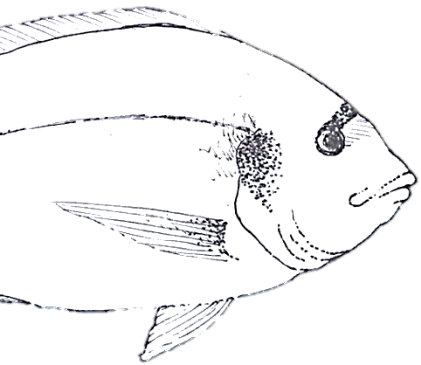


Functional Feed Additives to Reduce the Impact of *Enteromyxum leei*



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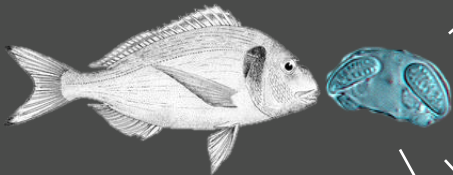
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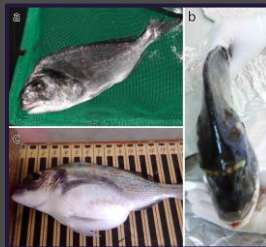
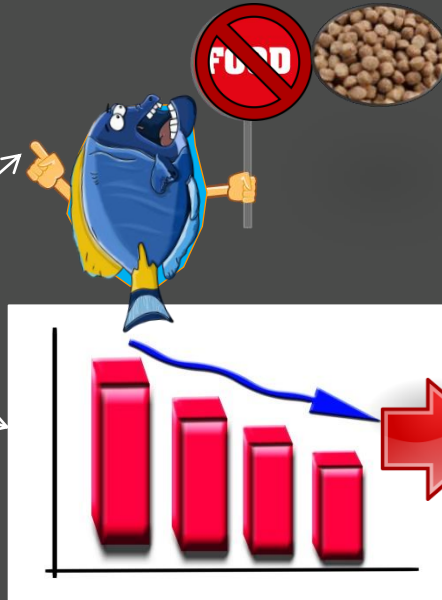
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What is the problem we aim to solve?

Parasitic enteritis in gilthead sea bream (*Sparus aurata*)



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Myxozoan
Endemic

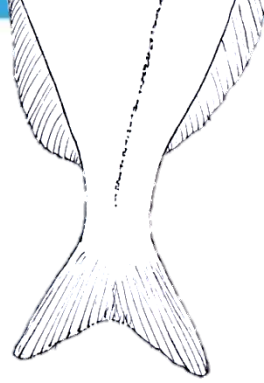


2 Our tools





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Experimental
models of
transmission

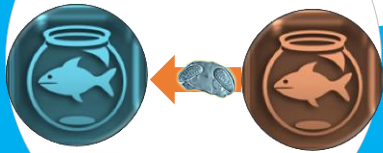
PARASITE
DIAGNOSIS



Anal
intubation



Effluent



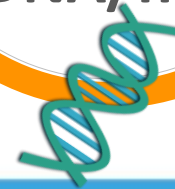
Samples:
Lethal
Non-lethal



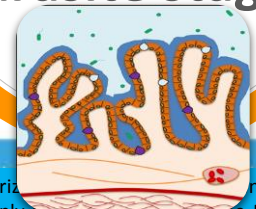
Growth
Performance



qPCR:
Copies of
parasite
DNA/fish



Histology:
Extension of
infection
Parasite stages



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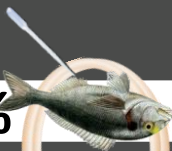
THE ADDITIVES & DIETS

DIFFERENT TRIALS

6 wks



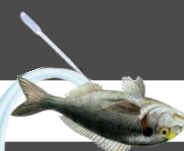
0.4 %



5 wks



0.2-0.4 %



4 wks



Sodium butyrate (SCFA) (70%) + vegetable fat (30%) that allows the active principle to be active along the entire gastrointestinal tract

Health-promoting additive: mixture of organic acids, inactivated yeast and yeast extracts with herbal extracts on a mineral carrier

Diet including: functional ingredients, prebiotics, trybutirin and natural extracts. Specific formulation to support damaged organs and impaired physiological processes (e.g., raw materials balance, macro and micronutrients)



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THE IMPROVED RESULTS



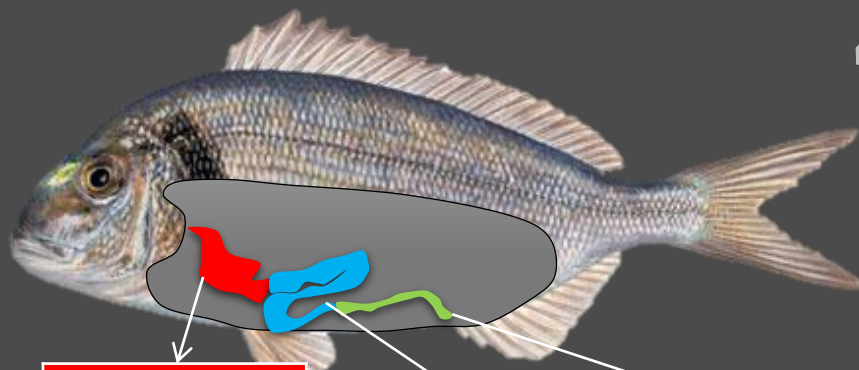
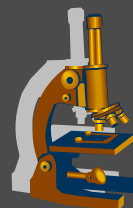
Prevalence of infection

79.2%

87.5%

91.7%

Extension of the infection

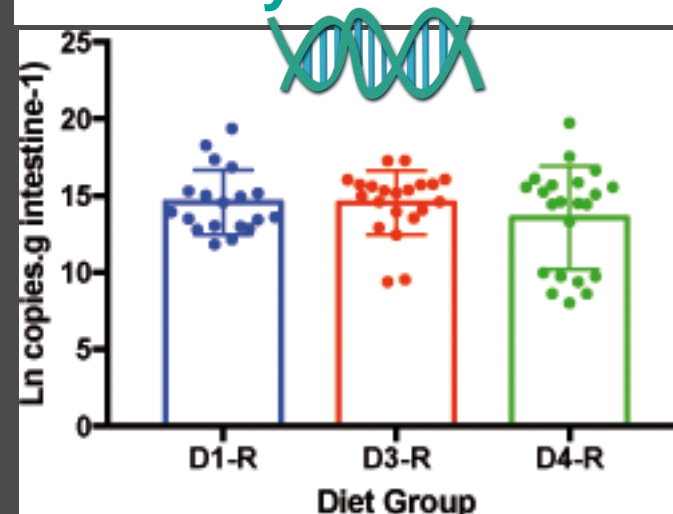


ANTERIOR*	
D1	12.5
D3	66.7
D4	40

MIDDLE	
D1	0
D3	27
D4	33.3

POSTERIOR	
D1	56.3
D3	93.3
D4	80

Intensity of infection

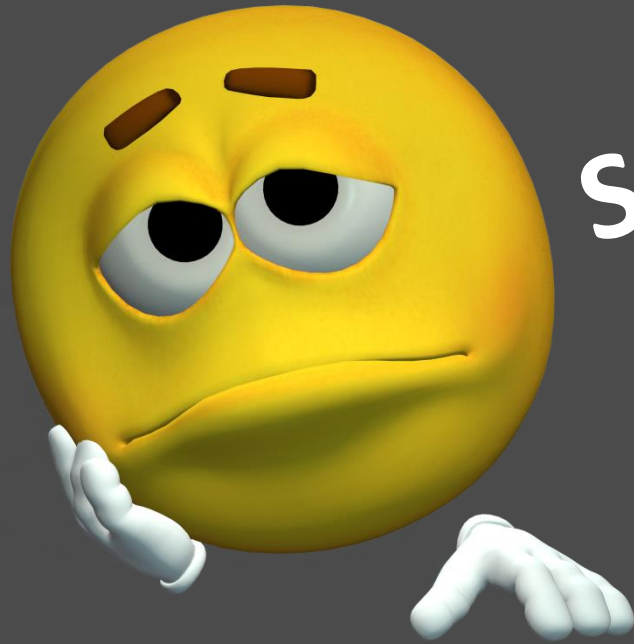


D1 = CTRL
diet

D3 = high
vegetable

D4 = high
vegetable
+ BP-70

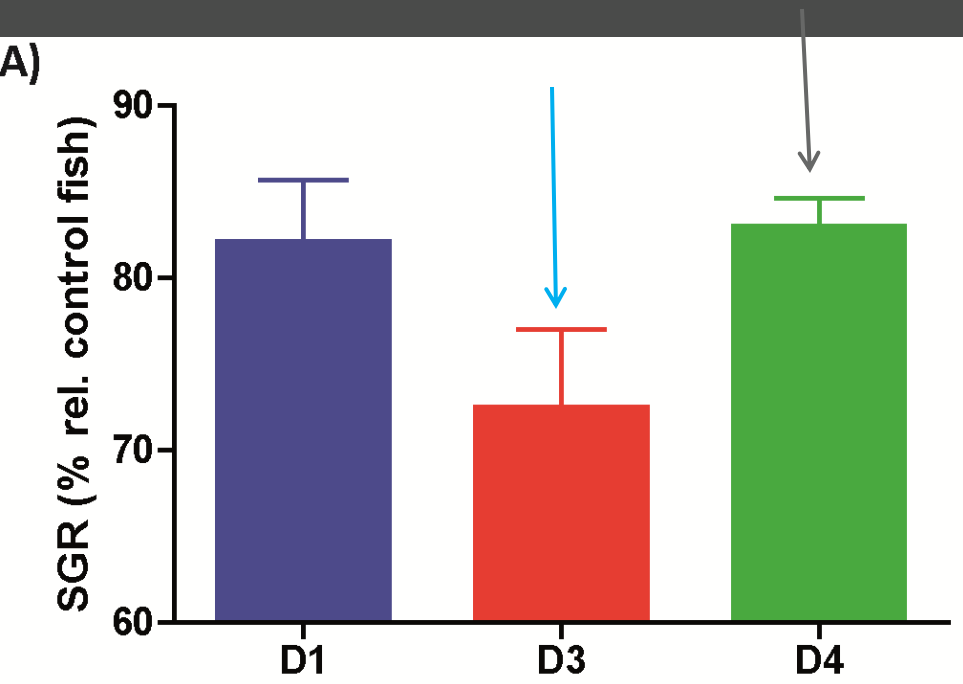




So what?

In parasitized fish (Recipient):

- Weight loss is higher in the extreme vegetable diet (D3)
- Weight loss is refrained by BP-70 (D4)

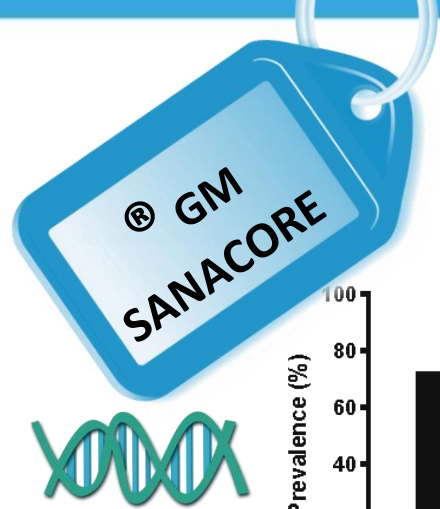


Specific growth rate



Being infected does not
always mean being
diseased!

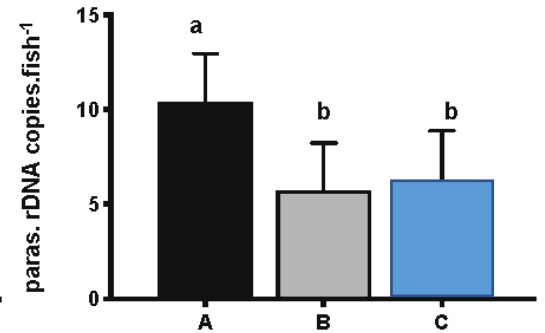
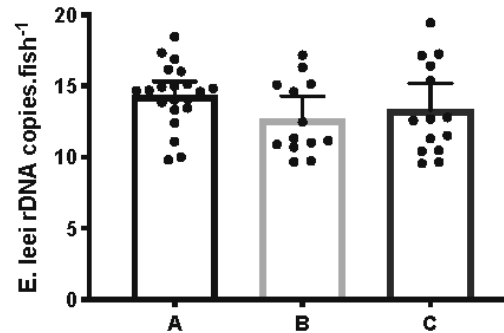
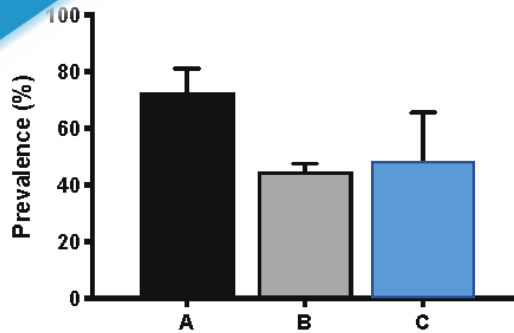
Resilience



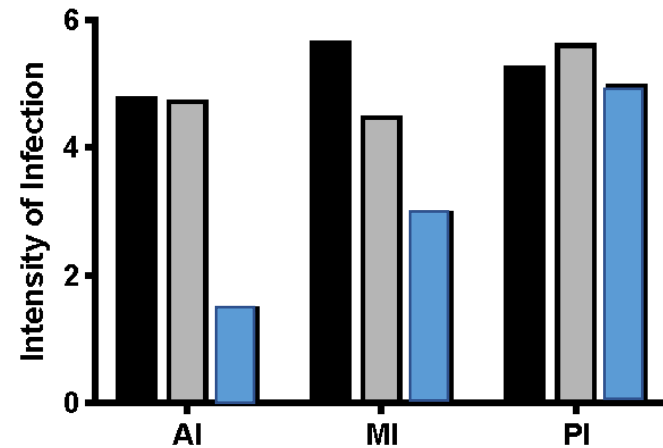
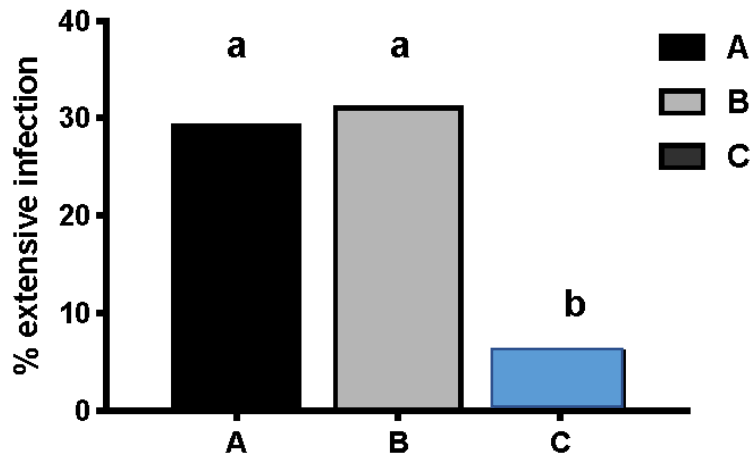
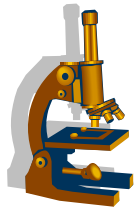
A = 0 %

B = 0.2 %

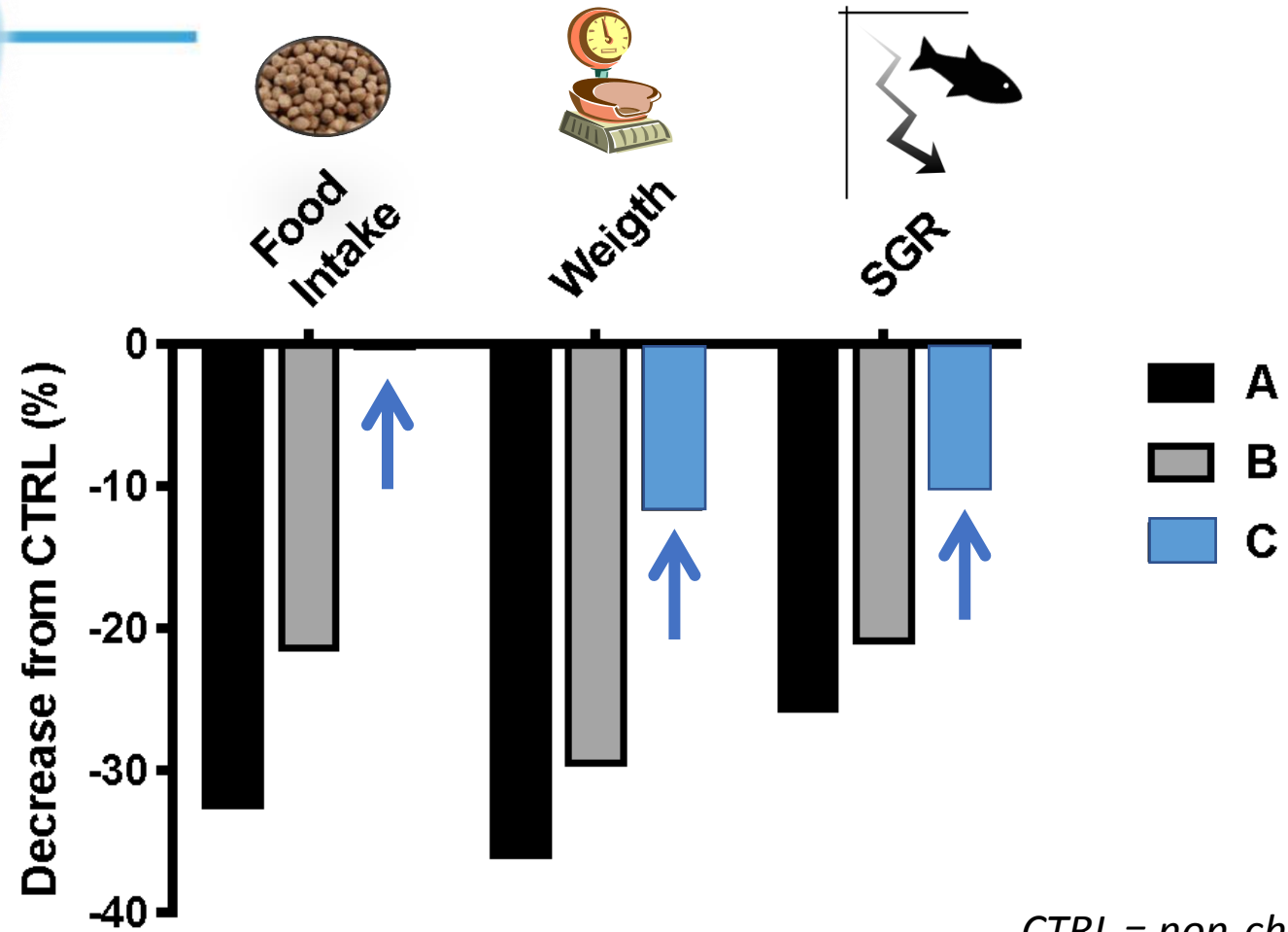
C = 0.4 %



SANACORE-fed groups presented lower prevalence of infection and a lower parasite load

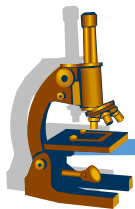


SANACORE-fed groups had less extension of the infection along the intestinal tract



CTRL = non-challenged

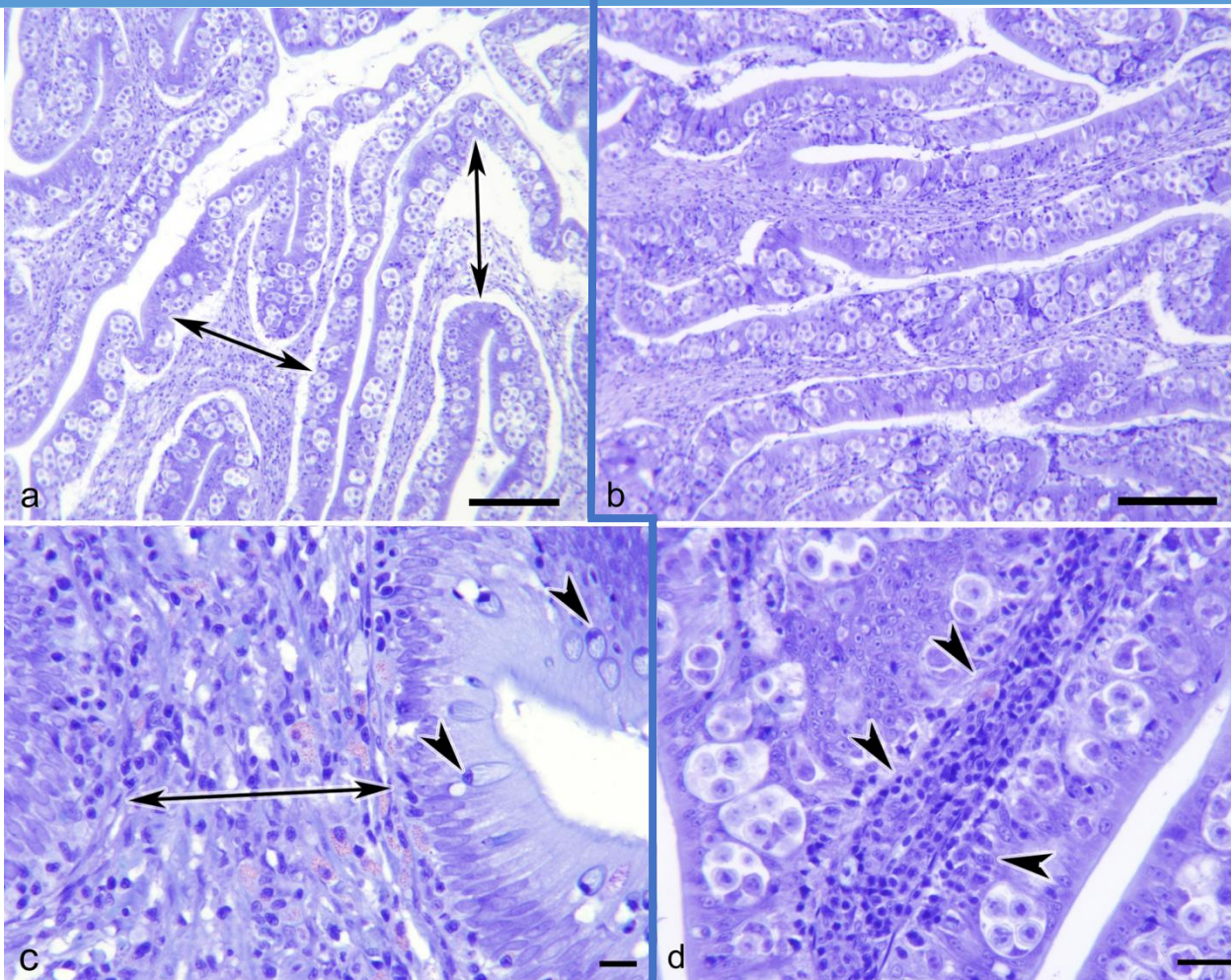
Supplemented diets mitigated the anorexia and growth arrestment observed in diet A



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A = 0 %

C = 0.4 %

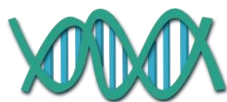


C diet had less inflammation of submucosa and desquamation of the intestinal epithelium





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SHIELD

3.34×10^6

30 %

55.7 %

22 %

47.4 %

0.47×10^6

Intensity (no. parasites/fish):
lowered in SHIELD-fed by 85%

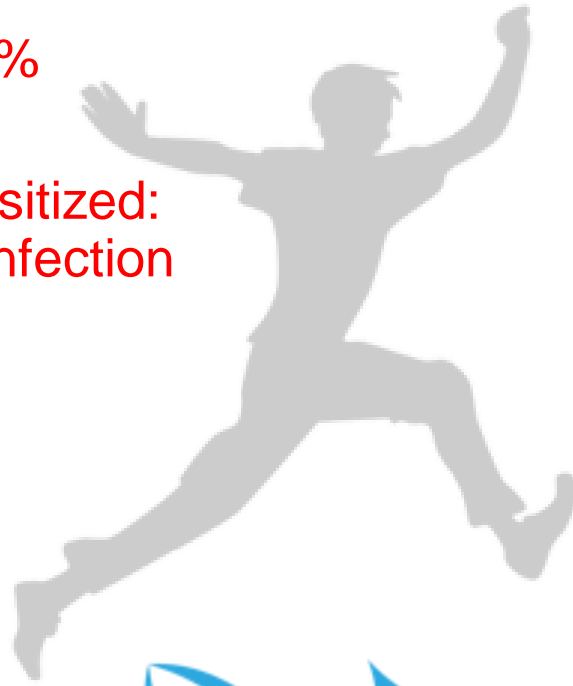
Mean prevalence (%):
lowered in SHIELD-fed
by 26.6 %

**Reduction of weight
gain** after challenge
compared to the
unchallenged groups

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CONCLUSIONS

- ✓ We cannot get 0 % infected fish
- ✓ Fish are still parasitized: they could pass infection to other fish



- ✓ Intestinal health is improved: so useful for other enteritis
- ✓ Lowered parasite prevalence and intensity
- ✓ Fish can cope with the parasite: resilience
- ✓ Fish do not have the main disease sign: loss of weight



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Filling the gap:

The industry can reduce economic losses



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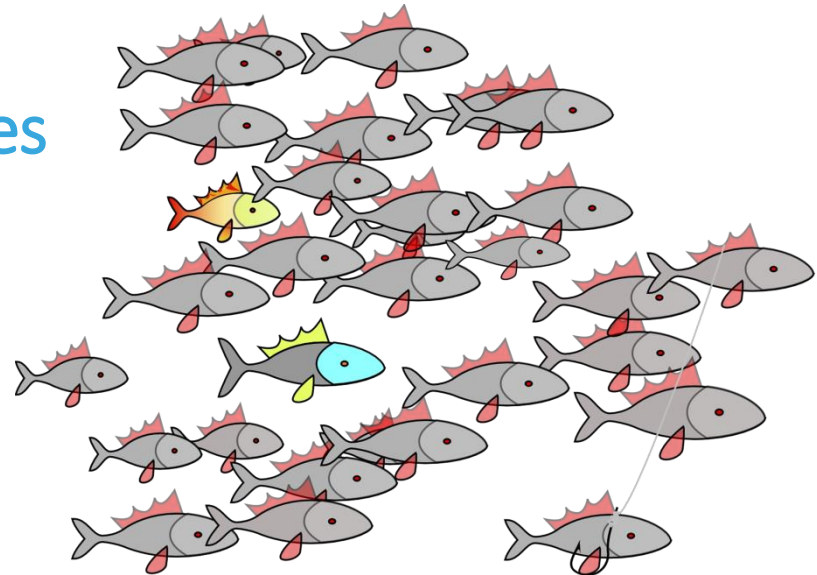


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