### **Evaluating Enzyme Applications**

Using BroilerOpt® Feed Program

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### Formulating with Enzymes

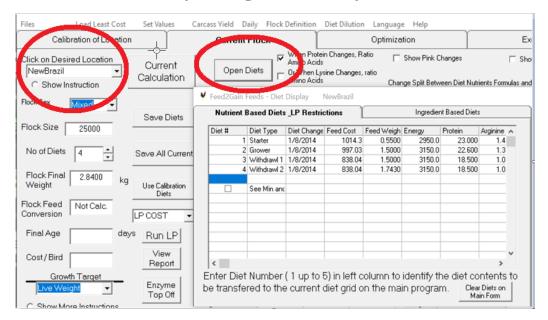
- Testing and using an enzyme can be difficult as availability of final nutrients and expected growth are not clear.
- Some use a nutrient profile for each enzyme. Others use their normal formulation and "Add the Enzyme" on top.
- The question, for me, was how big is the difference between the two approaches? Which can be used to test an enzyme in the field?
- I used BroilerOpt® Feeding Program to see.
- You can make the pictures bigger to read easier.

#### Start with the Program

- BroilerOpt® Feed Program is a computer program with both a least cost formulation part and a growth evaluation.
- A "Location" is calibrated automatically to match growth and nutrition.
- Then, using the Location costs, changes in growth with nutrient changes can be evaluated accurately.
- The program can optimize to the lowest cost formulas with or without an enzyme "added on top"
- All results are Cost driven, as the final nutrition is set by formulation of ingredients based on the Cost of the ingredients.

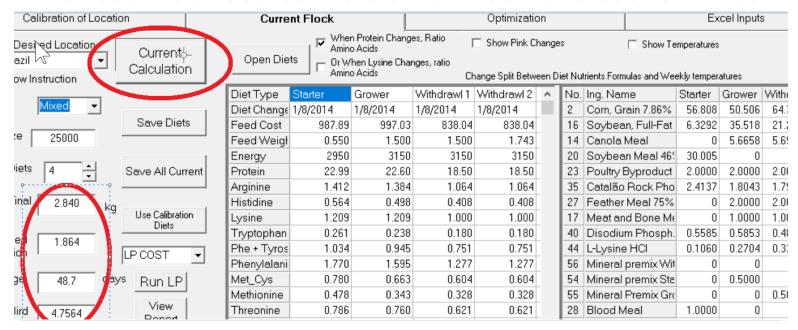
#### Start the Evaluation

- I made up a Location named New Brazil (the Ingredient Data for NewBrazil Matrix is from Tabelas Brasileiras parea Aves e Suinos (Rostangno et al., 2011) except enzyme matrix values. <a href="http://www.fmva.unesp.br/ppfr">http://www.fmva.unesp.br/ppfr</a>
- Costs are also made up to give fairly normal formulations.



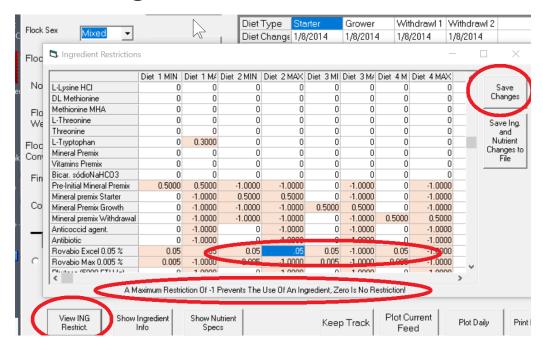
## Calculate the Diets and Growth for the Initial Formulas

- We see the flock is mixed sex and the live weight we expect is 2.8 kg.
- The Diets specify the nutrients and amount of each of the four feeds.
- The result is a feed conversion of 1.864 and cost of 4.7654.



#### Change Restrictions on our Enzyme

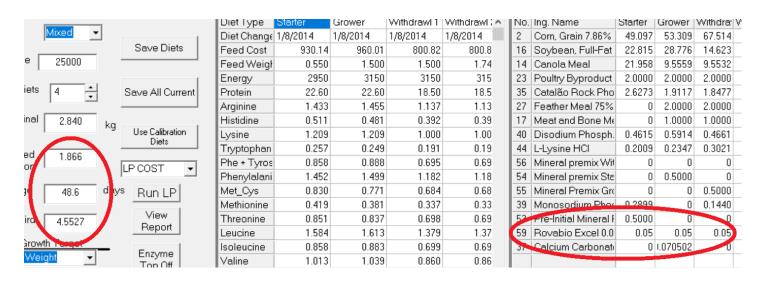
 We change the restrictions on the enzyme we choose, which is Rovabio <sup>®</sup> Excel, applied at 0.05%. A max of -1 blocks use of an ingredient.



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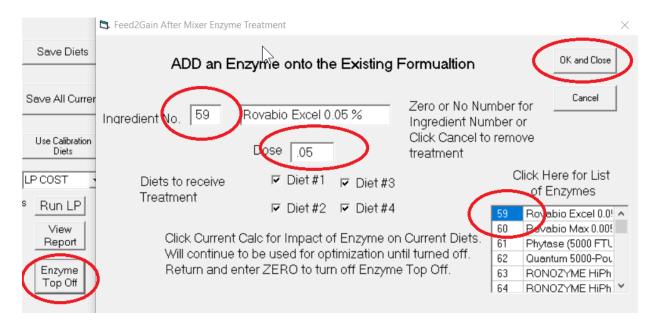
### Run the Current Calculation with Enzyme

- Now, the program will formulate to the same specs, using our enzyme.
- Clicking current calc will show the result.
- Feed conversion is nearly unchanged from 1.864, but cost is down from 4.7654. The enzyme was added, below right.



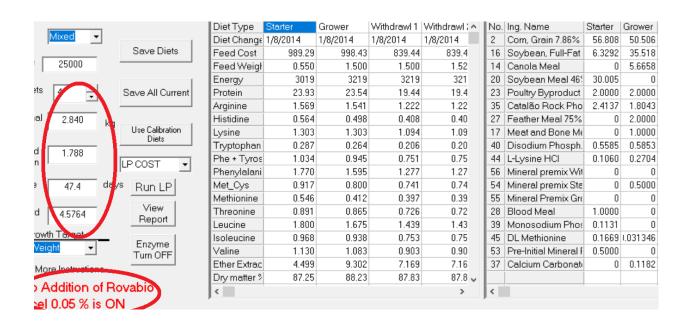
#### Set up for Addition on Top

- We return the restriction on the enzyme to prevent its use in formulation, just as we started.
- Then Click on "Enzyme Top Off". Click on click here to see if your enzyme was recognized by the program.
- Select the enzyme, The example is #59 in the ingredient list (name is filled in by program) and you choose the dose and diets to dose.



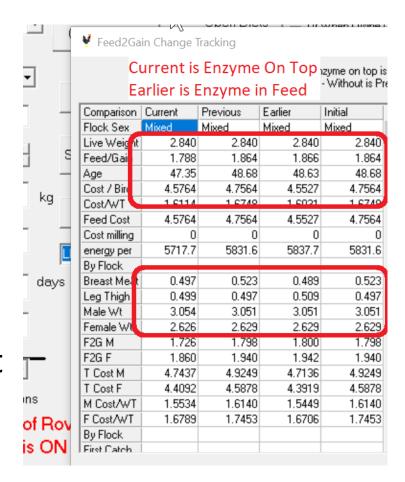
# Evaluate Growth with Enzyme on Top"

- The program now solves the least cost formulations, just as the initial calculation.
- The nutrient values for the enzyme are added and growth calculated.
- We are told the addition is ON. Feed conversion is down to 1.788 and Cost is down to 4.5764.



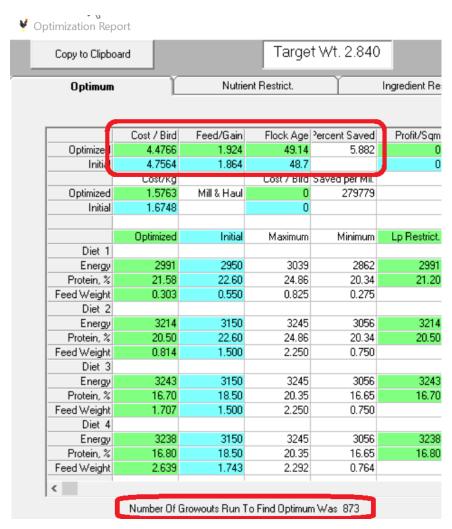
#### Summary of Results

- Using the Keep Track button, we can recall the last four Growth Calculations.
- To the far right is the starting feed results.
- The program predicts carcass impact and Male and Female Weights.
- We can also find the Lowest
   Cost use of the Enzymes -



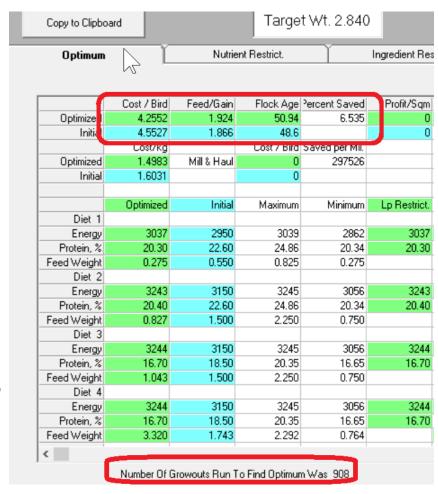
#### Optimized Feed Cost – No Enzyme

- Using the Formulation Program and Minimum and Maximum Energy and Protein (amino acids in ratio), the program searches for the lowest cost.
- With the costs that were made up, the feed costs with no enzyme could be reduced almost 6 percent with a higher feed conversion (6 points)
- Not shown, holding to the same f2g or better, min. cost is 4.7032 or 1.1 % and f2g 1.703.



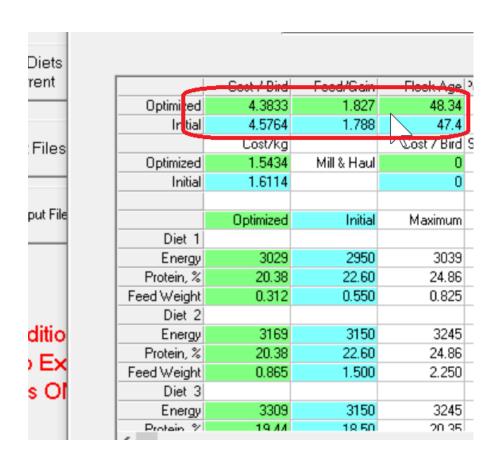
## Optimized Feed Cost –Enzyme in Formula

- Optimizing with the enzyme, costs were reduced by 6 percent over using the enzyme in formulating our original feeds.
- With the enzyme, optimization predicts saving 10 percent over the original formulas.
- Not shown, when f2g was held constant, savings were 5 percent (4.518 and f2g of 1.81.



# Optimized Feed Cost –Enzyme "Added on Top"

- Added "On Top" saved less on Optimization than formulation.
- Feed cost was reduced 3
   percent from On Top of
   the original formulas and
   7.8 percent from our
   original costs.
- Note the final energies fed were above the maximums because the Energy and protein from the enzyme were not counted.



#### Conclusion

- Adding the enzyme "on Top" of our formulations worked almost as well as including the enzyme as part of the formulation. Cost was 4.58 vs 4.55 when added to the formulas. Both were better than the initial non-enzyme cost of 4.76. Adding on top resulted in higher energy and lower feed conversion. Breast meat yield was also lower.
- While formulation with an enzyme gave the best cost results and kept feed conversion constant, testing an enzyme with the "On Top" application appears to be very useful.
- "On Top" Application would give visible improvement in feed conversion that formulating would not. Feed2Gain Improvement is something all can see and understand.

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