

Microalgal Biomass to Treat Iron Deficient Anemia

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Technology description

The technology portfolio provides proprietary methods and microalgae-based feed compositions as an effective complement or replacement to grain-based animal feeds. These compositions maintain normal growth performance in swine and poultry and do not impact plasma protein, uric acid or inorganic phosphorus levels in fed animals.

D-6696 relates to methods for treating iron deficiencies in animals by oral intake of MB. In vivo experiments on deficiency-induced anemic weanling pigs have shown that the algae diet has elevated packed cell volume by 23-26% and blood hemoglobin concentrations by 22-32% after three weeks. This diet was also demonstrated to be effective in helping hemoglobin repletion. Additional experiments have shown promising results at extremely low algae concentrations. See also D- 5995 , D- 6393 , D- 6770

Application area

Food supplement for human or companion animal

Advantages

Scalable, low cost and commercially available microalgae strains

Normal growth performance

Maintain digestibility

High concentrations of proteins, minerals and omega-3 fatty acids

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