

Pig Health – Vulva Biting

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Please circle one answer only e.g. A

1. Which of the following is true of vulva biting?

- A. It is a problem in growing pigs
- B. It is largely a consequence of loose housing sows
- C. It only occurs with ESF feeding systems
- D. It was common in stall and tether systems.

2. The primary sign that a sow has been vulva bitten in a yard will be:

- A. Sow found dead
- B. A collapsed sow
- C. Blood staining on several sows
- D. Infertility

3. Which of the following is a possible long term consequence of vulva biting?

- A. Obstruction to the future farrowing process
- B. Aggression from other sows
- C. Haemorrhage and death
- D. Vulval swelling

4. Which of the following managemental factors is NOT usually associated with vulva biting?

- A. Mixing different size sows
- B. Well distributed adequate feed supply
- C. Restricted water supply
- D. Presence of a boar in the dry sow pen

5. Which of the following actions will help to reduce the prevalence of vulva biting?

- A. Providing good quality barley straw
- B. Providing good quality wheat straw
- C. Feeding once daily
- D. Reducing space provision for sows