

Growth and economic impact of Boer-type goats fed diets with CGF and DDGS as a substitute for SBM

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Introduction

- Corn co-products are a relatively inexpensive protein source when compared to SBM and is readily available in the Midwest.
- There is little information available pertaining to goat growth performance to producers, making it difficult for producers to choose the best diet for their operation

Objective

- Determine the growth and economic impact of replacing SBM with varying levels of corn dried distillers grain with solubles (DDGS) and corn gluten feed (CGF) in Boer-type goat growth performance.

Experimental Procedures

- 75 Boer-type goats (26.9 ± 0.2kg, approximately 70 d of age)
- Experiment lasted 35 days
- Diets were randomly assigned with 3 goats/pen and 5/pens per diet
- Goats and feeders were weighed once a wk
- Any feed added was weighed and recorded
- Alpha value set at 0.05



Experimental Diets

Diets were isonitrogenous and isocaloric and varied in protein sources

- SBM
- 100%DDGS/0%CGF
- 66%DDGS/33%CGF
- 33%DDGS/66%CGF
- 0%DDGS/100%CGF

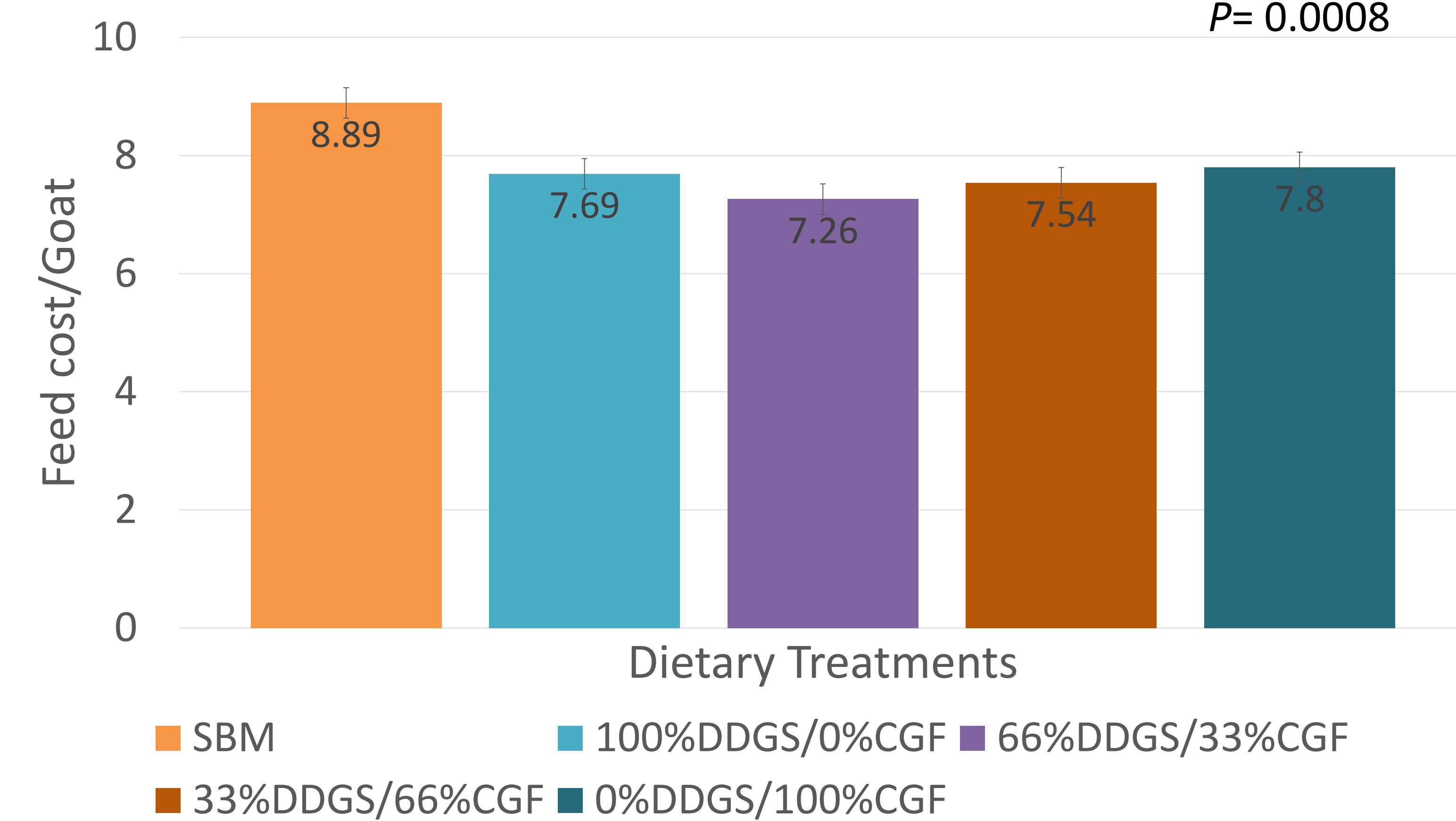
Table 1. Diet formulation and analyzed nutrient composition¹

	SBM Control	100% DDGS/0% CGF	66% DDGS/33% CGF	33% DDGS/66% CGF	0% DDGS/100% CGF
Corn gluten feed	0.0	0.00	12.6	25.3	37.9
Corn dried distillers grains with solubles	0.0	20.2	13.5	6.8	0.0
Soybean meal, 48% CP	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Corn	42.7	11.5	13.7	15.8	18.0
Soybean hulls	35.7	62.2	54.2	46.2	38.1
Molasses	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
Ammonium chloride	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Limestone	1.58	1.23	1.48	1.73	1.98
Salt	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Se Selenite	0.001	0.0001	0.001	0.0001	0.009
Vit A 30,000	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.015
Vit D 30,000	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004
Vit E 20,000	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001
Copper sulfate	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.008
Zn Oxide	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.008
Monocalcium phosphate	0.96	0.83	0.55		0.00
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Analyzed Nutrients, % as-fed					
Crude protein	16.7	17.1	17.2	16.7	17.0
Crude fat	3.10	3.27	2.74	2.36	1.94
ADF	12.0	15.6	27.4	23.8	17.8
Digestible energy, Mcal/kg	3.13	3.16	3.14	3.14	3.15
Ca	1.08	1.07	1.05	1.06	1.06
P	0.55	0.57	0.58	0.55	0.53
S	0.19	0.18	0.24	0.24	0.25

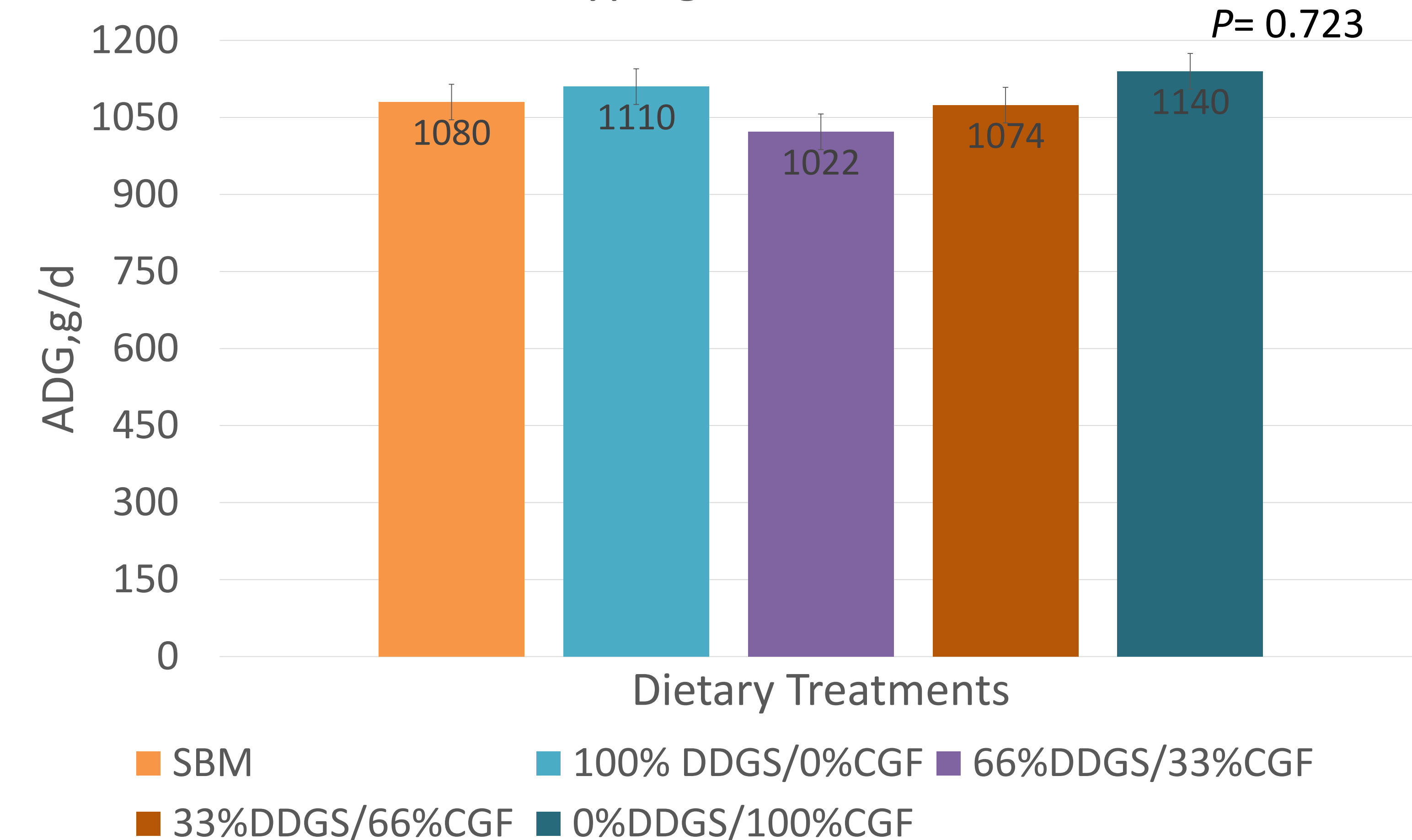
¹Treatment diets were fed to 75 growing Boer-type goats (3 goats/pen, 5 pens/treatment) for 35 d.

Results

Economic impact of increasing levels of CGF on Boer-type goat feed cost



Growth impact of increasing levels of CGF on Boer-type goat ADG



Conclusions

- In conclusion, CGF and DDGS can economically replace SBM in Boer-type growing goats diets