

# CARCASS CHARACTERISTICS OF TWO STRAINS OF BROILER CHICKENS FED DIETS CONTAINING VARYING LEVELS OF CASSAVA GRITS

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# INTRODUCTION

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- Poultry meat is one of the most consumed across the globe for the high quality carcass
- High demand for high quality cut parts such as breast has greatly driven breeding and marketing strategies to meet such demands (Ojedapo *et al.*, 2008)
- Carcass yield is a measure of performance and an indicator of biological productivity and economic profitability
- To producer and processor as a measure of profitability and to consumer as a measure of value for expenditure

# INTRODUCTION.....

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- **Composition of carcass is influenced by a number of factors like age of animal, physiological state, animal species, management/environment and nutrition profile.**
- **Carcass traits are dependent on dietary quality (component) in livestock and poultry production**
- **High fibre level in the diet reduces the fatness of the carcass.**
- **Dietary protein content affects quality of edible meat and fat content in addition to the weight gain and feed efficiency, (Poultry World, 2017).**
- **Energy component of diet is also a factor that determines meat quality**

# JUSTIFICATION

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- **Energy cost in poultry production**
- **Conventional energy source**
- **Competition**
- **Attendant fluctuations in supply and high cost**
- **Alternatives**
- **Cassava advantage**

# OBJECTIVES

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## **Main objective**

- To determine the carcass characteristics of two strains of broiler chickens fed diets with varying levels of cassava grits as energy source

## **The specific objectives were to determine:**

- Effect of strain on carcass characteristics of broiler chickens using Arbor Acre plus and Marshal strains
- Effect of replacement of dietary maize with cassava grits on carcass characteristics of broiler chickens

# MATERIALS AND METHOD

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Experimental site and location

Test ingredient and experimental diets

Birds and management

Data collection and analysis

# Table 1: Broiler finisher diets containing varying levels of cassava grits as energy source

Ingredients (kg)	Replacement Levels			
	0%	20%	40%	60%
<b>Maize</b>	550	440	330	220
<b>Groundnut cake</b>	200	200	200	200
<b>Soybean meal</b>	88	88	88	88
<b>Cassava grits</b>	0	110	220	330
<b>Palm kernel cake</b>	67	67	67	67
<b>Wheat offal</b>	38	38	38	38
<b>Bone meal</b>	25	25	25	25
<b>Oyster shell</b>	25	25	25	25
<b>Lysine</b>	1	1	1	1
<b>Methionine</b>	1	1	1	1
<b>Premix</b>	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<b>Salt</b>	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<b>Total</b>	1000	1000	1000	1000



# RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

## Table: 2 Analysed composition of experimental diets

Component	Replacement Levels			
	0%	20%	40%	60%
Metabolizable Energy (kcal/kg)	2916.40	2890.55	2864.71	2838.86
Crude protein (%)	19.74	19.41	19.28	18.75
Ether extract (%)	3.67	3.67	3.68	3.68
Crude fibre (%)	4.17	4.87	5.29	4.25

**Table 3: Main effects of strain on killing - out weights of broiler chickens fed diets containing varying levels of cassava grits**

Parameters	Strain of broiler		SEM
	Arbor Acre Plus	Marshal	
Live weight (g)	1944.93	1951.67	43.63
Bled weight (%)	95.93	94.63	0.40
Plucked Weight (%)	90.42 <sup>a</sup>	89.02 <sup>b</sup>	0.35
Eviscerated weight (%)	75.64	75.69	0.61
Dressed weight (%)	66.53	65.09	0.54

**Table 4: Main effects of diets on killing - out weights of broiler chickens fed diets containing varying levels of cassava grits**

Parameters	Replacement Level				SEM
	0%	20%	40%	60%	
Live weight (g)	2103.75 <sup>a</sup>	2056.25 <sup>ab</sup>	1885.42 <sup>bc</sup>	1747.78 <sup>c</sup>	43.63
Bled weight (%)	95.91 <sup>a</sup>	93.39 <sup>b</sup>	95.61 <sup>ab</sup>	95.14 <sup>ab</sup>	0.40
Plucked Weight (%)	90.28	88.89	90.42	89.29	0.35
Eviscerated weight (%)	76.62	75.14	76.52	74.36	0.61
Dressed weight (%)	67.53	65.45	65.60	64.66	0.54

<sup>abc</sup>: Means along the same row with different superscripts are significantly different (p<0.05)

**Table 5: Interactive effect of broiler strain and diets on killing - out weights of broiler chickens fed diets containing varying levels of cassava grits**

Parameters	Arbor Acre Plus				Marshal				SEM
	0%	20%	40%	60%	0%	20%	40%	60%	
<b>Live weight (g)</b>	2093.30 <sup>ab</sup>	2095.00 <sup>ab</sup>	1835.80 <sup>ab</sup>	1755.60 <sup>ab</sup>	2114.20 <sup>a</sup>	2017.50 <sup>ab</sup>	1935.00 <sup>ab</sup>	1740.00 <sup>b</sup>	43.63
<b>Bled weight (%)</b>	95.58 <sup>ab</sup>	94.29 <sup>ab</sup>	96.16 <sup>ab</sup>	95.52 <sup>ab</sup>	96.24 <sup>a</sup>	92.49 <sup>b</sup>	95.05 <sup>ab</sup>	94.76 <sup>ab</sup>	0.40
<b>Plucked weight (%)</b>	90.32 <sup>a</sup>	90.49 <sup>a</sup>	90.89 <sup>a</sup>	89.97 <sup>ab</sup>	90.24 <sup>a</sup>	87.29 <sup>b</sup>	89.95 <sup>ab</sup>	88.61 <sup>ab</sup>	0.35
<b>Eviscerated weight (%)</b>	76.67	76.18	75.04	74.66	76.57	74.11	78.01	74.07	0.61
<b>Dressed Weight (%)</b>	70.09 <sup>a</sup>	65.70 <sup>ab</sup>	64.81 <sup>b</sup>	65.54 <sup>b</sup>	64.96 <sup>b</sup>	65.21 <sup>b</sup>	66.40 <sup>ab</sup>	63.78 <sup>b</sup>	0.54

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**Table 6: Main effects of strains on cut - parts of broiler chickens fed diets containing varying levels of cassava grits**

Parameters	Strains of broiler		SEM
	Arbor Acre Plus	Marshal	
Breast (%)	20.21	19.18	0.29
Back (%)	13.67	14.51	0.31
Wings (%)	8.67	8.52	0.07
Neck (%)	5.06	4.81	0.07
Head (%)	2.54	2.52	0.04
Thigh (%)	11.77	11.16	0.18
Drumstick (%)	9.94	9.84	0.08
Shank (%)	4.24	4.15	0.07

**Table 7: Main effects of cassava as replacement for maize on cut parts of broiler chickens fed diets containing varying levels of cassava grits**

Parameters	Cassava replacement level				SEM
	0%	20%	40%	60%	
Breast (%)	19.38	20.14	20.14	19.12	0.29
Back (%)	14.68	14.63	13.01	14.06	0.31
Wings (%)	8.60	8.64	8.57	8.62	0.07
Neck (%)	5.14	4.97	4.74	4.90	0.07
Head (%)	2.53 <sup>a</sup>	2.31 <sup>b</sup>	2.65 <sup>a</sup>	2.63 <sup>a</sup>	0.04
Thigh (%)	11.86	11.62	11.13	11.26	0.18
Drumstick (%)	10.08	9.64	9.94	9.91	0.08
Shank (%)	4.26 <sup>ab</sup>	3.90 <sup>b</sup>	4.26 <sup>ab</sup>	4.36 <sup>a</sup>	0.07

<sup>ab</sup>: Means along the same row with different superscripts are significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ )

**Table 8: Interactive effect of broiler strain and diets on cut - parts of broiler chickens fed diets containing varying levels of cassava grits**

Parameters	AAP				Marshal				SEM
	0%	20%	40%	60%	0%	20%	40%	60%	
<b>Breast (%)</b>	19.97	20.96	20.04	19.85	18.79	19.32	20.23	18.39	0.29
<b>Back (%)</b>	14.38 <sup>ab</sup>	13.32 <sup>ab</sup>	12.57 <sup>b</sup>	14.41 <sup>ab</sup>	14.97 <sup>ab</sup>	15.93 <sup>a</sup>	13.45 <sup>ab</sup>	13.70 <sup>ab</sup>	0.31
<b>Thigh (%)</b>	12.27	11.89	11.60	11.35	11.45	11.36	10.66	11.18	0.18
<b>Drumstick (%)</b>	9.95	9.83	10.07	9.92	10.20	9.45	9.81	9.90	0.08
<b>Wings (%)</b>	8.68 <sup>abc</sup>	8.73 <sup>abc</sup>	8.34 <sup>bc</sup>	9.02 <sup>a</sup>	8.53 <sup>abc</sup>	8.55 <sup>abc</sup>	8.80 <sup>ab</sup>	8.22 <sup>c</sup>	0.07
<b>Neck (%)</b>	5.26	5.21	4.81	4.97	5.02	4.72	4.66	4.83	0.07
<b>Head (%)</b>	2.57 <sup>a</sup>	2.26 <sup>c</sup>	2.76 <sup>a</sup>	2.58 <sup>ab</sup>	2.48 <sup>abc</sup>	2.36 <sup>bc</sup>	2.55 <sup>ab</sup>	2.67 <sup>a</sup>	0.04
<b>Shank (%)</b>	4.24	4.00	4.30	4.43	4.29	3.81	4.21	4.30	0.07

abc: Means along the same row with different superscripts are significantly different (p<0.05)



# CONCLUSION

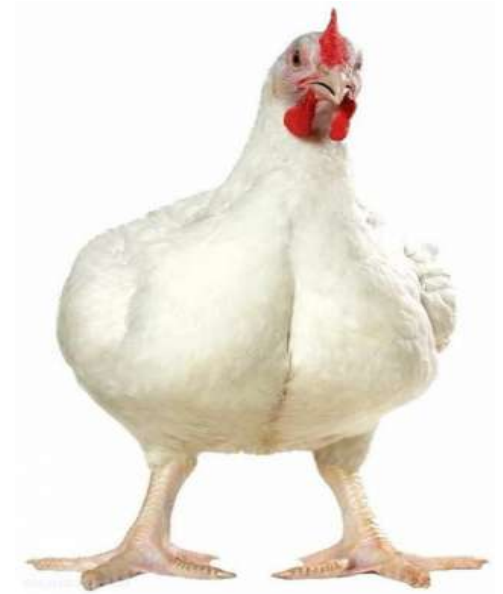
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- Strain of broiler chicken had no influence on dressed weight and choice cuts (breast, thigh and drumstick) of the chickens.
- Live weight of the chickens reduced with increasing level of cassava grits in the diets.
- The dressed weight and choice cuts were not influenced by cassava grits.
- Broiler chickens of both strains on diet with 40% CG gave optimal live weight, dressed weight and relative weights of choice cuts.

# RECOMMENDATION

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When replacing maize with cassava grits in diets of broiler chickens it is recommended that it should not exceed 40%



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