INVESTIGATION OF THE EFFECT OF MOLD-NIL ON LAYING HENS

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Summary. Growing crops are frequently affected by mouldy fungi of different genera as well as their toxins in Lithuania. Mouldy fungi and their toxins adversely influ- ence the organism of animals and poultry. To eliminate this effect different feed processing methods and additives (antioxidants) have been suggested. One of such means is conservation of feeds, which does not destroy mycotoxins but hinders the growth of mouldy fungi in feeds.

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