

Leave Nothing to Chance

Disease control

Blackhead

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Blackhead (Histomoniasis)

 Caused by protozoan parasite Histomonas Meleagridis



Source: pixshark.com







- After 1-2 weeks from infection:
 - birds stop eating,
 - become reluctant to move,
 - have ruffled feathers,
 - become very weak, therefore they stand with dropping head and wings and closed eyes,
 - liquid and yellow diarrhoeas occur















Photo: Terrell Spencer, NCAT





- Further from infection:
 - sometimes snood and caruncles become pale or dark blue almost black – it is the source of name of disease "Blackhead", but it is not specific only for Histomoniasis.
 - birds stay in prostrate position,
 - mortality occurs within third week from infection (approx. day 17), in young birds it may be 100%.





- Caeca:
 - inflammation, ulceration,
 - greenish-white viscous exudates which turns into foul-smelling brown residue,
 - caecal lesions appear
 - caecal walls are weakened and may be perforated
- Liver:

lesions caused by protozoa













Sources of infection

- other birds in flock,
- chickens,
- buildings, grounds where Blackhead occurred before,
- contaminated feed and water,
- visitors,
- wild animals,





Why turkeys?







Why turkeys?

- cloacal inoculation,
- specific digestive tract,
- caecum pH,
- susceptibility to stress, very sensitive to heat,
- specific nutritional requirements (fibre, B vitamins, tryptophan),





Why turkeys?

- quick growth,
- problems with legs,
- snood and caruncles creation,
- in natural conditions, turkeys diet includes insects and herbs,





- Prevention:
 - biosecurity: visitors, equipment,
 - strict disinfection of buildings after each rearing,
 - separation of poultry by species and age, including used grounds,
 - proper stocking density,





- Prevention:
 - regular de-worming, including herbal products,
 - clean water access, acidification,
 - feed access,
 - using functional additives as blackhead prevention: water and feed acidifiers, herbal products,





• Protophyt

- composed of plant extracts and essential oils,
- based on studies conducted for 2 years, to select the most effective ones,
- tested combinations of chosen components in search for the optimal composition (synergy effect),
- EU banned Dimetridazole in May 2002, Nifurosol in April 2003,





• Protophyt

- proved effective in high risk situations (turkey breeders, turkey free range, game),
- used worldwide by turkey integrators and game producers,
- tested in vitro on Histomonas Meleagridis significant decrease of protozoa within 24h,





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The comparison between Protophyt and DMZ shows a straight comparable decrease of the count of histomonads, and this effect can be repeated.





• Protophyt - tested on turkeys infected with protozoa (H. Meleagridis challenge)



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Mortality of the control group with no treatment = 0

 Protophyt - tested on turkey farm struggling with 21st outbreak of histomoniasis







Evolution of female mortalities

• Protophyt's side effect – improved growth





- Protophyt as prevention use rate:
 - in normal sanitary conditions



• Protophyt as therapeutic – use rate:





- Worms prevention: Vermistop
 - herbal product effective against:
 - round worms (Nematodes), Heterakis,
 - flat worms (Cestodes),
 - should be used regularly, especially in free range birds,
 - mode of action:

weeks

- damage of worms cuticle (change of protein structure),
- paralysis of worms (allowing for expulsion from gastrointestinal tract)
- use rate: 5kg/tonne of feed for 7-10 days every 6





- no bacteria resistance,
- *no withdrawal period,*
- better growth until the end of rearing,
- market advantage meat without antibiotics,





• World Health Organization

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McDonalds wants 'clean' chicken

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McDonalds USA had announced that it will only source chicken raised without antibiotics that are important to human medicine. All of the chicken served at McDonald's approximately 14,000 US restaurants comes from US farms which are working closely with McDonald's to implement the new antibiotics policy to the supply chain within the next two years.



The fastfood chain wil also offer its customers milk from cows that are not treated with growth hormones. The so-called new menu sourcing initiatives are meant to lure back customers from chains that put more emphasis on healthy products. "Our customers want food that they feel great about eating - all the way from the farm to the restaurant - and these moves take a step toward better

Photo: Bart Niis

delivering on those expectations," said McDonald's US President Mike Andres.

Reduce use of antibiotics in poultry supply

McDonald's has been working closely with farmers for years to reduce the use of antibiotics in its poultry supply, the company said in a press release. This new policy supports the company's new Global Vision for Antimicrobial Stewardship in Food Animals introduced this week, which builds on the company's 2003 global antibiotics policy and includes supplier guidance on the thoughtful use of antibiotics in all food animals. "McDonald's believes that any animals that become ill deserve appropriate veterinary care and our suppliers will continue to treat poultry with prescribed antibiotics, and then they will no longer be included in our food supply." said Marion Gross, senior vice president of McDonald's North America Supply Chain.

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