Erratum

The conclusions and the reference list of the paper 'Utilisation of snail meal as a protein supplement in poultry diets' by S.S. Diarra, published in WPSJ **71(3)**: 547-552 were missing. These are given below.

Further, the names of the authors in the first row of Table 1 (page 549) should read: Barceló and Barceló (1991).

Conclusions

Snail meal has useful nutritive qualities (protein and essential amino acid contents, profile in essential fatty acids and minerals) that make it a suitable protein supplement in poultry diets. However, the variability in distribution of these nutrients in snail meal and the likely presence of toxins are major issues affecting its recommendations in poultry rations. Heat processed snail meals can be included at 10% in the diet of meat and egg-type chickens but raw snail meal is not recommended. Whole snail meal (meat and shell) is not recommended above 2% in rations for meat type birds, but higher levels may be used to reduce the need for calcium and phosphorus supplementation in laying hens' diets. The seasonal availability of snails may hinder its' use in large scale feed production, but the meal could be efficiently used in practical on-farm diets to reduce cost.

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