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Animal Dietary Manipulation and Their Manure Management Systems to Mitigate Green House Gas Emissions: A review article

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Abstract

Animal production is a significant source of greenhouse gas emissions worldwide. This paper was reviewed on the method of animal dietary manipulation and their manure management practices for mitigating methane and nitrous oxide, i.e. Non-carbon dioxide greenhouse gas emissions from enteric fermentation and animals manures. The chemical composition of animal dietary is an important factor which affects rumen fermentation and greenhouse gas emission by the animals. Feed additives have been comprehensively studied in vitro and in vivo for their methane mitigating potential. The use of fodder trees has been developed through the process of pelleting; *Leucaena leucocephala* leaf pellet, mulberry leaf pellets and mangosteen peel and/or garlic pellets, can be used as good sources of protein to supplement ruminant feeding. This approach could help to decrease rumen protozoa and methanogens and thus mitigate the production of methane gas. Greenhouse gas mitigation from manure should be targeted at farm specific management practices. Anaerobic bio-digesters, covered lagoons or manure storages with methane flaring systems or small electricity generators, land application at appropriate time are gaining popularity as viable technologies to abate greenhouse gas emissions from manure storage. Considerable additional research is still needed in order to use both conventional and non-conventional feed resources their potential to affect greenhouse gas emission by the animals. Manure greenhouse gas emission mitigation practices should be evaluated for co-benefits & pollution swapping effects at a whole farm levels.

Keywords: Green House Gas, Animal Dietary, Manure Management Systems, Mitigation.

Introduction:

Livestock is one of the fastest growing sub-sectors of agriculture: a doubling of demand for animal source foods is expected for developing countries and a 70% increase for the world as a whole [1]. The livestock production sector is a key contributor to environmental challenges at local, regional and global scales [2,3]. As the name implies, the gases that assist in capturing heat in the atmosphere are termed as greenhouse gases (GHGs). This GHG emitted from the agricultural sector contribute to total global radiation is about 25.5% and over 60% of anthropogenic sources [4]. Livestock production operations contribute both directly and indirectly to climate change through the emissions of greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O). The CH₄, CO₂, and N₂O are considered as direct greenhouse gases. The indirect GHGs include carbon monoxide (CO), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), and non-methane volatile organic compound (NMVOCs) [5].

Main sources of pollutant gases are broadly classified as natural (geogenic and biogenic) and anthropogenic. From those three classification natural Biogenic sources of GHGs, such as those contained in grass, hay, silage, and grains are a major part of bovine diets and are emitted from these biogenic sources during fermentation of starches, lipids, and proteins in the digestive system of cattle (enteric fermentation) and later in the feces and urine [5]. Livestock production accounts for 18% of GHG emissions that cause global warming [6]. The livestock sector is estimated to contribute 14.5% of all global anthropogenic greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions (Henderson, et al. 2017). The 3 main GHG are carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O), and their emissions are usually expressed on a CO₂-equivalent (CO₂eq) basis to represent their global-warming potential in the atmosphere.

Feed production, enteric fermentation and manure management are major sources of GHG from the livestock sector [7]. As European commission science for environmental policy reported that, Globally, there is the potential to reduce GHG emissions from the livestock sector by as much as 2.4 metric gigatonnes of CO₂ equivalent emissions every year (GtCO₂-eq yr⁻¹) (Henderson, et al. 2015).

Reducing the increase of GHGs emissions from agriculture, especially from livestock production should therefore be a top priority, because it could limit global warming substantially and faster [8]. The development of management strategies to mitigate CH₄ emissions from ruminant livestock is possible and desirable. The largest carbon equivalent emissions were from CH₄ (72.6%), N₂O (24%) and CO₂ (3.4%) which indicated the need to improve livestock and manure management systems under smallholder agriculture. New dietary strategies are in place in some developed countries for the reduction of CH₄ emissions from ruminants by manipulating ruminal fermentation directly to inhibit methanogens and protozoa or to divert hydrogen ions away from methanogens. In developing countries, change in feeding systems, breed selection, good animal husbandry and improved take-off were identified as viable options for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. However, existing mitigation strategies for CH₄ emissions in dairy production, such as the use of high quality forages and increased use of grains were

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recommended management practices [9]. Therefore, the Objectives were to review and illustrate up to date information on manure management systems and animal dietary manipulation to mitigate greenhouse gas emission from live stocks.

Literature Review

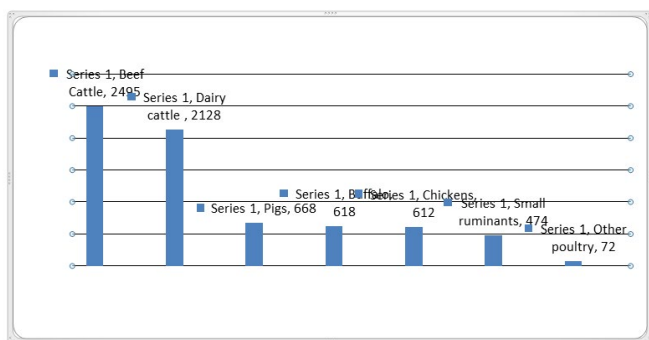
Greenhouse gas emission in livestock sectors

Livestock production represents the largest anthropogenic source of methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) [7] and contributes a range of critical environmental problems [10], including greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions [11], ammonia (NH₃) emissions and alteration of nitrogen cycles [12], land and water use, [13] and miss use of antibiotics leading to anti-microbial resistance. Relative to ruminants, however, monogastric animals are minor emitters of GHG. The IPCC [14] assumes enteric CH₄ emission factors for pigs at about 1.2 to 2.8 percent of the emission factors for cattle [1.5 vs 53 (beef or growing cattle) or 128 kg CH₄/head per year (high-producing North American dairy cow)]. Recent estimates place GHG emissions from pigs at about 9.5 percent of the total emissions from livestock [7] and according to the same authors, the contribution of poultry to the global livestock GHG emissions is around 9.7 percent (Figure 1).

Domestic non-ruminant herbivore animals (horses, donkeys, mules, hinnies) produce enteric CH₄ as a result of fermentation processes in their hindgut. However, hindgut fermenters do not produce as much CH₄ per unit of fermented feed as ruminants, perhaps as a result of availability of hydrogen sinks other than CH₄ (Jensen, 1996)The IPCC [14] assumes enteric CH₄ emissions from horses at 18 kg/head per year (compared with 128 kg for a high-producing dairy cow of similar body weight). With the world horse population standing at around 58.8 million (FAOSTAT, 2010), global enteric CH₄ emissions from horses can be estimated at about 1.1 Mt CH₄/yr. Assuming a GWP of CH₄ at 25, enteric CH₄ emissions from horses represent 26.5 Mt CO₂-eq/yr, which is around 0.6 percent of the global GHG emissions from cattle [7].

Livestock produce large quantities of manure rich in nitrogen and organic matter that contribute considerably to global emissions of NH₃ and GHGs [15]. Approximately 40% of the global anthropogenic NH₃ and N₂O emissions are associated with livestock manures [16,17].

Manure production varies by animal type and is proportional to the animal's weight and feed intake. Based on very recent report done by [9] Socioeconomic survey done on use and management of manure by smallholder farmers and their effect on the environment under farmers conditions at Adaa district, Ethiopian, the amount of CH₄ produced was estimated at 328.3 kg per year per household (Table 1).



Source: Gerber et al., 2012.

Figure 1: Total emissions from the global livestock sector, by main animal species and commodities (Mton CO₂-eq 2005) [7].

Table 1: Average household methane and nitrogen emissions Adaa district, Ethiopia.

Species	Average number per house hold	Methane emission (kg/yr)		Total	N from manure(kg/yr)
		Fermentation	Manure		
Cattle	8.3	265.6	8.3	273.9	318.72
Shoats	4.3	21.5	0.73	22.2	46.44
Equines	2.1	29.4	2.67	32.1	83.16
Poultry	7.6	-	0.14	0.14	3.76
Total	22.3	316.5	11.84	328.3	452.1

Source: [9].

Global warming potential (GWP) of green house gas emission:

The major global warming potential (GWP) of livestock production worldwide comes from the natural life processes of the animals. The main sources of GHGs during livestock production are CH₄, N₂O and CO₂ (David W. Smith, 2014). CH₄ emitted from enteric fermentation and manure management about 30% of total livestock CO₂-eq emissions [18]. As [9] cited in ([14], the global atmospheric concentration of CH₄ has increased from a per-industrial value of about 715 ppb to 1 732 ppb in the early 1990s, and 1 774 ppb in 2005. According to [4] CH₄ was 25 times more powerful than CO₂ in global warming potential (GWP). Emissions of 1 million metric tons of CH₄ are equivalent to the emissions of 25 million metric tons of CO₂ called "equivalent CO₂" (CO₂e). This is the concentration of CO₂ that could cause the same level of radioactive force and concentration of greenhouse gases [19]. The second one is N₂O from manure about 25% [4,11] and CO₂ from deforestation and degradation of pasture (about 35%) [11] Table 1 describes the salient features of the three those major GHGs. The third one is CO₂ it Sources are from the livestock farm include, animal respiration, and microbial respiration in the manure. Carbon dioxide can also be assimilated on the farm via carbon fixation [20]. Table 2.

Feed associated option to reduce GHG emitted from ruminant animals

Animal dietary manipulation: The chemical composition of diet is an important factor which affects rumen fermentation and methane emission by the animals. Methane production was significantly lower in the sheep fed on green sorghum and wheat straw in the ratio of 90:10 as compared to where the ratio was 60:40 (31.5vs46.91/kg). Improvement in the digestibility of lignocelluloses feeds with different treatments also resulted in lower methanogenesis by the animals [21]. Wheat straw treated with urea (4kg urea par 100kg DM) or urea plus calcium hydroxide (3kg urea+3 kg calcium hydroxide per 100kg DM) and stored for 21 days before feeding, reduced methane emission from sheep. The treatment of straw with urea and urea molasses mineral block lick caused a reduction of 12-15% methane production and the molar proportion of acetate decreased accompanied with an increase in propionate production [21]. The absolute amount of CH₄ formed per animal on different diets is related to characteristics of the feed in complex ways including the nature and amount of feed, the extent of its degradation, and the amount of H₂ formed from it [22].

Table 2: Global warming potential (GWP) of the GHGs.

GHG sources	Chemical Formula	Lifetime (years)	Radioactive efficiency (W m-2ppb-1)	Global Warming Potential	References
Carbon dioxide	CO ₂	100-120	1.4 x 10 ⁻⁵	1	IPCC, 2007). Smithson, 2002; IPCC, 2007).
Methane	CH ₄	10-12	3.7 x 10 ⁻⁴	23-25	
Nitrous Oxide	N ₂ O	114	3.03 x 10 ⁻³	298-310	IPCC, 2007).

Source : [22].

Feeding diets based on non-structural carbohydrates: It is well known that feeding diets with higher grain contents result in less methane per kg dry matter (DM) compared with forage-based diets [23]. The inclusion of starchy feeds can lower rumen pH and enhance the production of propionate resulting in a lower methane release [24]. The percentage of gross energy intake converted to methane of diets consisting primarily of grains is typically less than 4% compared with 6.5% or more for diets consisting mainly of forages [25]. Using high contents of concentrates in diets of dairy cattle is however limited, because rumen pH, milk quality and animal health are negatively affected by an excessive concentrate content in the diet [26]. FAO, [27] cited in the Noziere *et al.* (2010), estimated that VFA molar proportions (acetate, propionate, butyrate) would average, respectively, 66, 17 and 14 mol/100 mol for NDF and 41, 44 and 12 mol/100 mol for starch. Thus, it is generally believed that higher inclusion of grain (or feeding forages with higher starch content, such as whole-crop cereal silages) in ruminant diets lowers enteric CH₄ production. Beauchemin *et al.* [28] estimated that implementing extensive forage feeding for growing beef cattle would substantially increase GHG intensity (6.5 percent increase). Similarly, Pelletier *et al.* [10] reported 30 percent higher total GHG emissions for pasture-finished cattle compared with cattle in a grain-based feedlot system.

Ruminal bypass: The use of feed stuffs with nutrients that are known to be digested in the small intestine instead of being fermented in the rumen constitutes a further opportunity to reduce rumen methanogenesis. [29] Bypass substances such as starch in maize or sorghum are to a lesser degree rumen degradable compared to other grains [30], and deliver therefore less hydrogen as substrate for rumen methanogenesis. As pointed out by Leberl (2009) bypass protein seems less important compared to bypass starch, because it was supposed that the population of *Achaeta* remains unaffected by bypass protein, as long as the rumen microbes are not undersupplied with nitrogen.

Feed additives: Feed additives have been comprehensively studied *in vitro* and *in vivo* for their methane mitigating potential. Due to their different origin and chemical structures, it is assumed that they have different modes of action [31,32]. However those different feed additives can be classified mainly to one of the following groups: lipids, ionophores, secondary plant compounds and organic acids. Lipids and secondary plant compounds can also be naturally feed ingredients, e.g. diets consisting of sun flower seeds or clover. Table 5 gives an overview of feed additives and their presumed mode of action to reduce rumen methanogenesis.

Secondary plant metabolites: The term plant secondary metabolite is used to describe a group of chemical compounds found in plants that are not involved in the primary biochemical processes of plant growth and reproduction [21]. More than 200,000 defined structures of plant secondary compounds have been identified [33]. Recently, Bodas *et al.* (2008) screened 450 plants for their possible anti-methanogenic effects. Thirty-five plants decreased methane production by more than 15%, and 6 of these plant additives i.e. *Carduus pycnocephalus*, *Populus tremula*, *Prunus avium*, *Quercus robur*, *Rheum nobile* and *Salix caprea* decreased methane production by more than 25%, with no adverse effects on digestibility, total gas and VFA production. Some of these metabolites, which have been shown to suppress methane production, are reviewed here. Some these PSM can generally be classified into four major groups: saponins, tannins, EO and others compounds are the discussed in this paper.

Tannins: Tannins occur in many plants suitable for feeding, especially in the tropics and subtropics. Many type of forages known to contain CT or tannin extracts have been shown to decrease methane production both *in vivo* and *in vitro* conditions. Through feeding of tanniferous browse plants, it has been found to decrease

methane production, which is beneficial for sparing of energy loss as methane. The addition of tannins from *Acacia mearnsii* e.g. reduced enteric CH₄ formation in sheep [34] and dairy cows [35]. Different types of tannin containing forages decreased CH₄ emission *in vitro* [36,37]. [38], reported that *Quebracho* tannins inhibited the methane production linearly (13–45%) with increasing doses (5–25% of substrates). *Quebracho* tannin sample containing 7.62% HT and 3.67% CT inhibited methanogens at 50 g/kg of substrates and further inhibitory effect was noted at 250 g/kg of substrates [38].

Tannin concentrations higher than 5% in diets might negatively influence feed intake [39], due to reduced palatability. Several studies reported a negative influence of tannins on feed digestibility [35,37,40]. Protein degradation in the rumen is affected by tannins due to formation of tannin-protein-complexes (Mueller-Harvey, 2006). Also Patra and Saxena, [33] cited in the [41] addition of *Quebracho* tannins in the diet of sheep at 0, 0.5, 1.5 and 3 g/kg BW (equal to 0, 28, 83 and 166 g/kg DM) did not affect feed intake up to 1.5 g/kg BW, but significantly decreased at the highest dosage. Similarly, *Quebracho* CT up to 2% of DM had no influence on feed intake in cattle [42]. Due to their antimicrobial action on rumen microbes, tannins may also decrease fiber degradation [33].

Saponins: [43] reported a decreased CH₄ formation when feeding saponins to sheep (0.13g/kg diet). The CH₄ mitigating effect of saponins results predominantly from decreased protozoa populations. Further, a decreased CH₄ production rate by methanogens might be possible (reviewed by [33]). Chemically, saponins are a group of high molecular-weight glycosides in which saccharide chain units (1–8 residues) are linked to a triterpene (triterpene saponins) or steroidal (steroid saponins). A number of studies have reported reduce of methane through an inhibitory effect of saponins on methanogens in the rumen (Table 3). Methanogen populations were decreased in the presence of *Sesbania sesban* saponins by 78%, *fenureek* saponins by 22% and *Knautia* saponins by 21% in the *in vitro* fermentation media with the rumen liquor collected from cattle [44]. Saponin-extracts from *Yucca schidigera* (sarsaponins; steroidal saponins) and *Quillaja saponaria* (triterpenoid type saponins) or these plants as such have been examined in different laboratories, which have been demonstrated to reduce methanogenesis both *in vitro* (Takahashi *et al.*, 2000; Pen *et al.*, 2006, 2008; and *in vivo* studies [43,45,46] (Śliwiński *et al.*, 2002); Pen *et al.*, 2007). [45] and Wang *et al.* [43] reported that feeding of sarsaponins for 25 days (35% saponins) to sheep reduced methane production by 7.1% (0.12 g/kg diet) and 15.5% (0.13 g/kg diet), respectively.

Supplementation of essential oils (EO): [33] cited in the [47], essential oils (EO) are obtained by steam distillation from different plants. Chemically, they are variable mixtures consisting principally of terpenoids [48]. Many of them appear to decrease methanogenesis *in vitro* and *in vivo*. The CH₄ mitigating effect of essential oils might be due to suppression of methanogens and hydrogen producing microorganisms. Figure 2. [49] reported that supplementation of coconut with garlic powder (7% + 100 g) could improve *in vitro* ruminal fluid fermentation in terms of the volatile fatty acid profile, reduced methane losses and reduced protozoa population. [48] reviewed that the effects of the level of dietary lipid on methane emissions in 17 studies and reported that with beef cattle, dairy cows and lambs, there was a proportional reduction of 0.056(g/kg DM intake) in methane for each 10 g/kg DM addition of supplemental fat.

[50] reported that supplementation with *Eucalyptus* leaf meal at 100 g/d for ruminants could be an alternative feed enhancer: it reduces the production of rumen methane gas in cattle, while the digestibility of nutrients was unchanged. Conversely, [51] reported that increasing the coconut oil and *Mago-peel* levels decreased proportion of methane production, and that a suitable level should not exceed 6%

Table 3: Effects of saponins or saponin-containing plants on methane production and fermentation in the rumen.

Saponins	Test system (duration)	Dosage	Substrate/feed	Methane inhibition ^a	References
<i>Acacia concinna</i> pod extracts (ethanol and methanol)	HGT (24 h)	Ethanol and methanol extracts of 0.5 ml/30 ml (0.2 g substrate) 0.10 and 0.19 g/l or	Wheat straw: concentrate (1:1)	4.4 and 19.1%	(Patra et al., 2006)
<i>Knautia arvensis</i> leaves extract (saponins 82.4%)	HGT (24 h)	10.2 and 20.4 g/kg	Hay: concentrate (1:1)	5.5 and 6.43%	(Goel et al., 2008)
<i>Q. saponaria</i> plant (3% saponins)	Serum bottle (24 h)	0.38 g/l or 15 g/kg	Barley silage: concentrate (51:49)	5.9%	(Holtshausen et al., 2009)
<i>Q. saponaria</i> plant (3% saponins)	Serum bottle (24 h)	0.75 g/l or 30 g/kg	Barley silage: concentrate (51:49)	11.4%	(Holtshausen et al., 2009)
<i>Quillaja saponaria</i> extract (Mitsuba Trading, Japan; 5–7% saponins)	Continuous culture fermentation vessels (24 h)	2.30–6.91 g/l of medium or 92.0–276.4 g/kg of diet	Oat hay: concentrate (1:1)	No effect	Pen et al. (2006)
<i>Sapindus saponaria</i> fruits (saponins, 120 g/kg)	Rusitec (10 days)	1.42 g/l or 100 g/kg Diet	Meadow grass: Arachis pinto hay: barley straw (56:22:11)	20%	Hess et al. (2003a)
<i>Sarsaponin</i> (DK international, USA)	Sheep (15 days)	0.12 g/kg diet	Orchard grass silage: concentrate (70:30)	7.1%	(SANTOSO et al., 2004)
<i>Sesbania sesban</i> leaves	HGT (24 h)	1.65 g/l or 174 g/kg	Hay: concentrate (32:68)	-	(Goel et al., 2008a)
<i>S. sesban</i> leaves extract (saponins 63.5%)	HGT (24 h)	0.27 g/l and 0.55 or 28.7 and 57.4 g/kg	Hay: concentrate (1:1)	4.69 and 6.14%	(Goel et al., 2008a)
Tea saponins (60% saponins)	HGT (24 h)	0.07 g/l or 10 g/kg	Grass hay: corn (50:50)	13%	(Hu et al., 2006)
<i>Trigonella foenum-graecum</i> seeds (fenugreek)	HGT (24 h)	1.65 g/l or 174 g/kg	Hay: concentrate (32:68)	9.7%	(Goel et al., 2008a)
<i>T. foenum-graecum</i> seeds (fenugreek)	HGT (24 h)	1.65 g/l or 174 g/kg	Hay	5.1%	(Goel et al., 2008a)
<i>Yucca schidigera</i> extract (Mitsuba Trading, Japan; 8–10% saponins)	Continuous culture fermentation vessels (24 h)	2.34–7.01 g/l of medium or 93.6–280.4 g/kg of diet	Oat hay: concentrate (1:1)	16.7–41.7%	Pen et al. (2006);2008
<i>Y. schidigera</i> plant (6% saponins)	Serum bottle (24 h)	0.38 g/l or 15 g/kg	Barley silage: concentrate (51:49)	8.5%	(Holtshausen et al., 2009)

Source :reviewed by [33]. a=Inhibition of methane production compared with control (without phytochemicals) on volume basis. HGT = hohenheim gas test system. 24 h=twenty four hour.

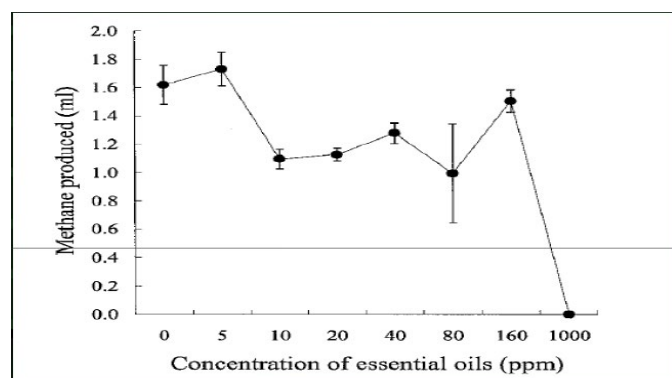


Figure 2: Essential Oils (ppm) inhibit Methane gas (ml) production.

for coconut oil and 4% DM for MPP supplementation. More over, previous work, based on using plant secondary compounds and oils in both *in vitro* and *in vivo* trials, concerning rumen microorganisms, methane production and their impact on the mitigation of methane in the rumen, shows great potential for improving rumen ecology in the study of ruminant productivity (Table 4). Garlic oil and its major components showed CH₄ inhibition in batch incubation [53]. [54], also observed a CH₄ mitigating effect when adding garlic to the diet of sheep. Another effect is the increase in the propionate-to-acetate ratio resulting in lower amounts of H₂ available (reviewed by [33]).

Inophores: Monensin (Trade name Rumensin) is the most commonly used ionophore in ruminant nutrition and was originally developed as coccidiostat in poultry [55]. *In vivo* studies have shown that

Table 4: Effect of different plants oils on digestibility and CH₄ gas production in various studies.

Ingredients	Level/dosage	Methane %	Animal	References
Garlic powder	16 mg	(-) 22.0*	Buffalo (fluid)	(Kongmun et al., 2010)
Coconut oil	16 mg	(+) 6.4*	Buffalo (fluid)	Kongmun et al., (2010)
Soapberry fruit and mangosteen peel pellet	4%	10.0	Holstein heifers	(Poungchompu et al., 2009)
Mangosteen peel powder	100 g/hd/d	(-) 10.5	Beef cattle	Kongmun P et al.,2009(Wanapat et al., 2009)
Coconut oil	7%	(+) 39.5*	Beef cattle	Kongmun P et al.,2009
Coconut oil	7%	(-) 10.2*	Buffalo	Kongmun et al.,(2010)
Coconut oil Garlic powder	8:4 (mg)	(-) 18.9*	Buffalo	Kongmun et al.,(2010)
Coconut oil + Garlic powder	7% + 100 g	(-) 9.1*	Buffalo	Kongmun et al.,(2010)
Eucalyptus oil	0.33-2 ml/L	30.3-78.6%	Sheep	(Sallam et al., 2009)
Eucalyptus oil	0.33-1.66 ml/L	4.47-61.0%	Buffalo	(Kumar et al., 2009)
Eucalyptus meal leaf	100 g/d	Reduce	Cow	Manh NS,et a.,l 2012

* Values are significantly different (P < 0.05) from control group; +, - the values were increased or decreased from control group. Source: [52].

animals treated with monensin emit reduced levels of CH₄ [25,56] but others have reported no significant effect [56] (Waghorn et al., 2008). Monensin should reduce CH₄ emissions because it reduces DMI, and because of a shift in rumen VFA proportions towards propionate and a reduction in ruminal protozoa numbers (Singh, 2010). FAO, [27] report that ionophores, through their effect on feed efficiency and reduction in CH₄ per unit of feed, would likely have a moderate CH₄ mitigating effect in ruminants fed high grain or mixed grain-forage diets. The effect is dose-, feed intake-, and diet composition dependent.

Organic Acids: Organic acids are generally fermented to propionate in the rumen, and in the process reducing equivalents are consumed. Thus they can be an alternative sink for hydrogen and reduce the amount of hydrogen used in CH₄ formation. The organic acids such as malate, fumarate, succinate, citrate etc propionate

Table 5: Feed additives and their presumed mechanism to reduce rumen methanogenesis, specifics need to be considered, supposed reduction potential and recommendations for further research.

Group Examples	Mechanism of CH ₄ reduction	Specifics need to Be considered	Supposed reduction potential <i>In vivo</i>	Need for further Investigations	References readings
Lipids Fatty acids Oils	Reduced activity of methanogens and protozoa; decreased organic matter fermentation; enhanced propionate production; biohydrogenation of fatty acids	Total fat should not exceed 6 % of dietary DM	~25 %	Long-term effects on methane and composition of microbial community, microbial protein synthesis, fertility	(Beauchemin et al., 2008); (Hook et al., 2010)
Ionophores Monensin	Inhibition of Gram-positive bacteria and protozoa; enhanced propionate production; lack of substrate for methanogens; improved feed efficiency	Banned in the EU; microbes may Adapt.	~ 30 %	Long-term effects on methane and composition of microbial community, microbial protein synthesis	(Guan et al., 2006); Hook et al., 2010
Secondary plant compounds Tannins Saponins Essential oils	Antimicrobial activity; reduced hydrogen availability	High variation; optimum dose unknown; may affect digestibility	~ 29 %	Long-term effects on methane and composition of microbial community, microbial protein synthesis, comparison between <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i> , use of more defined substances	(Beauchemin et al., 2007);(Carulla et al., 2005b); Hook et al., 2010; (Puchala et al., 2005)
Organic acids Fumarate Malate	Alternative hydrogen sink; enhanced propionate production	May affect Digestibility	~ 10 %	Long-term effects on methane and composition of microbial community.	(Aluwong et al., 2011);(Clark et al., 2011); Hook et al., 2010

precursors it has been demonstrated both *in vitro* and *in vivo* that their addition to the diet reduce methane production, with the response being dose dependent. Table 5.

Development of pelleted feeds: Pellet products such as Mago-pel (*mangosteen peel pellet*), Maga-lic (*mangosteen peel with garlic powder pellet*), Maga-lic (*mangosteen peel pellet with urea and garlic powder*), LLP (*leucaena leaf pellet*), MUP (*mulberry leaf pellets*) and SWEPP (*sweet potato vine pellet with 10% urea*) have report that can decrease CH₄ emission by improving nutrient digestibility and rumen fermentation [52]. See **Table 6** and **Figure 1**. Steps of preparation. Manasriet al. (2012) reported that supplementation with Maga-lic at 200 g/hd/d improved ruminal fermentation, especially increasing the proportion of propionate and reducing methane gas production in beef cattle steers. In addition, the acetate content, the acetate: propionate ratio, the protozoa population and methane production were all reduced, whereas the propionate production and bacterial population increased in the pellet-supplemented group and were highest in the Maga-lic-supplemented treatment. Table 7 and Figure 3.

Table 8 presents the data from both *in vitro* and *in vivo* trials using mangosteen peel powder (MP) with or without other sources on rumen fermentation. Based on these results, MP supplementation both for *in vitro* and *in vivo* trials significantly increased the production of total volatile fatty acids (P < 0.05), as well as propionate production, while acetate, butyrate production and the acetate: propionate ratio were significantly decreased (P < 0.05). Condensed tannins (CT) and saponins contained in MP could contribute to the above effects. Similar effects, especially regarding the acetate: propionate ratio, were found by [25] while total volatile fatty acids were decreased. The effects of supplementation with MP on DM intake, digestibility and rumen methane production are reported in Table 8. These findings showed that MP supplementation did not affect DM intakes, while digestibility and rumen methane production (by estimation using volatile fatty acid concentration) were significantly decreased (P < 0.05).

Table 6: Feed ingredients and chemical composition of Mago-pel, Maga-lic, Maga-ulic, LLP, MUP and SWEPP.

Items	Mago-Pel	Maga- lic	Maga-ulic	LLP	MUP	SWEPP
% of Dry Matter						
Mangosteen peel powder	98.5	93.5	91.5	-	-	-
Garlic powder	-	5	5	-	-	-
Leucaena leaf meal	-	-	-	81	-	-
Mulberry meal	-	-	-	-	82	-
Sweet potato vine	-	-	-	-	-	81.5
Cassava starch	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Urea	-	-	0.2	10	10	10
Molasses	1	1	1	5	4.5	5
Mineral mixture	-	-	-	1	1	1
Salt	-	-	-	1	1	1
Chemical composition	-	-	-	1	1	1
Dry matter	93.3	93.1	92.7	92.9	92.3	95.6
% of Dry Matter						
Organic matter	96.5	96.4	96.5	91.3	88.2	81.4
Crude protein	21.2	21.5	22.1	42.2	48.7	40.5
Neutral detergent fiber	57.3	57.2	57	44	20.4	33.1
Acid detergent fiber	48.6	48.2	48.3	20	14.5	27.8

Source: [52].

Table 7: Effect of of Mago-pel, Maga-lic, Maga-ulic, LLP, MUP, SWEPP on DMI, digestibility, rumen volatile fatty acid (VFA) production and ruminal microorganisms.

Pelleting	suppl	Animal	DMI	Dig.	VFA			CH4	MPS	Prot.	References
					C2	C3	C4				
MUP	600 g/hd/d	Buffalo	↑	↑	↓	↑	↑	↓	Nd	↓	(Huyen et al., 2012)
MUP	600 g/hd/d	Buffalo	↑	nd	nd	nd	nd	Nd	↑	Nd	(Tan et al., 2012)
Mago-Pel	300 g/hd/d	Dairy cow	Nc	nc	nc	nc	nc	Nc	↑	↓	(Norrapoke et al., 2012a)
Maga-lic	200 g/hd/d	Dairy cow	Nc	↑	↓	↑	nc	↓	Nd	↓	(Manasri et al., 2012)
Maga-ulic	200 g/hd/d	Dairy cow	Nc	↑	↓	↑	nc	↓	↑	↓	(Trinh et al., 2012)
LLP	450 g/hd/d	Buffalo	↑	nd	nd	nd	nd	Nd	↑	↓	(Hung et al., 2013)

Abbreviations: MUP= mulberry leaf pellet, Mago-pel mangosteen peel pellet, Maga-lic mangosteen peel and garlic pellet, Maga-ulic mangosteen peel, garlic and urea pellet, LLP=leucaena leaf pellet, VFA= volatile fatty acid, C2= acetic acid, C3 =propionic acid, C4= butyric acid, CH4 methane production, increase (↑), decrease (↓) from control group, nd =not determined, nc =no change. **Source:** [52]

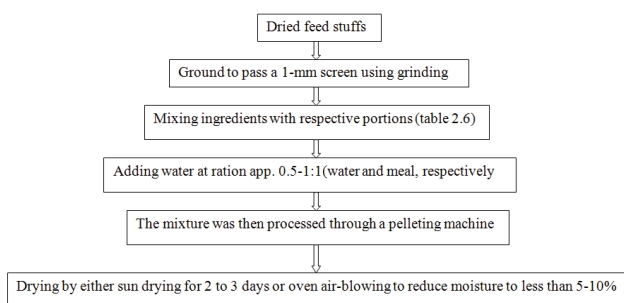


Figure 3: Processing chart for pelleting the products (Mago-pel, Maga-lic, Maga-ulic, LLP, MUP and SWEPP).

Manure management systems (MMS)

Manure management refers to manure accumulation and collection in buildings, storage, processing and application to crops. It is well known that GHG emissions (mainly CH₄ and N₂O) from manure differ significantly depending on the management system employed to process them. Therefore, strategies for mitigating net GHG emissions should be aimed to manipulate manure properties or the conditions under which CH₄ and N₂O are produced and utilized during manure storage and treatment. However, GHG mitigation

Table 8: Effect of mangosteen peel supplementation on rumen volatile fatty acid, dry matter intake, digestibility and methane production in ruminants using *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies.

Substrate	Level	Species	TVFA	DMI	Dig.	CH4	References
In vivo							
MP	200 mg	Steer	+				(Ngamsaeng et al., 2006)
In vitro							
MP	100 g/hd/d	Beef cattle	+	+	+	-	Ngamsaeng et al., 2006
MP	200 g/hd/d	Dairy cows	+	nc	+	-	(Suchitra and Wanapat, 2008, Wanapat et al., 2009)
MP	100 g/hd/d	Native cattle	+	nc	+	-	(Kongmuna et al., 2009, Kongmun et al., 2010)
MP	30 g/kg	Buffalo	+	nc	-	-	(Pilajun and Wanapat, 2011)
MPP	200 g/hd/d	Beef cattle	+	nc	+	-	(Trinh et al., 2012)
MPP	300 g/hd/d	Dairy cow	+	+	nc	-	(Norrapoke et al., 2012b)
Co							
Co+MP	50 + 30 g/kg	Buffalo	-	nc	+	-	(Pilajun and Wanapat, 2011)
MP+GP	9 + 1%	Beef cattle	+	nc	+	-	(Trinh et al., 2012)
MP+GP	200 g/hd/d	Beef cattle	+	nc	+	-	(Trinh et al., 2012)

Abbreviations: GP= garlic powder, MP= mangosteen peel powder, MPP= mangosteen peel pellet, CO= coconut oil, Nc= not changed. (+) increased, (-) decreased. **Source:** [52]

options are critical and depend on several factors. These factors are economic, technical and material resources, climatic conditions, existing manure management practices, bio-energy sources, and a source of high conditions, existing manure management practices, bio-energy sources, and a source of high quality fertilizer and soil amendments. One such approach is to manipulate livestock diet composition and/or include feed additives to alter manure pH, concentration and solubility of carbon and nitrogen, and other properties that are pertinent to CH₄ and N₂O emissions [57].

Nitrogen excreted in urine is predominant in the form of urea that can easily be converted into ammonia and carbon dioxide by the enzyme urease (which is present in feces), thus resulting in emission of ammonia. Nitrogen excreted in feces is mainly present as protein, which is less susceptible to decomposition into ammonia [58]. Therefore, feed management aims at either reducing the nitrogen excretion in feces and urine by matching the amount and composition of feed more closely to animal requirements at various production stages, or shifting nitrogen excretion from urine to feces by increasing fibrous feed stuffs in the diet [58]. The use of these strategies can reduce the ammonia emission both for pigs [59] (Kimib et al., 2004) poultry [60,61] and dairy cattle [56]. About 50% of ammonia emissions to the environment were reduced through feed management for pigs and poultry when compared to standard feed composition. However, feed manipulation for ammonia abatement may negatively affect the emission of methane and nitrous oxide during storage and after land application of the manure [62]. Another manure management option is to change the material used for bedding the animals, which could also affect manure pH and soluble C and N levels and thus, the emissions during manure storage and treatment. Composting technology, control of aeration, use of amendments, or co-composting livestock manure with other organic waste could also potentially modify conditions for GHG production and emission. The use of covers may also help retain N nutrients during storage. Floating covers of natural and synthetic, origin or composites of both have shown substantial reduction in NH₃ and H₂S emissions when compared with uncovered liquid manure. However, little is known about the effect of covers on GHG emissions. In a two week study, covers generally increased CO₂

and CH₄ emissions [63].

The amount of CH₄ emitted during storage depends on the management system, mainly on storage duration, moisture content, storage temperature, and percentage of anaerobically decomposed manure [11,14]. Dry systems include solid storage, dry feedlot, deep pit stacks and daily spread of the manure. In addition un-managed manure from animals on pasture falls in to this category. Liquid management systems use water to facilitate manure handle. These liquid/slurry systems use concrete tanks and/or lagoons to stored flashed and scraped manure. (EPA, 2008) Liquid management systems often use water to facilitate manure handling. These systems include tanks and lagoons which store manure until it is applied to cropland. Liquid systems create the ideal anaerobic environment for methane production. With the use of liquid-based livestock facilities, the primary method for reducing emissions is to recover the methane before it is emitted into the air. [5].

Manure storage, separation and cover: Greenhouse gas emissions from stored manure are primarily in the form of CH₄ (due to anaerobic conditions). Increasing the time of manure storage increases the period during which CH₄ (and potentially N₂O) is emitted, as well as the emission rate, creating a compound effect (Philippe *et al.*, 2007). One simple way to avoid cumulative GHG emissions is to reduce the time manure is stored (Philippe *et al.*, 2007; Costa *et al.*, 2012). Sommer *et al.* (2009) simulated several manure management scenarios using data from four European countries and suggested that solids and liquid separation followed by destroy of the solids can reduce overall GHG emissions by 49 to as much as 82 percent compared with the reference system. Several types of manure storage covers have been reported in the literature, ranging from natural crusts in manure storages with high solids content Misselbrook *et al.* (2005b); and Smith *et al.* (2007b)., to straw, wood chips, oil layers, expanded clay, wood, semi-permeable and sealed plastic covers Clemens *et al.* (2006); Guarino *et al.* (2006); and VanderZaag *et al.* [63] (2009, 2010).The effectiveness of the manure storage cover depends on many factors, including permeability, cover thickness, degradability, porosity and management. Semi-permeable covers such as naturally crusted manures, straw, wood chips and expanded clay generally reduce odour and NH₃ and CH₄ emissions, with the level of reduction depending on the permeability and thickness of the cover layer. [64] and (Chadwick *et al.*, 2011) conducted studies which showed that additional straw has the potential to reduce GHG emissions during solid manure storage. [64] demonstrated that the mixing of 50% by volume more chopped straw could reduce N₂O emissions by 32% from small scale stores of conventional cattle manure. The authors attributed this response to a higher initial C:N ratio (19 compared to 14) and dry matter (DM) content (41% compared to 30%) as a result of straw addition.

Semi-permeable covers are valuable for reducing NH₃, CH₄, and odour emissions but likely increase N₂O emissions [63] (Sommer *et al.*, 2000; Guarino *et al.*, 2006). Therefore the effectiveness of semi-permeable manure storage covers is not clear, and results vary widely depending on the material and the particular conditions in which it is applied. Covering manure storages with impermeable covers is an effective mitigation practice if the CH₄ captured under the cover is burned using a flare system or engine-generator to produce electricity; otherwise the captured CH₄ would build pressure inside the storage creating an explosion hazard and/or escape through leaks and cover ruptures. Sealing the manure storage with an impermeable cover results in increased air pressure inside the storage structure reducing the fraction of gases in the gas phase and increasing the fraction trapped in liquid manure. The increased fraction of gases trapped in the liquid fraction of the manure is then released when the pressure in the manure storage container is reduced as manure is transported and applied in the field.

Capturing the gases produced using impermeable membranes, such as oil layers and sealed plastic covers, would result in reduced NH₃, N₂O and CH₄ emissions [63]. The results from Guarino *et al.* (2006) and VanderZaag *et al.* [63] suggest that using a vegetable oil layer as a manure storage cover, although very effective, is not very practical because of degradability, generation of foul odours and difficulty in preventing the oil film from becoming mixed or “broken” over the manure surface. Therefore, Impermeable membranes, such as oil layers and sealed plastic covers, are effective in reducing gaseous emissions but are not very practical. Combusting CH₄ accumulated under impermeable covers to produce electricity or heat is recommended.

Anaerobic Digester (AD) (Biogasification): AD can reduce GHG emissions related to manure management by more than 50%, mostly in the form of CH₄ during storage [65]. When producing electricity through AD, GHG emissions can be further reduced by replacing on-farm fossil fuel-based processes [66]. Anaerobic digester (AD) the simplest form of recovery system, and can be used at dairy or swine farms in temperate or warm climates. Manure solids are washed out of the livestock housing facilities with large quantities of water, and the resulting slurry flows into an anaerobic primary lagoon. The average retention time for the manure in the lagoon is about 60 days. The anaerobic conditions result in significant methane emissions, particularly in warm climates. The covered lagoons are air-tight and provide the anaerobic conditions under which methane is produced and recovered which can be used as energy [5].

Additionally, during anaerobic digestion of the waste/manure, N₂O emission is negligible since N₂O is formed during aerobic nitrification and anaerobic denitrification [5]. Also [5] reviewed Saggari S, *et al.*, (2004), this is an important N₂O mitigation option which reduce N₂O emission in the farming system as follows (1) reduce the total amount of excreta N returned to pasture; (2) increase the efficiency of excreta and/or fertilizer N; and (3) avoid soil conditions that favor N₂O emissions. Alternatively, frequent turning can be used to reduce anaerobic zones in the heap. This technique reduced CH₄ emissions to about 0.5% of initial C content [65].

Land application: GHG emissions from animal manure and wastewater management systems are influenced by different physicochemical and biological factors. The key factors responsible for CH₄, CO₂, and N₂O emissions are soil moisture, temperature, and manure loading rates by the animal, depth of manure in the pen, redox potential, available C, diets, and microbial process [5]. Temperature is a critical factor regulating processes leading to NH₃ (Sommer *et al.*, 2006) and CH₄ (Steed and Hashimoto, 1994) emissions from stored manure. Decreasing manure temperature to < 10 °C, by removing the manure from the building and storing it outside in cold climates, can mitigate CH₄ emissions [56]. According to FAO, [14] cited in the Clemens *et al.* (2006); and Amon *et al.* [65] choosing the right timing and form of application, e.g. subsurface application of manures by injection or drilling at times when crop or grass land N demands are high, will increase plant N use efficiency and limit N₂O losses to the environment [67-72].

Composting: Composting is an exothermic, aerobic process of microbial decomposition of organic matter that has several benefits related to manure handling, odour control, manure moisture and pathogen control, OM stabilization, additional farm income, etc. Composted manure solids (following manure separation into solids and liquid) is also being used as bedding in some dairy production systems to reduce cost of production and provide cow comfort, assuming udder health is not compromised [73-77] (Husfeldt *et al.*, 2012). However, due to the nature of the composting process, N losses can be high and are influenced by a number of factors, including temperature, C/N ratio, pH, moisture and material consistency

(Zeman *et al.*, 2002).

Other manure treatments: There are many waste treatment systems that are used in processing of human wastes. few of these technologies are used practically for treatment of livestock wastes [78-81]. There are many waste treatment systems that are used in processing of human wastes. Few of these technologies are used practically for treatment of livestock wastes. Several studies have reported treatments other than those reported in sections above. Two biological treatments have been demonstrated to reduce emissions [82-84]. In a laboratory study, Luth *et al.* (2011) demonstrated that earthworm inclusion in a vermifilter fed with swine manure provided a CH₄ sink and decreased emissions of NH₃ and N₂O emissions [85-88]. Fukumoto *et al.* (2006, 2010) demonstrated that the addition of nitrite-oxidizing bacteria to swine manure reduced N₂O emissions up to 80 percent.

Conclusion

Mitigation is any practice that reduces the net amount of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere. Improving forage quality and the overall efficiency of dietary nutrient use is an effective way of decreasing GHG emissions per unit of animal product. Using feeds containing plant secondary compounds feed additives such as saponins, tannins, essential oils, development of Pellet products such as Mago-pel (*mangosteen peel pellet*), Maga-lic (mangosteen peel with garlic powder pellet), Maga-ulic (mangosteen peel pellet with urea and garlic powder), LLP (leucaena leaf pellet), MUP (mulberry leaf pellets) and SWEPP (sweet potato vine pellet with 10% urea) and many other metabolites are use of reducing rumen greenhouse gas especially methane products. Mitigation of GHG emissions from animal waste must be addressed in the context of integrated waste management. Semi-permeable covers are valuable for reducing NH₃, CH₄ and odour emissions but likely increase N₂O emissions; therefore, their effectiveness is not clear and results may vary widely. Impermeable membranes, such as oil layers and sealed plastic covers, are effective in reducing gaseous emissions but are not very practical. Manure as a biomass goes through different chemical and biological processes for bioenergy recovery and thus, reduced methane emission. Anaerobic bio-digesters, covered lagoons or manure storages with methane flaring systems or small electricity generators are gaining popularity as viable technologies to abate GHG emissions from manure storage. In addition, since methane is generated under anaerobic conditions, switching manure management from liquid to dry manure, such as pack-bedded dairy option and hoop structure swine buildings with bedding, are other possibly effective management strategies to reduce methane emission.

Recommendation

Mitigation of GHG emissions from livestock must be addressed in the context of integrated with animal dietary manipulation and manure waste management. Using feeds containing plant secondary compounds feed additives such as saponins, tannins, essential oils, development of Pellet products such as Mago-pel (*mangosteen peel pellet*), Maga-lic (mangosteen peel with garlic powder pellet), Maga-ulic (mangosteen peel pellet with urea and garlic powder), LLP (leucaena leaf pellet), MUP (mulberry leaf pellets) and SWEPP (sweet potato vine pellet with 10% urea) and many other metabolites are recommended as a means for reducing rumen greenhouse gas especially methane products. Overall, improving forage quality and the overall efficiency of dietary nutrient use is an effective way of decreasing GHG emissions per unit of animal product. Use of Anaerobic digester is a recommended GHG mitigation strategy that has a significant potential to capture and destroy most CH₄ from manure, generates renewable energy and provides sanitation opportunities in developing countries. Anaerobic digester systems are not recommended for geographic locations with average temperatures

below 15°C without supplemental heat and temperature control. Capturing the gases produced from manure using impermeable membranes, such as oil layers and sealed plastic covers and Combusting CH₄ accumulated under impermeable covers to produce electricity or heat is recommended.

Finally, further study need to be both conventional and non-conventional feed resources need to be studied their potential to affect greenhouse gas emission by the animals. In the future, comprehensive research into the individual components of essential oils, the physiological status of animals, the nutrient composition of diets and their effects on the rumen microbial ecosystem, methane gas inhibition and metabolism of essential oils will be required to obtain consistent beneficial effects. Manure GHG emission mitigation impermeable membranes such as oil layers and sealed plastic covers, Anaerobic digester (bio gasification) and the time of manure storage, aeration, slatted floors and stacking, practices should be evaluated further for co benefits & pollution swapping effects at a whole farm level.

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