

Calculation of ME and Protein Requirments for Poultry

I Calculation of ME requirements

Problem1. (a) Calculate total MEm (kcal/day) of an adult non-laying hen weighing 2 kg, reared in cage system.

(b) Calculate total MEm (kcal/day) of an adult non-laying hen weighing 2 kg, reared in deep litter system.

Solution: (a)

$$\text{NEm (kcal/day)} = 83W^{0.75}$$

$$\text{NEm (kcal/day)} = 83(2)^{0.75}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(2 \times 2 \times 2)}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(8)}$$

$$= 83 \times 1.68$$

$$= 139.44 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

$$\text{MEm (kcal/day)} = \frac{\text{NEm (kcal/day)}}{82 \% \text{ or } 0.82} \quad ; \text{Because NE is about 82 \% of ME}$$

$$= \frac{139.44}{82} \times 100 \text{ or } \frac{139.44}{0.82}$$

$$= 170.05 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

To this add activity increment (**it is accounted as 37 % of MEm in cage system**)

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$$170.05 \times \frac{37}{100} = 62.92 \text{ kcal}$$

100

Total MEm (kcal/day) requirement for the given hen = 170.05 + 62.92

Answer (a) = 232.97 Kcal/day

(b)

$$\text{NEm (kcal/day)} = 83W^{0.75}$$

$$\text{NEm (kcal/day)} = 83(2)^{0.75}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(2 \times 2 \times 2)}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(8)}$$

$$= 83 \times 1.68$$

$$= 139.44 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

$$\text{MEm (kcal/day)} = \frac{\text{NEm (kcal/day)}}{82 \% \text{ or } 0.82} \quad ; \text{Because NE is about 82 \% of ME}$$

$$= \frac{139.44}{82} \times 100 \text{ or } \frac{139.44}{0.82}$$

$$= 170.05 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

To this add activity increment (it is accounted as 50 % of MEm in deep litter system)

$$170.05 \times \frac{50}{100} = 85.03 \text{ kcal}$$

Total MEm (kcal/day) requirement for the given hen = 170.05 + 85.03

Answer (b) = 255.08 Kcal/day

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Problem2. (a) Calculate total MEm (kcal/day) of an adult laying hen weighing 2 kg, reared in cage system and egg production level is 100%.

(b) Calculate total MEm (kcal/day) of an adult laying hen weighing 2 kg, reared in deep litter system and egg production is 85 %.

Solution: (a)

$$\text{NEm (kcal/day)} = 83W^{0.75}$$

$$\text{NEm (kcal/day)} = 83(2)^{0.75}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(2 \times 2 \times 2)}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(8)}$$

$$= 83 \times 1.68$$

$$= 139.44 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

$$\text{MEm (kcal/day)} = \frac{\text{NEm (kcal/day)}}{0.82} \quad ; \text{Because NE is about 82 \% of ME}$$

$$= \frac{139.44}{0.82} \times 100 \text{ or } \frac{139.44}{0.82}$$

$$= 170.05 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

To this add activity increment (it is accounted as 37 % of MEm in cage system)

$$170.05 \times \frac{37}{100} = 62.92 \text{ kcal}$$

Total MEm (kcal/day) requirement for the given hen = 170.05 + 62.92

= 232.97 Kcal/day

To this add ME for egg production i.e. 86 kcal/day, if egg production is 100 %

Total ME (Kcal/day) = MEm+ ME_{egg}

Total ME (Kcal/day) = 232.97+ 86

Answer (a): Total ME (Kcal/day) = 318.97

(b) $NEm \text{ (kcal/day)} = 83W^{0.75}$
 $NEm \text{ (kcal/day)} = 83(2)^{0.75}$
 $= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(2 \times 2 \times 2)}$
 $= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(8)}$
 $= 83 \times 1.68$
 $= 139.44 \text{ (kcal/day)}$
 $ME_m \text{ (kcal/day)} = \frac{NEm \text{ (kcal/day)}}{82 \% \text{ or } 0.82}$; Because NE is about 82 % of ME
 $= \frac{139.44}{82} \times 100 \text{ or } \frac{139.44}{0.82}$
 $= 170.05 \text{ (kcal/day)}$

To this add activity increment (**it is accounted as 50 % of MEM in deep litter system**)

$$170.05 \times \frac{50}{100} = 85.03 \text{ kcal}$$

Total MEM (kcal/day) requirement for the given hen = 170.05 + 85.03
= 255.08 Kcal/day

To this add ME for egg production i.e. 86 kcal/day, if egg production is 85 %

$$\text{The } ME_{egg} \text{ (kcal/day) will be} = 86 \times \frac{85}{100} = 73.10$$

Total ME (Kcal/day) = MEM + ME_{egg}

Total ME (Kcal/day) = 255.08 + 73.10

Answer (b): Total ME (Kcal/day) = 328.18

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Problem 3. Calculate total MEm (kcal/day) for a growing broiler breeder hen aged 25 weeks, weighing 2.5 kg, having growth rate 500 g in 10 weeks with egg production level 85%, reared in deep litter system.

Solution: (a) ME for maintenance

$$\text{NE}_m \text{ (kcal/day)} = 83W^{0.75}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NE}_m \text{ (kcal/day)} &= 83(2.5)^{0.75} \\ &= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(2.5 \times 2.5 \times 2.5)} \\ &= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(15.625)} \\ &= 83 \times 1.99 \\ &= 165.17 \text{ (kcal/day)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MEm (kcal/day)} &= \frac{\text{NE}_m \text{ (kcal/day)}}{82 \% \text{ or } 0.82} \quad ; \text{Because NE is about 82 \% of ME} \\ &= \frac{165.20}{0.82} \times 100 \text{ or } \frac{165.20}{0.82} \\ &= 201.46 \text{ (kcal/day)} \end{aligned}$$

To this add activity increment (**it is accounted as 50 % of MEm in deep litter system**)

$$201.46 \times \frac{50}{100} = 100.73 \text{ kcal}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total MEm (kcal/day) requirement for the given hen} &= 201.46 + 100.73 \\ &= \mathbf{302.19 \text{ Kcal/day}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) ME for egg production i.e. 86 kcal/day, if egg production is 85 %

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The ME}_{\text{egg}} \text{ (kcal/day) will be} &= 86 \times \frac{85}{100} = 73.10 \end{aligned}$$

(c) ME for growth

$$\text{Body wt. gain 500g in 10 weeks means, daily gain (g/d)} = \frac{500}{7 \times 10} = \mathbf{7.14}$$

The concentration of **Protein- 18.0% and fat- 15.0 %** in body tissues

Therefore, protein and fat content in 7.14 g (gain/d) will be

	Calorific Value (kcal/g)	
Protein (g/d) = 18/100 x 7.14 = 1.285	4.0	= 5.14 kcal/d
Fat (g/d) = 15/100 x 7.14 = 1.05	x 9.0	= 9.45 kcal/d
Energy gain by growth		= 14.60 kcal/d

Total ME (kcal/day) requirement for the given bird will be

$$= \text{ME}_m + \text{ME}_{\text{egg}} + \text{ME}_g$$

$$= \text{(a) } 302.19 + \text{(b) } 73.10 + \text{(c) } 14.60$$

Answer = 389.89(390) kcal/day

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Problem4. Calculate total MEm (kcal/day) of an adult broiler breeder hen weighing 3 kg, reared in cage system and egg production level is 100%.

Solution: (a) Calculation of ME for maintenance

$$\text{NE}_m \text{ (kcal/day)} = 83W^{0.75}$$

$$\text{NE}_m \text{ (kcal/day)} = 83(3)^{0.75}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(3 \times 3 \times 3)}$$

$$= 83 \times \sqrt[3]{(27)}$$

$$= 83 \times 2.279$$

$$= 189.16 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

$$\text{MEm (kcal/day)} = \frac{\text{NE}_m \text{ (kcal/day)}}{82 \% \text{ or } 0.82} \quad ; \text{Because NE is about 82 \% of ME}$$

$$= \frac{189.16}{82} \times 100 \text{ or } \frac{189.16}{0.82}$$

$$= 230.68 \text{ (kcal/day)}$$

To this add **activity increment (it is accounted as 37 % of MEm in cage system)**

$$230.68 \times \frac{37}{100} = 85.35 \text{ kcal}$$

Total MEm (kcal/day) requirement for the given hen = 230.68 + 85.35
= 316.03 Kcal/day

(b) To this add ME for egg production i.e. 86 kcal/day, if egg production is 100 %

$$\text{Total ME (Kcal/day)} = \text{MEm} + \text{ME}_{\text{egg}}$$

$$\text{Total ME (Kcal/day)} = 316.03 + 86$$

Answer: Total ME (Kcal/day) for the given broiler breeder hen = 402.03

II Calculation of Protein requirements

For calculation of protein requirement in growing chicken, Protein is needed for three purpose

- (i) **Maintenance** : It is estimated as 250mg N/kg or **1600 mg/1.6 g Protein per kg body weight**
- (ii) **Tissue growth** : (Tissues contain 18 % Protein) Daily body wt. gain x 0.18
- (iii) **Feather growth**: Feathers contain 82 % P and comprise 7 % of body wt. of growing chicken (at 4 week of age) in WLH

Efficiency of Protein utilization in growing chicken is 61 %

Problem 5. Calculate the protein requirement for a growing chicken weighing 1.75 kg, gaining @ 8 g daily.

Solution: CP (g/d) requirement

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \text{Protein for Maintenance} + \text{Protein for growth} + \text{Protein for feather growth} \\
 &= [(BW(g) \times 1.6/1000) + (\text{Daily gain (g)} \times 0.18) + (\text{Daily gain (g)} \times 0.07 \times 0.82)] \times \\
 &\quad \% \text{ Efficiency of protein utilization (61 \%)} \\
 &= [(1750 \times 1.6/1000) + (8 \times 0.18) + (8 \times 0.07 \times 0.82)] \times 61 \% \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad 100 \\
 &= (2.80 + 1.44 + 0.4592) \times \frac{\quad}{100} \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad 61 \\
 &= 4.699 \times \frac{\quad}{61} = 7.70 \text{ g/d}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 6. Calculate the protein requirement for an adult WLH laying hen, weighing 2 kg level of egg production is 65 %.

Solution: Protein (g/d) requirement

(a) **Maintenance requirement of Protein WLH hen = 1.6 g/kg BW**

For 2kg BW = 1.6 x 2 = 3.2 g Protein/d

Protein content in one egg is 6 g and level of production is 65 %, thus

65

(b) **Protein (g/d) for egg production will be = 6 x ----- = 3.9**

100

Total Protein (g/d) = 3.2 + 3.9

Total Protein (g/d) = 6.90

Efficiency of protein utilization for maintenance and egg production is 55 %

100

Therefore, the above chicken will need Protein (g/d) = 6.90 x ----- = 12.54

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