

[54] **METHOD FOR IMPROVING THE METABOLIC STABILITY AND SURVIVAL OF NEWBORN PIGS**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

The disclosed invention concerns improving the metabolic stability of newborn pigs and increasing their survival rate by administering to a pregnant sow during its late stages of gestation an effective amount of a material selected from the group consisting of a dihydroxy alkanol having 3 to 10 carbon atoms, a triglyceride of glycerol and fatty acids containing 8 to 12 carbon atoms and the mono-and diol esters of said alkanols and said fatty acids.

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