

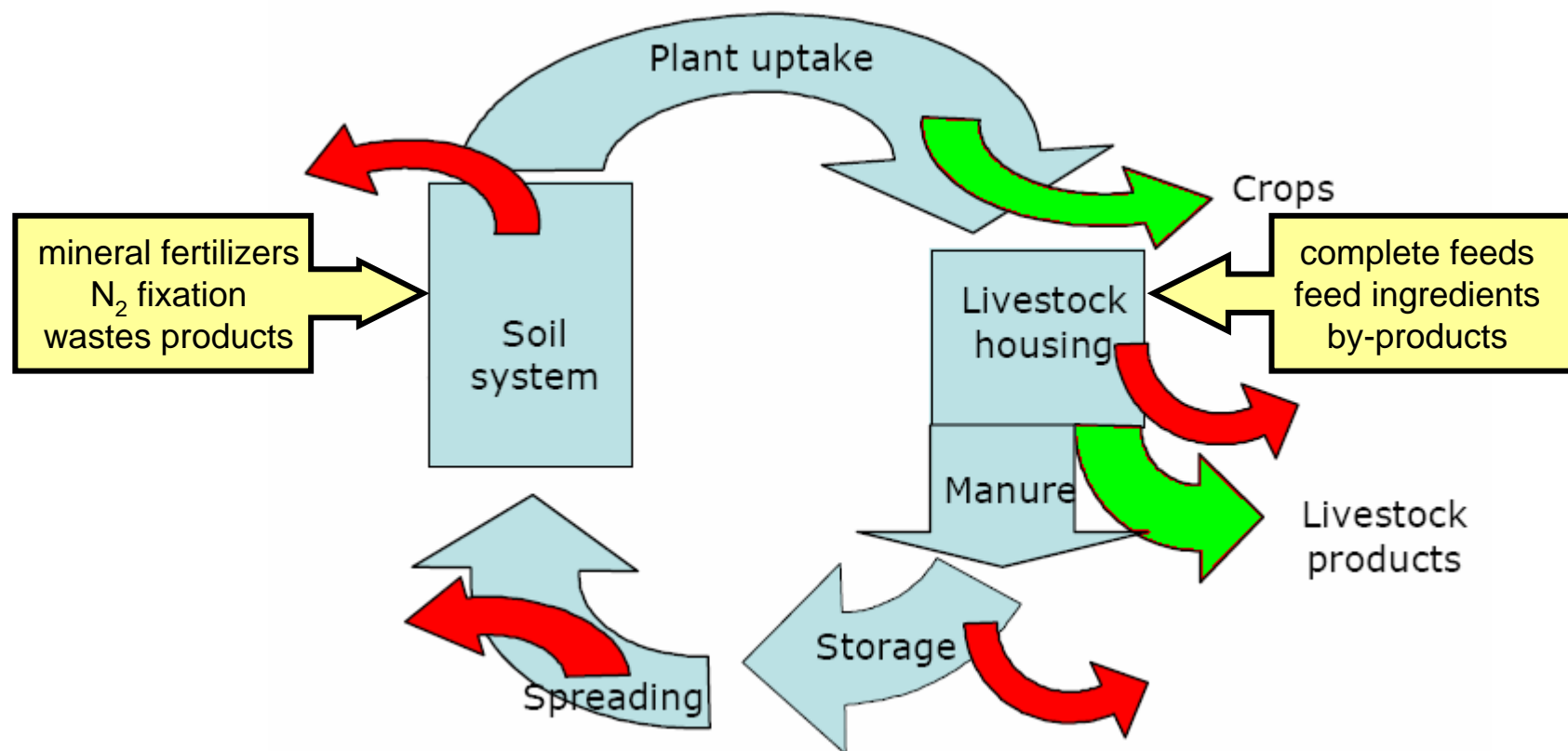
# Impact of nutrition on nitrogen, phosphorus and trace elements in pig manure and emissions in the air

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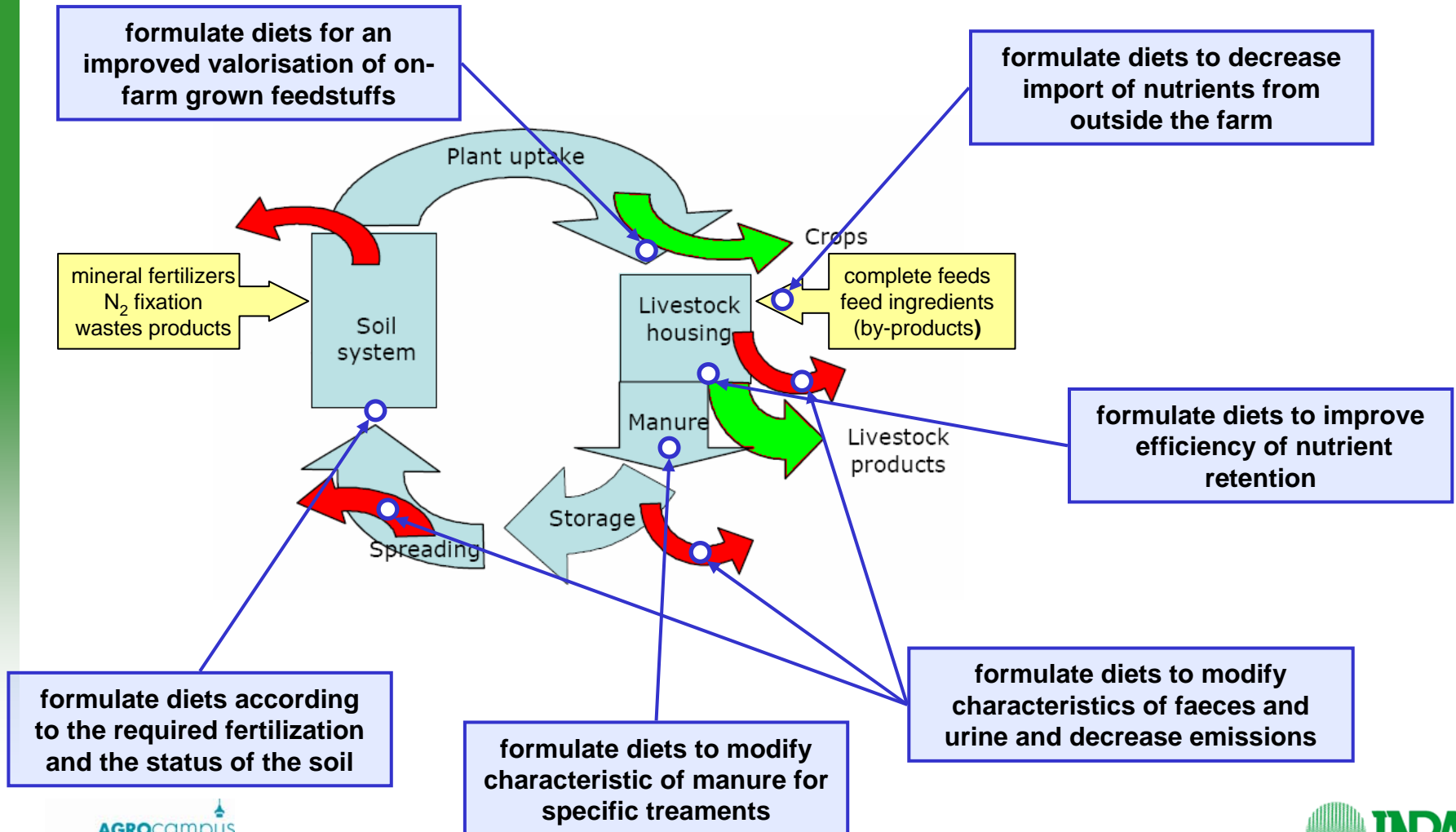
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# Nutrient flow on a livestock farm



# Impact of animal nutrition on nutrient flow at farm level



# Effect of nutrition on nutrient flow in pig production

- **Must be considered first at farm level**
  - solutions depends on intensity of pig production relatively to the area available for manure spreading
- **Implication of animal nutrition**
  - **control the flow of nutrients entering the farm**
    - better use of on-farm grown feed ingredients
    - improvement of efficiency of nutrient utilisation
    - alternative formulation practices
      - use of industrial AA instead of proteins
      - use of phytase instead of phosphorus ...
  - **modify the characteristics of faeces and urine excreted in order to limit emissions in the air**

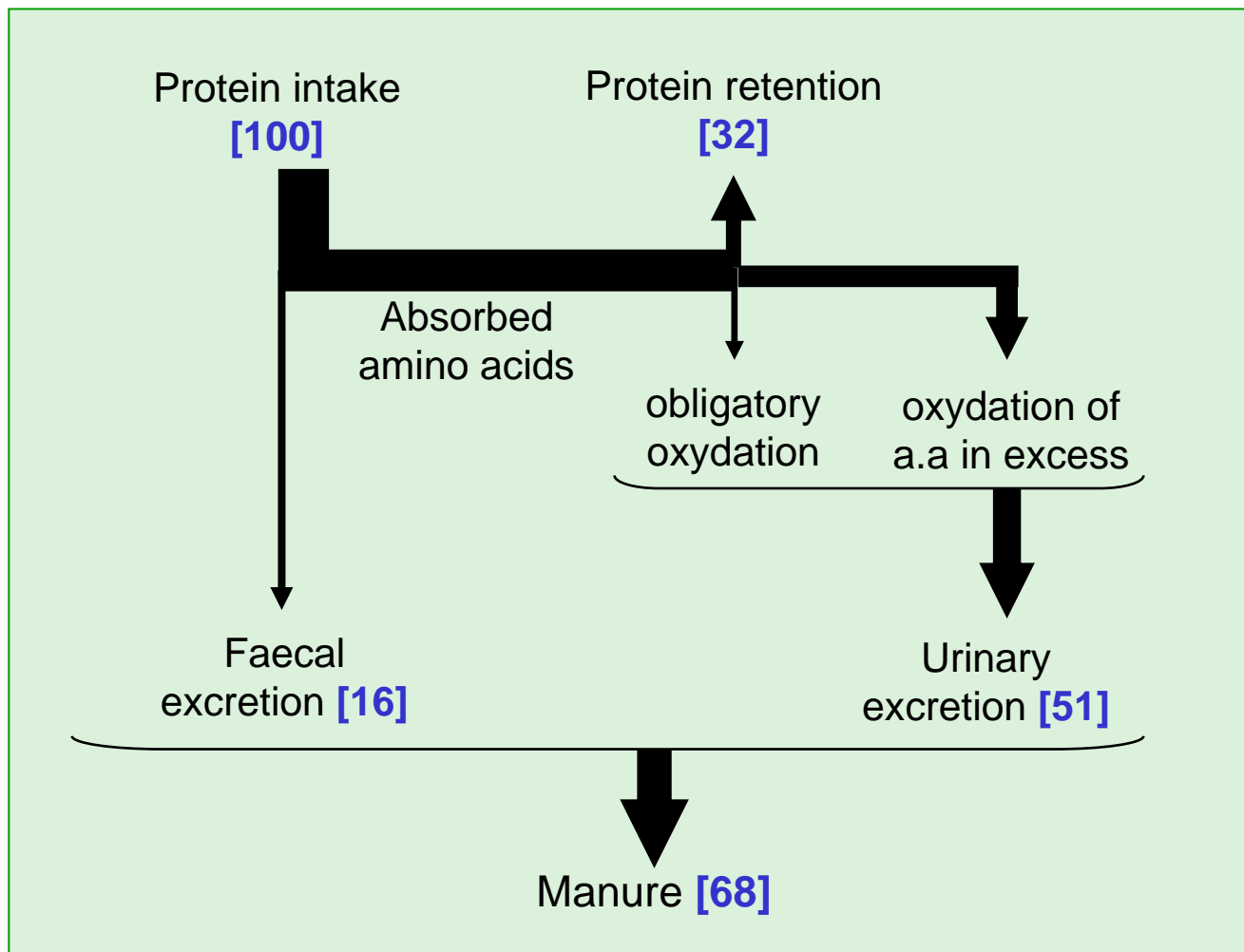
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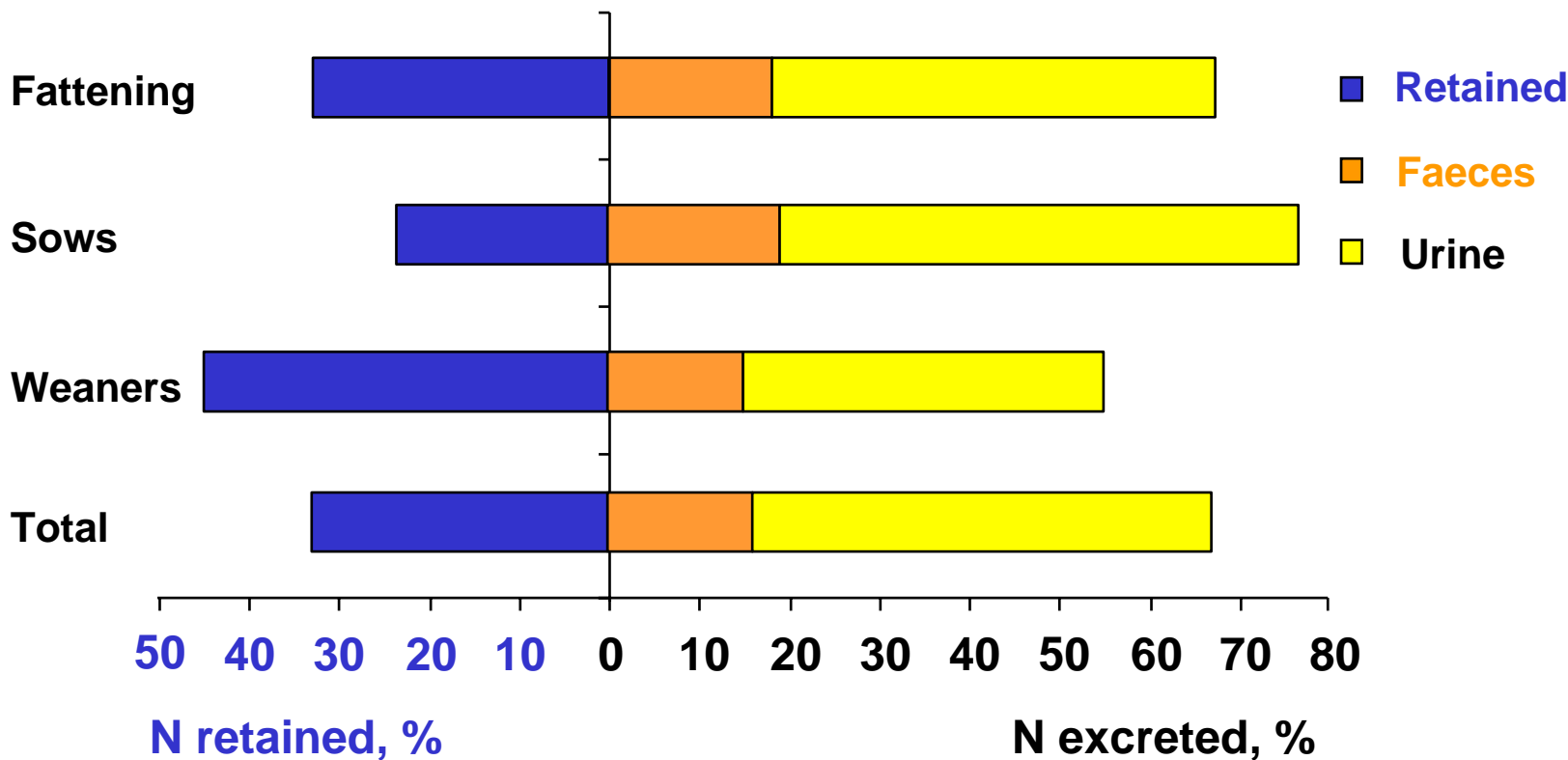
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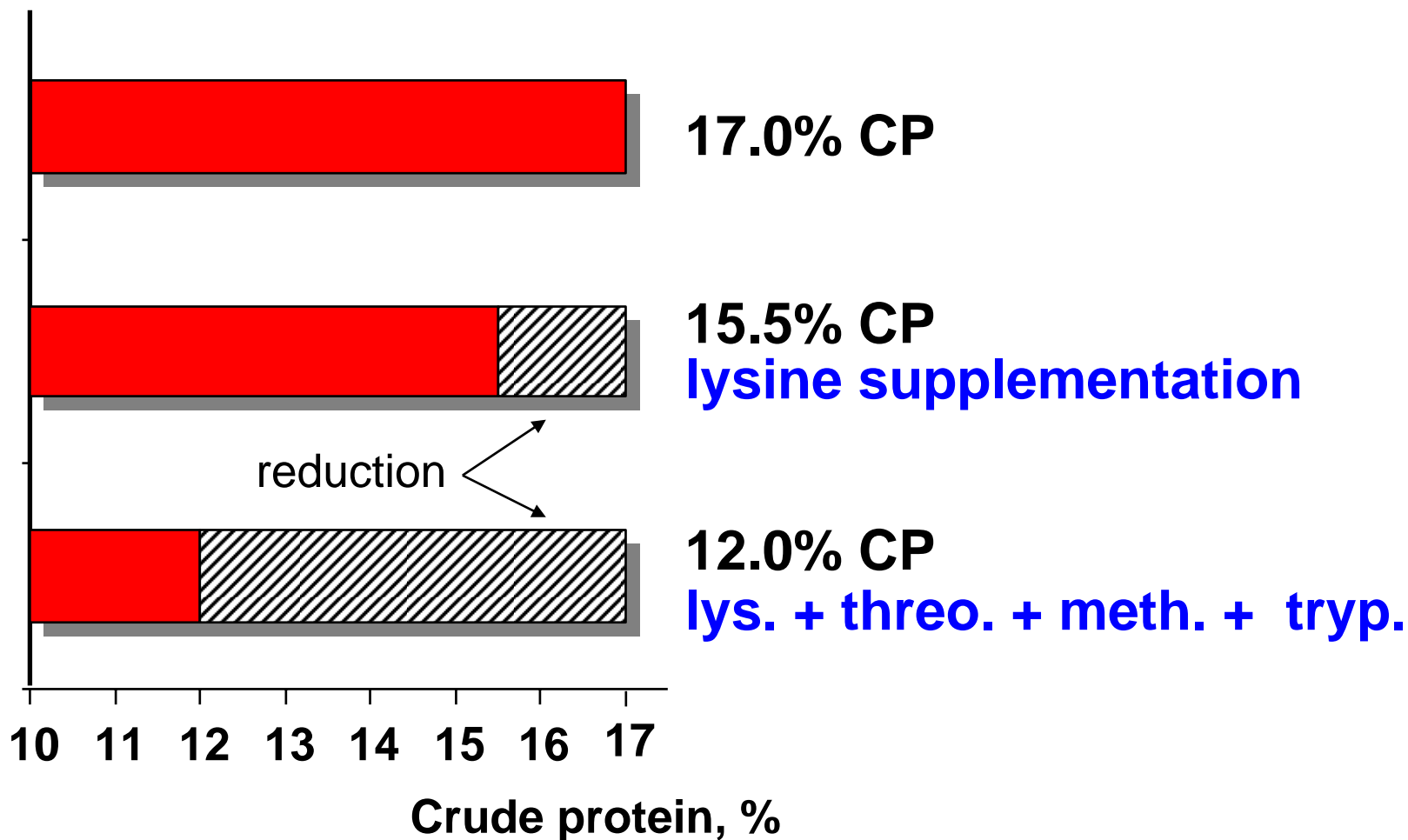
# Improving efficiency of N utilization : a better fitting of protein supply to the requirements

- **Improvement of amino acid balance**
  - Adequate choice of feed ingredients
  - Use of industrial amino acids
  - ⇒ Requires a precise knowledge of ideal amino acid profile of protein requirement
- Improvement of the feeding strategy
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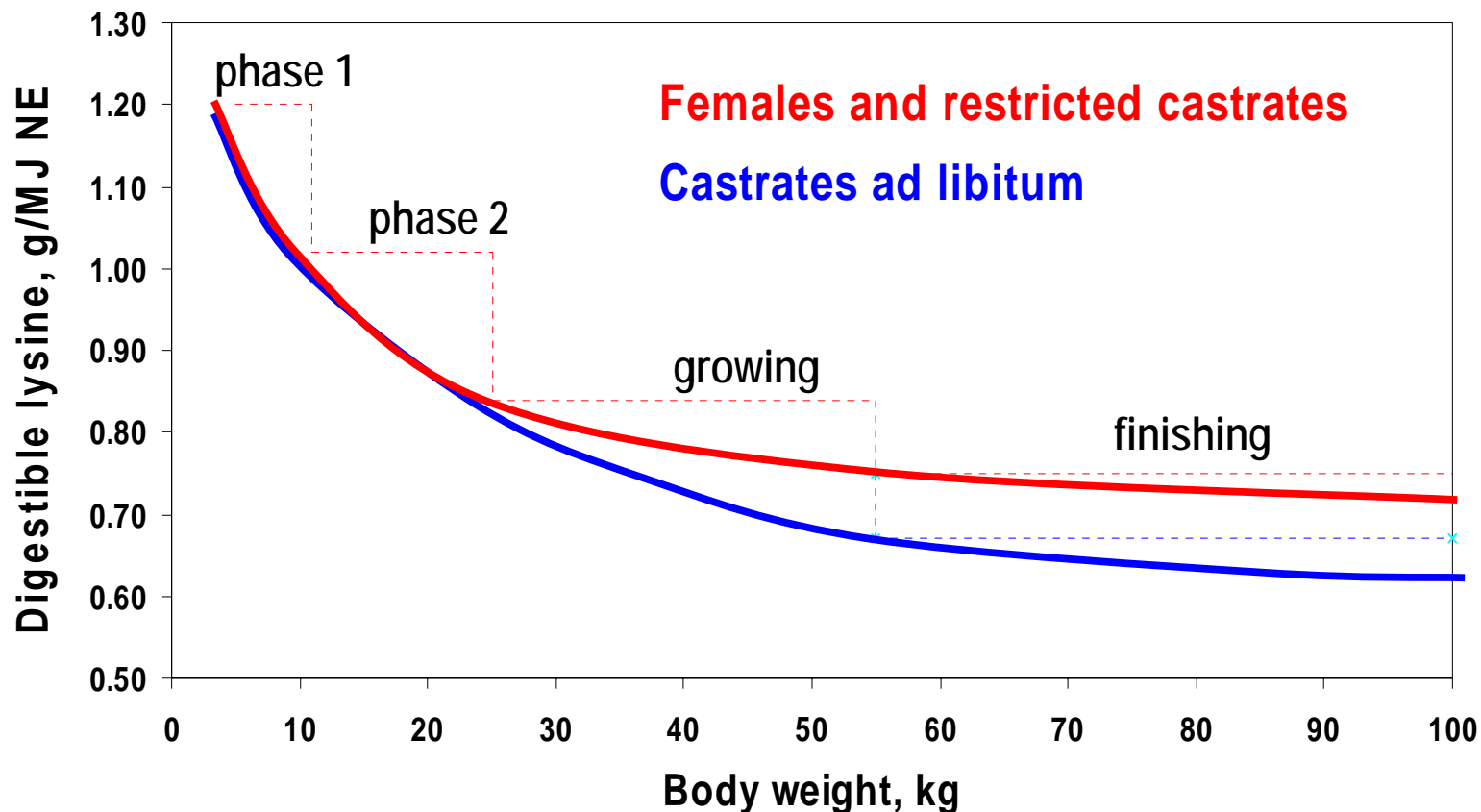
# Improvement of amino acid profile in a cereal soybean meal diet for growing pigs (30 kg BW)



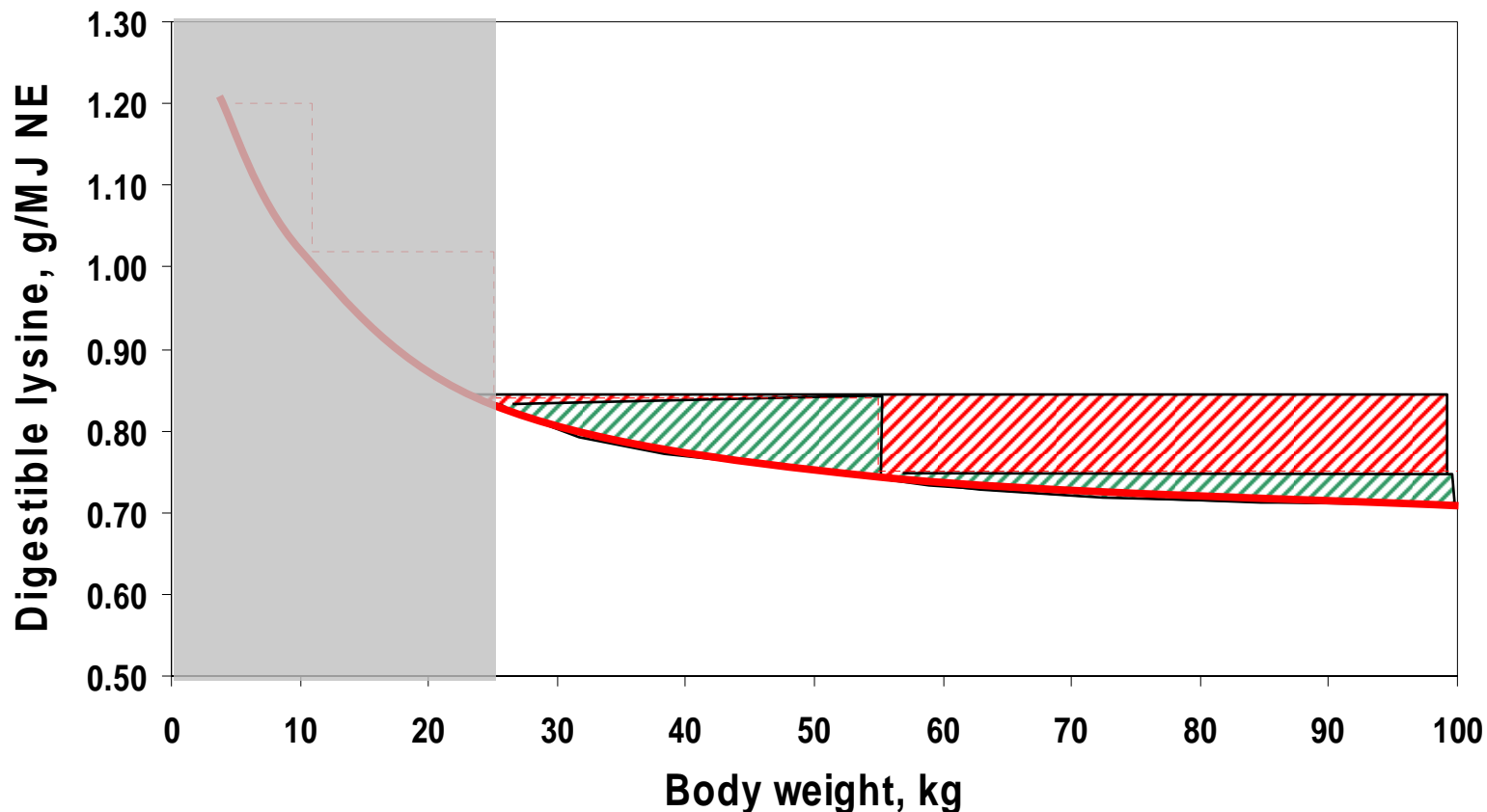
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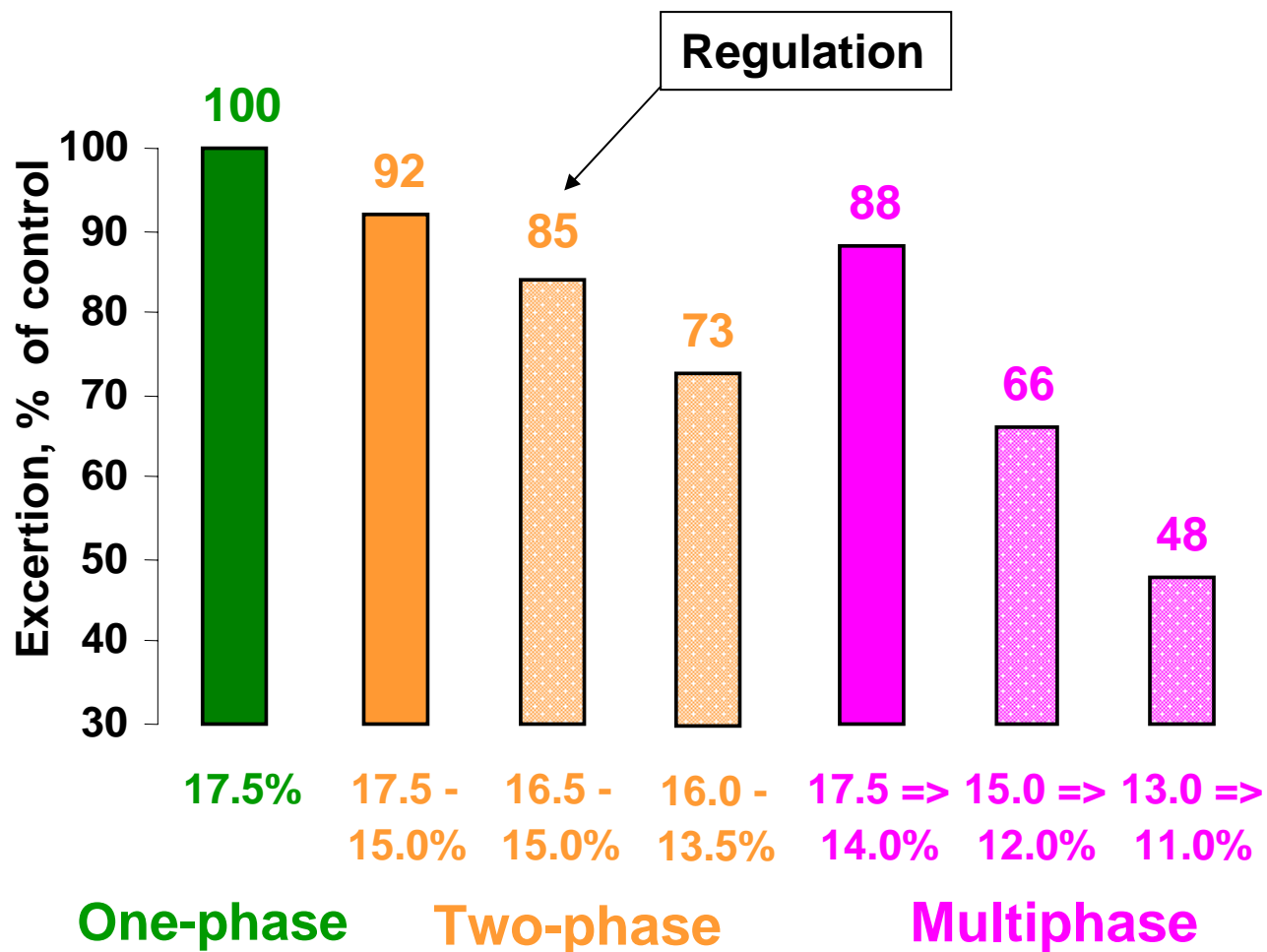


# Effect of phase feeding of growing-finishing pigs on N excretion in the slurry

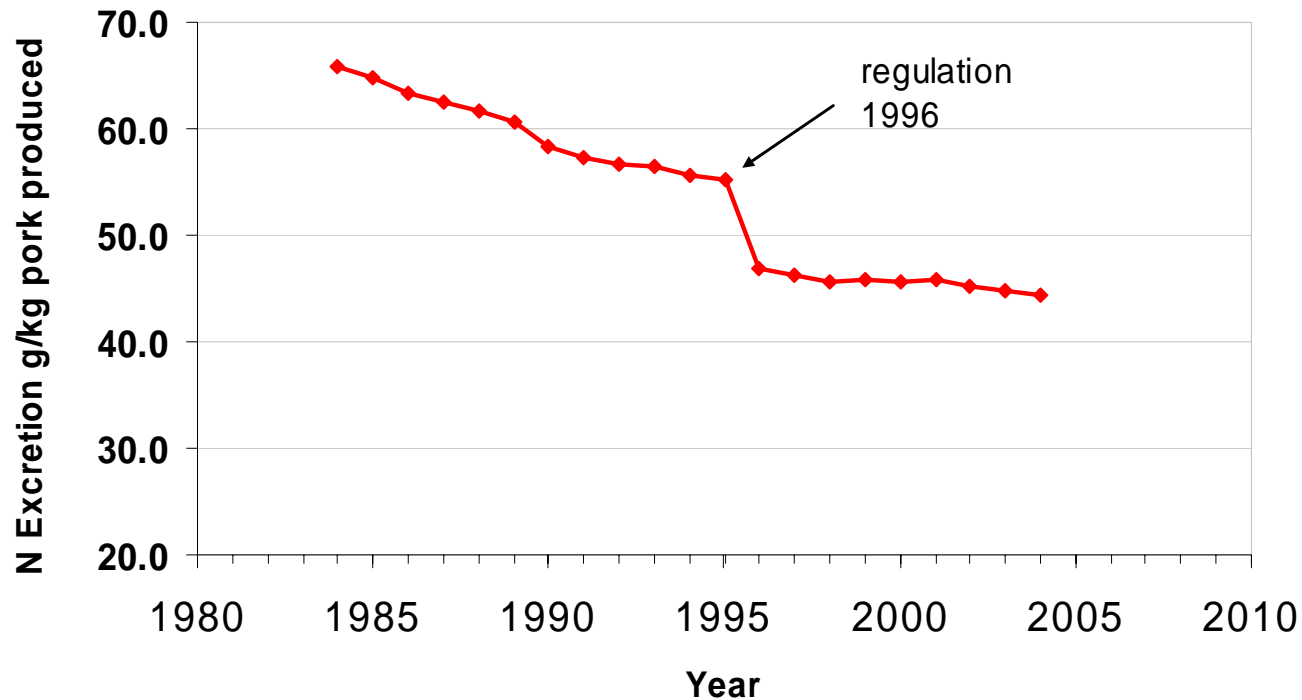
	One phase	Two phases
<i>Protein quality</i>	<i>normal</i>	<i>normal</i>
CP, % Growing	17.8	17.8
Finishing	17.8	15.4
ADG, g/d	781	795
FCR, kg/kg	2.93	2.89
N slurry, %	0.84	0.78
N slurry, kg/pig	2.85	2.64
	(100)	(92)

Latimier and Dourmad, 1993

# Effect of phase feeding and protein quality on N excretion by fattening pigs



## Evolution of average N excretion per kg pork produced in france





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## Reduction of volatilisation of N compounds

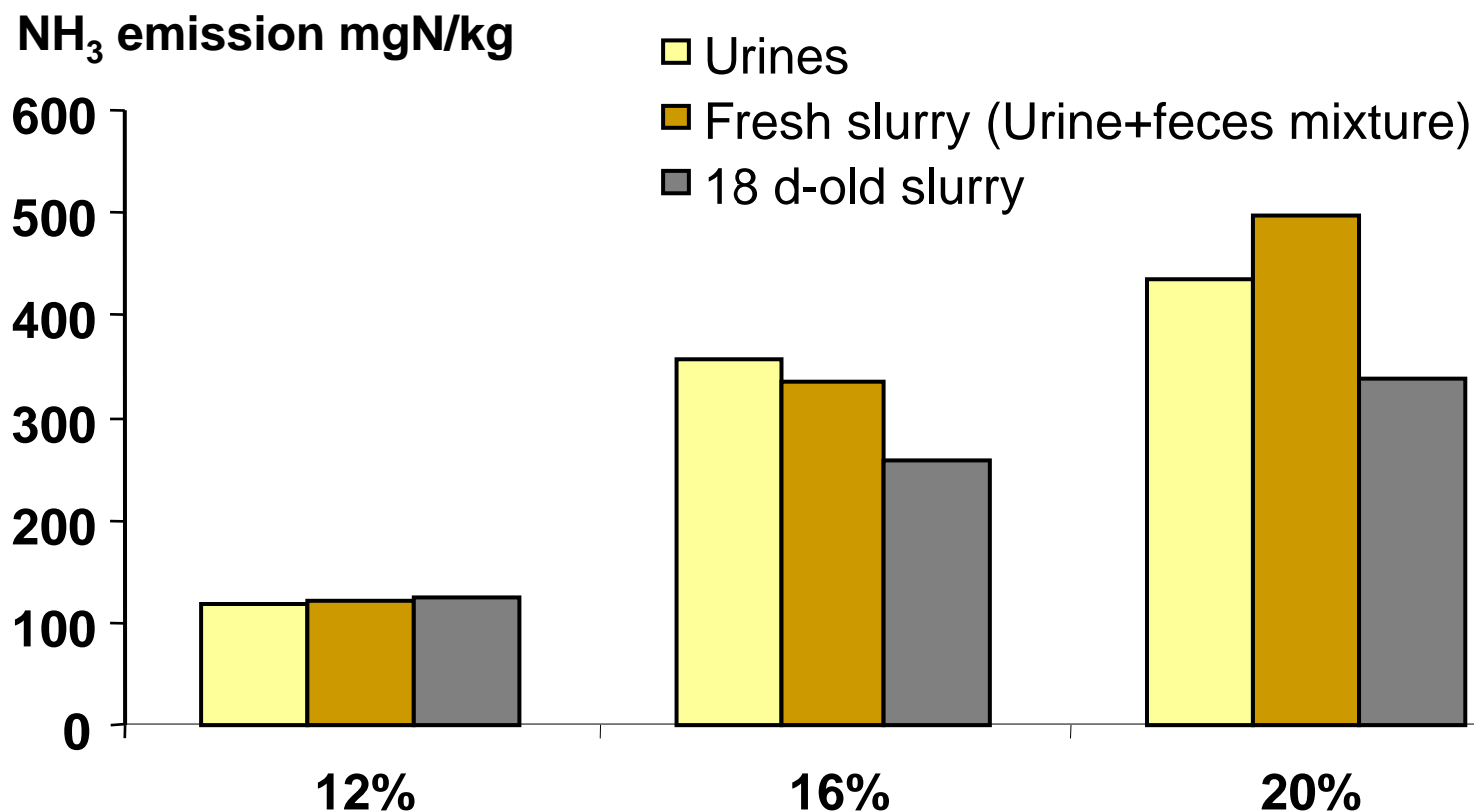
- **Factors affecting emissions (liquid slurry)**
  - **[NH<sub>3</sub>], pH, air renewal, type of floor...**
  - ⇒ **Can be manipulated through feeding**
    - CP content => [NH<sub>3</sub>] and pH
    - Electrolyte balance (Na<sup>+</sup> + K<sup>+</sup> - Cl<sup>-</sup> - S<sup>-</sup>) => affect urinary pH
    - Supplementation with acids or salts => affect urinary pH
    - Addition of NSP => production of VFA => affect pH

# Effect of CP on slurry characteristics and ammonia volatilisation in fattening pigs

	Dietary crude protein content		
	20%	16%	12%
<b>Slurry composition</b>			
Amount, kg/d	5.7	5.1	3.6
DM, %	4.4	4.6	5.9
Total Kjeldahl N (g N.kg <sup>-1</sup> )	5.48	4.30	3.05
<b>Ammoniacal N (g N.kg<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>4.32</b>	<b>3.13</b>	<b>1.92</b>
<b>pH</b>	<b>8.92</b>	<b>8.61</b>	<b>7.57</b>
<b>N balance (g.pig<sup>-1</sup>.d<sup>-1</sup>)</b>			
Retention	23.2	23.5	21.9
Excretion	40.7	27.6	15.0
<b>Ammonia volatilization</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>6.4</b>
Soil (available for plants)	23.3	13.8	8.6

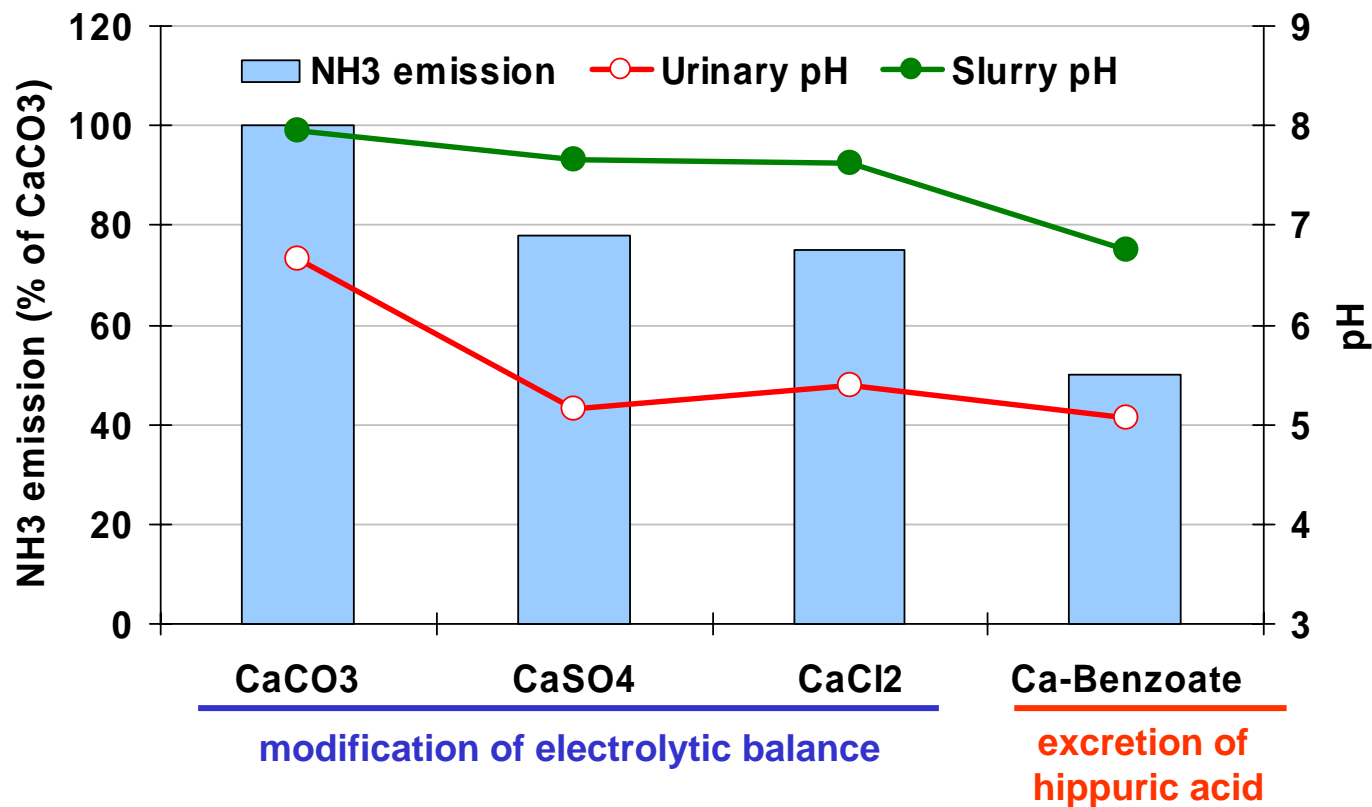
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# Effect of dietary CP on $\text{NH}_3$ volatilization measured in a laboratory pilot system



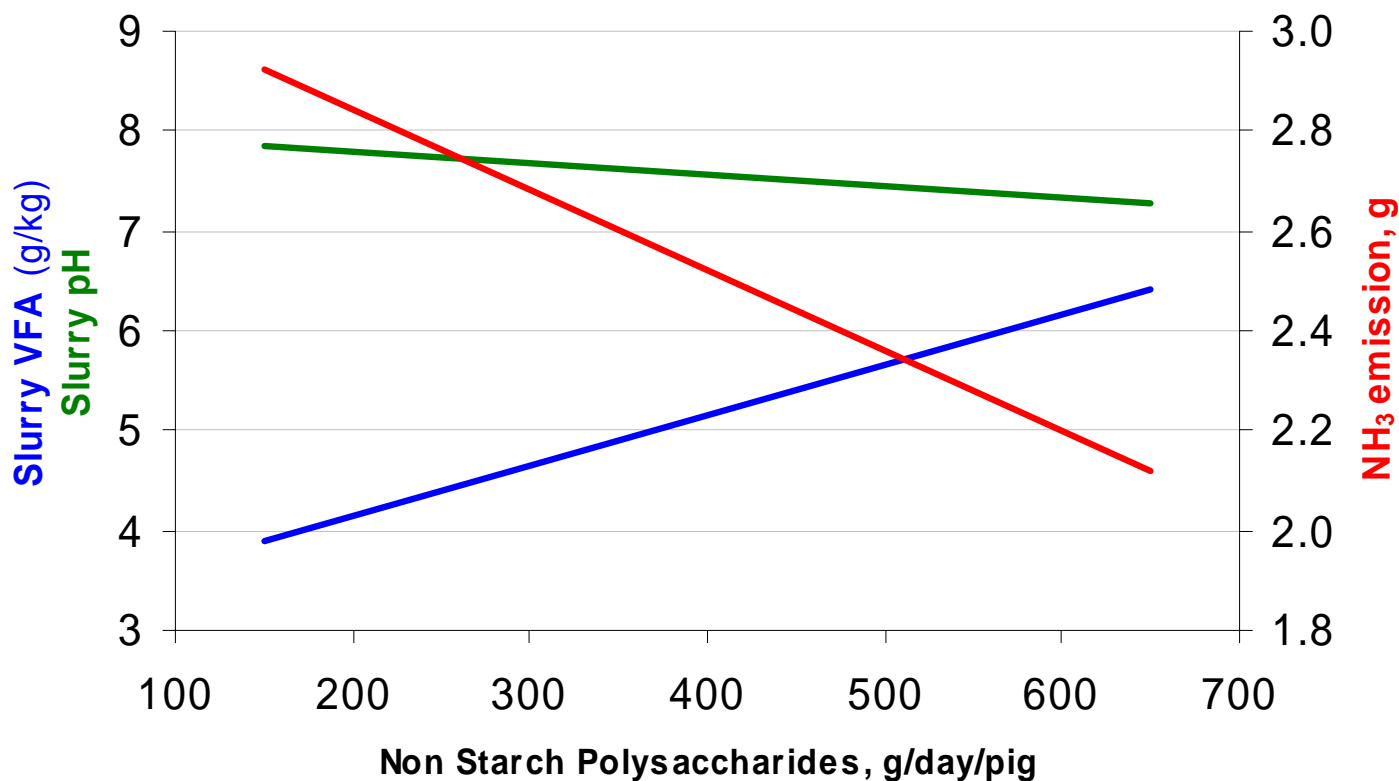
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# Effect of calcium salts on urinary pH, slurry pH, and ammonia volatilization



Canh et al., 1998

# Effect of dietary carbohydrates (NSP) on slurry pH and ammonia volatilization



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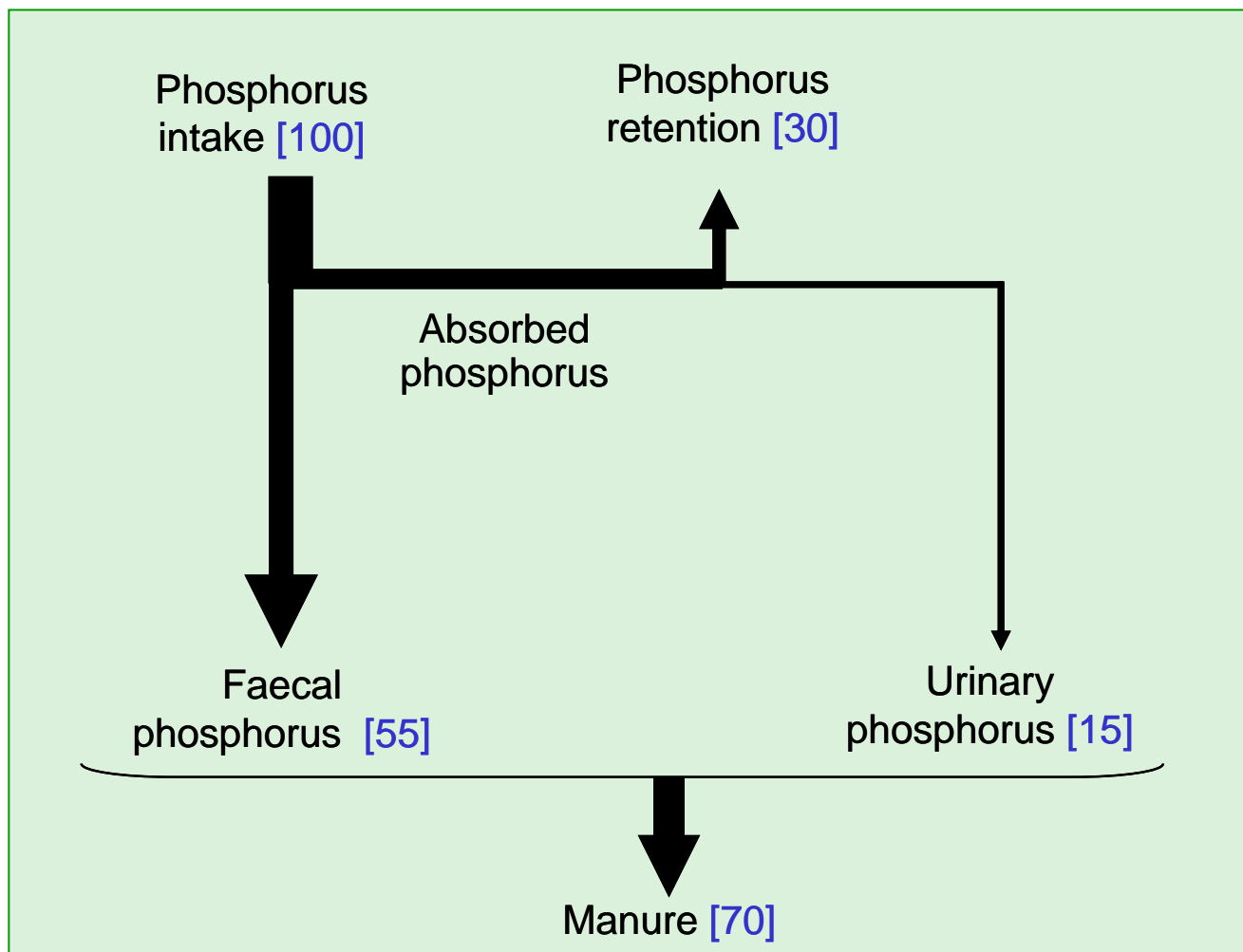
- **Few studies on the effect of diet manipulation on odours**
  - difficulty to objectively assess odours
- **Some promising results**
  - low protein diet reduce both ammonia and odours (Hobbs et al., 1996; Hayres et al., 2004)
  - In the study of Moeser et al. (2003)
    - worst odours associated with diets high in sulphur
    - most pleasant odors associated with semi-purified diets (starch & casein)
- **More research in needed on the mechanisms involved in odours production**



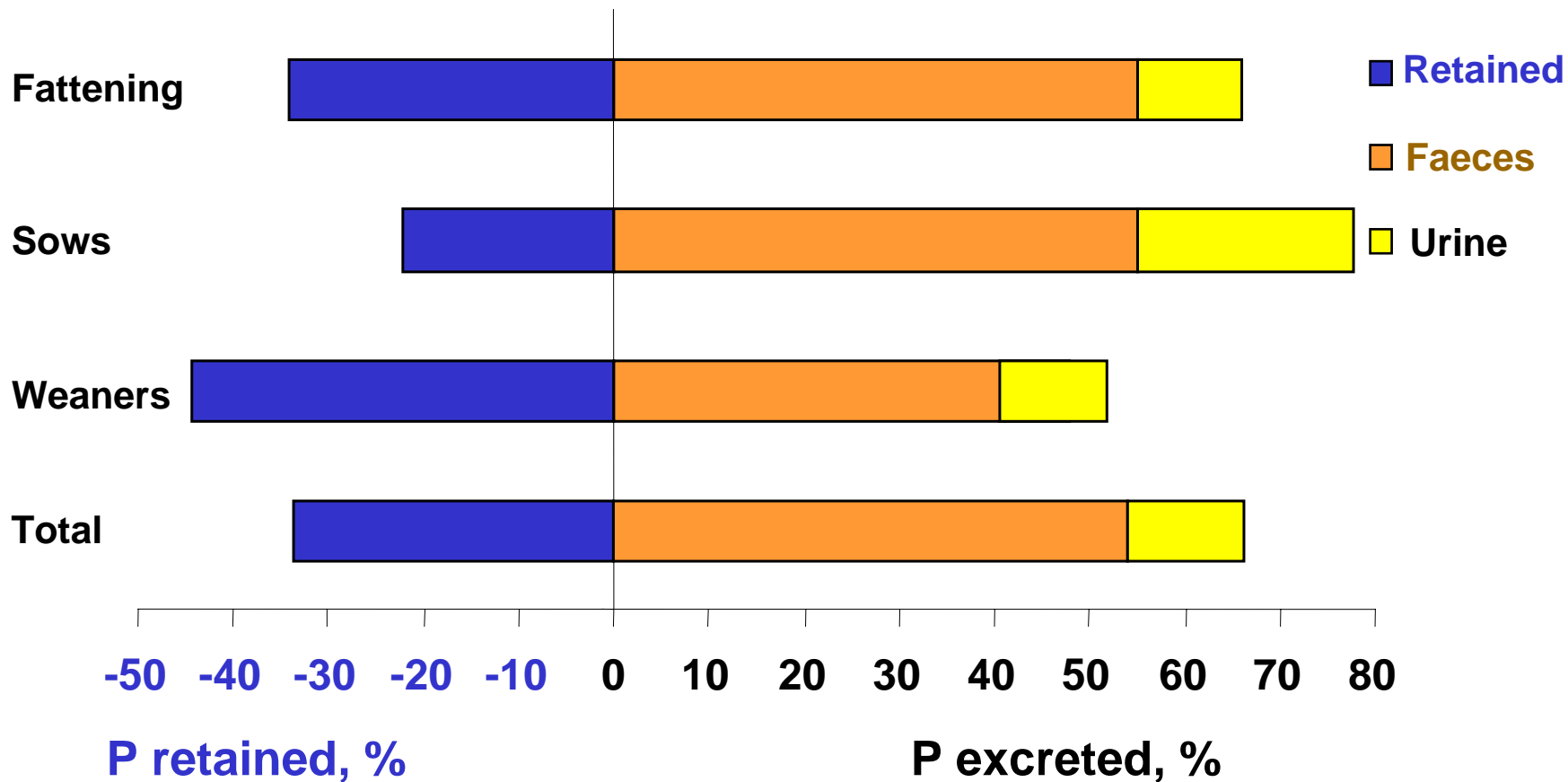
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# Strategies and knowledge required to reduce P excretion in manure

- **Strategies**
  - Better adjustment of P supply to P requirement
  - Improved P digestibility in diets fed to pigs
- **Scientific knowledge**
  - Evaluation of P value of feedstuffs and diets
  - Ways to improve dietary P digestibility
  - Precise estimation of P requirements

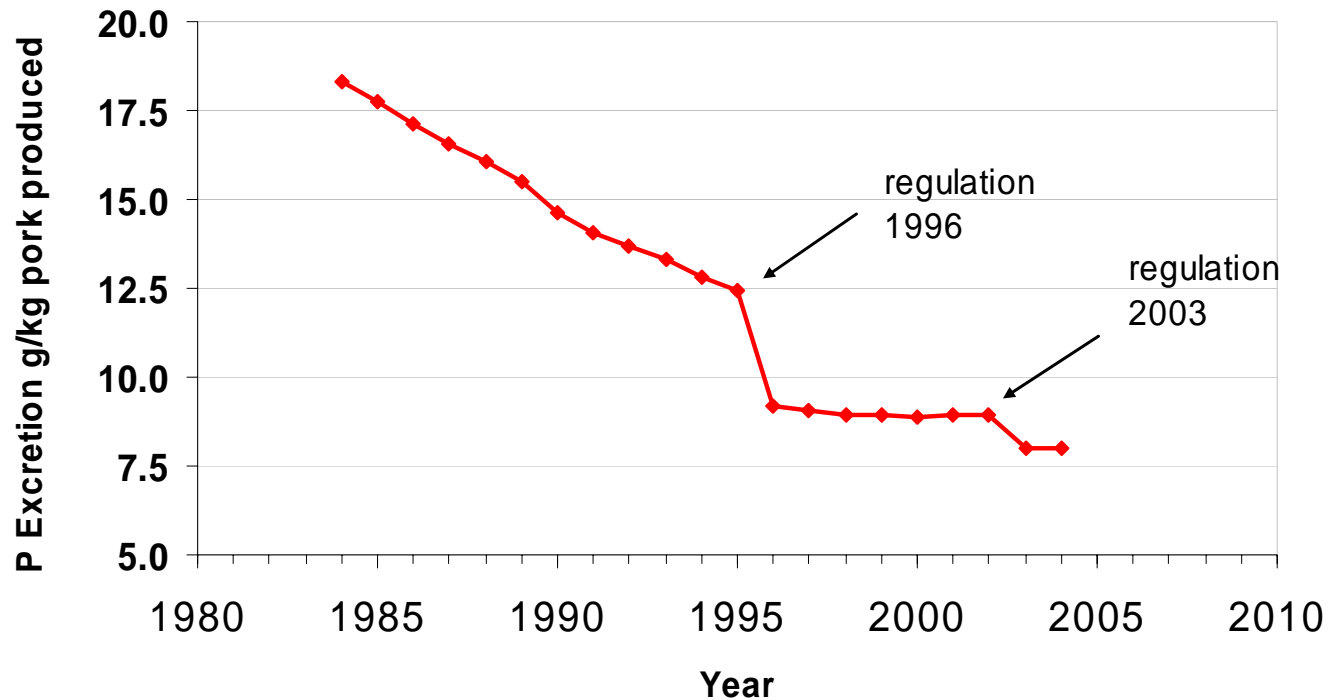
## Evaluation of P value in feedstuffs and diets

- **In the past**
  - total P content
  - high security margin for requirements
- **New systems**
  - "apparent digestibility" (CVB, 2000; INRA-AFZ, 2004)  
=> **measured values**
  - "relative bio-availability" or "relative biological value" (NRC, 1998)  
=> **expressed as a percentage of a reference (mono-calcium P or monosodium P)**

## Improving P digestibility of pig diets

- Use of highly digestible phosphates
- Improve phytate P digestibility
  - *GMO pigs expressing salivary phytase*
  - Low phytate cultivars (maize, barley)
  - Phytase
    - Endogenous phytases
    - Microbial phytase

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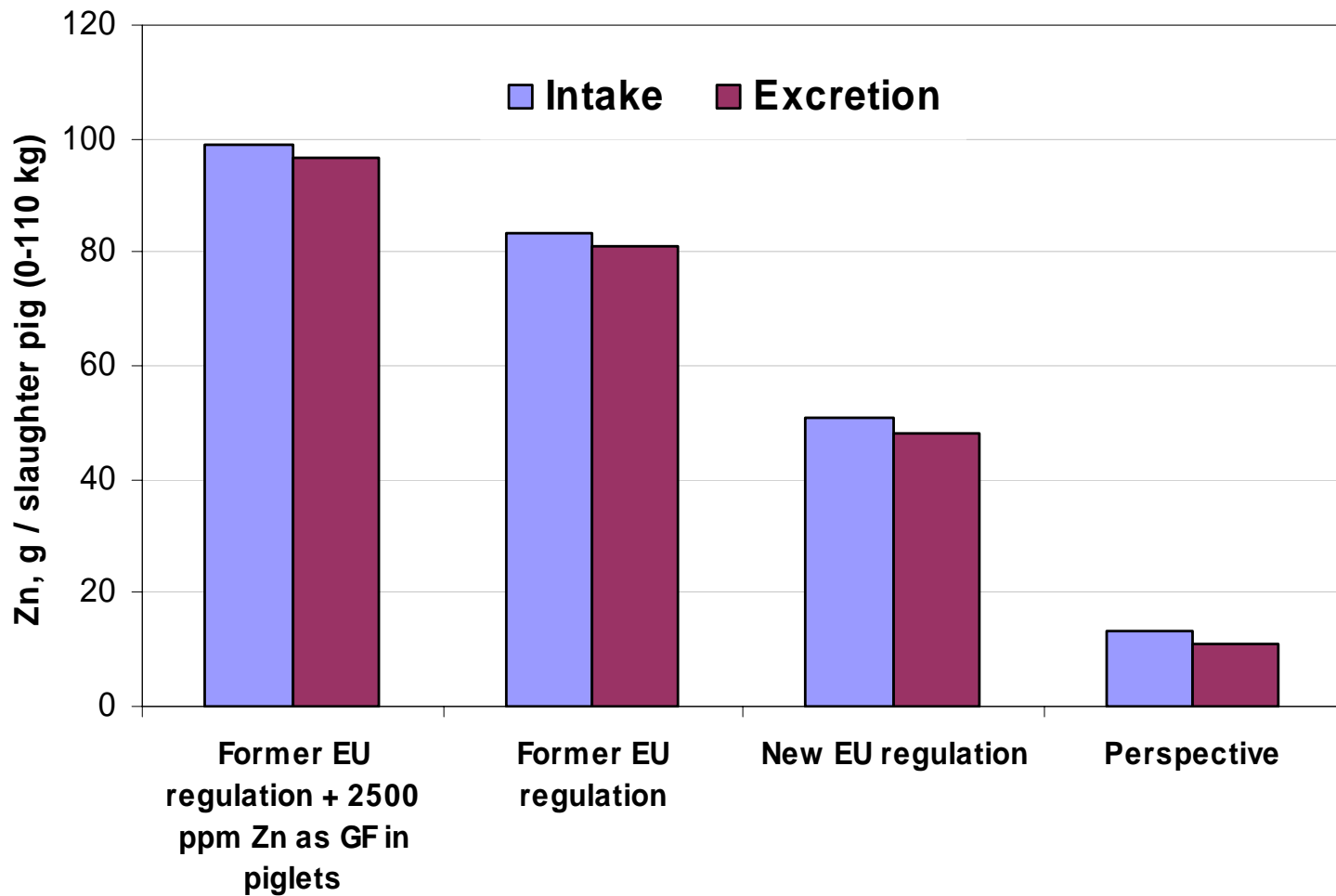
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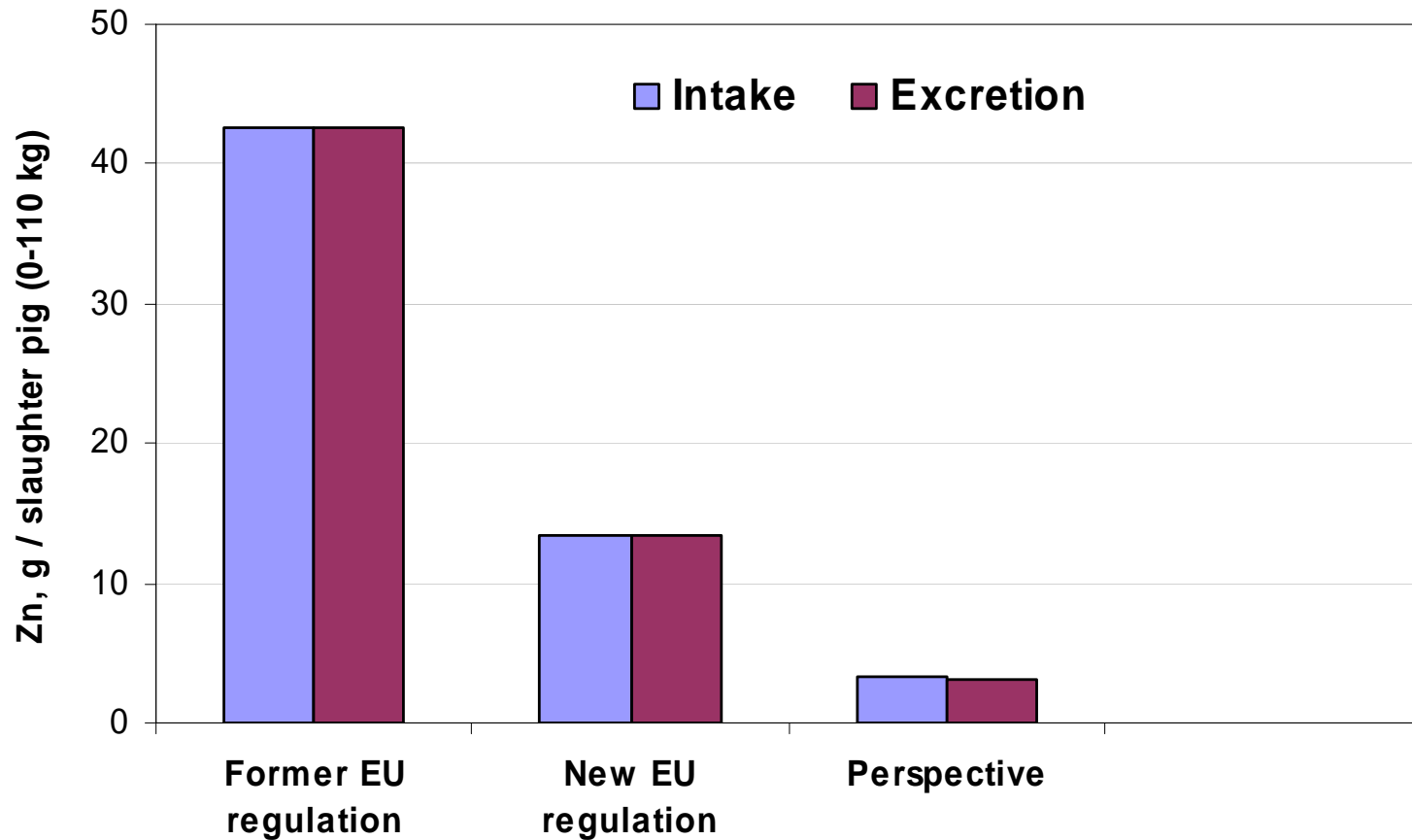
## Excretion of trace elements (Zn, Cu)

- **Oversupply of trace elements in pig feeding**
  - because they are (were) used as growth promoters
  - because large safety margin are applied
- **Environmental problems**
  - medium or long term toxicity to plant and micro-organisms
  - increased risk with some slurry treatment  
=> concentrate in the solid fraction
- **Reduction of trace elements in manure**
  - limit their incorporation in the diet
    - avoid their use as growth promoters
    - better adequacy between supply and requirement
    - improvement of their bio-availability
  - Drastic improvements due to the recent changes in the EU regulation

# Evolution of Zn excretion by pigs and perspectives



# Evolution of Cu excretion by pigs and perspectives



## Conclusion

- **Important improvements already achieved**
  - reduction of excretion of N, P, Cu and Zn
  - reduction of gaseous emissions
- **Nutrition is an efficient way to modify characteristics of manure**
  - pH
  - N compounds

## for the future

- **Reduction of excretion**
    - Perspectives are more limited but still exists (trace elements > phosphorus > nitrogen)
  - **Manipulation of characteristics of excreta**
    - reduce emissions and odors
    - better adapt manure composition to treatment or crop requirements
  - **a more global approach is required**
    - optimization of (plant  $\Leftrightarrow$  animal  $\Leftrightarrow$  manure) system
    - consider the environmental impact associated to the production of the feed ingredients
- ⇒ **Modelling - Life Cycle Assessment**