SEM	p-value
L	48.93	46.77	48.76	49.95	0.873	0.638
а	0.15	1.01	0.92	0.68	0.165	0.263
b	6.10	7.21	6.02	6.57	0.321	0.548
pH24	6.01	6.01	6.01	6.00	0.009	0.997
DL24, %	2.49	2.81	2.89	2.81	0.110	0.610
TL, %	7.25	8.49	8.71	8.71	0.327	0.341
CL, %	12.48	13.98	15.43	14.50	0.466	0.147



Results - Oxidative stress



OXY

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Т3

Control

2,5%

5%

10%





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