



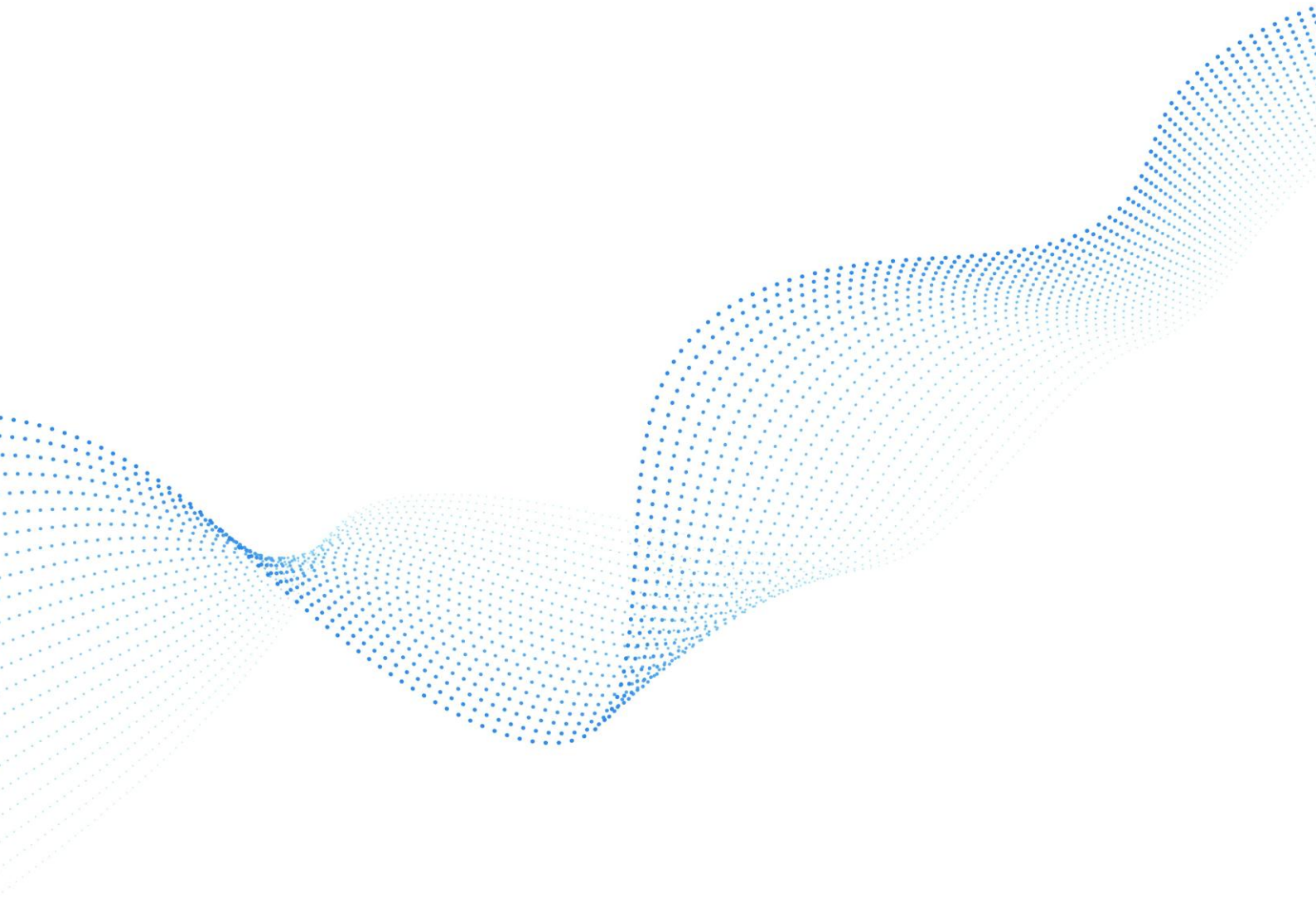
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Targets of the report

The present document has the aim to describe the benefits of using a ventilation solution with fans equipped with EC motor with respect to a standard ventilation solution with fans having standard AC motor.

Fans with EC motors ensure the best energy saving if operated at low propeller speed since the power consumption at a fixed static pressure scales more than proportionally with the % of nominal propeller speed.



The electrical energy saving reflects clearly into an economic saving meaning lower operative costs, this produces a saving that will cumulate over time reducing the total cost of ownership of a high-efficiency ventilation system.

The most recurring questions are:

- [Will my investment ever pay off?](#)
- [If yes, when the break-even point will be?](#)

The Energy simulation tool provided by GRAINPROTEINTECH provides an answer to the above two questions.

On the other hand, the **maximum absolute energy saving** will be achieved **during the hot season** when all fans are running to provide tunnel ventilation. In this situation also fans with EC motors operate at propeller speed close to the maximum. Energy saving is not achieved due to a reduction of fan speed but is anyway guaranteed by the higher efficiency of an EC motor compared to AC.

The document will provide below:

- Standard calculation framework of the energy simulation (cannot be modified)
- Setup of the specific energy saving simulation scenario



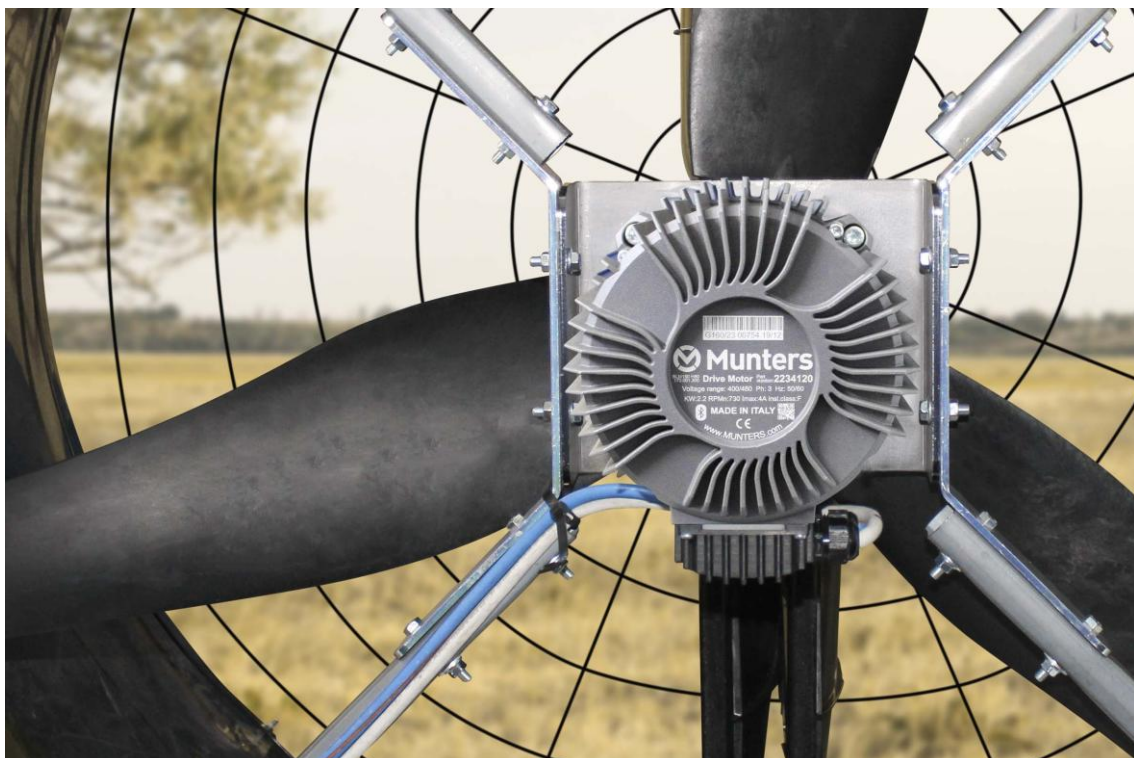
The energy simulation tool

The calculation **tool developed internally by GRAINPROTEINTECH** has the aim to give an indication of the **energy saving that is theoretically possible to achieve**.

The **calculation algorithm implemented estimates the energy consumption considering a standard way to perform ventilation** in broiler barns and has not the aim to reflect the climate control algorithm implemented in all the climate computers available on the market neither has the possibility to consider the setting made on top of each climate controller.

For that reason, the results of a simulation cannot be representative of all the possible scenarios and so GRAINPROTEINTECH cannot provide a range of accuracy of the results in ABSOLUTE terms.

The system calculates the ventilation profile required to fulfil the animal needs both from the Indoor Air Quality perspective (minimum ventilation) as well as for managing the thermal comfort for animals (transition and tunnel ventilation).



Calculation of the ventilation for a winter flock

The **minimum ventilation requirement for managing indoor air quality** in the broiler barn has been calculated starting from the following external resources:

- [Broiler Management Manual](#)
- [Aviagen Management Handbook](#)

On top of these ventilation profiles can be applied a safety factor (usually around 15–20%) to increase the flowrate to achieve a further reduction of humidity or carbon dioxide and ammonia concentrations.

Calculation of the ventilation for a summer flock

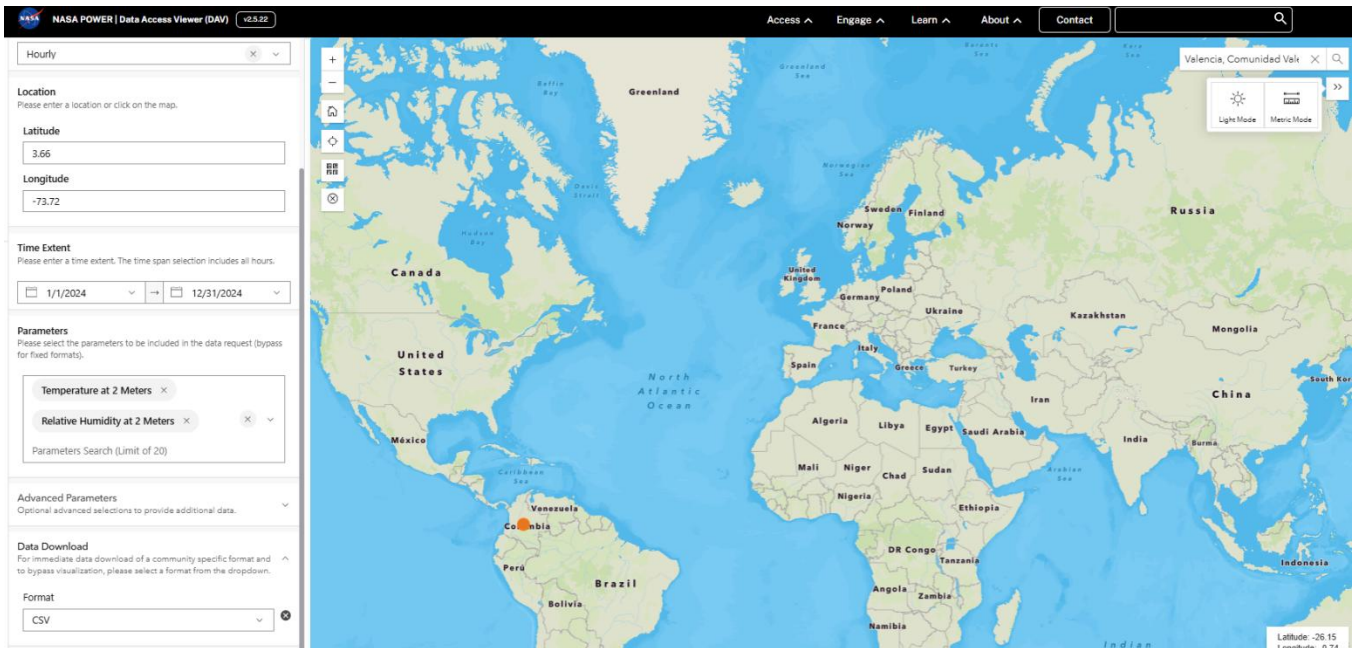
The **ventilation requirement for managing the animal thermal comfort** is calculated starting from the steady state energy balance equation of the poultry house (no thermal capacity effect of the shed envelope is considered). The steady state energy balance equation is derived on hourly basis with the ventilation flowrate being the unknown to get the temperature setpoint for the animals.

As soon as the maximum transition ventilation is evaluated to be no-more sufficient to achieve internal setpoint for animals, tunnel ventilation mode is activated, in such a case windchill effect is considered to reduce the animal perceived temperature.



Evaluation of the climate data

The climate data on hourly basis to run the energy simulation are retrieved from the climate database of NASA (<https://power.larc.nasa.gov/data-access-viewer/>) for:
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Temperature and humidity are provided on hourly basis for the entire year to perform the evaluation of the ventilation rate needed as described above.

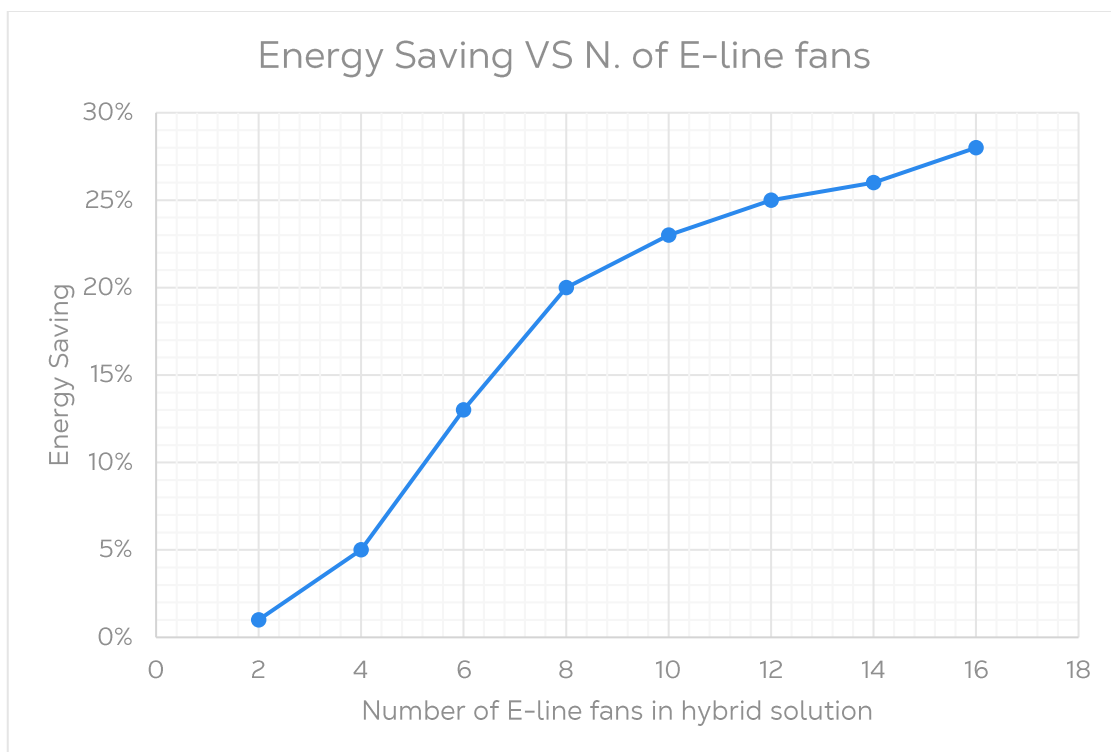
Results of the simulation

Keeping in mind the above information the tool will provide as output the following data:

- **Evaluation of the best hybrid ventilation system combining AC fans and E-line fans.**
- **Comparison of the electrical energy consumption** of a standard ventilation system with ON-OFF fans equipped with AC motors with those of a high efficiency solution with EC E-line fans.
- **Comparison of the operative cost of the two solutions considering energy consumption** starting from economical information provided (cost of energy)

Evaluation of hybrid ventilation solution

We performed a parametric analysis by adjusting the number of E-line fans in the hybrid ventilation system to find the optimal rate that maximize the ROI and minimize the PAYBACK time.



Ventilation systems compared

The EXAMPLE solutions compared are the following:

- Solution 1 (full AC fans) with:
 - o 16 x Saturn Five direct-drive 3-blades 60Hz with AC motor
- Solution 2 (hybrid) with:
 - o 8 x Saturn Five direct-drive 3-blades 60Hz with AC motor
 - o 8 x Saturn Five direct-drive 3-blades E-line
- Solution 3 (100% variable speed) with:
 - o 16 x Saturn Five direct-drive 3-blades E-line
- Solution 4 (hybrid) with:
 - o 8 x Saturn Five direct-drive 3-blades 60Hz with AC motor
 - o 9 x Saturn Five direct-drive 3-blades E-line (maximum speed 93%)

Here below we provide the estimated energy consumption of the 6 yearly flocks assuming the 1st is starting 1st of January.

	Solution 1	Solution 2	Solution 3	Solution 4
Flock 1 [kWh]	10800	8560	7900	8,083
Flock 2 [kWh]	13150	11070	10080	10,451
Flock 3 [kWh]	12430	10390	9390	9,778
Flock 4 [kWh]	11000	8830	7840	8,264
Flock 5 [kWh]	10260	7960	7060	7,433
Flock 6 [kWh]	10000	7900	6910	7,380
Flock 7 [kWh]	9730	7540	6780	7,061

Considering an energy price of 0.20 USD/kWh the expected cost for ventilation for the 7 flocks are the following:

	Solution 1	Solution 2	Solution 3	Solution 4
Flock 1 [kWh]	2160	1712	1580	1620
Flock 2 [kWh]	2630	2214	2016	2090
Flock 3 [kWh]	2486	2078	1878	1960
Flock 4 [kWh]	2200	1766	1568	1650
Flock 5 [kWh]	2052	1592	1412	1490
Flock 6 [kWh]	2000	1580	1382	1480
Flock 7 [kWh]	1946	1508	1356	1420

On yearly base the estimated results of energy saving are the following:

	Solution 1	Solution 2	Solution 3	Solution 4
Yearly energy consumption [kWh]	77370	62250	55960	58450
Cost for electrical energy consumption [USD]	15474	12450	11192	11690
Relative energy / economical saving [%]	-	20%	28%	24%
Yearly saving [kWh]	-	15120	21410	18915
Yearly saving [USD]	-	3020	4280	3780

Table energy consumption per week

Week	Solution 1 [kWh]	Solution 2 [kWh]	Solution 3 [kWh]	Solution 4 [kWh]	Saving with solution 2	Saving with solution 3	Saving with solution 4
1	686	392	365	354	41%	45%	47%
2	1051	590	552	535	42%	46%	47%
3	1753	1128	1041	1037	35%	40%	40%
4	2868	2504	2352	2402	13%	18%	16%
5	3024	2666	2468	2554	12%	18%	16%
6	1417	1271	1121	1201	10%	21%	15%
7	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
8	319	184	170	167	41%	46%	47%
9	972	555	514	504	42%	46%	47%
10	1470	847	779	770	42%	46%	47%
11	2657	2184	2025	2074	18%	24%	22%
12	3785	3561	3180	3379	6%	16%	11%
13	3939	3732	3406	3558	5%	14%	10%
14	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
15	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
16	722	414	383	377	42%	46%	47%
17	1013	567	532	513	42%	46%	48%
18	1601	931	850	844	41%	47%	47%
19	2795	2423	2209	2314	13%	21%	17%
20	4039	3879	3445	3677	4%	15%	9%
21	2251	2174	1869	2052	3%	17%	9%
22	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
23	218	127	117	113	41%	45%	47%
24	772	434	407	391	41%	45%	47%
25	1318	748	695	676	42%	46%	47%
26	1934	1348	1199	1250	30%	38%	35%
27	2313	1919	1707	1827	17%	26%	21%
28	3846	3667	3194	3459	5%	17%	10%
29	597	578	514	548	3%	14%	8%
30	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
31	451	255	240	225	40%	43%	47%
32	914	509	478	462	42%	46%	48%
33	1549	895	822	808	41%	46%	47%
34	1867	1406	1175	1312	25%	37%	30%
35	2927	2541	2281	2409	13%	22%	18%
36	2544	2351	2063	2216	8%	19%	13%
37	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
38	17	9	9	8	36%	36%	46%

39	591	332	313	294	40%	44%	47%
40	1110	623	585	567	42%	46%	47%
41	1772	1163	1033	1070	34%	41%	39%
42	2325	1918	1679	1818	18%	28%	22%
43	3040	2730	2347	2575	10%	23%	15%
44	1140	1118	940	1048	2%	18%	8%
45	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
46	161	89	85	77	39%	42%	47%
47	782	438	411	397	42%	45%	47%
48	1345	765	712	693	42%	46%	47%
49	2045	1495	1332	1396	27%	35%	32%
50	2553	2172	2017	2085	15%	21%	18%
51	2834	2573	2220	2412	9%	22%	15%
52	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%
53	0	0	0	0	0%	0%	0%

These table with weekly energy consumption for the 4 solutions is only an indication since the calculation algorithm implemented estimates the energy consumption considering a standard way to perform ventilation in broiler barns and has not the aim to reflect exactly the climate control algorithm implemented in all the climate computers available on the market neither has the possibility to consider the setting made on top of each climate controller.

Boundary conditions of the simulation

General information:

- Application: Broiler
- Shed length: 180
- Shed width: 18
- Shed side height: 3
- Shed center height: 3
- Height of baffles: No baffles
- Shed insulation level: Roof:50mm / Wall:50mm / Pad opening:curtain / Fans:shutters
- Number of animals: 60000
- Flock length: 37 days

Geographical information:

- Reference location: EXAMPLE LOCATION

Minimum ventilation:

- Reference ventilation profile: Aviagen
- Minimum ventilation pressure: 25 pa

Tunnel ventilation:

- Maximum tunnel ventilation: 4.4 m/s
- Light filters on fans: No
- Tunnel ventilation pressure: 69 pa

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Economical parameters:

- Electrical energy cost: 0.20 USD/kWh