ORAL-PRO**

Vitamin D3 plus NATURAL E500

Dispersible Liquid Concentrate

Highly Concentrated Vitamin D3 *plus* Natural E500 Supplement for Oral Use in Baby Pigs and in Drinking Water of Nursery and Finishing Pigs



1000 ML — REORDER NO: 21021

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- · Flexible dosing options:
 - Baby Pigs Administer ½ to 1 mL orally to baby pigs at processing.
 Each dose delivers a minimum of 40,000 IU of vitamin D3 and 500 IU of vitamin E activity.
 - Nursery and Finishing Pigs Mix 2–4 oz. per gallon of stock solution.
 Use for 5 to 7 days.
- Our unique micelle formulation creates a water-stable emulsion for easy mixing in water.
- Minimum 40,000 IU per mL of vitamin D3 to meet the piglets' needs in the farrowing crate.
- Provides a natural source of vitamin E which reduces the oxidative effects of iron dextran when given at processing.

ORAL-PRO™ Vitamin D3 <i>plus</i> NATURAL E500								
	Day	Vitamin D3 E 0, 5, 12 and 1	5-Day Treatment					
Dose	Day 0	Day 5	Day 12	Day 19	Total Cost/16# Pig			
2 oz./gallon	14	44	31	32	4 cents			
4 oz./gallon	14	63	45	37	8 cents			

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RAL-PRO Vitamin D3 plus NATURAL E500 Tech Sheet

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Aurora Pharmaceutical Research Summary

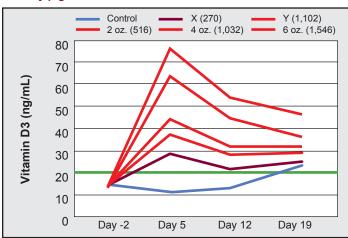
Vitamin D3 supplementation in pigs has become nutritionally important due to the lack of sunlight in modern pork production. D3 is the preferred form of vitamin D over the plant-based D2, which has poor bioavailability in pigs. Many supplemental vitamin D products have recently emerged on the market. ORAL-PRO™ Vitamin D3 plus NATURAL E500 is one such product. It is easy to give as a 1 mL pump in the mouth of the piglet or delivered in the drinking water to nursery age pigs. Comparison with competitor products given at label directions showed ORAL-PRO Vitamin D3 plus NATURAL E500 was superior in raising and maintaining higher serum blood levels (data not shown). Aurora Pharmaceutical has the following research and field trial data to support our dosage recommendation of 2 to 4 oz. per gallon stock solution to maintain normal (25-30 ng.mL)¹ vitamin D3 blood levels. In both studies below, typical nursery ration levels of vitamin D3 were present in the feed.

Dose titration study nursery

Table 1. Average serum levels of Vitamin D3 by dose and day. X and Y are competitor products.

Serum (ng/mL)	Dose: oz./gal. stock solution (IU/mL/day)						
	Con (0)	X (270)	Y (1102)	2 (516)	4 (1032)	6 (1546)	
Day -2	14	15	15	15	13	13	
Day 5	11	29	37	44	63	77	
Day 12	13	21	28	32	45	53	
Day 19	22	25	29	32	37	47	

Nursery pig vitamin D3 serum levels



Take home message from this research:

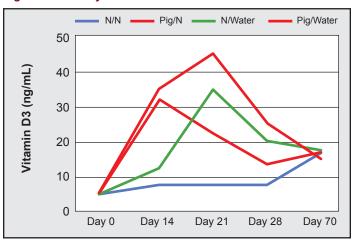
- Vitamin D3 in feed (Con-0) does not get pigs to normal blood levels at a time in the nursery when the immune system is challenged through vaccination and/or disease organisms.
- Product X given at label directions does not result in normal vitamin D3 levels.
- Product Y should be similar to ORAL-PRO Vitamin D3 plus NATURAL E500 at 4 oz./gallon stock solution. These data show there is a problem with bioavailability and absorption. This product does not deliver.
- ORAL-PRO Vitamin D3 plus NATURAL E500 does reach normal blood levels at the recommended dose of 2-4 oz./gallon stock solution metered at 1:128.
- Optimal dose levels (2-4 oz./gallon) depend on the starting level of serum vitamin D3 in the wean pig. Our recommendations are:
 - Less than 9 use 4 oz./gallon of stock solution for 7 days.
 - 9 to 14 use 3 oz./gallon of stock solution for 7 days
 - Greater than 14 use 2 oz./gallon of stock solution for 7 days.

Field study piglet and nursery

Table 2. Average serum levels of Vitamin D3 by treatment and day.

Serum	Treatment (N=nothing, Pig=1 mL dose, Water=2 oz./gal. stock solution)						
(ng/mL)	N/N	Pig/N	N/Water	Pig/Water			
Day 0 (1 week old)	6	4	5	6			
Day 14 (weaning)	9	32	13	35			
Day 21	9	24	36	45			
Day 28	8	15	21	26			
Day 70	18	18	18	16			

Piglet and nursery vitamin D3 serum levels



Take home message from this field trial:

- Vitamin D3 in feed does not get pigs to normal blood levels at a time in the nursery when the immune system is challenged through vaccination and/or disease organisms.
- Giving vitamin D3 to piglets in the farrowing crate and to nursery pigs at arrival to the nursery produced the best results.
- Giving vitamin D3 at weaning only should be given at 2-4 oz./gallon stock depending on the piglets' starting level of D3
- If you can only give ORAL-PRO Vitamin D3 plus NATURAL E500 in one place, the nursery is the best place to use it.
- Vitamin D3 is essential for a healthy immune system and bone development.2 The correct serum level and bioavailability during the transition from the sow to grow-finish may be underestimated as the pig meets some of its greatest performance challenges such as disease exposure, vaccination and nutrient diversification.
- Goff, JP; Horst, L; Littledike, ET, Effect of sow vitamin D status at parturition on the vitamin D status of neonatal piglets. J Nutr. 1984. 114:163–169.
- NRC-Nutrient requirements of swine: 11th revised edition. 2012. The National Academies Press (pg 107–108).