



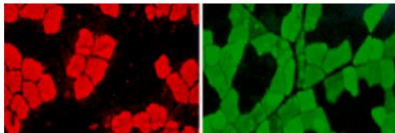
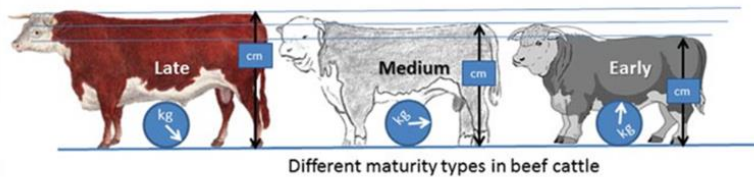
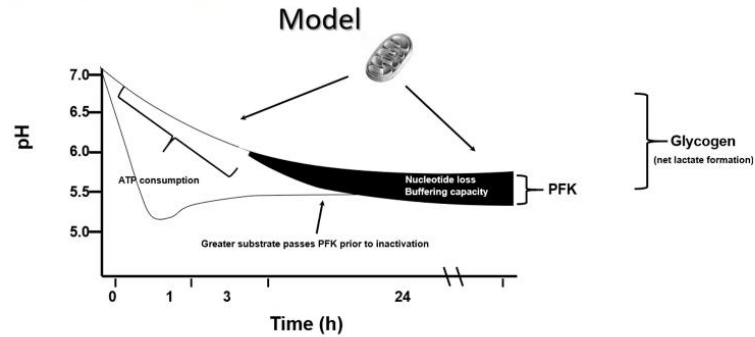
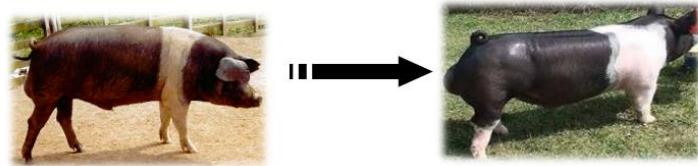
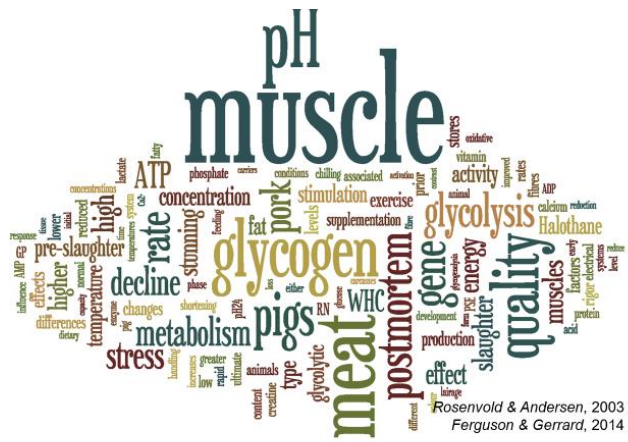
Muscle Energy Metabolism, Growth and Meat Quality

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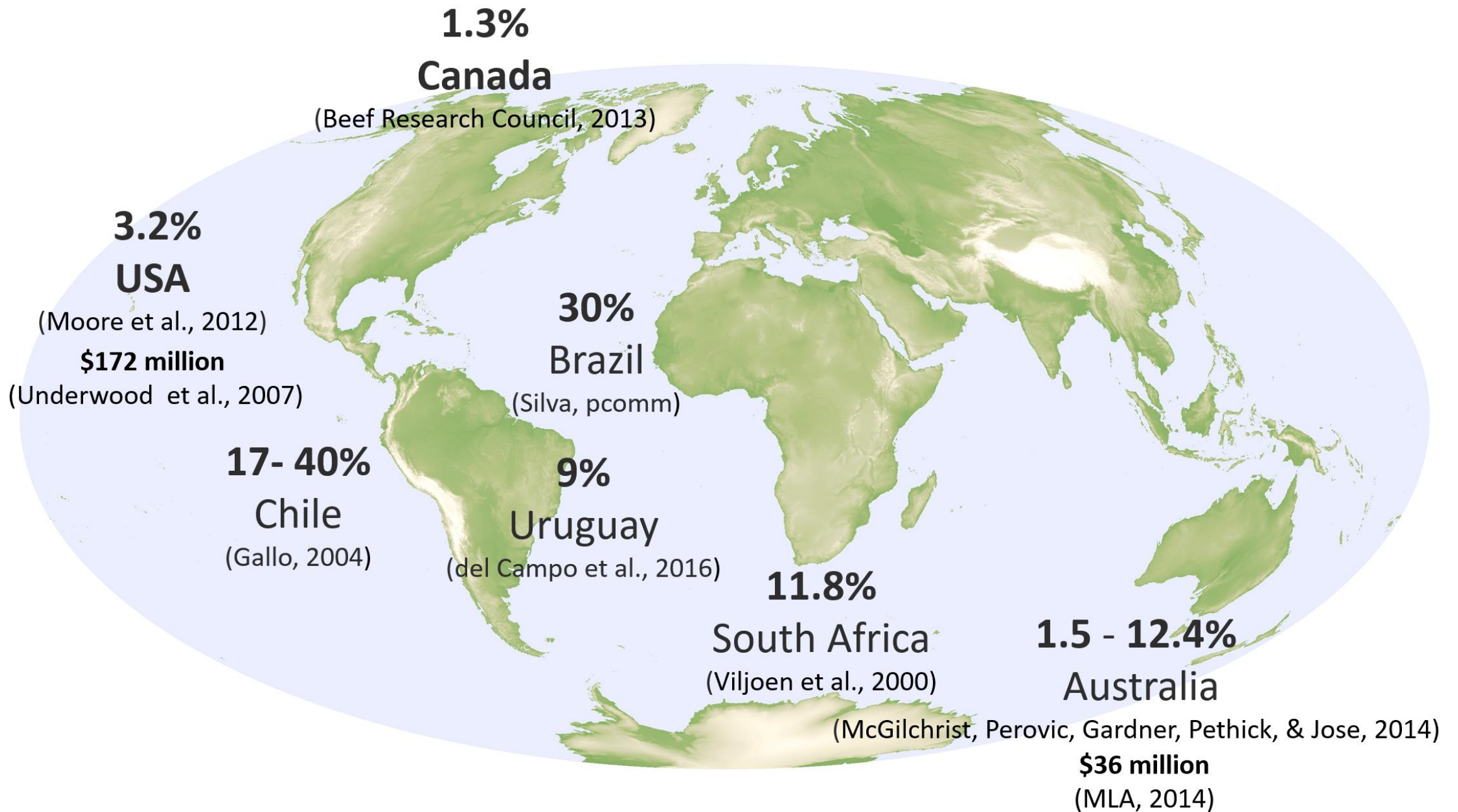
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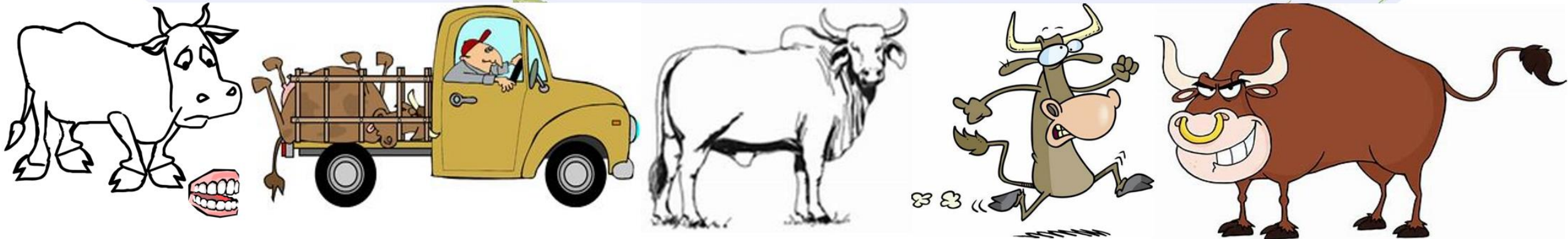
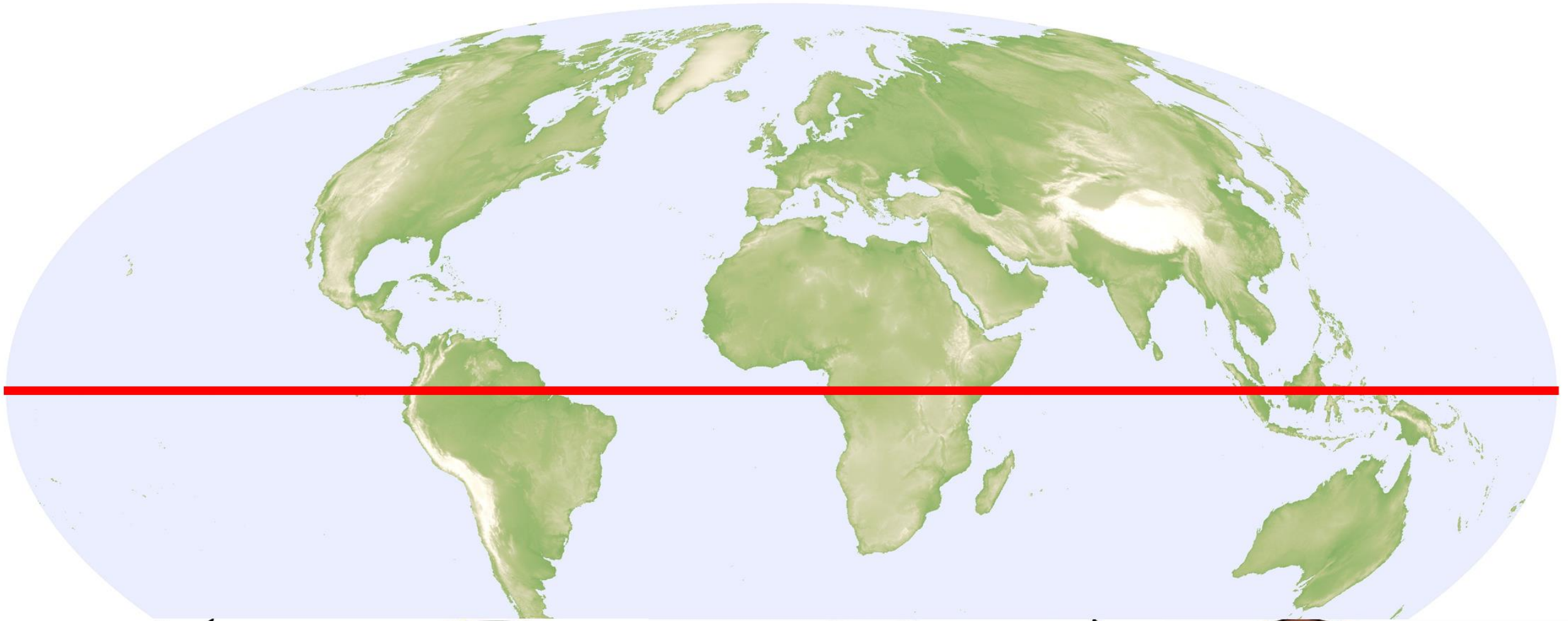
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15% of all retail beef does not meet consumer's standard for color
(Smith et al., 2000; Kilinger et al., 2004)

\$1 Billion economic loss to the US beef industry annually
(Smith et al., 2000)





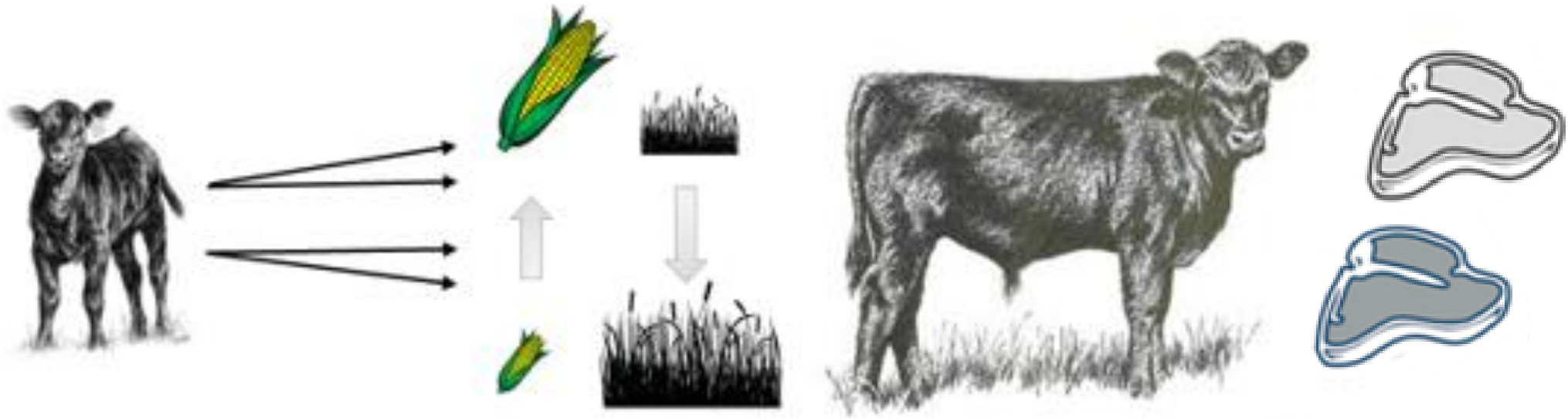


Intensive



Extensive





Hypothesis

Dark beef also results from different rearing paradigms, altering muscle characteristics, postmortem metabolism and ultimate color development.



Postweaning Exposure to High Concentrates versus Forages Alters Marbling Deposition and Lipid Metabolism in Steers¹

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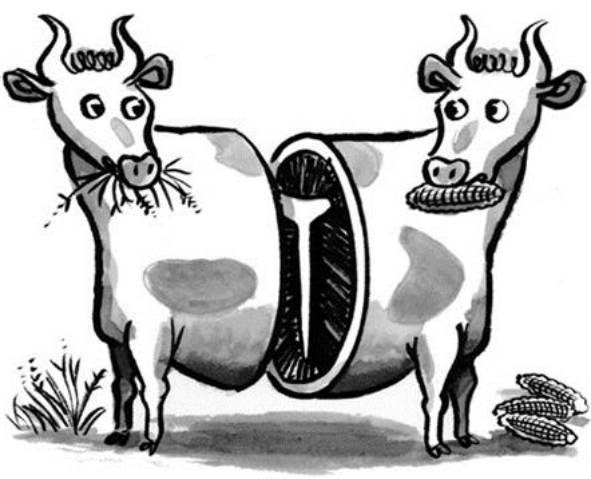
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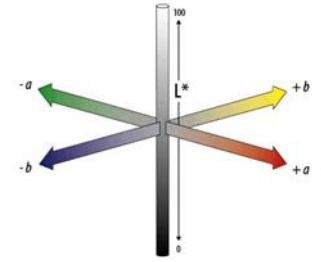
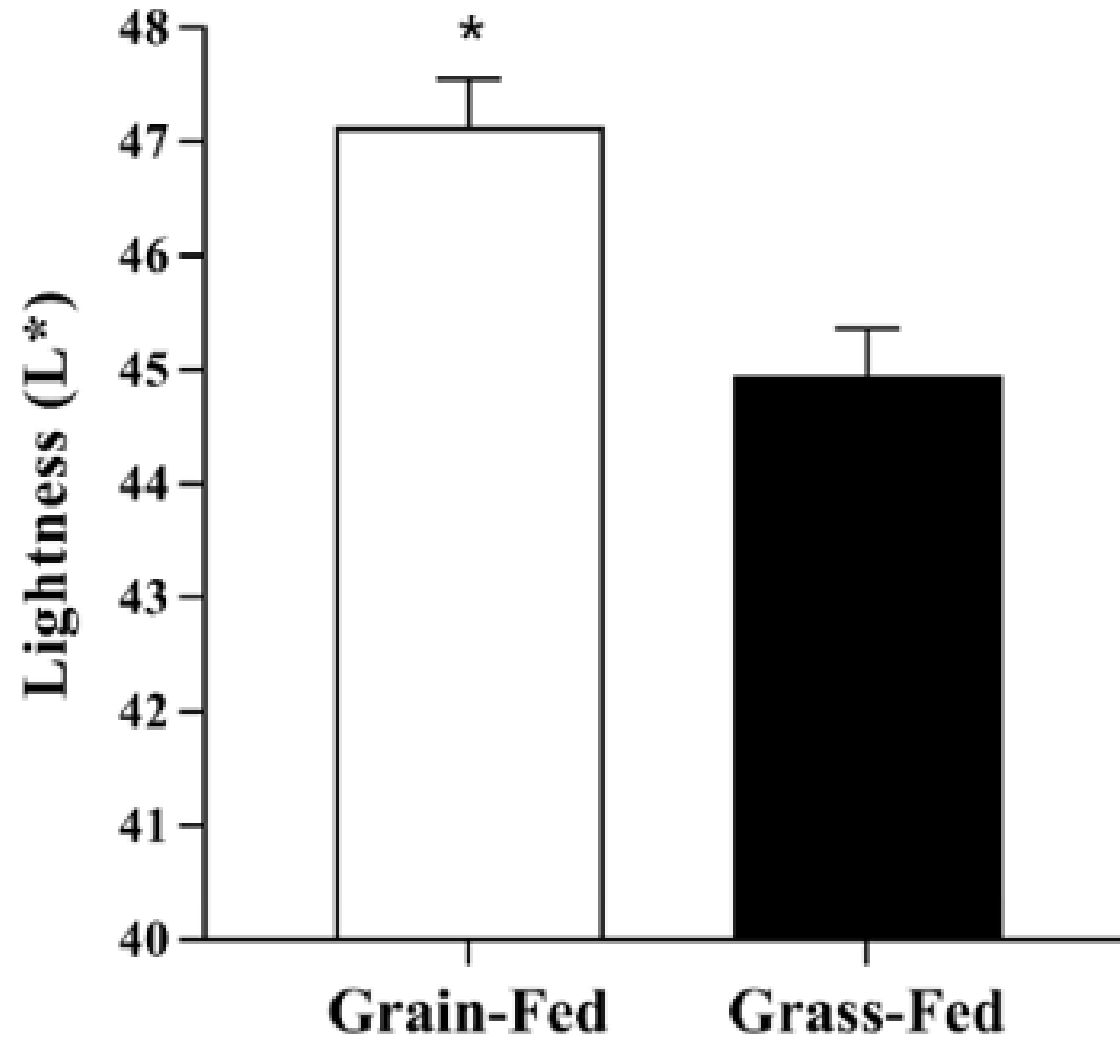
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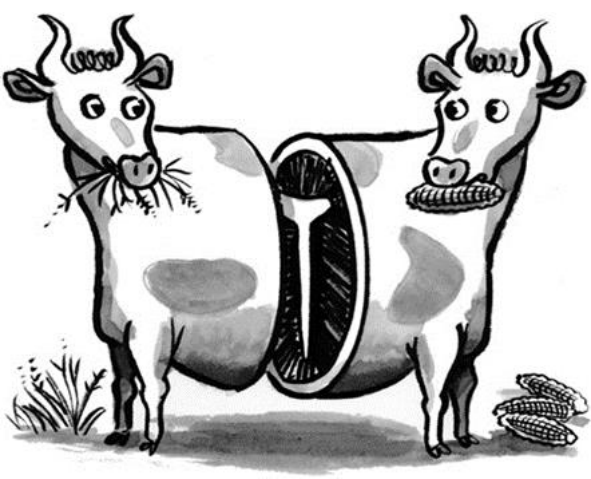
Table 1. Live performance of steers fed a high-concentrate based diet (CONC) or grazed high-quality forages (FOR) for 127 d post weaning

Item	CONC	FOR	SEM	<i>P</i> -value
Initial body weight, kg	260	262	7.1	0.825
Shrunk final body weight, kg	422	338	10.4	< 0.001
Average daily gain, kg/d	1.36	0.68	0.058	< 0.001
Dry matter intake, kg/d	7.82	–	–	–
Feed efficiency, feed:gain	5.44	–	–	–
Hot carcass weight, kg	248	179	6.0	< 0.001
Dressing percentage, %	58.1	52.9	0.57	< 0.001
Ribeye area, cm ²	72.3	57.9	2.44	< 0.001
Fat thickness, cm	0.45	0.14	0.052	< 0.001
Kidney, pelvic, heart fat, %	1.77	0.75	0.200	0.0004
Yield grade	1.79	1.51	0.125	0.228
Skeletal maturity (100 = A)	152	149	2.17	0.342
Marbling score (500 = small)	548	340	14.4	< 0.001
Percent Choice	80	0	9.4	< 0.0001

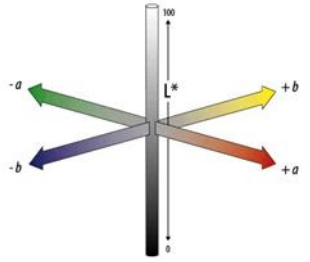
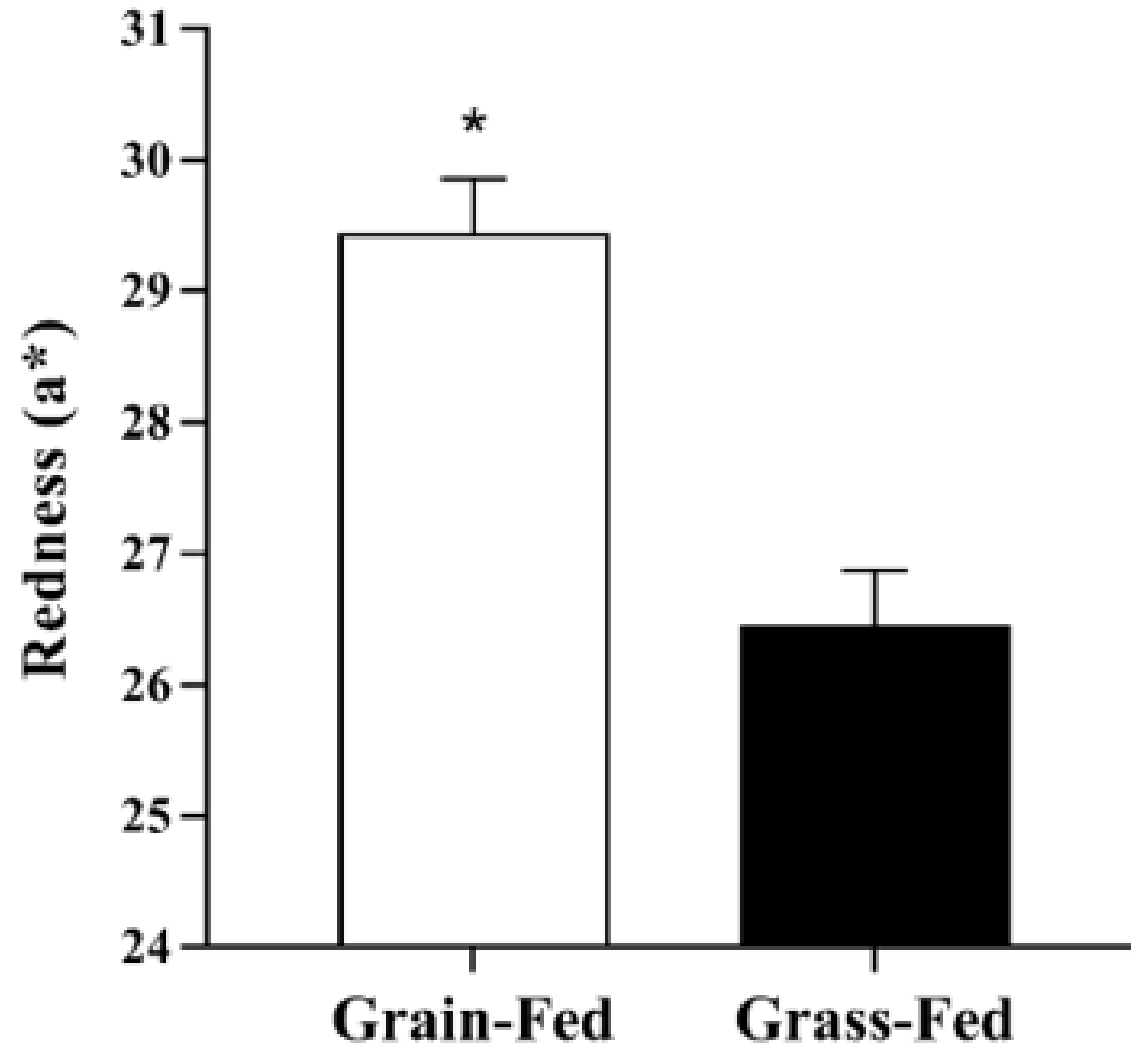


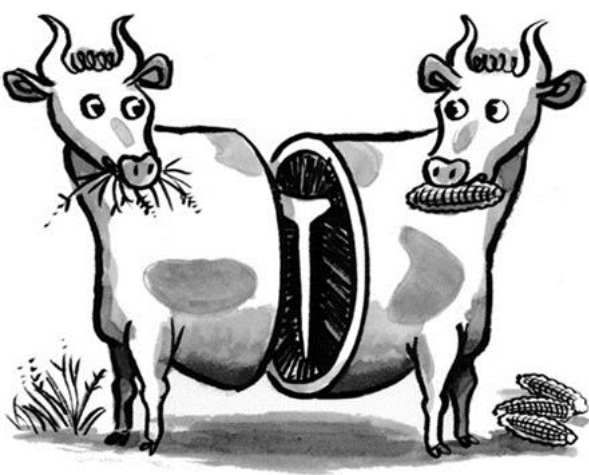
Grain-Fed cattle possess a lighter lean





Grain-Fed cattle have less red lean

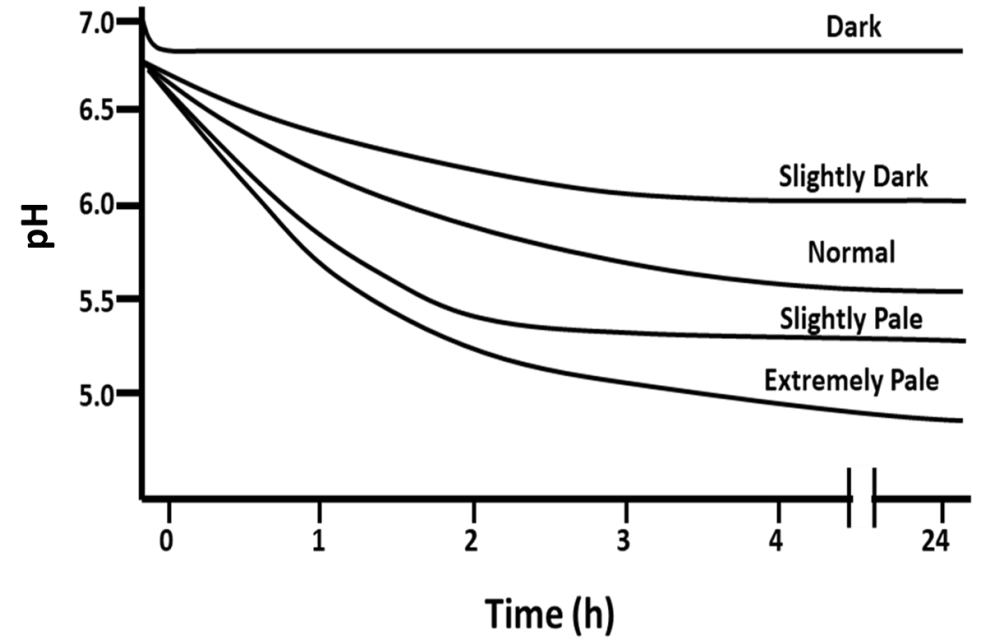
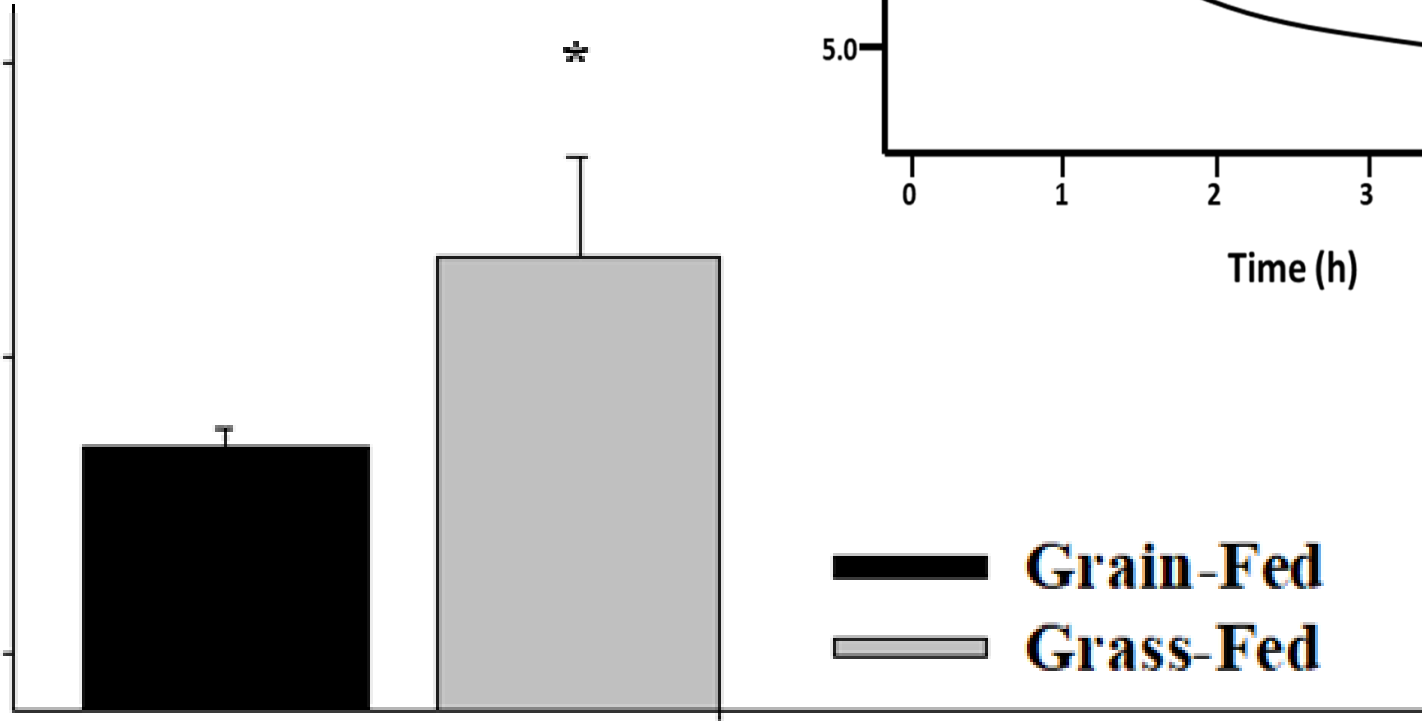




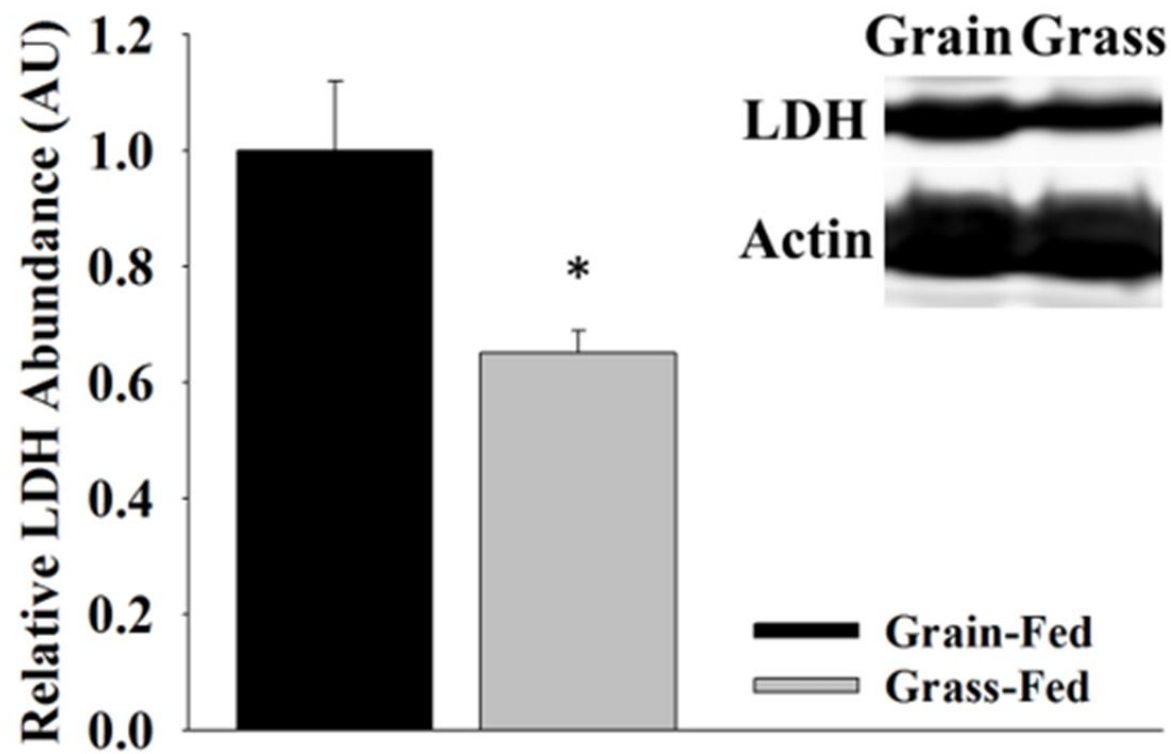
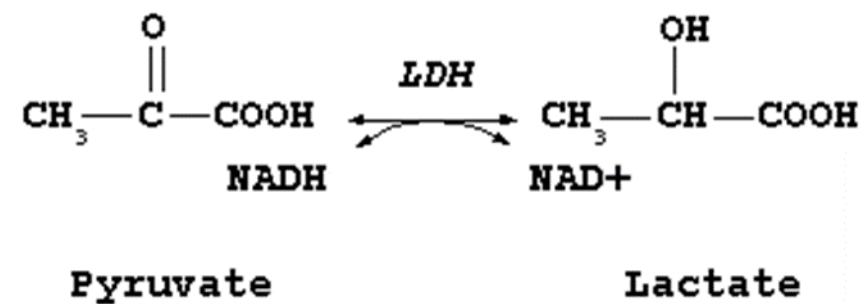
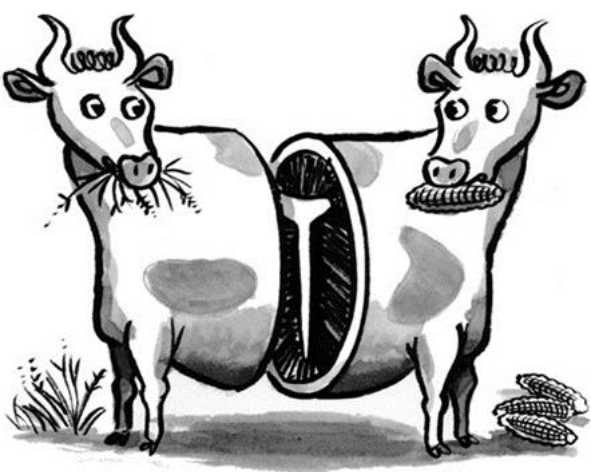
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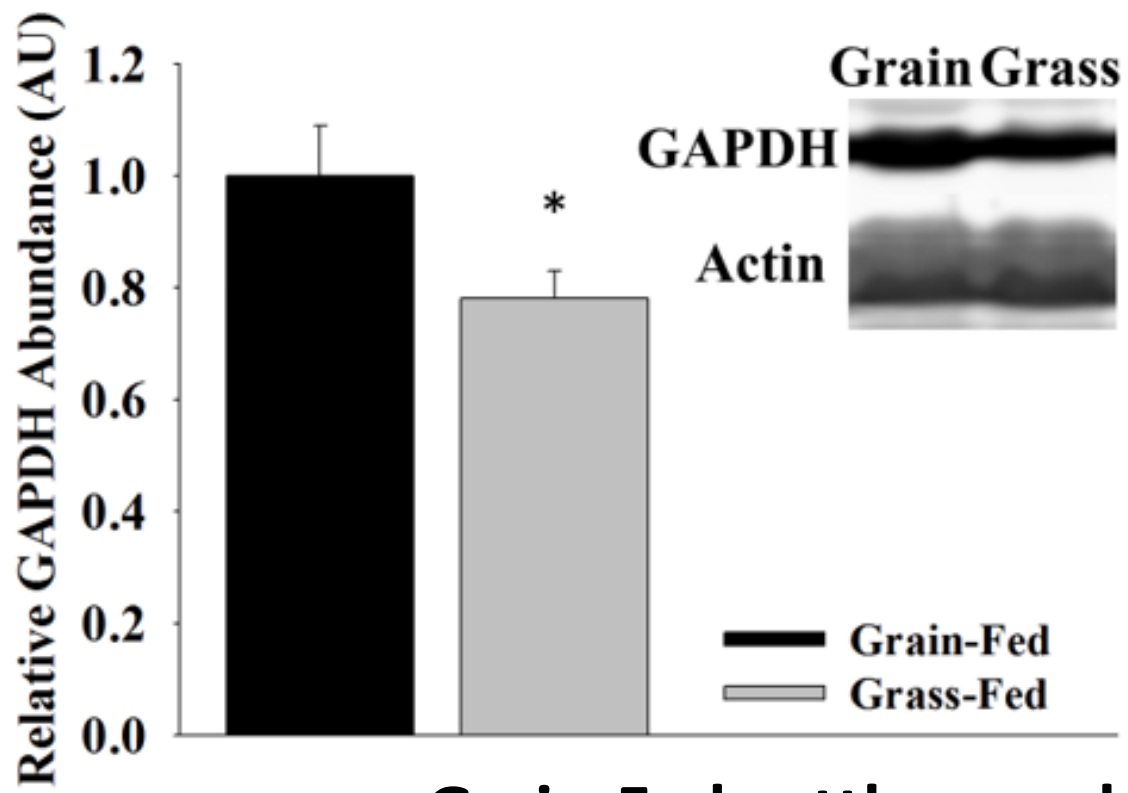
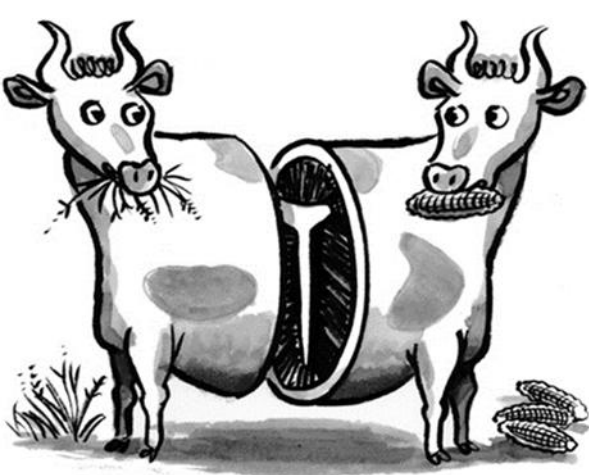
pH 5.6

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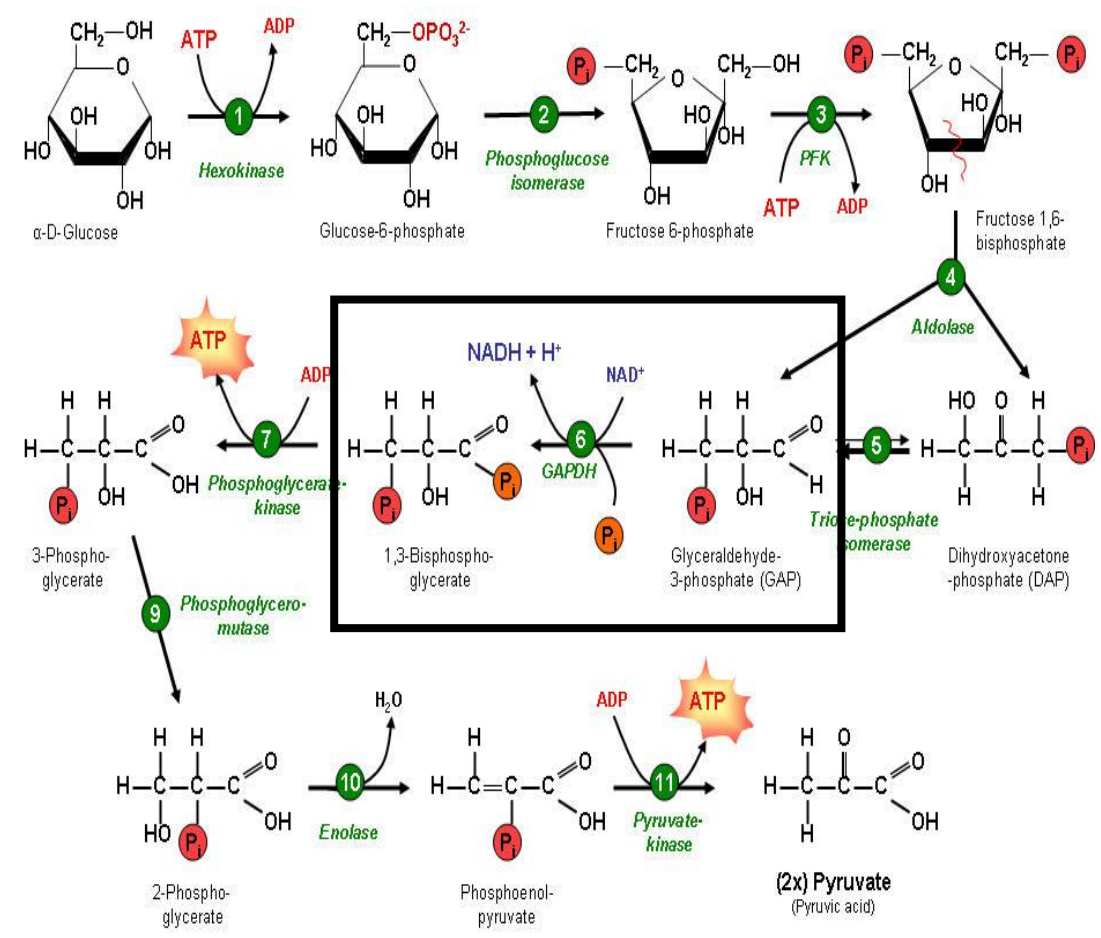


pH of lean from Grass-Fed cattle is NOT ALWAYS high

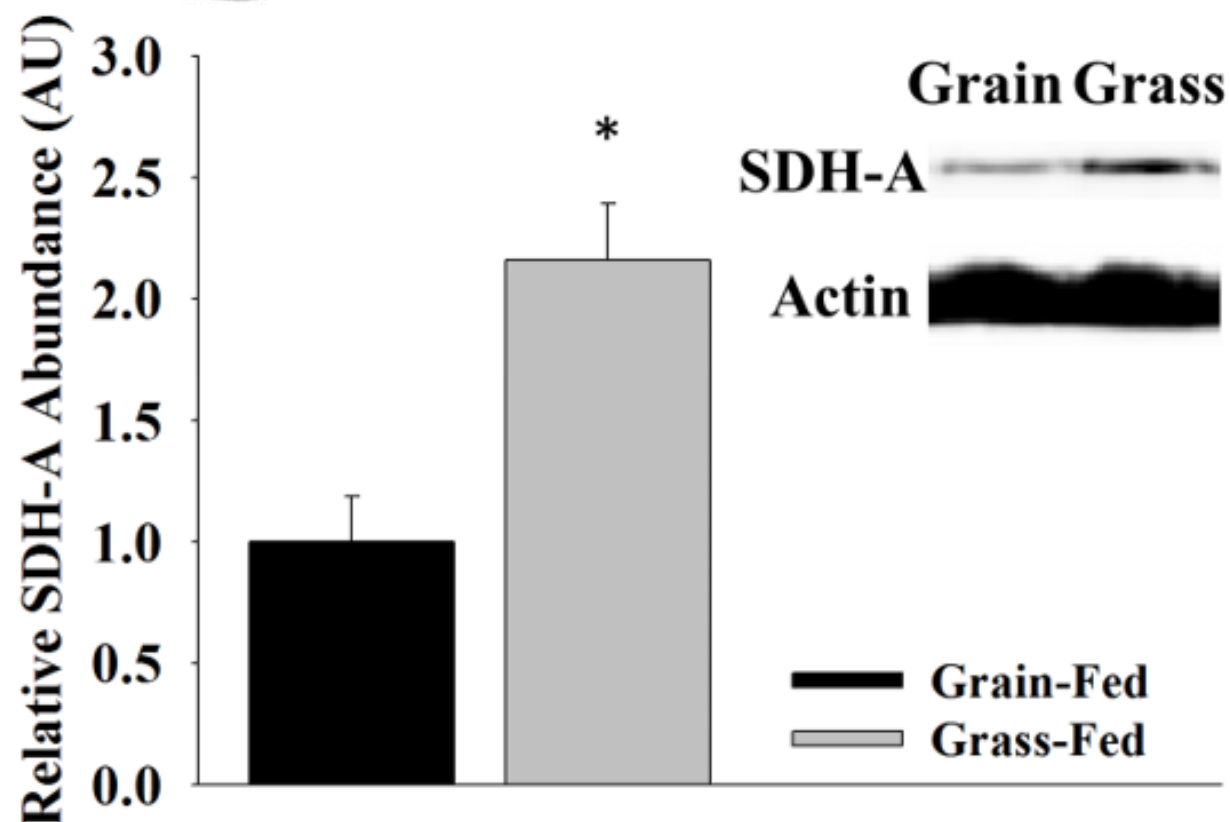
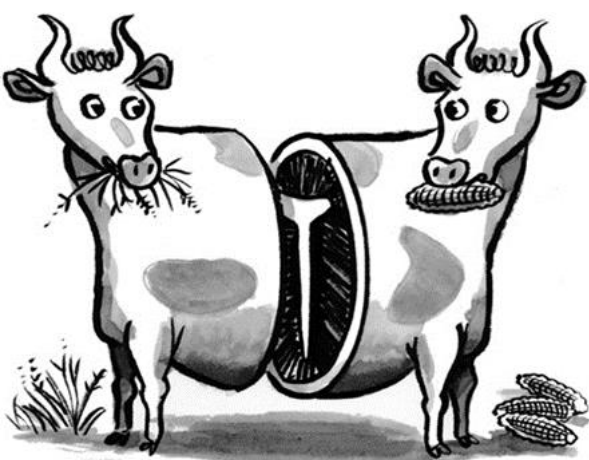




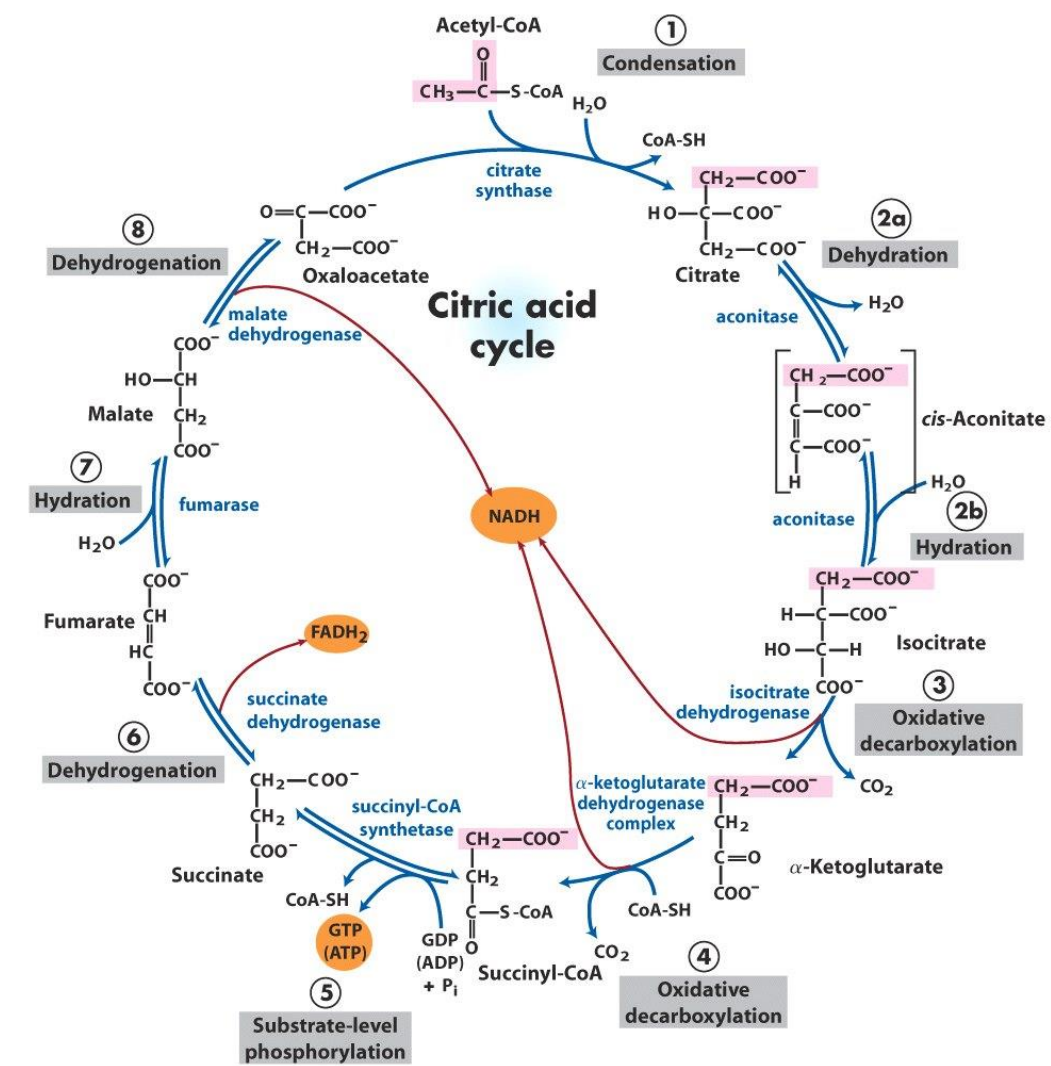
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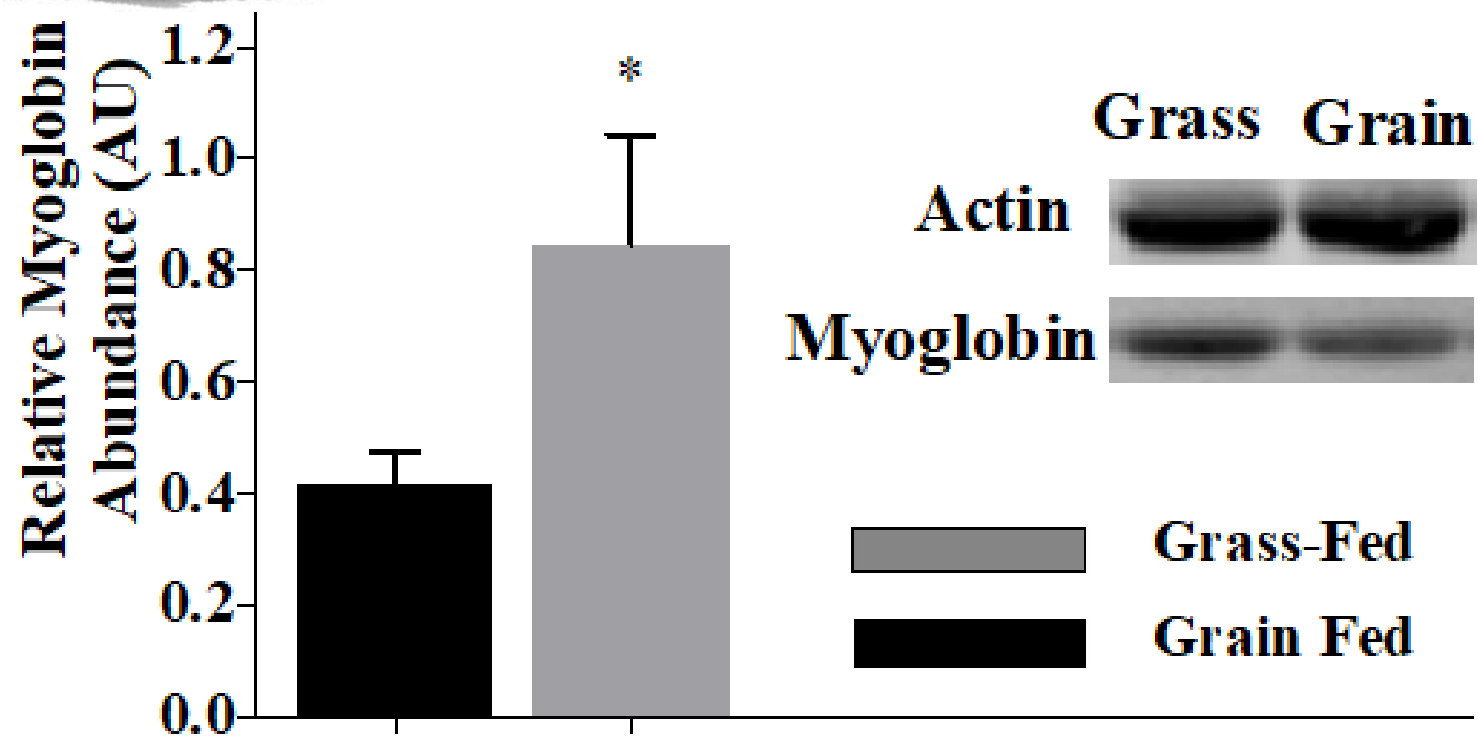
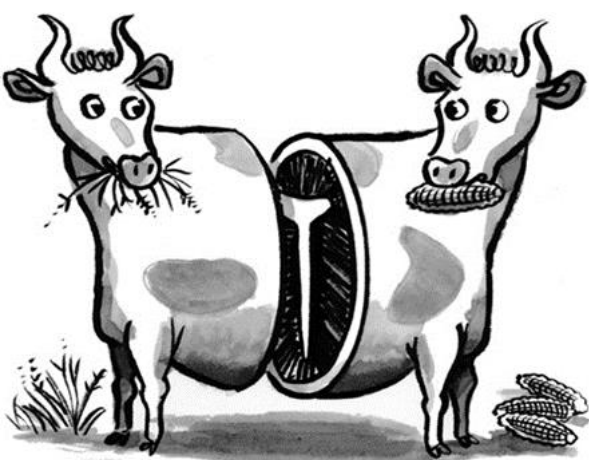


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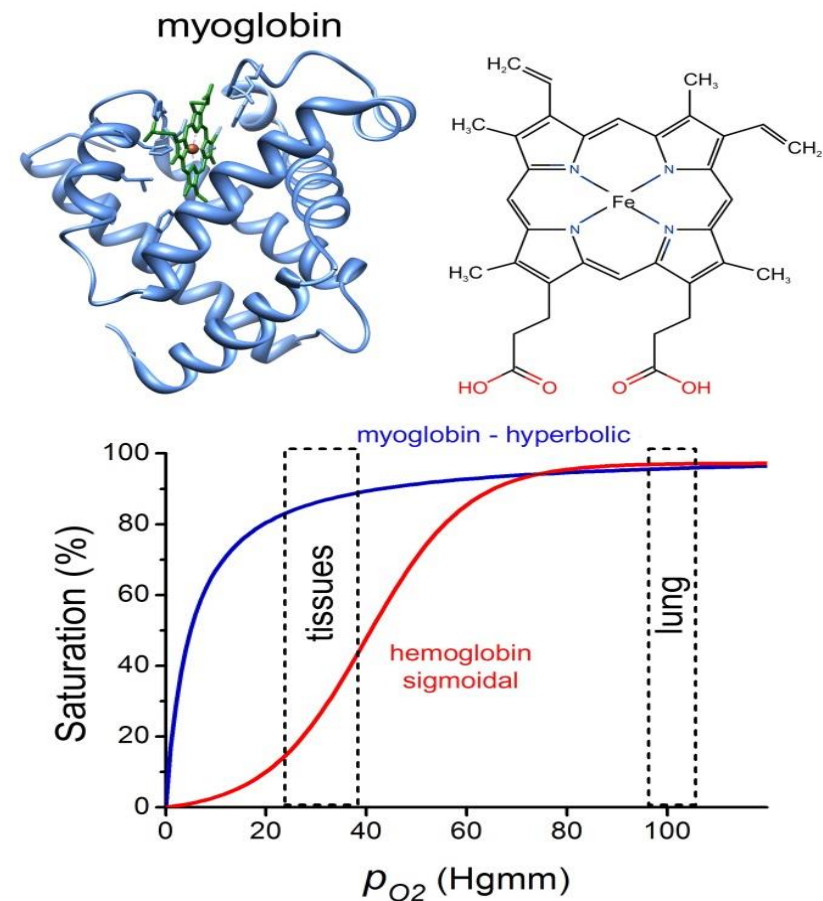


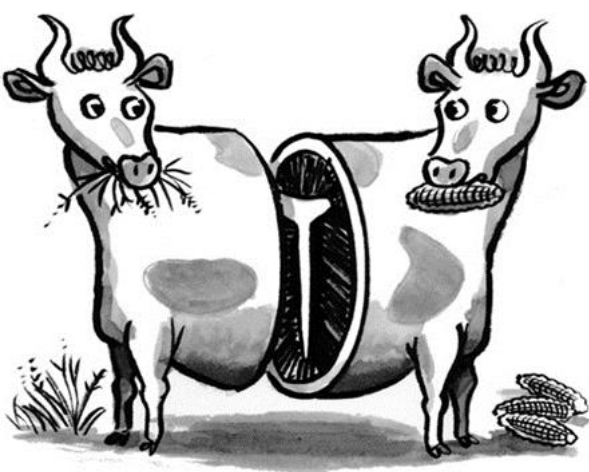
Grass-Fed cattle have oxidative muscle



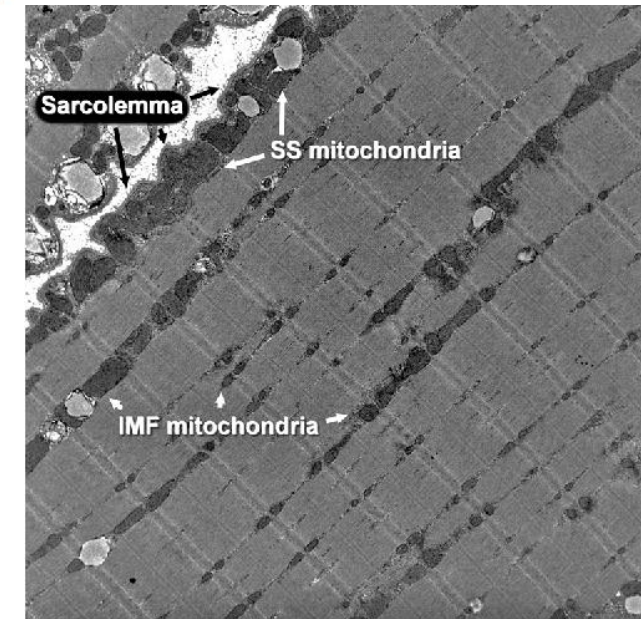
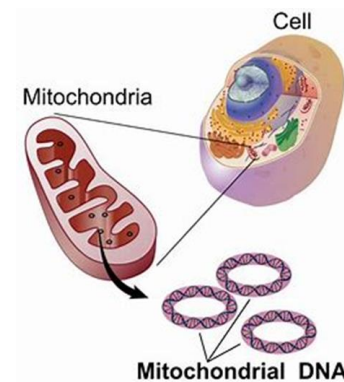
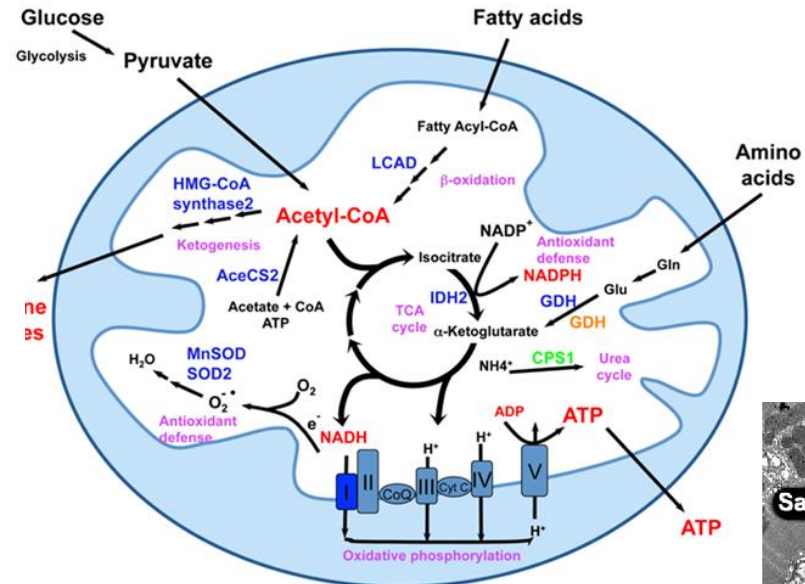
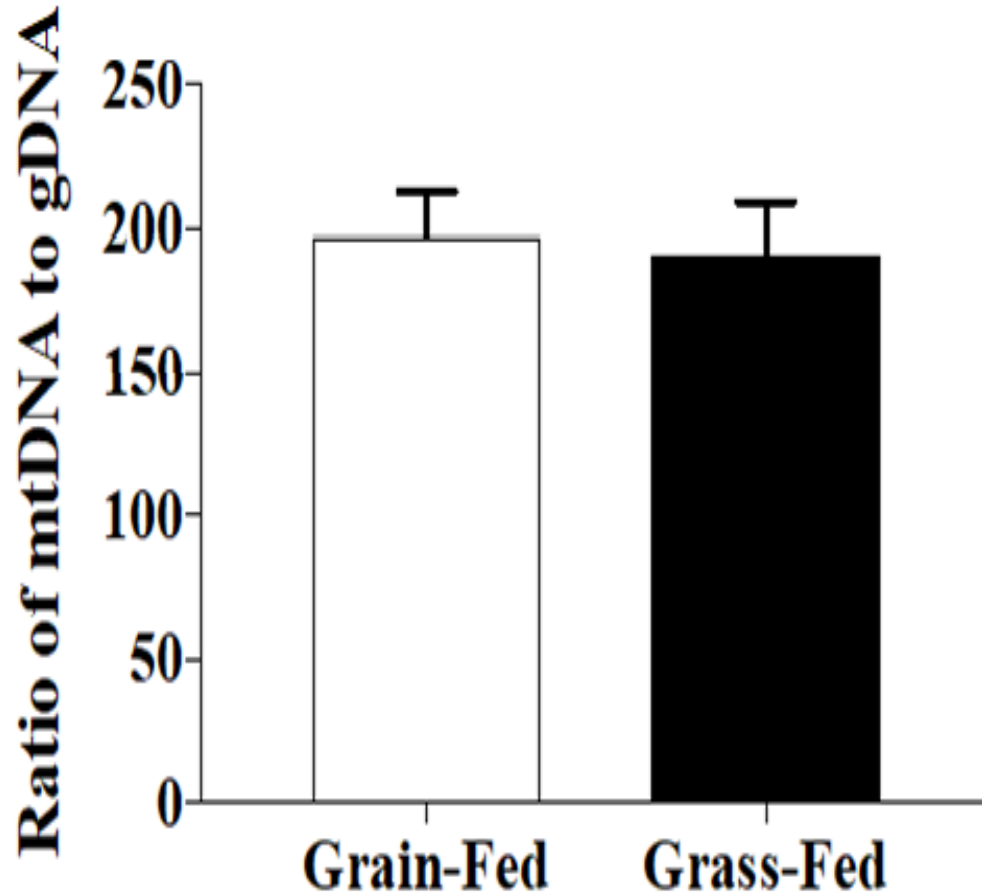


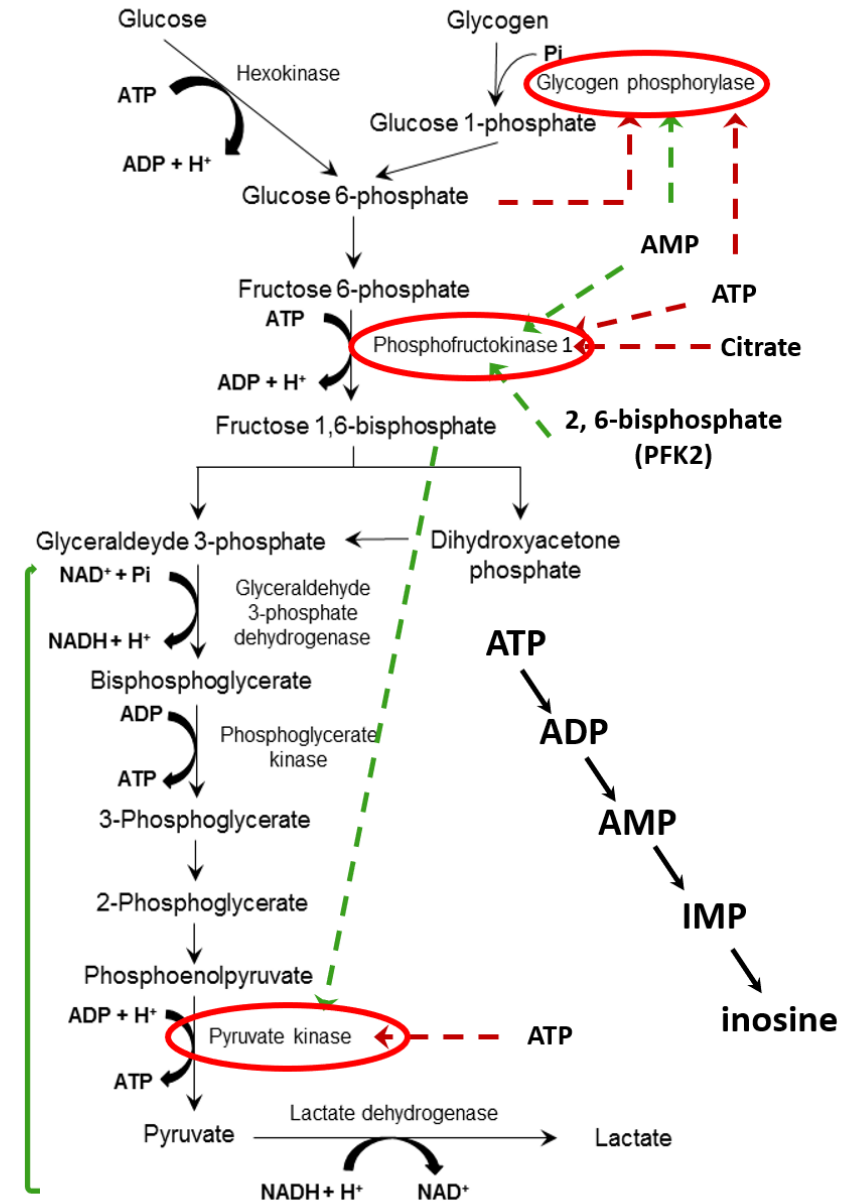
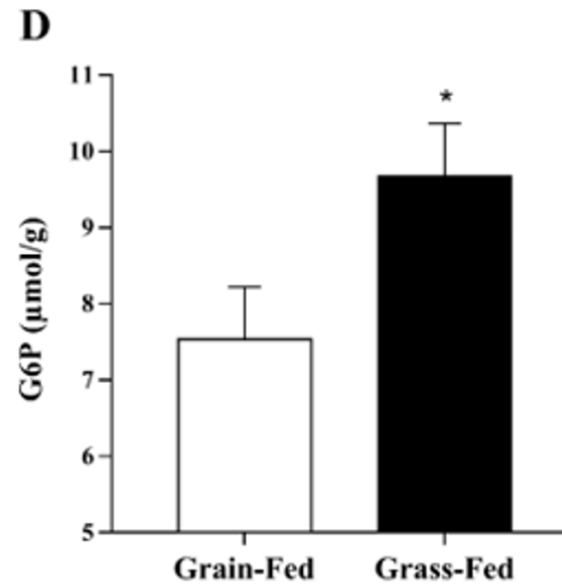
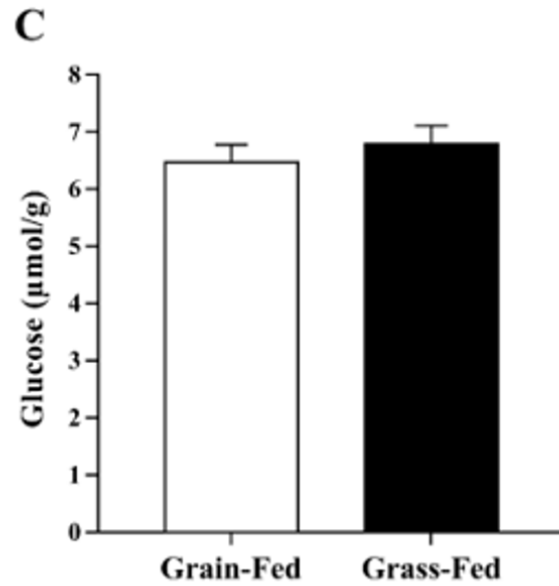
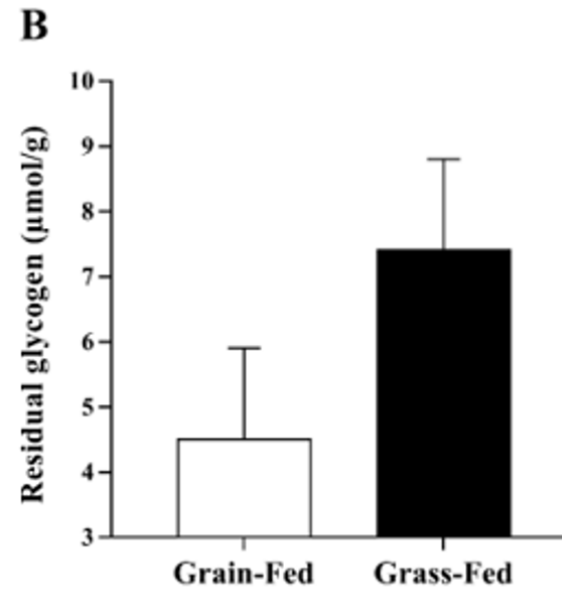
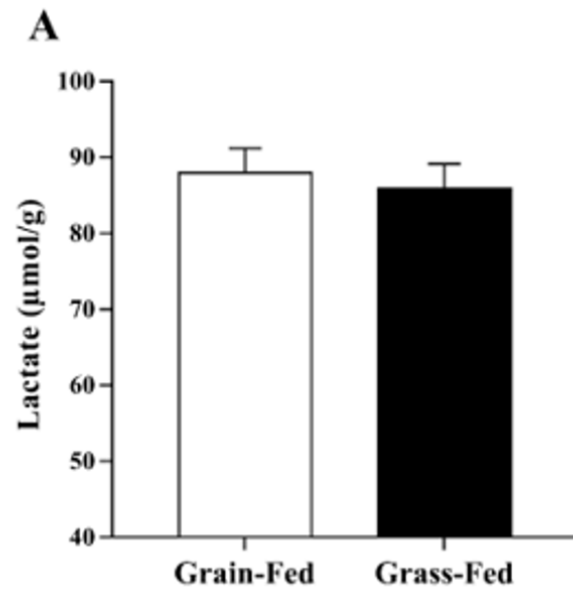
Grass-Fed cattle have increased abundance of myoglobin

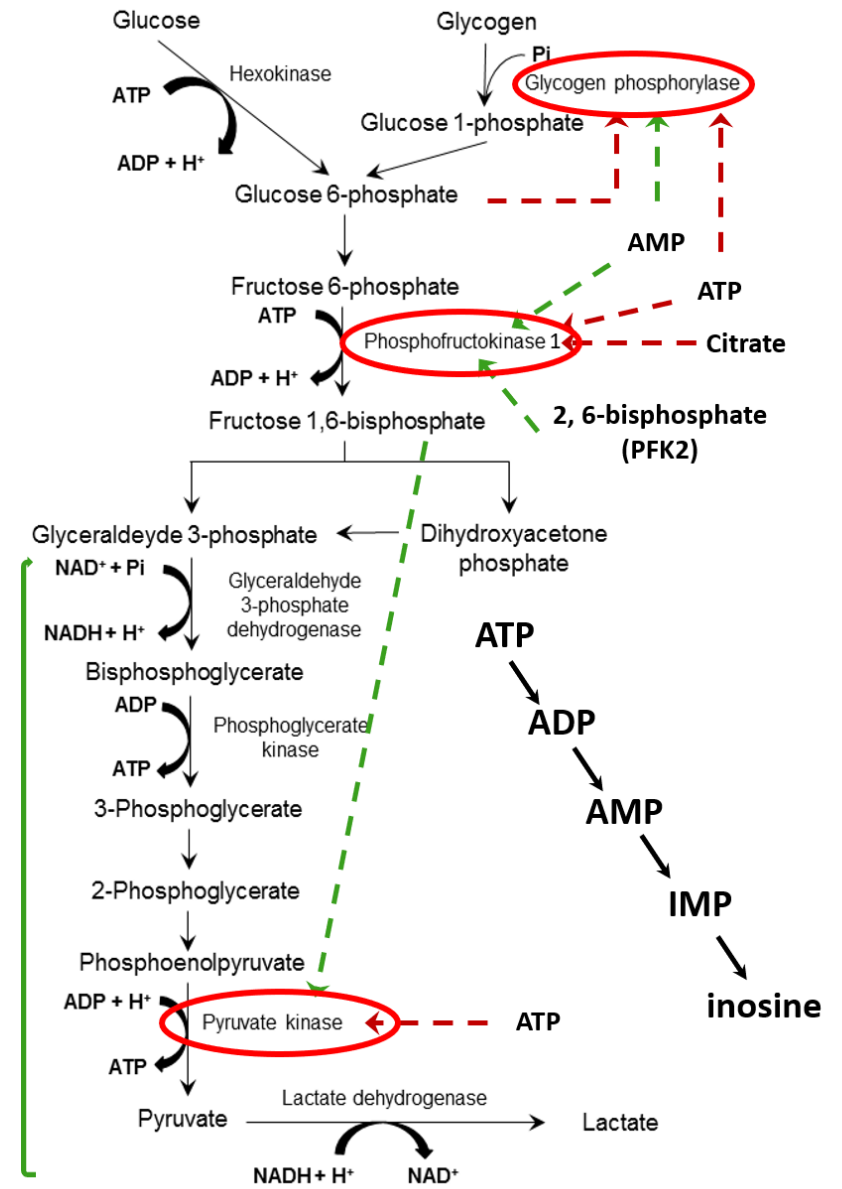
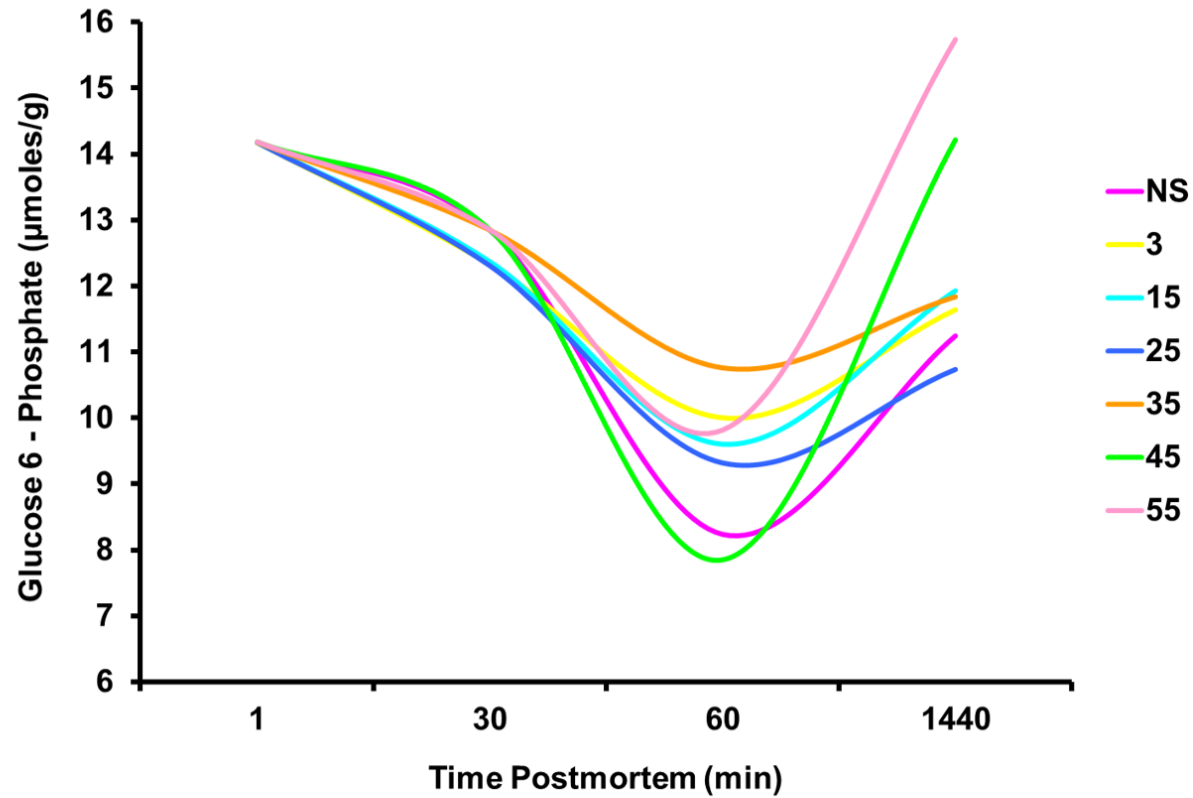




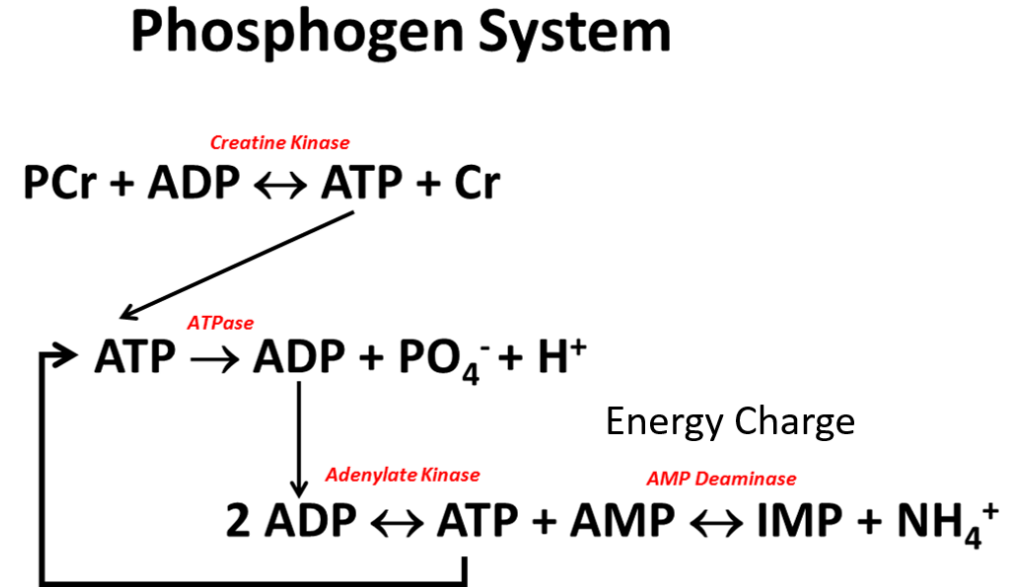
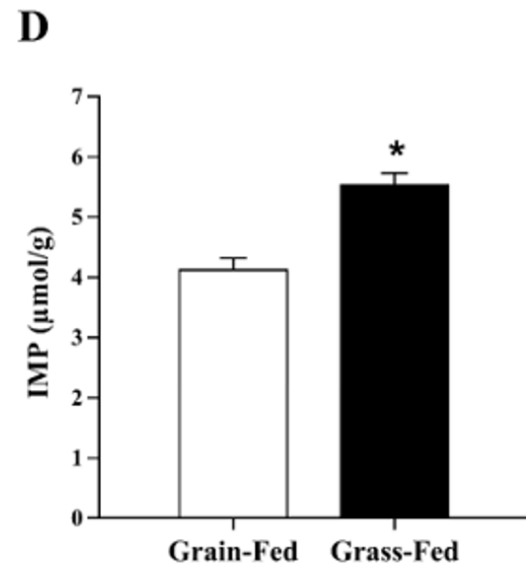
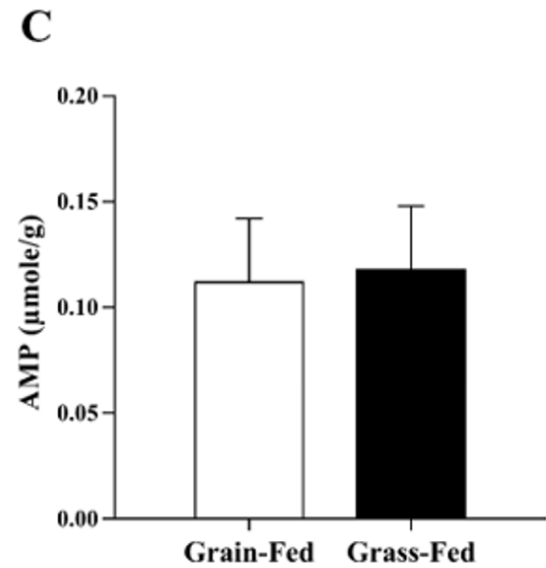
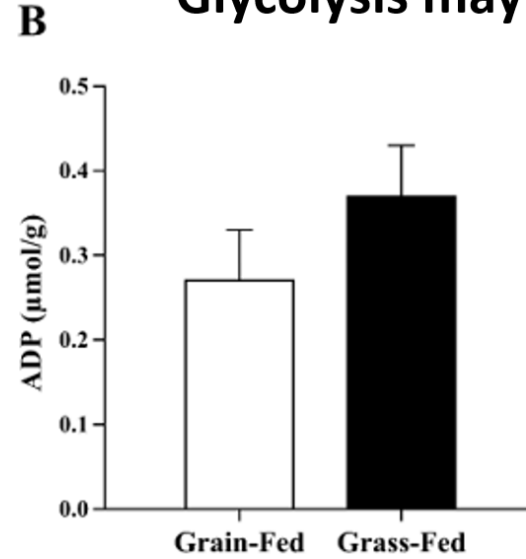
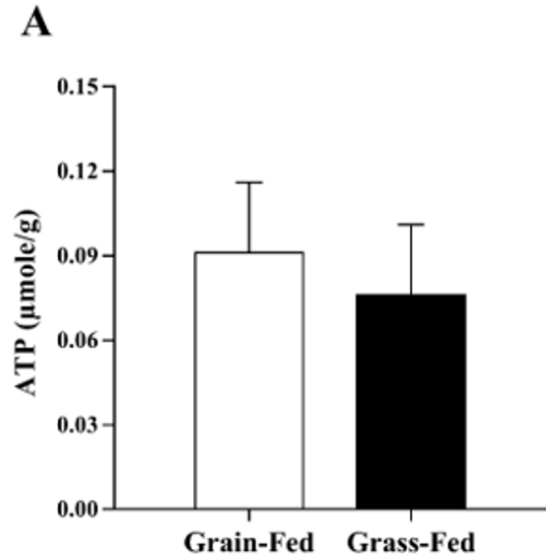
Mitochondrial abundance does not differ





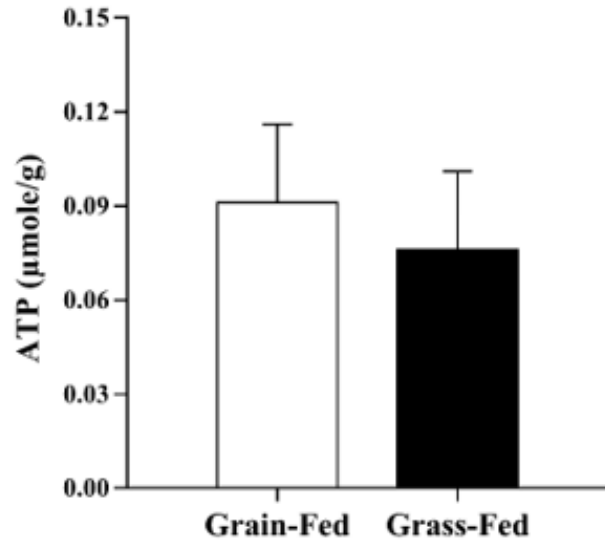


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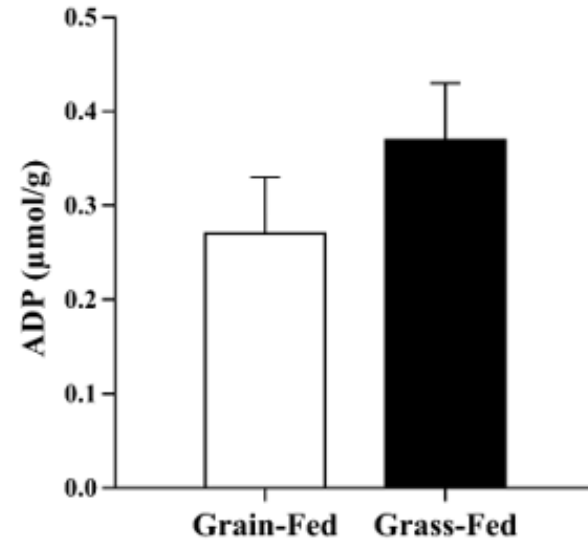


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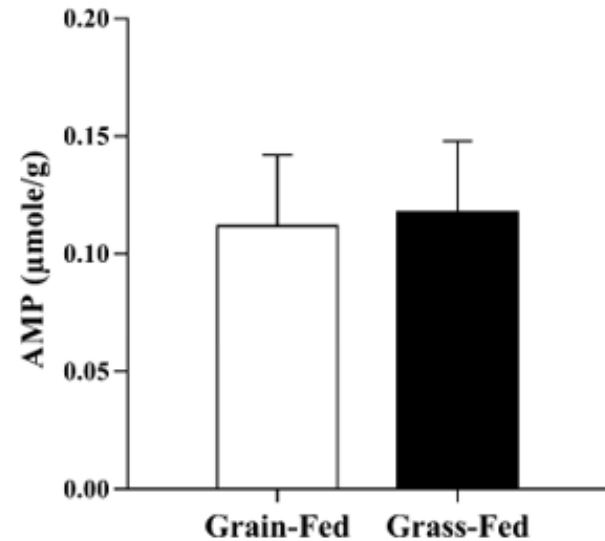
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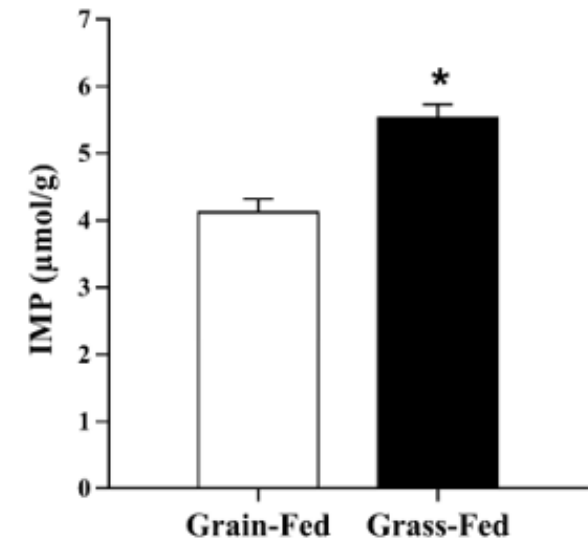
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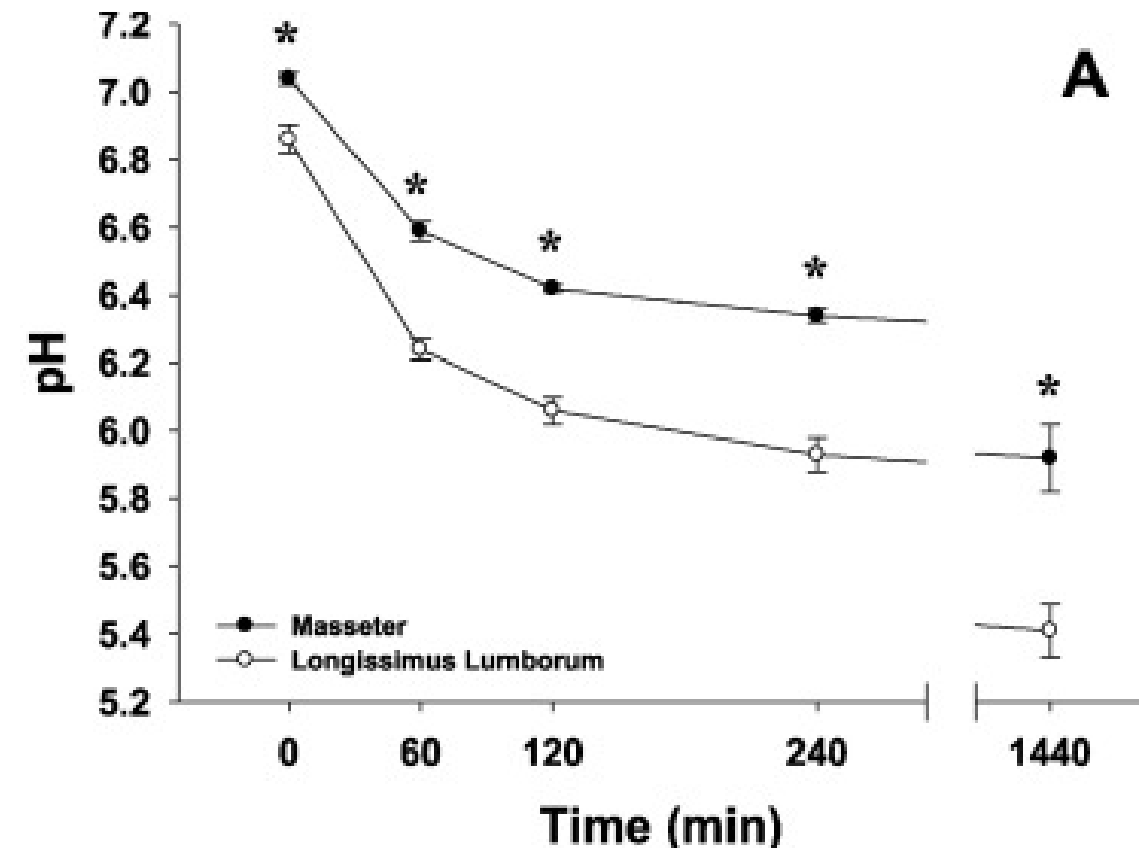
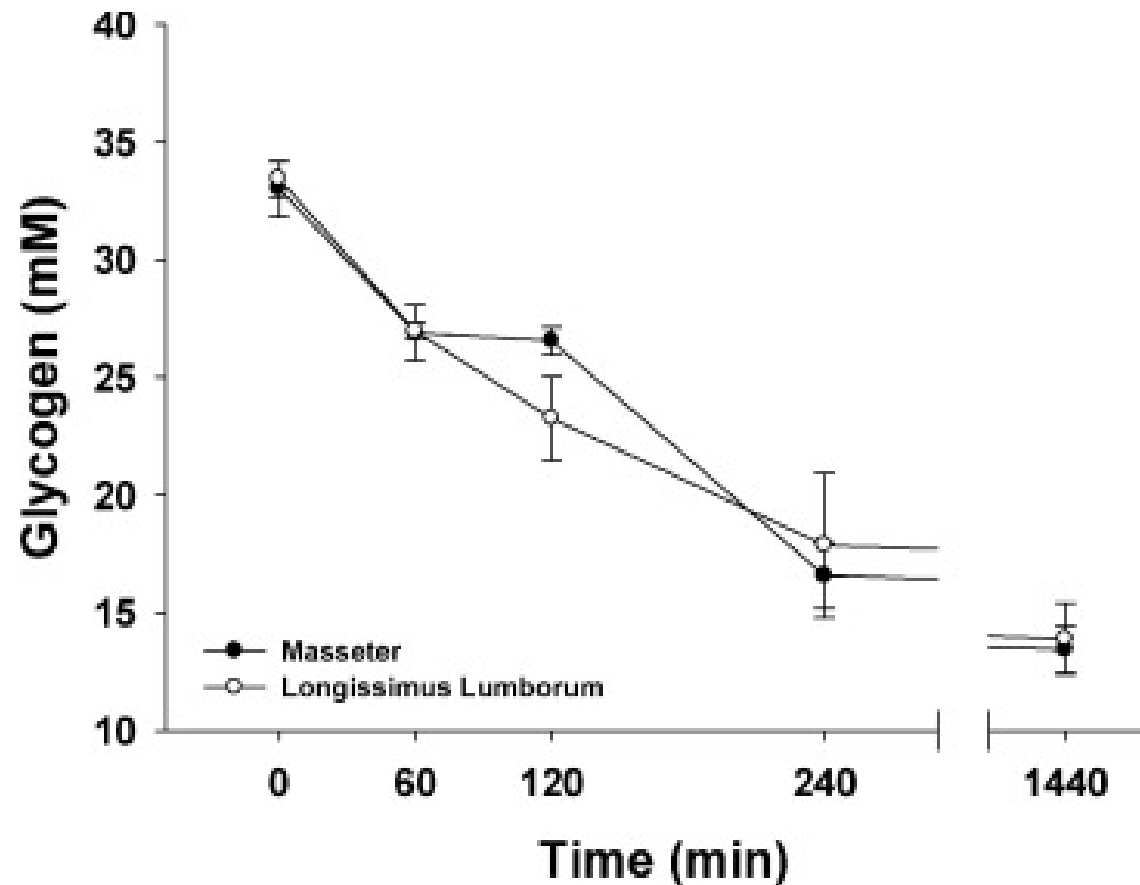
Energy Charge



Excess glycogen does not resolve high ultimate pH of oxidative muscle

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The *in vitro* system



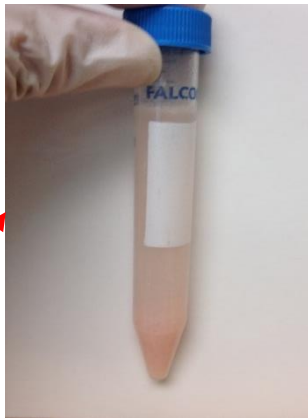
Grinding



Grinding



Treatment: Mitochondria



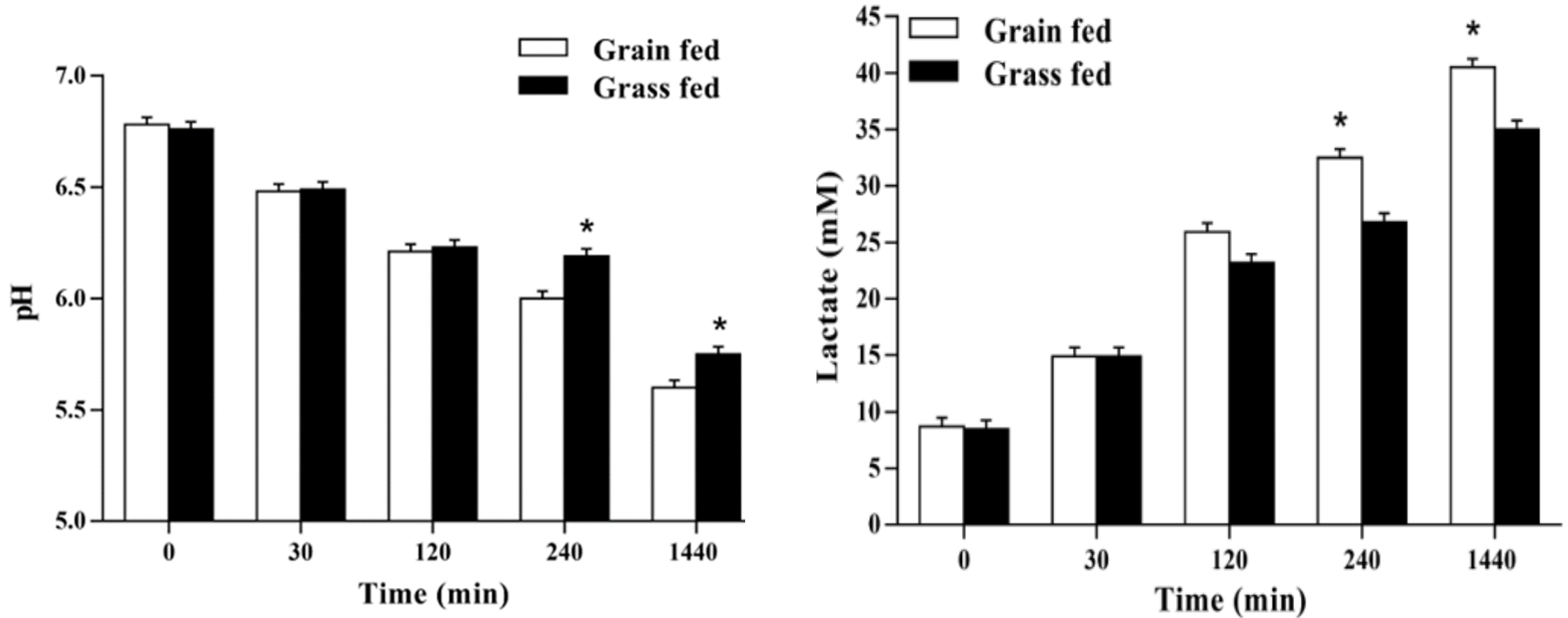
Muscle : Buffer
1:10 W/V

Scopes buffer

- 5 mM, MgCl_2
- 10 mM, Na_2HPO_4
- 60 mM KCL
- 40 mM, Glycogen
- 5 mM, ATP
- 0.5 mM, ADP
- 0.5 mM, NAD^+
- 25 mM, Carnosine
- 30 mM, Creatine
- 10 mM, Sodium acetate

In-Vitro Metabolism

Scopes System



Muscle from grass and grain-fed differ in their ability to metabolize carbohydrate

Presence of oxygen and mitochondria in skeletal muscle early postmortem

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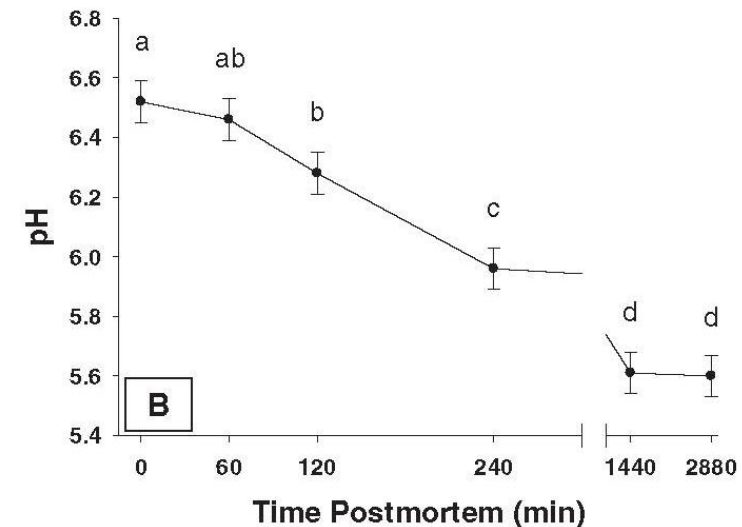
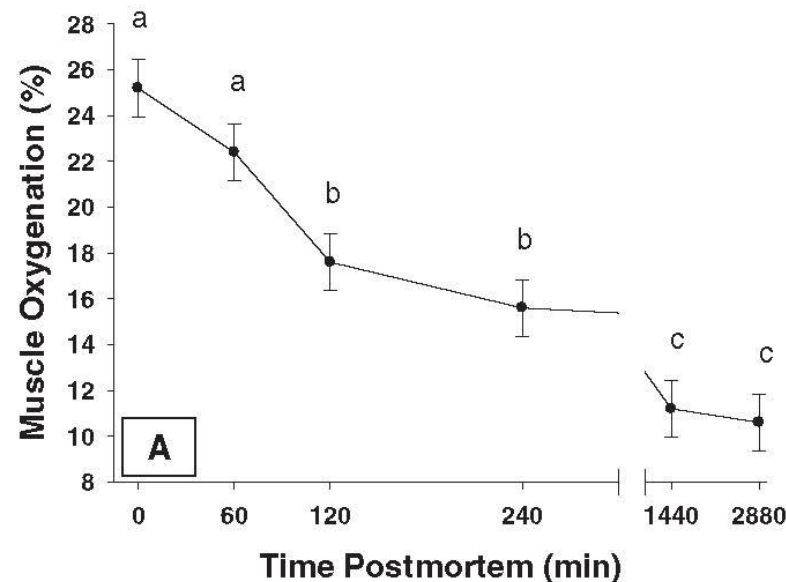
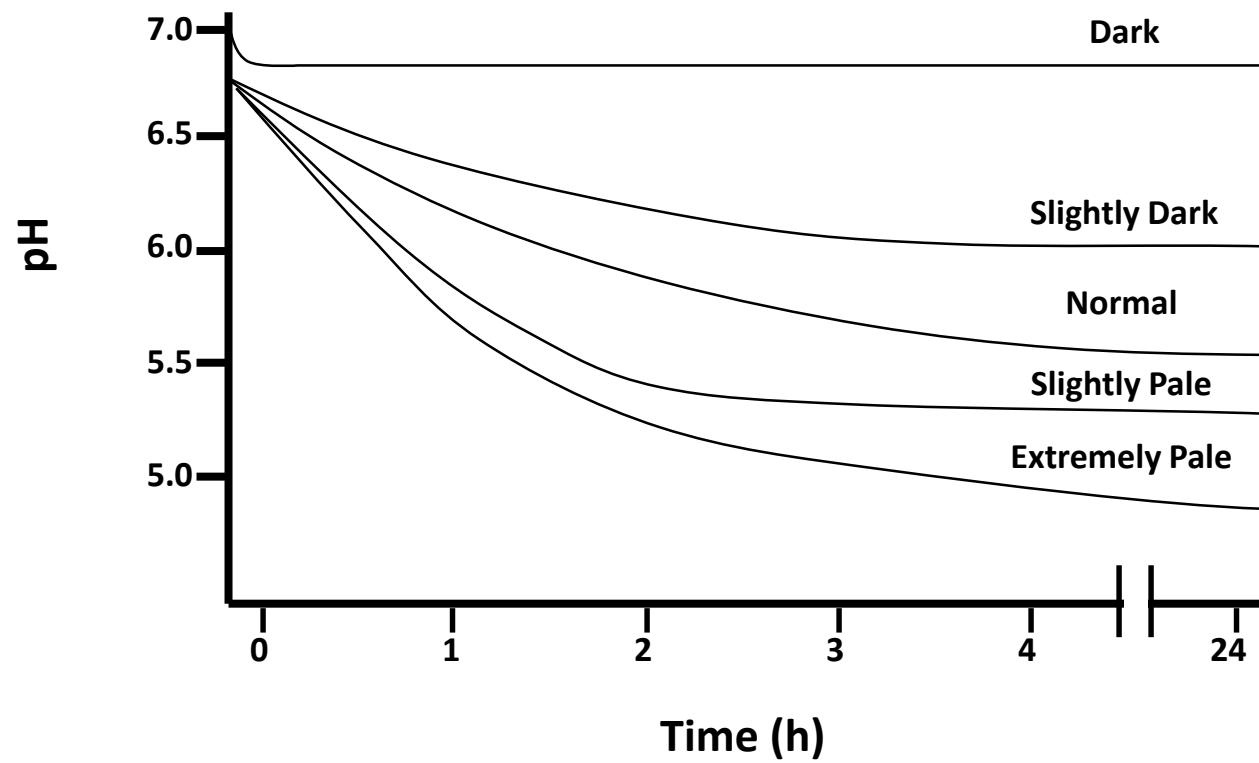
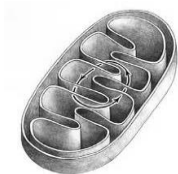
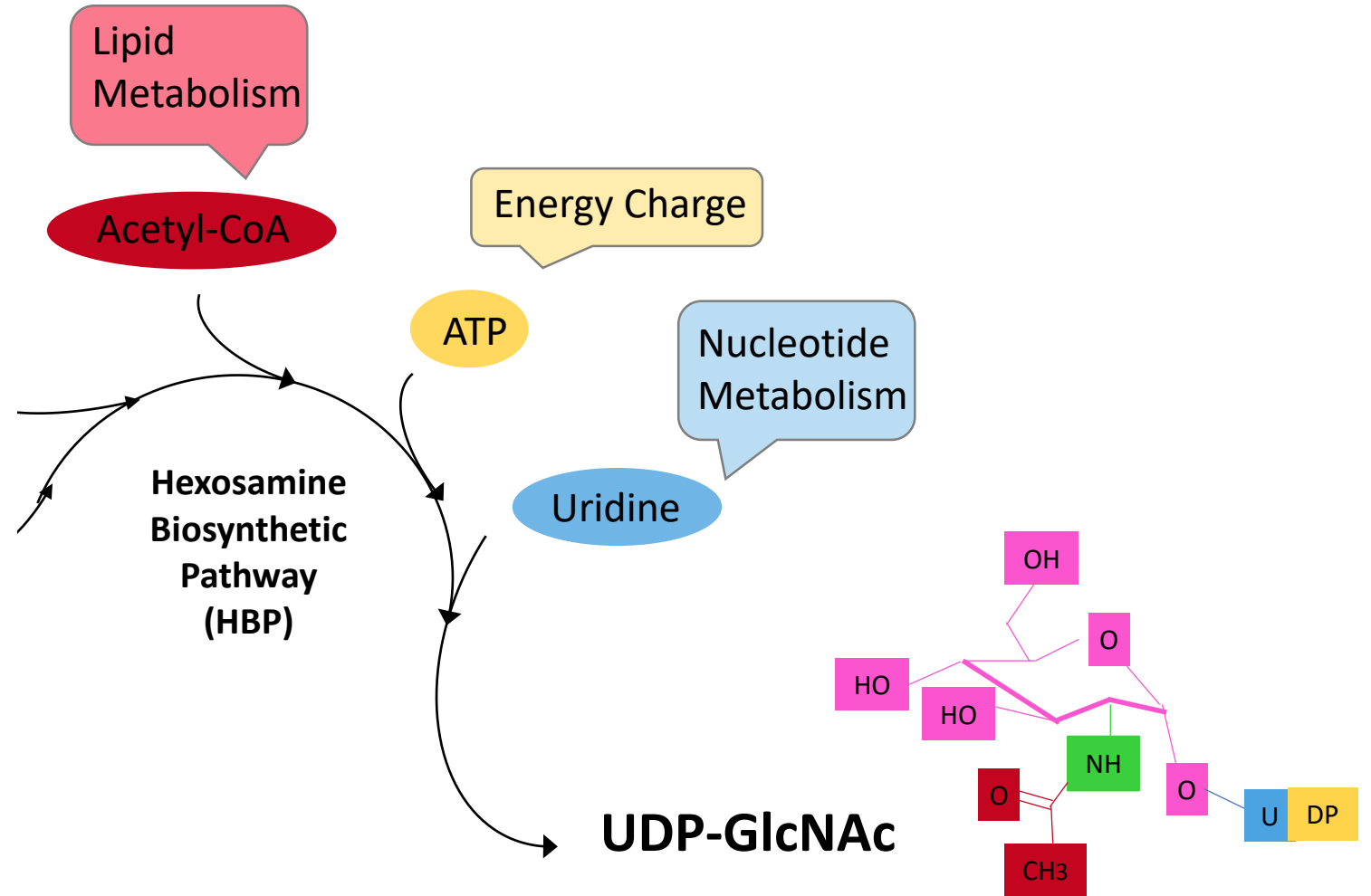
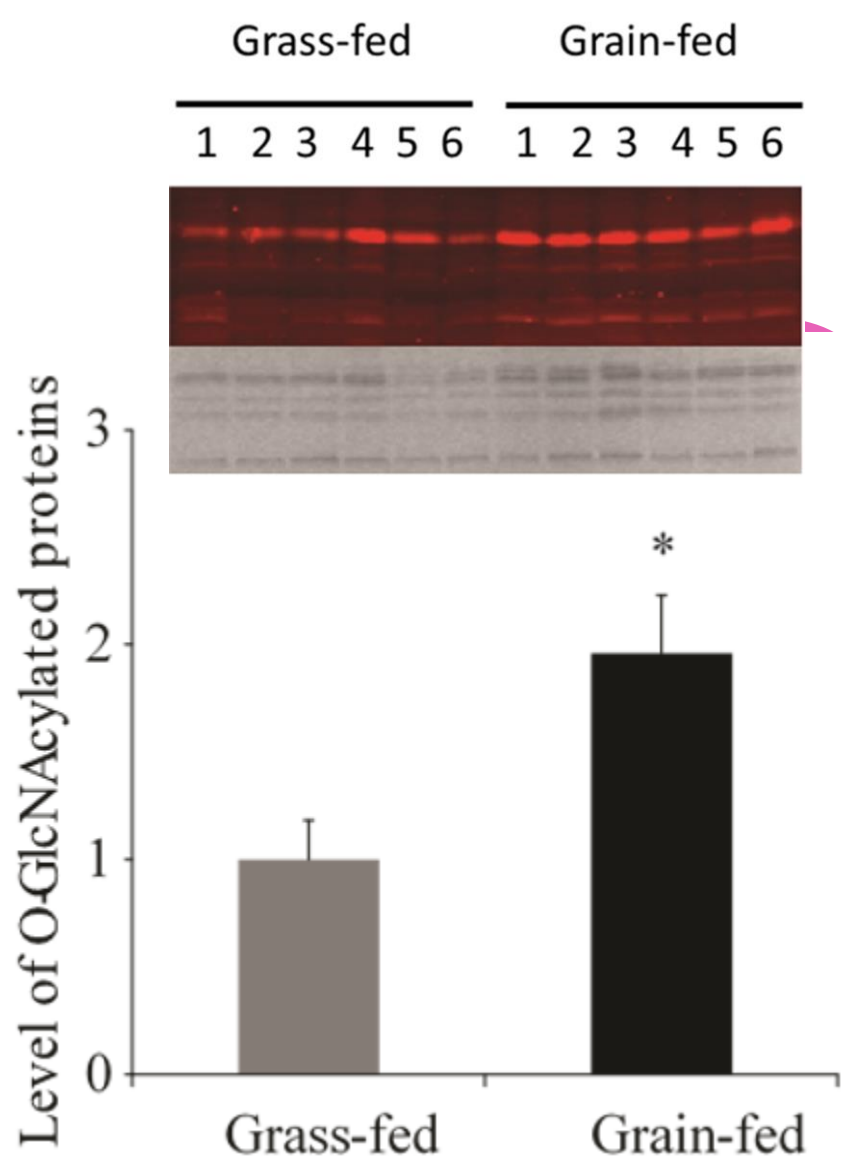


Fig. 3. (A) Mean postmortem muscle oxygenation (%) of the beef *longissimus thoracis et lumborum*. (B) Mean postmortem pH decline of the beef *longissimus thoracis et lumborum*. Data are presented as mean \pm SEM. Means without a common superscript are significantly different ($P < 0.05$).

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Nutrient Signaling



Adapted from Hanover et al., (2012)

The color of normal (fresh or packaged) meat is bright cherry red and consumers tend to reject any deviation from this due to a perceived degradation in quality (Tarrant 1989; Sawyer and others 2009). (in Ponnampalam et al., 2017).



Conclusions

What we know:

Feeding regime impacts beef color

Muscle from 'fed' cattle have altered nutrient sensing

High forage-fed beef has more myoglobin

Lean from forage-fed beef is metabolically different

Dark beef has more oxidative metabolism

Forage and grain fed cattle modulate energy metabolism *in vitro* differently

Mitochondria modulate PM energy metabolism *in vitro*

What we don't know:

How mitochondria fully participate in PM muscle

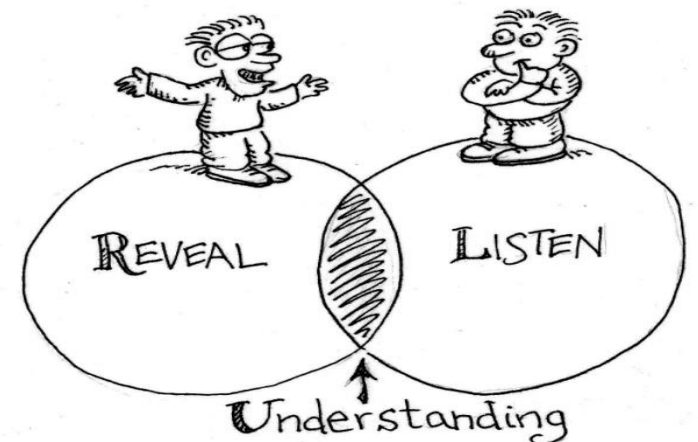
What impact 'moderate' exercise has on beef color/quality

Feeding

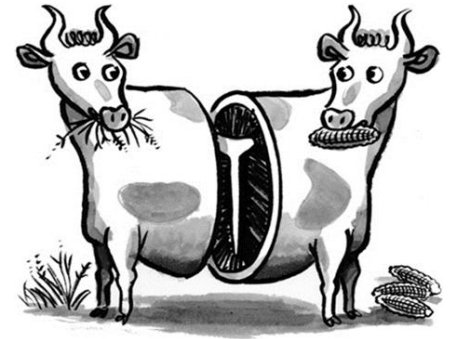
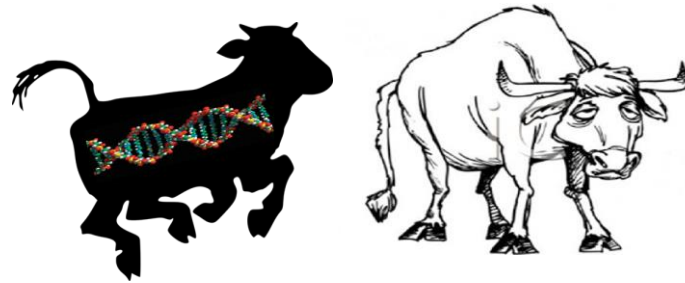
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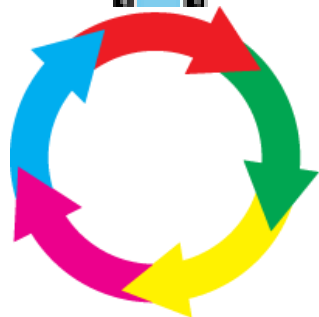
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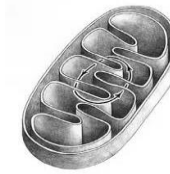
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Nucleotides



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Ultimate pH
Color

Normal
Normal

High
Dark

High
Dark

Normal
Dark

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