

Priorities of the EFO Research Committee

In order of priorities:

1. Nutrition

- To enhance performance & shell quality in all housing systems
- To reach 14- 15 months of lay in all housing systems
- False layer: Pullet nutrition & management

2. Bird health

- Bronchitis and other significant health issues
- Re-emerging pathogens as birds are housed on litter

3. Lighting types (energy efficient) for layers/pullets

- colour, flicker.
- Effects of delayed lighting, delayed calcium under spring & fall conditions with present barns & under ideal light tight systems.
- 4. **Management tricks and techniques** for aviaries and furnished cages that mitigate common problems such as not going to the nest, aggression, and smothering.
- 5. **Animal care** for pullet housing. le. Perch requirements.
- 6. Third-party validations of antibiotic replacement additives.