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A technical appendix, if desired, shall follow the References section. The appendix may contain supplementary material, explanations, and elaborations that are not essential to other major sections but are helpful to the reader. Novel computer programs or mathematical computations would be appropriate. The appendix will not be a repository for raw data.

References

List only pertinent references. No more than 3 references should be needed to support a specific concept. Research papers should cite no more than 30 references, and reviews no more than 60 references. Abstracts and articles from non-peer-reviewed magazines and proceedings should be cited sparingly. Citation of abstracts published more than 3 yr ago is strongly discouraged.

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Table 1. Effect of garlic oil, diallyl disulfide, allyl mercaptan, monensin, and lovastatin on a 17-h in vitro batch culture rumen microbial fermentation trial

Item	Treatments ¹						SEM ²
	Control	GAR300	DAD300	ALM300	MON	LOV	
pH	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.6	0.01
Apparent disappearance of DM, %	61.0 ^a	50.7 ^b	51.2 ^b	60.4 ^a	53.9 ^b	62.4 ^a	1.11
Fiber digestibility							
NDF, %	56.8 ^a	44.3 ^b	41.4 ^b	55.9 ^a	39.3 ^b	60.0 ^a	1.73
ADF, %	53.7 ^a	36.8 ^b	34.9 ^b	52.5 ^a	30.7 ^b	57.0 ^a	2.03
Gas, μmol	4,674.8 ^a	3,756.9 ^{cd}	3,359.7 ^d	4,388.2 ^{ab}	4,009.6 ^{bc}	4,673.1 ^a	123.34
CH ₄ , μmol	417.3 ^a	110.1 ^d	131.3 ^d	335.9 ^b	241.7 ^c	396.3 ^a	21.56
Total VFA, mM	49.3 ^a	39.7 ^c	38.8 ^c	45.4 ^b	45.7 ^{ab}	48.4 ^{ab}	1.17
Individual, mol/100 mol							
Acetate	61.2 ^a	54.3 ^d	53.9 ^d	58.3 ^b	56.4 ^c	61.1 ^a	0.53
Propionate	22.6 ^d	25.8 ^c	28.3 ^b	22.8 ^d	34.2 ^a	22.8 ^d	0.78
Butyrate	12.5 ^c	16.5 ^a	14.0 ^{bc}	15.0 ^{ab}	6.6 ^d	12.4 ^c	0.60
Branched-chain VFA	2.0 ^a	1.7 ^b	1.7 ^b	2.0 ^a	1.4 ^c	2.0 ^a	0.10
C2:C3	2.7 ^a	2.1 ^b	1.9 ^c	2.5 ^a	1.6 ^d	2.7 ^a	0.07
CH ₄ (μmol):VFA (μmol)	0.20 ^a	0.05 ^d	0.07 ^{cd}	0.15 ^{ab}	0.10 ^{bcd}	0.17 ^{ab}	0.00
N-NH ₃ , mg/100 mL	16.7 ^{ab}	16.6 ^{bc}	19.0 ^a	17.2 ^{ab}	14.4 ^c	16.4 ^{bc}	1.10

^{a-d}Means within a row with different superscripts differ ($P < 0.05$).

¹Treatments: GAR300 = 300 mg/L *Allium sativa* (garlic oil); DAD300 = 300 mg/L diallyl disulfide; ALM300 = 300 mg/L allyl mercaptan; MON = 12.5 mg/L monensin; LOV = 5 mg/L lovastatin.

²SEM = standard error of the mean.

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Tables

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Place table number and title on the same line above the table (as shown in sample table). The table title does not require an ending period.

Do not use vertical lines and use few horizontal lines. Bold and italic typefaces should not be used in tables. When it is necessary to do so, such use must be defined in a footnote. Limit the data field to the minimum needed for meaningful comparison within the accuracy of the methods.

For each table, spell out the first use of abbreviations in parentheses or in numbered footnotes. Abbreviations should conform to journal style and be consistent with those used in the text. Avoid reference to other tables, figures, or text.

Footnotes to tables should be numerals. Each footnote should begin a new line (see sample table). For differences among means within a row or column, superscript letters should be used as appropriate sequentially (e.g., a, ab, b, c, cd) consistently from largest to smallest means. Probability may be indicated: † $P < 0.10$, * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$.

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To facilitate review, figures should be placed at the end of the manuscript (separated by section breaks). Each figure should be placed on a separate page, and identified by the manuscript number and figure number. Figure captions should be typed (double spaced) on a separate page. Current detailed information (sum-

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- **Font size.** Ensure that all type within the figure and axis labels are readable at final publication size. A minimum type size of 8 points (after reduction) should be used.
- **Fonts.** Use Helvetica, Times New Roman, and the symbols palette within those fonts only.
- **Line weight.** For line graphs, use a minimum stroke weight of 1 point for all lines. If multiple lines are to be distinguished, use solid, long-dash, short-dash, and dotted lines. Avoid the use of gray or shaded lines, as these will not reproduce well. Lines with different symbols for the data points may also be used to distinguish curves.
- **Axis labels.** Each axis should have a description and a unit. Units may be separated from the descriptor by a comma or parentheses, and should be consistent within a manuscript.
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- **Symbols.** Identify curves and data points using the following symbols only: □, ■, ○, ●, ▲, ▼, △, ▽, ★, ☆, ◇, ◆, +, or ×. Symbols should be defined in the figure caption or in a key on the figure (but not both).
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- **Captions.** The caption should provide sufficient information that the figure can be understood with excessive reference to the text. All author-derived

abbreviations and symbols used in the figure should be defined in the caption.

- **General tips.** Avoid the use of three-dimensional bar charts, unless essential to the presentation of the data. Use the simplest shading scheme possible to present the data clearly. Ensure that data, symbols, axis labels, lines, and key are clear and easily readable at final publication size.

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Statistical Analysis

Biology should be emphasized, but the use of incorrect or inadequate statistical methods to analyze and interpret biological data is not acceptable. Consultation with a statistician is recommended. Statistical methods commonly used in the animal sciences need not be described in detail, but adequate references should be provided. The statistical model, classes, blocks, and experimental unit must be designated. Any restrictions used in estimating parameters should be defined. Reference to a statistical package without reporting the sources of variation (classes) and other salient features of the analysis, such as covariance or orthogonal contrasts, is not sufficient. A statement of the results of statistical analysis should justify the interpretations and conclusions. When possible, results of similar experiments should be pooled statistically. Do not report a number of similar experiments separately.

The experimental unit is the smallest unit to which an individual treatment is imposed. For group-fed animals, the group of animals in the pen or the paddock is the experimental unit; therefore, groups must be replicated. Repeated chemical analyses of the same sample usually do not constitute independent experimental units. Measurements on the same experimental unit over time also are not independent and must not be considered as independent experimental units. For analysis of time effects, use time-sequence analysis.

Usual assumptions are that errors in the statistical models are normally and independently distributed with constant variance. Most standard methods are robust to deviations from these assumptions, but occasionally data transformations or other techniques are helpful. Most statistical procedures are based on the assumption that experimental units have been assigned to treatments at random. If animals are stratified by ancestry or weight or if some other initial measurement should be accounted for, the model should include a blocking factor, or the initial measurement should be included as a covariate.

A parameter [mean (μ), variance (σ^2)], which defines or describes a population, is estimated by a statistic (\bar{x} , s^2). The term *parameter* is not appropriate to describe a variable, observation, trait, characteristic, or measurement taken in an experiment.

Standard designs are adequately described by name and size (e.g., "a randomized complete block design with 6 treatments in 5 blocks"). For a factorial set of treatments, an adequate description might be as follows: "Tryptophan at 0.05 or 0.10% of the diet and niacin at 5, 10, or 20 mg/kg of diet were used in a 2×3 factorial arrangement in 5 randomized complete blocks, each block consisting of littermates." Note that a factorial arrangement is not a design; the term "design" refers to the method of grouping experimental units into homogeneous groups or blocks (i.e., the way in which the randomization is restricted).

Standard deviation refers to the variability in a sample or a population. The standard error (calculated from error variance) is the estimated sampling error of a statistic such as the sample mean. When a standard deviation or standard error is given, the number of degrees of freedom on which it rests should be specified. When any statistical value (as mean or difference of 2 means) is mentioned, its standard error or confidence limit should be given. The fact that differences are not "statistically significant" is no reason for omitting standard errors. They are of value when results from several experiments are combined in the future. They also are useful to the reader as measures of efficiency of experimental techniques. A value attached by " \pm " to a number implies that the second value is its standard error (not

its standard deviation). Adequate reporting may require only 1) the number of observations, 2) arithmetic treatment means, and 3) an estimate of experimental error. The pooled standard error of the mean is the preferred estimate of experimental error. Standard errors need not be presented separately for each mean unless the means are based on different numbers of observations or the heterogeneity of the error variance is to be emphasized. Presenting individual standard errors clutters the presentation and can mislead readers.

For more complex experiments, tables of subclass means and tables of analyses of variance or covariance may be included. When the analysis of variance contains several error terms, such as in split-plot and repeated measures designs, the text should indicate clearly which mean square was used for the denominator of each F statistic. Unbalanced factorial data can present special problems. Accordingly, it is well to state how the computing was done and how the parameters were estimated. Approximations should be accompanied by cautions concerning possible biases.

Contrasts (preferably orthogonal) are used to answer specific questions for which the experiment was designed; they should form the basis for comparing treatment means. Nonorthogonal contrasts may be evaluated by Bonferroni t statistics. The exact contrasts tested should be described for the reader. Multiple-range tests are not appropriate when treatments are orthogonally arranged. Fixed-range, pairwise, multiple comparison tests should be used only to compare means of treatments that are unstructured or not related. Adjusted, or so-called least squares, means should not be used unless the design is unbalanced or contains missing values or an adjustment is being made for a covariate. In factorial treatment arrangements, means for main effects should be presented when important interactions are not present. Means for individual treatment combinations also should be provided in table or text so that future researchers may combine data from several experiments to detect important interactions. An interaction may not be detected in a given experiment because of a limitation in the number of observations.

The terms *significant* and *highly significant* traditionally have been reserved for $P < 0.05$ and $P < 0.01$, respectively; however, reporting the P -value is preferred to the use of these terms. For example, use ". . . there was a difference ($P < 0.05$) between control and treated samples" rather than ". . . there was a significant ($P < 0.05$) difference between control and treated samples." When available, the observed significance level (e.g., $P = 0.027$) should be presented rather than merely $P < 0.05$ or $P < 0.01$, thereby allowing

the reader to decide what to reject. Other probability (α) levels may be discussed if properly qualified so that the reader is not misled. Do not report P -values to more than 3 places after the decimal. Regardless of the probability level used, failure to reject a hypothesis should be based on the relative consequences of Type I and II errors. A “nonsignificant” relationship should not be interpreted to suggest the absence of a relationship. An inadequate number of experimental units or insufficient control of variation limits the power to detect relationships. Avoid the ambiguous use of $P > 0.05$ to declare nonsignificance, such as indicating that a difference is not significant at $P > 0.05$ and subsequently declaring another difference significant (or a tendency) at $P < 0.09$. In addition, readers may incorrectly interpret the use of $P > 0.05$ as the probability of a beta error, not an alpha error.

Present only meaningful digits. A practical rule is to round values so that the change caused by rounding is less than one-tenth of the standard error. Such rounding increases the variance of the reported value by less than 1%, so that less than 1% of the relevant information contained in the data is sacrificed. In most cases, 2 or 3 significant digits (not decimal places) are sufficient.

Sensory Data

Sensory data should comply with the “Statement of Policy in the Report of the Committee on Sensory Data to the Journal Management Committee of the American Dairy Science Association, 1986,” *Journal of Dairy Science* 69:298.

Computer Software

Computer software should conform to the “Report of ADSA Subcommittee on Standards for Publications with Reference to Computer Software,” *Journal of Dairy Science* 70:209–210.

Nomenclature

Microorganisms. All microorganisms must be named by genus and species. The name of the genus must appear in full the first time that the microorganism is cited in the abstract, in the body of the paper, and in each table and figure legend. Thereafter, the genus can be abbreviated by its first initial unless it will be confused with other microorganisms cited in the paper, in which case each genus should be abbreviated to use enough letters to avoid confusion (e.g., *Strep.* vs. *Staph.*). The names of all microorganisms should be in italics. Specific strain designations and numbers should be used when appropriate. Authorities are not required.

For microorganisms that are genetic variants of a parent strain, the genotypic and phenotypic properties should be cited according to the procedures described by Demerec et al. (1966) in *Genetics* 54:61–76. Phenotypes should be identified by 3 letters; the first is capitalized. Genotypes should be identified by 3 lowercase italic letters. Superscript plus (+) signs are used to refer to a wild-type. The serial isolation number is placed after the locus symbol for mutations. The delta symbol is used to indicate deletions. Nomenclature for bacterial plasmids should be cited according to Novick et al. (1976) in *Bacteriological Reviews* 40:168–189.

Enzymes. Mention of an enzyme should include the EC number.

In Vitro Antimicrobial Susceptibility Tests

Please refer to the JDS policy available as a supplement to these instructions online.

Miscellaneous Usage Notes

Abbreviations. Abbreviations should not be used in the title, key words, or to begin sentences, except when they are widely known throughout science (e.g., DNA, RNA) or are terms better known by abbreviation (e.g., IgG, CD). Abbreviations may be used in heads within the paper if they have been first defined within the text. The inside front cover of every issue of the journal lists abbreviations that can be used without definition. The list is subject to revision at any time, so authors should always consult the most recent issue of the journal (or the updated list at <http://jds.fass.org/misc/ifora.shtml>) for relevant information. Abbreviations are allowed when they help the flow of the manuscript; however, excessive use of abbreviations can confuse the reader. The suitability of abbreviations will be evaluated by the reviewers and editors during the review process and by the technical editor during editing. As a rule, author-derived abbreviations should be in all capital letters. Terms used less than 3 times after first use must be spelled out in full rather than abbreviated. Do not use abbreviations that replace single words, or single-letter abbreviations that could be confused with chemical elements (e.g., P, C, S). All terms are to be spelled out in full with the abbreviation following in bold type in parentheses the first time they are mentioned in the main body of the text. Abbreviations shall be used consistently thereafter, rather than the full term.

The abstract, text, each table, and each figure must be understood independently of each other. Therefore, abbreviations shall be defined within each of these units of the manuscript.

Plural abbreviations do not require “s.” Chemical symbols and 3-letter abbreviations for amino acids do not need definition. Units of measure, except those in the standard JDS abbreviation list, should be abbreviated as listed in the *CRC Handbook for Chemistry and Physics* (CRC Press, 2000 Corporate Blvd., Boca Raton, FL 33431) and do not need to be defined.

International Words and Phrases. Non-English words in common usage (defined in recent editions of standard dictionaries) will not appear in italics (e.g., in vitro, in vivo, ad libitum, in situ, a priori). However, genus and species of plants, animals, or bacteria and viruses should be italicized. Authors must indicate accent marks and other diacriticals on international names and institutions. German nouns shall begin with capital letters.

Capitalization. Breed and variety names are to be capitalized (e.g., Holstein, Danish Red). Trademarked or registered names should be capitalized, but no TM or [®] symbols should be used. Proper nouns should be capitalized.

Numbers and Units. The *Journal of Dairy Science* uses the Council of Science Editors’ number style given in the seventh edition of *Scientific Style and Format*.

Numbers less than one shall be written with preceding zeros (e.g., 0.75). All numbers shall be written as digits; a comma separator must be used in numbers greater than 999. Measures must be in the metric (SI) system; however, US equivalents may be given in parentheses. Units of measure not preceded by numbers must be written out rather than abbreviated (e.g., lysine content was measured in milligrams per kilogram of diet) unless used parenthetically. Measures of variation must be defined in the Abstract and in the body of the paper at first use.

General Usage. Note that “and/or” is not permitted; choose the more appropriate meaning or use “x or y or both.”

Use the slant line only when it means “per” with numbered units of measure or “divided by” in equations. Use only one slant line in a given expression: e.g., g/d per cow. The slant line may not be used to indicate ratios or mixtures.

Use “to” instead of a hyphen to indicate a range of values.

Insert spaces around all signs (except slant lines) of operation (=, −, +, ×, >, or <) when these signs occur between 2 items.

Items in a series should be separated by commas: e.g., a, b, and c.

Restrict the use of “while” and “since” to meanings related to time. Appropriate substitutes include “and,” “but,” or “whereas” for “while” and “because” or “although” for “since.”

Commercial Products. The use of names of commercial products should be minimized. When a commercial product is being tested as part of the experiment, the manufacturer and location (or web site address) should be given parenthetically at first mention in text, tables, and figures, but, when possible, the generic name should be used thereafter. Trademark symbols and registration marks should not be used and will be removed.

Avoid describing a method as “per manufacturer’s instructions.” If the product goes out of production, the method will be lost to readers. Many products come with literature references; try to use references that can be found by other researchers to describe a method being used.

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