

Table 1 Growth rate, SGRs, and survival percentages of the *Clarias gariepinus* larvae fed with chicken egg yolk, rotifer (*Brachionus plicatilis*) and a mixture of the two during the 1st phase (the first five days) of the experiment

	Egg yolk	Egg yolk + Rotifer	Rotifer
Initial average weight (mg)	3.33 ± 0.13	3.33 ± 0.13	3.33 ± 0.13
Final average weight (mg)	13.39 ± 2.87	10.45 ± 1.80	7.62 ± 2.45
Initial average length (mm)	5.83 ± 0.75	5.83 ± 0.75	5.83 ± 0.75
Final average length (mm)	9.65 ± 1.16	8.95 ± 0.59	8.20 ± 0.42
Growth rate (%/day) (sd)	60.42 ^a	42.76 ^b	25.76 ^c
Survival (%) (nsd)	83 ^a	87 ^a	98 ^a
SGR (sd)	0.28 ^a	0.23 ^b	0.16 ^c
Condition factor (CF) (nsd)	1.49 ^a	1.46 ^a	1.38 ^a

Note: Values with same superscript in a row mean that were not significant different.