

Figure 1. Association of fecal consistency and respiratory disease (RD) with weight during the first 9 wk in dairy calves (n=220 and n=60, respectively). The study was conducted on a commercial dairy farm located in Castelli, Argentina (36°09'S, 57°81'W), from September 2017 to December 2018. Diarrhea diagnosis was determined based on fecal consistency (0 to 3; calf health scoring chart of the University of Wisconsin) and was considered positive when the score was ≥ 2 . Respiratory disease diagnosis was determined based on nasal discharge, ocular discharge, cougling, ear position, and fever (each sign was evaluated on a scale from 0 to 3; calf health scoring chart of the University of Wisconsin) and was considered positive when the total score was ≥ 5 . The * symbol indicates a significant difference (P < 0.05).