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## Feeding and management strategies to optimize fattening rabbit intestinal health

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## The message

How to control the losses due to ERE ?

### 1. Management strategy

- Hygiëne : all-in all-out
- Environmental counts of *C. perfringens* and fattening mortality ( $r = 0.93$ )!

### 2. Balanced diets

- Limit the protein content (< 15.5%)
- Sufficient undigestible fibre (5 – 5.5% ADL or 32-34% NDF)
- Stimulate the caecal fermentation: soluble fiber!

### 3. Restricted feeding in the first 3-4 weeks post weaning

