

## Tenderness of pork-meat

**Key words:** Split-plot

### Description

To investigate the effect of the cooling process on the tenderness of meat, 24 porks were slaughtered and cut in halves (right and left side). One side was then cooled by tunnel-cooling (a very quick cooling denoted 'TC' below) and the other side by (conventional) fast cooling (denoted 'FC' below). Furthermore the pigs were divided into two groups: 12 pigs with high pH (ph-group 3) and 12 pigs with low pH (ph-group 2). Two registrations associated with tenderness are recorded below: a sensory (subjective) evaluation of tenderness (denoted `tender`) and the lengths of 'sarcomers'. Long sarcomers are suspected to be associated with less tender meat and could be caused by too fast cooling.

Number of observations: 48

Variable	Description
<code>pigno</code>	Pig identification, numbered 73-96
<code>phgroup</code>	Values 2,3
<code>cooling</code>	Values FC,TC
<code>sarcomer</code>	lengths of sarcomer
<code>tender</code>	sensory evaluation of tenderness

### Source

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### Analysis

Split-plot for each of the two variables.