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# Not All Binders Are Created Equal.







# Reliable Performance. Consistent Quality.

Aquaculture feeds and moisture are two opposing forces that continually challenge feed manufacturers and aquaculture producers alike.

Feeds and grains are ideally stored with moisture concentrations of less than 13 percent, to help "compensate for non-uniform moisture concentrations throughout the grain mass" (Whitlow, 2005, Proceedings, Florida Ruminant Nutrition Conference, Gainesville).

Feed that has been stored at a high moisture level may cause reduced flowability, have the potential to cake and be more prone to increased mold growth. The real world is less than ideal, and feeds and grains exposed to moisture concentrations greater than 15 percent are more susceptible to mold contamination (Whitlow, 2005). Mold growth may lead to mycotoxin formation during manufacturing, storage, delivery and feeding of the animals.

#### **Common Molds and Their Mycotoxin Products in Aquaculture**

Mold Species	Mycotoxins Produced
Aspergillus parasiticus	Aflatoxins $B_1$ , $B_2$ , $G_1$ , $G_2$
Aspergillus flavus	Aflatoxins $B_1$ , $B_2$
Fusarium sporotrichioides	T-2 Toxin
Fusarium graminearum	Zearalenone & Deoxynivalenol
Fusarium moniliforme	Fumonisin $B_1$
Penicillium verrucosum	Ochratoxin A
Aspergillus ochraceus	Ochratoxin A

AB20<sup>®</sup> specialty product is a bentonite adsorbent, containing hydrated sodium and calcium aluminosilicates, that reduces caking and flowability issues by binding moisture that is present in feed. Lower moisture in feed reduces the potential for mold growth-and lowering mold growth in feed improves its quality. This is important when you consider that some molds can produce a wide range of harmful mycotoxins.

The use of **AB20** helps reduce mold growth and mycotoxin contamination.

## Unique From the Start.

It all begins with our unique and proprietary sourcing to identify silicate deposits with the unique qualities of **AB20** that provide effective performance and excellent flowability — all at a low usage rate for enhanced value from the start.

To ensure you receive consistent and effective performance, we test **AB20** in both in vitro and live animal research trials, backed by our team of experts who provide extensive experience and strong technical knowledge for reliable on-farm support.

Animal	Shrimp	Fish
Poor Growth Performance	Reduced growth rate	Reduced growth rate
	Low apparent digestibility	Low weight gain
	Higher mortality rate	Higher mortality rate
Severe Health Negative effect on digestive enzymes   Damage Hepatopancreatic damage   Lower hematocrit value (reduced number and size of red blood cells)	Negative effect on digestive enzymes	Severe hepatic necrosis
	Hepatopancreatic damage	Enlarged liver
	Lower hematocrit value	Impaired blood clotting, anemia and pale gills
	Pale to yellow kidney lesions	





### Signs & Symptoms in Aquatic Species



While multiple solutions are available to help manage mycotoxins in your animals, only AB20 offers the trusted partnership of Phibro Animal Health Corporation - with research-proven results to ensure healthy animals and a healthy bottom line.

For more information, contact your local Phibro representative or visit www.pahc.com.