

Using non-destructive and non- invasive image techniques to assess carcass and meat traits





In Animal Science the questions related with determination (prediction) of the body composition or carcass composition are difficult to answer



Kongsro (2015)



What is the body composition of this sheep



http://www.yellowkorner.com/en/artists/yann-arthus-bertrand-51.html



How many lean meat has this ram



http://www.nationalsheep.org.uk/know-your-sheep/sheep-breeds/



What is the relationship between muscle and bone of these carcasses



Boman et al. (2010)



What is the level of body fat depots of this ewe



Those questions are very difficult to answer unless the animals were slaughtered. Then it is possible apply two gold standard methods to determine composition



The gold standard – # 1 dissection



FAIM Lutz Bunger & team



The cuts were dissected into the muscle (M), fat (F) and bone (B).





The gold standard – #2 chemical analysis



Moisture % Fat %

Silva et al. 2015



The gold standard is destructive, laborious and timeconsuming. Furthermore at the end there is no animal (carcass) to tell the story

Therefore

In vivo and post-mortem non-destructive, fast, consistent and objective methods are necessary



Over the years, numerous techniques have been developed, adapted and transferred to animal science to understand the body composition and carcass composition of animals

Various Methods

⁴⁰K counting; Bioelectrical Impedance; Velocity of Ultrasound; Total Electrical Conductivity (TOBEC)

Spectroscopic Methods

Near-infrared spectroscopy; Hyperspectral Imaging; Raman

Imaging Methods

Ultrasound; Computed Tomography (CT); Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI); Dual-Radiation X-Ray Absorptiometry (DXA); Video Image Analysis (VIA); Computer Vision Systems (CVS)



Main target of these techniques: human body composition

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Human Body Composition In Vivo Methods, Models, and Assessment



Edited by Kenneth J. Ellis and Jerry D. Eastman





Animals



Meat Animals





Los Alamos National Laboratory: ⁴⁰K



Los Alamos Lab



After WWII and beginning of the Cold War Los Alamos Lab had capabilities that were used for animal science. Project ⁴⁰K

Estimating the body composition of a living subject by wholebody ⁴⁰K counting is feasible because of the direct relation of potassium to lean body mass and its indirect relation to fat.



Potassium in nature is present with three isotopes: ${}^{39}K$ (93,3%), ${}^{40}K$ (0,0117%) and ${}^{41}K$ (6,7%)

Potassium-40 is a radioactive isotope of potassium which has a very long half-life of 1.251×10^9 years.



Whole-body counting

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Anderson, 1967



Whole-body counting

UMC, 1968



Alan Kirton (1933-2001)



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[†] Journal Article 3092, Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station, East Lansing.



RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN POTASSIUM CONTENT AND BODY COMPOSITION[•][†]

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Research workers in many fields would have use for a method that would permit the accurate estimation of the composition of live animals. At the present time, no such method is available. One of the nondestructive methods currently being investigated is the use of the natural gamma radioactivity of potassium-40 for predicting animal composition. Since many of the workers in this field are present at this conference, it is assumed that their work will be reviewed in the appropriate papers and no formal review of literature will be given herein.

Los Alamos Lambs

Ten lambs with a mean liveweight of 88 lb. were used to study the





Bioelectrical impedance analysis BIA





Bioelectrical impedance analysis BIA

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Application of bioelectrical impedance analysis in prediction of light kid carcass and muscle chemical composition

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model predicting muscle chemical fat weight combined CCW and Z, explaining 85.6% (P < 0.01) of the variation observed. These results indicate BIA as a useful tool for prediction of light kids' carcass composition.



Velocity of Ultrasound





Velocity of Ultrasound



Fig. 1. The original VOS equipment, showing the 'big' measuring frame (for use on the hindquarters of cattle) and the signal generating and measuring box.

Fisher 1997



Total Body Electrical Conductivity (TOBEC)



TOBEC

has been introduced as a rapid, safe, and non-invasive method suitable for the estimation of fat-free mass.

The TOBEC operates on the principle that organisms placed in an electromagnetic field perturb the field to a degree that depends on the amount and volume of distribution of electrolytes present.

This disturbance is electronically monitored, obtaining an electrical conductivity value.



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Preliminary investigation for the prediction of intramuscular fat content of lamb *in-situ* using a hand- held NIR spectroscopic device



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Fig. 1. Measurement of a lamb topside *in-situ* with a Halo[®] hand-held NIR device.







Small Ruminant Research Volume 126, May 2015, Pages 40-43



Short communication

An approach to predict chemical composition of goat *Longissimus thoracis et lumborum* muscle by Near Infrared Reflectance spectroscopy

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Figure 1. Process sample preparation and subsequent NIR Master analysis.

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NIR Spectroscopy and Imaging Techniques for Evaluation of Fish Quality—A Review

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Evaluation of Fish Quality







Figure 2. Water and fat distribution maps in fillets of (a) Atlantic halibut, (b) catfish, (c) cod, (d) herring, (e) mackerel, and (f) saithe. Values in left bottom corners represent the average concentrations of water and fat in the whole fillet (38). (Color figure available online.)

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Lamb muscle discrimination using hyperspectral imaging: Comparison of various machine learning algorithms

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OPEN Prediction of various freshness indicators in fish fillets by one multispectral imaging system

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Figure 3. Distribution maps of freshness quality of rainbow-trout fillets stored at 4 °C for 12 days.





Raman technology
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Raman spectroscopy based characterization of cow, goat and buffalo fats

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Real-Time Ultrasonography – RTU The RTU is an imaging technique that has an important role in animal science





Evolution of the number of ISI papers related with use of RTU applied to carcass. RTU has been extensively used in farm species as a tool for genetic evaluation.



Silva & Cadavez (2012)



In 1794 the Italian priest and physiologist Lazzaro Spallanzani (1729-1799) show that bats emit high-frequency sound waves and hear the echoes



LETTERE SOPRA IL SOSPETTO DI UN NUOVO SENSO NEI PIPISTRELLI

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TORINO 1794

NELLA STAMPERIA REALE.



March 1880: The Curie brothers discover piezoelectricity



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During WWI and WWII important advances in ultrasound have been achieved



http://www.gizmodo.com.au/



Ultrasound: 1946 Karl Dussik, together with his brother Friederich, a physicist, attempted to locate brain tumors and the cerebral ventricles by measuring the transmission of ultrasound beam through the skull.







Dussik ultrasound image. This poor quality image represents a milestone for the history of ultrasonography





John Julian Wild in1950 report echoes from soft tissues (like muscle or fat)



Woo (2006)



Ultrasound: By the end of 50s first 2D images of anatomical structures. This equipment uses a WWII bomber scrap



Woo (2006)



In animal science the first study appears in 1957. Stouffer uses an enormous ultrasound A-mode machine. The machine was originally used to detect failures in metal structures.



Stouffer (2004)



Detail of the transducer and angle deflection device which are manually moved over the hide



Stouffer et al. (1960)



A-mode image. In this kind of ultrasound image each peak represents a echo from different tissues. Typically the carcass traits were measured directly from the image using a mm scale



http://www.ob-ultrasound.net/sliceabd.html



Advance to Branson Ultrasonic A mode unit with Intensity Modulated Signal 1960





Later Stouffer and graduate student Max Wallentine with a prototype mechanical B-scan unit on a Branson model 6 metal flaw detector



Stouffer (2004)





Figure 4. First scanner for the rib eye area with A-mode baseline recording using the Sperry Reflectoscope metal flaw detector equipped with the Polaroid camera and the mechanism to synchronize the transducer movement with the camera (Stouffer J.R. Author's personal collection).

Silva & Stouffer, 2019



One of the first B-mode cross-sectional image of longissimus dorsi muscle



Stouffer (1998)



Ultrasound



Figure 5. Scanogram, commercial mechanical B-scanner, model 721 produced by Ithaco Inc. being used for examination of a pig (Stouffer J.R. Author's personal collection).

Silva & Stouffer, 2019





Figure 6. Examples of cross-sectional Scanogram images (top) and the equivalent cut (bottom) (Stouffer J.R. Author's personal collection).

Silva & Stouffer, 2019



In 1962 first real time ultrasonography equipment



1980 SFK Danscanner









Figure 7. Aloka 210 scanner with several linear ultrasound probes and specially shaped standoff guides for each species (A) (Stouffer J.R. Author's personal collection) and Aloka SSD 500V equipped with a video camera to image capture (B) (Silva S.R. Author's personal collection).

Silva & Stouffer, 2019



Example of a RTU image







RTU image capture training



McLaren et al. (1991)









Ultrasound





Image analysis training



www.bifconference.com/bif2006/newsroom/JacksonLoren.ppt



Ultrasound



Figure 2. Measuring the back fat layer-thickness using ultrasound images; the cranial part of the back fat layer (a) and the back fat in the region of the dorsal fin (b)



Maas et al. 2015



Ultrasound







Figure 1. Example of a tilapia fish image with arrows indicating the RTU image capture points and the respective RTU images







Article In Vivo Ultrasound Prediction of the Fillet Volume in Senegalese Sole (Solea senegalensis)

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Figure 1. Example of a RTU cross-sectional image acquired with a 7.5 MHz probe at S_3 position. Arrows indicate the spine and right dorsal fillet muscle. The outline of the fillet section is highlighted in yellow.



Figure 2. Schematic representation of the location of the cross-sectional RTU slices (S_1 , S_2 , S_3 , S_4 , S_5 , S_6 , S_7 , S_8 , S_9 and S_{10}).



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Simultaneously prediction of sheep and goat carcass composition and body fat depots using *in vivo* ultrasound measurements and live weight



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and validated by a test group. Overall, high accuracy (adj R^2) was obtained from the linear relationship between predicted and experimental values of the group test for each of the nine dependent variables, with values varying between adj R^2 0.88 and 0.98.



Joint ventures for ultrasound equipment and software development. The ultrasound market is global with multiple players. Human medicine is a giant business.

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Versatile and more performant RTU equipment



Wireless handheld Ultrasound Probe





jh-medical.en.alibaba.com



Integration RTU with other systems to have a full information about animals



Paisley (2009)



Integration with other systems. RTU and VIA



Fortin et al. (2003)








Scholz et al. 2021









Figure 1: DXA scanning of a lamb *in vivo* and of a lamb carcass

Scholz et al. 2010





Dunshea et al. 2007





Schallier et al. 2019





Fig. 20: Positioning of the large body coil to examine the thigh and gluteal region (the green arrow points to the back of the thigh and gluteal region

Bernau, 2011





Fig. 1. 3D reconstruction of a pig examined without head, lower front and hind legs demonstrating the four body parts analyzed covering the body regions shoulder (shoulder outline, shoulder fat), "loin" (loin outline, back fat, belly fat), ham (ham outline) and testis (left & right).

Bernau et al. 2018





Scanning an anaesthetised live lamb

FAIM, 2015









Fig. 6. The photos and transverse MRI slices of five fish species showing the differences of the distribution of adipose tissues between fishes. The red line indicates the anatomic position of the slices. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

Lu, 2015





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Lorenzo et al 2017









ViaScan

2nd Meeting of the Associate Laboratory for Animal and Veterinary Sciences (AL4AnimalS) Universidade de Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, May 12th-13th 2023

Material & Methods

3D image obtained by the Kinect sensor







The volume of the leg was calculated from the 3D image







Silva et al. 2022





Leighton et al. 2022













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https://www.wenglor.com/en/Measurement-of-Half-Carcases-of-Pigs-Using-2D3D-Profile-Sensors/a/114



How the Beatles funded the CT scan

Money from the Beatles' success convinced EMI to let one of its engineers pursue independent research. He ended up winning the Nobel prize for medicine.







The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 1979 Allan M. Cormack, Godfrey N. Hounsfield

The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 1979



Allan M. Cormack Prize share: 1/2



Godfrey N. Hounsfield Prize share: 1/2

The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 1979 was awarded jointly to Allan M. Cormack and Godfrey N. Hounsfield *"for the development of computer assisted tomography"*











In vivo estimation of body composition by computerized tomography

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1981 Blackwell Verlag GmbH



Zeitschrift für Tierzüchtung und Züchtungsbiologie

Volume 98, Issue 1-4, pages 77–79, January-December 1981





Topigs Norsvin CT scan





Danish Genetics





CT is a medical imaging technique which produces images of body cross-sections, using low dose X-rays, without harming the animal. The detailed images produced allow very accurate estimation of body composition and tissue distribution.

SRUC


Integrating computed tomography into commercial sheep breeding in the UK: cost and value

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Methods 186 (2021) 68-78



Estimation of dairy goat body composition: A direct calibration and comparison of eight methods[☆]

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https://interspectral.com/3d-content-library/





CT Scanning Sequence







New CT scanner at SAC (May 2002)



One slice scanner - but fit for spiral CT scanning

Captures entire anatomic regions as a continuous volume of contiguous slices





"Era" of 3D - CT started (volumes instead of areas)



Use of computed tomography (CT) in a longitudinal body composition study in pigs fed different diets

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Figure 1. Application of CT scanning in pigs (experimental pigs before scanning; the CT scanner at SRUC (Siemens, SOMATOM Esprit); anaesthetized pig in CT scanner, examples for cross sectional images of which for example from this pig 155 were taken; 3D reconstruction of the carcass relevant parts of the pig using all 155 images, changing the threshold makes the skeleton visible, the pig wakening up from anaesthesia).





Usage of Computed Tomography in the selection of two Hungarian rabbit breeds

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Figure 1. CT examination of rabbits for selection.









Figure 1. Multi-object CT scanning (e.g. Clelland et al. 2013; here Tilapia at SRUC's CT unit; collaboration with Stirling University, Khalfan Mohamed Abdullah Al-Rashdi).





Topigs Norsvin CT scan









IFIP facilities at Romillé

CT within a trailer





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Scanning a kid carcass Device: CT scanner GE Brivo 325 Year of manufacture: 2014 Characteristics of device: 2 slice CT scanner. Max volume scanned: 0.5 x 0.5 x 1.5 m

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Main applications for which it is used in the Institution: In vivo body composition, carcass composition and meat quality: pig, sheep, goat and poultry Diagnostic use for veterinary medicine

CT & MRI DIRECTORY 2015/16

FAIM, 2015



Comparison of density and volume measurements from a range of different Computed Tomography scanners across Europe

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Figure 1. Dilutions samples scanned in UTAD institute (Portugal)



Figure 2. Water bottle scanned in IRTA institute (Spain).

Potassium dihydrogen phosphate KH2PO4 dilutions





Figure 3. Density measurement relationship between CTs and dilution references.





UTAD, 2018



Computed tomography (CT): Bísaro loin





CT using a GE Revolution ACT CT scanner (GE HealthCare Technologies Inc., Chicago, IL, USA) with a slice width of 1 mm.





The leg volume was calculated from the DICOM images produced by CT scanning using the 3D Slicer (v.5.2.1 for Windows) software and Quantitative Reporting extension





On sépare les viscères sur les images pour recréer une carcasse « virtuelle »



Monziols 2015



- Carcass lean meat percentage and yield are obtained from CT.
- Fully automatic MATLAB algorithm removing internal organs, classifying pixels and estimating tissue weights. Stepwise process of segmentation.
- Virtual copy of the animal stored in database.



VisualPork modules



2D Viewer



This module integrates basic slice visualization with editing tools such as zoom, pan, scroll, and window level. It also has measurement tools to compute distances, angles and define multiple ROI types.

3D Viewer



This module provides 3D renderings of volume data sets. These are obtained using predefined colour and opacity functions, which can be easily modified by the user.

Segmentation



This module allows the user to quantify the volume of fat, lean, bone, and internal organs of the pork by using image processing techniques. The final labelled volume and the numerical data (in terms of volume and mass of each class) can be exported to standard file formats.





Figure 1: Virtual resection planning on the musculo-skeleton model. The virtual cutting scheme is mapped onto a 3D CT image

Ho, 2013



Computers and Electronics in Agriculture 127 (2016) 739-743



Original papers

Building an *in vivo* anatomical atlas to close the phenomic gap in animal breeding



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Fig. 4. Atlas segmentation applied to a carcass (left half). (a) An untransformed carcass. (b and c) The carcass (left hand side) registered (transformed) to the atlas (right hand side). The loin cut is removed to increase visibility. The other cuts are illustrated as black surfaces. (d) The final segmentation for the carcass in its four major cuts.

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Review

A review of computed tomography and manual dissection for calibration of devices for pig carcass classification - Evaluation of uncertainty



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Mesure de composition corporelle sur carcasse et pièces



2/04/15

- L'analyse d'image permet de quantifier le tissu
 - Comparaison avec une dissection
 - Ex : TMP : teneur en muscle des 4 pièces (63 animaux)









Monziols 2015

Matinales du Space





Slik ser CT-skanneren for næringsmiddelbruk ut. Modellen vil i prinsippet kunne skanne 600 midtstykker av svin hver time. (Bilde: Teknologisk Institut)



Future



Jorgen Kongsro



Moore's law. Processing capacity doubles every 18 months



Adapted From Templeton (2016)

March 1986, one week before enlisting in the cavalry arm

The Matrix: 320x320 Body and carcass traits of Scottish Blackface x Badano cross lambs




I was happy making matrices and in a week, I will be crawling in the mud



