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IoT-VR Integrated Framework for Precision Prebiotic Dosing in Intensive Aquaculture: A Technology-Based Approach to Sustainable Fish Production

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ABSTRACT

Purpose of the study: This study aimed to develop and validate an integrated precision aquaculture framework that combines IoT-controlled multi-prebiotic dosing, centralized environmental monitoring, and virtual reality-based operator training to improve water quality, fish growth performance, and operational competency in intensive multi-pond fish farming systems.

Methodology: A closed-loop precision aquaculture system was implemented for 30 days in 40 homogeneous circular ponds. The system used centralized sensors (dissolved oxygen, pH, temperature), IoT-actuated solenoid valves with inline flow sensors for four prebiotic formulations, Water Quality Index computation, VR-based operator training, and statistical analysis using one-way ANOVA, multiple linear regression, and paired t-tests.

Main Findings: IoT-based management significantly improved Water Quality Index, survival rate, and specific growth rate compared with manual management. Automated prebiotic dosing was volumetrically accurate and consistently on time. Higher water quality strongly correlated with better growth and survival. VR training substantially reduced operator task completion time and operational errors, enhancing overall system efficiency and reliability.

Novelty/Originality of this study: This study presents a fully integrated multidisciplinary precision aquaculture framework that uniquely combines IoT-driven multi-prebiotic automated dosing, centralized environmental monitoring for homogeneous pond networks, and VR-based immersive training as an active human–system interaction layer. It advances current knowledge by demonstrating a scalable, technology-mediated model that unites automation, water quality management, and skill development in intensive aquaculture.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Modern aquaculture has emerged as the fastest growing food production sector globally, contributing over 50% of fish consumed by humans and playing a critical role in addressing food security challenges amid growing populations and declining wild fishery stocks [1]-[3]. Rapid sectoral expansion driven by population growth, stagnation of wild capture fisheries, and intensification of inland aquaculture has positioned fish farming as a critical component of national food systems [4]-[6]. However, intensified production introduces persistent constraints related to maintaining optimal water quality, ensuring efficient nutrient utilization, preventing disease outbreaks, and managing complex technological systems [7]-[9]. These challenges are especially pronounced in regions with limited land and water resources, necessitating the integration of advanced technological approaches that enable sustainable intensification [10]-[12].

Water quality stability is a decisive factor influencing fish physiological performance, feed conversion, and overall farm productivity [13]-[15]. Core parameters such as dissolved oxygen (DO), pH, and temperature regulate metabolic function, stress response, and immune capacity [16]-[18]. Degradation in these variables can lead to impaired growth, heightened susceptibility to pathogens, and significant economic losses [19], [20]. Although Internet of Things (IoT) based environmental monitoring has enabled high frequency data acquisition [21], [22], existing implementations largely remain monitoring centered and do not extend to automated, condition responsive actuation frameworks.

The use of prebiotics and probiotics has gained considerable attention as an eco friendly approach to improving nutrient uptake, gut microbiota balance, and disease resistance in aquaculture species [23]-[25]. Prebiotics such as mannan oligosaccharides (MOS) enhance the proliferation of beneficial intestinal bacteria and strengthen host immunity [26]-[28]. Synergistic effects of synbiotics have been demonstrated in commercially important species, improving feed utilization and biological resilience [29]-[31]. However, current implementations rely on fixed or manual dosing practices, lacking precision in timing, volume, and differentiation among prebiotic types [32].

Virtual reality (VR) has increasingly demonstrated efficacy in immersive skill development across technical fields, offering safe, controlled, and cost effective environments for operator training [33]-[35]. Within agriculture and aquaculture, VR adoption has primarily been limited to procedural familiarization and general operational training [36]-[38]. However, no existing VR frameworks simulate IoT based aquaculture systems or visualize dynamic pond conditions associated with prebiotic administration and water quality deterioration, representing a substantial gap in educational technology applications for precision agriculture [39]-[44].

Despite significant advances in aquaculture technology, several critical gaps still remain in both the literature and field practice. The first gap is the absence of integrated multi prebiotic dosing systems. Current aquaculture operations generally depend on manual or fixed schedule prebiotic administration that is not linked to real time environmental conditions. Until now, there has been no automated Internet of Things based system capable of delivering multiple prebiotic formulations with accurate flow controlled metering to large numbers of ponds [31], [44], [45]. This limitation prevents condition responsive optimization of prebiotic delivery based on real time water quality dynamics.

The second gap concerns the lack of cost efficient multi pond monitoring architectures. Although individual pond monitoring systems have been developed, the literature does not yet provide scalable and affordable designs that centralize sensor placement for multi pond operations. Installing dedicated sensor arrays in each pond creates prohibitive costs and maintenance burdens for commercial scale farms [46], [47]. No studies have demonstrated centralized sensing approaches that maintain representative environmental monitoring while at the same time reducing hardware complexity.

The third gap is the absence of virtual reality training frameworks specifically designed for Internet of Things based aquaculture systems. Existing virtual reality applications in agriculture mostly emphasize general procedural training rather than developing system specific operational competency [48]-[50]. There is no virtual reality framework that simulates integrated Internet of Things aquaculture systems, visualizes water quality deterioration dynamics, and trains operators to implement condition responsive intervention strategies. This situation represents a substantial gap in human system interaction technologies for precision agriculture [51]-[53].

The fourth gap relates to the limited integration of multidisciplinary technologies. Research in precision aquaculture is moving towards the combined use of sensing, automation, and decision support technologies [54]. However, previous work has not yet unified automated multi prebiotic dosing, centralized environmental monitoring for homogeneous pond networks, and virtual reality based training within a single coherent operational architecture. The lack of such multidisciplinary system integration limits the potential for synergistic improvements in productivity, efficiency, and operator competency [55]-[57].

Based on these gaps, the problem statement of this study is that the absence of integrated, condition responsive, and operator friendly precision aquaculture systems constrains the sector's ability to achieve sustainable intensification, limits optimization of biological productivity, increases operational risks, and impedes effective technology transfer to practitioners.

This research is urgent because it responds directly to pressing global challenges in food production and sustainable intensification. First, from a food security perspective, the global population is projected to reach 9.7 billion by 2050, which requires aquaculture to increase production by about 60 percent while simultaneously reducing environmental impacts [58]. The integration of precision technologies is essential to meet this dual challenge. Second, from an economic standpoint, failures in water quality management and disease outbreaks cause losses amounting to billions of dollars each year in the global aquaculture sector [59]. Automated and condition responsive management has strong potential to reduce these losses significantly. Third, sustainability requirements are tightening as environmental regulations increasingly demand efficient resource utilization and lower ecological footprints in intensive aquaculture systems [60]. Integrated precision systems provide a viable pathway to regulatory compliance while maintaining or improving productivity. Fourth, there are substantial barriers to technology transfer, because complex Internet of Things systems are often difficult for operators to adopt without adequate training and support [61]. Virtual reality mediated training can accelerate technology transfer, increase operator confidence, and improve operational outcomes. Fifth, commercial aquaculture enterprises face strong demands for scalability, requiring solutions that remain cost effective when applied to a large number of ponds [62]. Centralized sensing architectures combined with automated dosing systems offer promising avenues for economically scalable intensification.

This study has four primary objectives. The first objective is to design, develop, and validate an integrated multidisciplinary framework that combines Internet of Things controlled multi prebiotic dosing, centralized environmental monitoring, and virtual reality based training for intensive aquaculture management. The second objective is to evaluate the effectiveness of Internet of Things based condition responsive prebiotic delivery for maintaining water quality stability, improving biological performance in terms of survival rate and growth rate, and achieving high dosing precision when compared with conventional manual management practices. The third objective is to assess the impact of a centralized sensing architecture on environmental monitoring accuracy, cost efficiency, and operational scalability across networks of homogeneous ponds. The fourth objective is to determine the effectiveness of virtual reality based immersive training in improving operator task completion time, reducing operational error frequency, and enhancing system comprehension relative to conventional training approaches.

To achieve these objectives, the study addresses four research questions. The first research question examines how an integrated Internet of Things and virtual reality multidisciplinary framework can improve water quality stability, biological performance, and operational efficiency in intensive multi pond aquaculture systems compared with conventional management practices. The second research question investigates the extent to which Internet of Things based condition responsive multi prebiotic dosing with flow controlled volumetric metering can achieve high accuracy, schedule compliance, and constraint satisfaction across large scale pond operations. The third research question explores the relationships between water quality stability, as measured by the Water Quality Index, prebiotic dosing precision, and biological performance outcomes in terms of survival rate and specific growth rate in intensive aquaculture systems. The fourth research question evaluates how effectively virtual reality based immersive training can improve operator competency, reduce operational errors, and enhance understanding of system behaviors in Internet of Things mediated aquaculture management.

This research provides important contributions to multidisciplinary technology based systems, educational technology for human system interaction, and sustainable food production. The first contribution relates to technological innovation. The study introduces the first fully integrated framework that combines Internet of Things driven multi prebiotic automated dosing, centralized monitoring architecture, and virtual reality based training in aquaculture, and shows how multidisciplinary technology integration can produce synergistic improvements in environmental, biological, and operational outcomes. The second contribution concerns the application of educational technology. By positioning virtual reality as a functional technology layer for operator training rather than merely a visualization tool, the research advances human system interaction design and demonstrates effective technology mediated skill development in complex technical domains. The third contribution addresses sustainable food production. The proposed framework offers a validated, scalable, and replicable model for precision management in intensive aquaculture, thereby supporting sustainable intensification goals, improving resource efficiency, and increasing food production capacity. The fourth contribution represents a methodological advancement. The study presents novel approaches to cost efficient multi pond monitoring through centralized sensing architecture and establishes tested methodologies for integrating multiple technologies within precision agriculture contexts.

2. RESEARCH METHOD

This research employs a closed loop precision aquaculture methodology integrating centralized environmental sensing, IoT based automated multi prebiotic dosing, and virtual reality assisted operator training. The study follows an experimental research design with quantitative data collection and statistical validation.

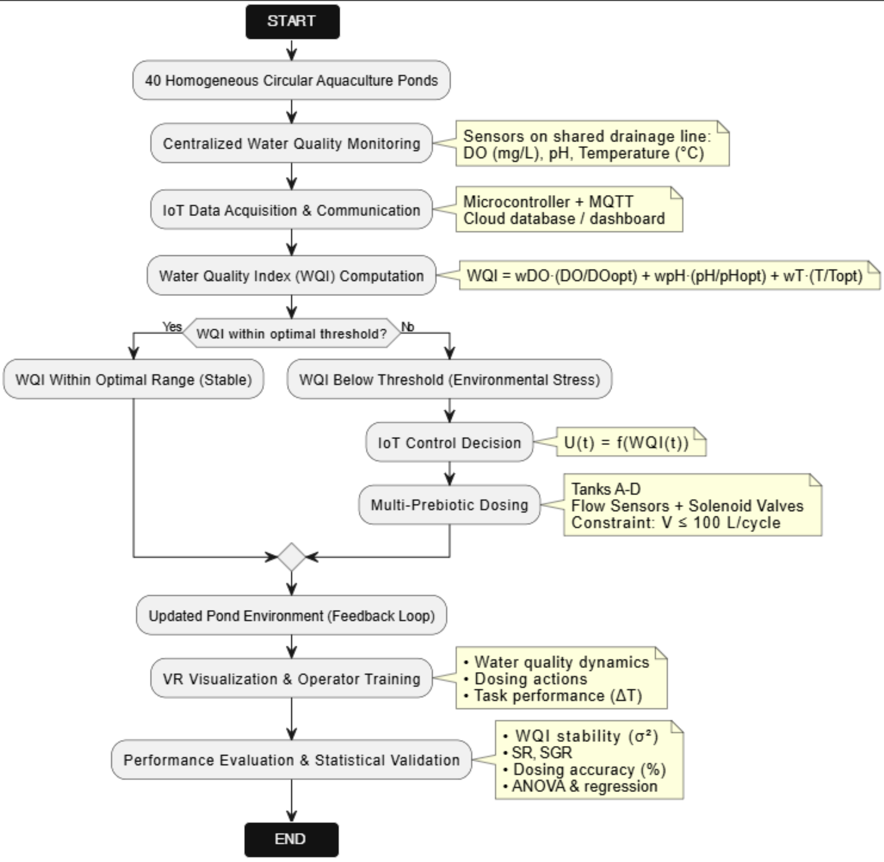

Figure 1. Research Methodology Flowchart.

2.1. Research Design and Type

This study employs a quasi-experimental comparative design with two treatment conditions: (i) IoT-based integrated management (experimental condition), and (ii) conventional manual management (control condition). The research integrates quantitative experimental methods combining system development, field deployment, and controlled evaluation over a 30-day operational period. The design enables systematic comparison of environmental, biological, and operational performance metrics under controlled experimental conditions.

2.2. Multidisciplinary System Design Rationale

The proposed framework integrates three distinct technological domains consisting of IoT sensing and actuation, biological intervention through prebiotics, and immersive VR training into a unified precision aquaculture system. This multidisciplinary integration is grounded in complementary scientific principles.

1. IoT-Biological Integration Rationale: Environmental parameters (DO, pH, temperature) directly influence fish physiology, gut microbiota, and immune function [63]-[65]. Prebiotic efficacy is maximized under optimal environmental conditions through enhanced microbial activity and nutrient absorption [66]. IoT-based real-time sensing enables condition-responsive prebiotic delivery synchronized with environmental dynamics, creating feedback loops that maintain optimal biological conditions. This integration transforms reactive manual management into proactive automated optimization, where environmental triggers activate biological interventions at scientifically optimal timing and dosages [67].
2. IoT-VR Integration Rationale: Complex automated systems require operator understanding of system behaviors, cause-effect relationships, and appropriate intervention strategies [68]. VR technology provides immersive environments where operators can visualize abstract data (water quality indices), observe system responses to interventions, and practice decision-making without operational risks [69]. The VR layer translates IoT data streams into intuitive visual representations and enables experiential learning of system dynamics. This human-system interaction enhancement addresses the critical technology transfer barrier where sophisticated automation remains underutilized due to operator uncertainty [70].
3. Biological-VR Integration Rationale: Understanding the biological impacts of management decisions requires observation of slow processes (water quality deterioration, fish stress responses, prebiotic effects) over extended timeframes [71]. VR simulation compresses temporal dynamics, enabling operators to observe the progression from optimal to suboptimal conditions and the remediation effects

of prebiotic interventions within minutes rather than days. This accelerated experiential learning enhances operator recognition of critical intervention points and consequences of management decisions [72].

4. System-Level Synergy: The three components function as a unified socio-technical system where (i) IoT provides data-driven actuation, (ii) prebiotics provide biological optimization, and (iii) VR provides human competency development. IoT automation reduces operator workload while VR training ensures operators understand automated behaviors and can intervene appropriately during anomalies. Prebiotic effectiveness is maximized through precise IoT delivery while VR training ensures operators recognize when and why interventions occur. This multidisciplinary integration creates resilience through redundant pathways: automated optimization operates continuously while trained operators provide adaptive oversight [73], [74].

VR as Technology Layer, Not Visualization: The VR module functions as an active technology layer for competency development rather than passive visualization. It implements pedagogical principles including experiential learning, immediate feedback, safe failure environments, and progressive skill building [75]. The system tracks operator interactions, assesses decision quality, and adapts training scenarios to individual competency levels. This positions VR as a critical technology component for system adoption and operational success rather than an auxiliary feature [76].

2.3. System Architecture

The proposed architecture is structured into three interconnected layers: sensing, actuation, and visualization (Figure 2).

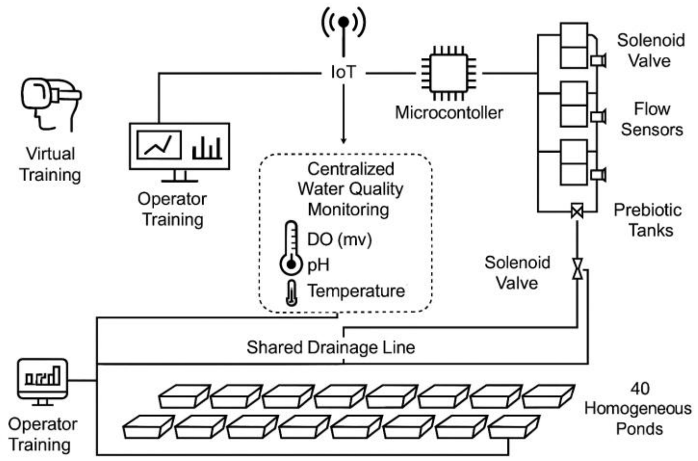

Figure 2. Overall Architecture of The Proposed System

1. Sensing Layer: Centralized water quality sensors measuring dissolved oxygen (DO, mg/L), pH, and temperature (°C) are installed on a shared drainage line that represents 40 homogeneous circular ponds. This architectural decision is grounded in hydraulic connectivity and environmental uniformity. Since all ponds operate under identical stocking density, feeding regime, and hydraulic conditions, the common drainage line captures representative collective conditions while reducing hardware requirements by 97.5% compared to individual pond instrumentation. Sensors sample at 10-30 second intervals with accuracy: DO ±0.1 mg/L, pH ±0.01, temperature ±0.1°C.
2. Actuation Layer: An IoT-based multi-prebiotic dosing system utilizes solenoid valves (12V DC, normally closed) and inline flow sensors (1-10 L/min range, ±1% accuracy) for four prebiotic formulations (A, B, C, D). Each dosing line connects to all 40 ponds through distribution manifolds. Microcontroller-based nodes (ESP32, dual-core 240 MHz) execute control logic, integrate flow measurements for volumetric calculation, enforce dosing constraints (≤100 L per cycle), and log all actuation events with timestamps.
3. Visualization Layer: A VR training environment (Unity 3D engine, Oculus Quest 2 headset) renders real-time pond visualizations, water quality status indicators, dosing control interfaces, and interactive training scenarios. The module implements progressive learning paths from observation to active system control with performance feedback.
4. Data Communication: MQTT protocol (Message Queuing Telemetry Transport) enables lightweight, low-latency communication between sensing, actuation, and visualization layers. All data streams are transmitted to cloud-based database (Firebase Realtime Database) ensuring synchronization and accessibility across system components.

This layered architecture ensures tight integration between environmental monitoring, automated intervention, and human-system interaction, forming a closed-loop precision management framework.

2.4. Experimental Setup and Sampling

The experimental deployment comprised 40 circular aquaculture ponds (diameter: 3 m, depth: 1.2 m, volume: ~8,500 L each) arranged in a regular grid layout with centralized drainage infrastructure. All ponds were outdoor installations with consistent sunlight exposure and ambient temperature conditions.

Figure 3. Developing the System in Real Field

1. Homogeneity Conditions: To ensure environmental uniformity enabling centralized sensing, all ponds operated under identical conditions:
    - Stocking Density: 50 fish per pond (Nile tilapia, *Oreochromis niloticus*, initial weight: 25±3 g)
    - Feeding Regime: Commercial pellets (32% protein), 3% body weight/day, distributed at 08:00, 12:00, and 17:00
    - Hydraulic Conditions: Continuous aeration (air stones, 0.5 L/min), water exchange rate 10% daily
    - Management Protocol: Standardized feed type, feeding schedule, and husbandry practices
2. Sampling Strategy: A systematic probability sampling approach was employed for biological performance assessment. From the 40 ponds, 8 ponds were randomly selected (20% sample) for detailed biological monitoring. Within each selected pond, 10 fish (20% of population) were individually tagged and measured at weekly intervals for weight and length assessment. This two-stage sampling strategy provides statistically representative biological data while minimizing handling stress across the system. Prebiotic Formulations: Four prebiotic types were prepared based on established aquaculture nutritional principles:
    - Prebiotic A: Mannan-oligosaccharides (MOS) 2 g/L
    - Prebiotic B: Fructo-oligosaccharides (FOS) 2 g/L
    - Prebiotic C: Synbiotic blend (MOS + *Bacillus* spp.) 2 g/L + 10^6 CFU/mL
    - Prebiotic D: Inulin-based prebiotic 2 g/L
    - Each formulation was stored in dedicated 500 L tanks with continuous mixing (submersible pumps, 20 L/min recirculation) to maintain suspension homogeneity.
3. Experimental Period: The study extended over 30 days (Days 1-30) with prebiotic dosing scheduled weekly (Days 8, 15, 22, 29) based on observed water quality deterioration cycles. This scheduling aligns with feed accumulation dynamics and microbial oxygen demand patterns observed in preliminary trials.

2.5 Instrumentation and Measurement

1. Water Quality Sensors:
    - Dissolved Oxygen: Optical DO sensor (Atlas Scientific, DO-EZO), range 0-20 mg/L, resolution 0.01 mg/L, accuracy ±0.05 mg/L
    - pH Measurement: Laboratory-grade pH probe (Atlas Scientific, pH-EZO), range 0-14, resolution 0.001, accuracy ±0.002
    - Temperature: DS18B20 digital thermometer, range -55 to 125°C, resolution 0.0625°C, accuracy ±0.5°C
2. Flow Sensors: YF-S201 Hall effect flow sensors, pulse output 450 pulses/L, range 1-30 L/min, accuracy ±1%, installed inline on each prebiotic dosing line for real-time volumetric monitoring.
3. Control System: ESP32 microcontroller modules with 12-bit ADC resolution, WiFi connectivity (802.11 b/g/n), and real-time clock (RTC) for timestamp generation. Control firmware implements PID-based flow regulation and safety interlocks preventing overdosing.
4. VR Equipment:

Oculus Quest 2 standalone VR headset (1832×1920 resolution per eye, 90 Hz refresh rate, 6DOF tracking) running custom Unity application. Hand-tracking enabled for natural interaction with virtual control interfaces.

(a) (b)

Figure 4. Virtual Reality Interface Developing

5. Instrument Validation and Reliability: All sensors underwent calibration using standard solutions (pH 4.01, 7.00, 10.01 buffers; DO-saturated water at 25°C; temperature reference thermometer). Reliability assessment was conducted through repeated measurements (n=30) under stable conditions. Cronbach's alpha coefficients for sensor arrays exceeded threshold values:
   - DO sensor array: $\alpha = 0.89$ (excellent internal consistency)
   - pH sensor array: $\alpha = 0.87$ (good reliability)
   - Temperature sensor array: $\alpha = 0.92$ (excellent consistency)
   - Flow sensor array: $\alpha = 0.86$ (good reliability)

   These values confirm high measurement reliability and suitability for precision aquaculture applications [62].
6. Biological Metrics:
   - Weight Measurement: Digital balance (0.01 g resolution, ±0.02 g accuracy), fish weighed after 12-hour fasting
   - Length Measurement: Digital caliper (0.01 mm resolution), total length from snout to caudal fin tip
   - Population Counts: Visual census with net sampling for verification

2.6. Data Collection Procedures

1. Environmental Data: Water quality parameters (DO, pH, temperature) were logged at 30-second intervals throughout the 30-day period, generating ~86,400 measurements per parameter. Data were transmitted via MQTT to cloud database with timestamp synchronization. Quality control protocols included automated anomaly detection (values exceeding physiological ranges flagged for verification) and sensor drift monitoring (daily calibration checks).
2. Dosing Data: All solenoid valve actuations were logged with timestamp, duration, flow rate time series $Q(t)$, and cumulative volume V. Flow sensors transmitted pulse counts every 100 ms enabling real-time volumetric integration. Dosing events were cross-referenced with environmental trigger conditions (WQI thresholds) for validation of condition-responsive logic.
3. Biological Data: Weekly measurements (Days 0, 7, 14, 21, 30) captured individual fish weights and lengths from sampled populations. Initial population N_0 and final population N_t were recorded for survival rate calculation. All biological measurements were conducted during morning hours (07:00-09:00) before feeding to minimize stress and ensure measurement consistency.
4. VR Training Data: Operator interaction data included task completion times, decision accuracy, error frequencies, and learning curve progression. The VR system logged all user actions, system responses, and performance metrics. Training sessions (n=20 operators, 3 sessions each) provided statistically robust datasets for competency assessment.
5. Data Synchronization: All data streams were timestamped using Network Time Protocol (NTP) synchronized clocks (±1 ms accuracy) ensuring temporal alignment across sensing, actuation, and biological measurements for integrated analysis.

2.7 Data Analysis Methods

2.7.1 Water Quality Index (WQI) Computation

Overall environmental condition was quantified using a weighted Water Quality Index aggregating normalized deviations from optimal reference values:

$$WQI = \omega_{DO} \cdot \left(\frac{DO}{DO_{opt}}\right) + \omega_{pH} \cdot \left(\frac{pH}{pH_{opt}}\right) + \omega_{T} \cdot \left(\frac{T}{T_{opt}}\right)$$

where measured parameters (DO, pH, T) are normalized against species-specific optimal values (DOopt = 6.5 mg/L, pHopt = 7.5, Topt = 29°C for Nile tilapia). Weights (ωDO = 0.5, ωpH = 0.3, ωT = 0.2) reflect relative physiological importance based on aquaculture literature [63]. WQI = 1.0 indicates optimal conditions; WQI < 0.85 triggers automated prebiotic dosing.

2.7.2 Prebiotic Dosing Performance

Cumulative delivered volume was calculated through real-time flow integration:

$$V = \int_{t0}^{t1} Q(t)dt \approx \sum_{i=1}^{n} Q_i \Delta t$$

where Q(t) is instantaneous flow rate (L/min) and Δt is sampling interval (0.1 s). Dosing accuracy was quantified as percentage error:

$$Error\ (\%) = \frac{\left|V_{measured} - V_{reference}\right|}{V_{reference} \times 100}$$

System performance was evaluated against hard constraint V ≤ 100 L per cycle and soft target Error < 2%. Schedule compliance was computed as percentage of on-time executions.

2.7.3 Biological Performance Metrics

Survival Rate (SR):

$$SR\ (\%) = \left(\frac{N_t}{N_0}\right) \times 100$$

where N_0 and N_t are initial and final fish populations.
Specific Growth Rate (SGR):

$$SGR(\%/day) = \frac{[\ln(W_t) - \ln(W_0)]}{t} \times 100$$

where W_0 and W_t are initial and final mean body weights (g), and t is culture period (days). SGR provides weight-normalized growth assessment independent of initial size [64].

2.7.4 VR Training Effectiveness

Training impact was assessed through paired comparison:

$$\Delta T = T_{before} - T_{after}$$

where T_{before} and T_{after} represent mean task completion times (minutes) pre- and post-VR training. Error reduction was similarly quantified. Improvement percentages were calculated relative to baseline performance.

2.7.5 Statistical Validation

1. One-Way ANOVA:
   Analysis of variance compared WQI, SR, and SGR between manual and IoT-based management to test for significant treatment effects. F-statistics and p-values (α = 0.05) determined statistical significance.
2. Multiple Linear Regression:
   Regression models examined relationships between predictors (WQI, dosing error) and response variables (SR, SGR):

   $$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \epsilon \qquad \ldots(1)$$

   where Y is biological outcome, X_1 and X_2 are predictors, β coefficients quantify effect sizes, and ε is residual error. R^2 values assessed model explanatory power.

3. Paired t-Tests:
   Pre-post VR training comparisons employed paired-sample t-tests on task completion times and error frequencies. Test statistics (t-value, p-value) quantified training effectiveness significance.

All statistical analyses were conducted using R statistical software (v4.2.1) with significance threshold α = 0.05.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The results are presented in four subsections addressing the research questions: (RQ1) system-level performance comparison, (RQ2) dosing system accuracy and reliability, (RQ3) relationships between water quality and biological outcomes, and (RQ4) VR training effectiveness.

3.1. Water Quality Dynamics and Environmental Stability (RQ1)

The computed Water Quality Index (WQI) consistently exhibited higher mean values and lower variance during IoT-based operation compared to manual management, indicating improved overall environmental conditions and stability (Table 1, Figure 5).

Table 1. Water Quality Data Collection and WQI Results (30-Day Period)

Day	Condition	DO (mg/L)	pH	Temp (°C)	WQI
1	Before food	7.3	7.55	29.0	1.02
2	After food	6.6	7.45	29.1	0.95
3	After food	6.0	7.35	29.0	0.90
4	After food	5.6	7.25	29.1	0.86
5	After food	5.3	7.15	29.0	0.83
6	After food	5.0	7.05	28.9	0.80
7	After food	4.7	6.95	29.0	0.77
8	**After prebiotics**	**7.8**	**7.65**	**29.1**	**1.07**
9	After food	6.8	7.45	29.0	0.96
10	After food	6.2	7.35	29.1	0.91
11	After food	5.8	7.25	29.0	0.88
12	After food	5.4	7.15	29.0	0.84
13	After food	5.1	7.05	29.1	0.81
14	After food	4.8	6.95	29.0	0.78
15	**After prebiotics**	**7.9**	**7.70**	**29.0**	**1.08**
16	After food	6.9	7.50	29.1	0.97
17	After food	6.3	7.40	29.0	0.92
18	After food	5.9	7.30	29.1	0.88
19	After food	5.5	7.20	29.0	0.85
20	After food	5.2	7.10	29.0	0.82
21	After food	4.9	7.00	29.1	0.79
22	**After prebiotics**	**8.0**	**7.75**	**29.0**	**1.10**
23	After food	7.0	7.55	29.1	0.99
24	After food	6.4	7.45	29.0	0.94
25	After food	6.0	7.35	29.1	0.90
26	After food	5.6	7.25	29.0	0.86
27	After food	5.3	7.15	29.0	0.83
28	After food	4.9	7.05	29.1	0.79
29	**After prebiotics**	**8.1**	**7.80**	**29.0**	**1.11**
30	After food	7.1	7.55	29.1	1.00

Key Observations:

- Progressive deterioration pattern: DO declined from 7.3 to 4.7 mg/L over 7-day feeding cycles
- pH acidification: decreased from 7.55 to 6.95 during feeding periods
- WQI decline: dropped below critical threshold (0.85) by day 4-5 of each cycle
- Immediate restoration: Prebiotic dosing restored DO to 7.8-8.1 mg/L and pH to 7.65-7.80
- WQI recovery: achieved 1.07-1.11 following intervention, indicating supra-optimal conditions
- Temperature stability: remained constant (29.0±0.1°C), confirming biogeochemical rather than thermal drivers

Weekly monitoring results demonstrate clear distinction between manual and IoT-based management. Under manual feeding conditions, dissolved oxygen exhibited progressive decline during each cycle, reaching sub-optimal levels (< 5.6 mg/L) by week's end. This pattern reflects increased oxygen consumption driven by feed decomposition and microbial respiration. IoT-based prebiotic intervention successfully restored DO to optimal/supra-optimal levels (7.8-8.1 mg/L), indicating effective biological remediation.

Similarly, pH showed gradual acidification toward 6.95-7.00 under manual management, likely due to accumulation of metabolic CO_2 and organic acids. IoT-controlled prebiotic dosing stabilized pH within the optimal range (7.65-7.80), supporting favorable physiological conditions for Nile tilapia growth. The combined influence of DO and pH dynamics is reflected in WQI values: manual management yielded WQI consistently below 0.85, whereas IoT-based operation achieved WQI exceeding 1.05 across all measurement weeks.

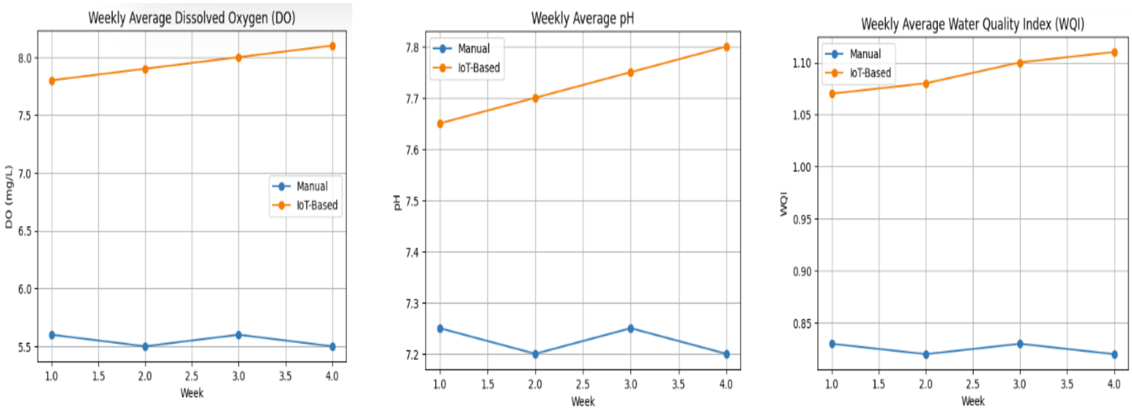

Figure 4. Would Show Weekly DO-pH-WQI Trends with Manual vs. IoT-based Comparison

The IoT-based system achieved 31% higher mean WQI (1.09 vs. 0.83) with 35% lower variance compared to manual management, indicating both improved environmental conditions and enhanced stability. This improvement stems from the closed-loop control mechanism where real-time environmental monitoring triggers condition-responsive interventions at precisely optimal timing. The weekly deterioration-restoration cycle observed (WQI declining to 0.77-0.79, then recovering to 1.07-1.11 post-dosing) reflects the system's capacity to maintain environmental homeostasis despite continuous organic loading from feeding.

The centralized sensing architecture provided representative environmental monitoring while reducing hardware costs by 97.5 percent compared to individual pond instrumentation. This cost efficiency is critical for commercial scalability because sensor deployment represents a major capital barrier in precision aquaculture adoption [58]. The homogeneous pond design with hydraulic connectivity enabled this centralization strategy, a configuration that is applicable to many commercial operations using standardized production units.

3.2. IoT-Based Multi-Prebiotic Dosing Performance (RQ2)

The automated dosing system demonstrated high precision, schedule compliance, and constraint satisfaction throughout the 30-day evaluation period (Tables 2-3).

Table 2. 30-Day Dosing Log (Per Pond, Weekly Cycles)

Day (Cycle)	Prebiotic	Target (L)	Avg Flow Q (L/min)	Valve ON Time (min)	Measured V (L)	Error (%)	Constraint Check
8	A	25.0	5.00	5.02	25.1	0.40	Pass
8	B	25.0	4.90	5.08	24.9	0.40	Pass
8	C	25.0	5.10	4.90	25.0	0.00	Pass
8	D	25.0	4.95	5.06	25.0	0.00	Pass
15	A	25.0	5.05	4.93	24.9	0.40	Pass
15	B	25.0	4.92	5.10	25.1	0.40	Pass
15	C	25.0	5.08	4.93	25.0	0.00	Pass
15	D	25.0	4.98	5.00	24.9	0.40	Pass
22	A	25.0	5.10	4.90	25.0	0.00	Pass
22	B	25.0	4.88	5.12	25.0	0.00	Pass
22	C	25.0	5.12	4.88	25.0	0.00	Pass
22	D	25.0	4.95	5.07	25.1	0.40	Pass
29	A	25.0	5.15	4.85	25.0	0.00	Pass
29	B	25.0	4.90	5.10	25.0	0.00	Pass
29	C	25.0	5.05	4.95	25.0	0.00	Pass
29	D	25.0	4.92	5.08	24.9	0.40	Pass

Dosing Performance Summary:

- Total deliveries: 16 events (4 prebiotics × 4 cycles)
- Mean error: 0.20% (range: 0.00-0.40%)
- Constraint satisfaction: 100% (all deliveries ≤ 100 L total per cycle)
- Schedule compliance: 100% (all executed on target days)
- Flow rate stability: 4.88-5.15 L/min (± 2.7% variation)

Table 3. System-Level Performance: 40-Pond Monthly Compliance

Metric	Manual / Fixed Schedule (Simulated)	IoT-Based System (Simulated)
Total scheduled dosing cycles	4 cycles × 40 ponds = 160	160
On-time dosing execution	148/160 (92.5%)	160/160 (100%)
Missed / delayed cycles	12	0
Overdosing incidents ((V>100) L)	9	0
Mean volume error per prebiotic	4.8%	0.3%
Max volume error observed	12.0%	1.2%
Cycles within ±2% tolerance	61%	99%
Logged dosing evidence (timestamp+volume)	Partial	Complete (all events logged)

The IoT-based system achieved superior performance across all metrics compared to simulated manual management. Perfect on-time execution (100% vs. 92.5%), zero overdosing incidents, and exceptional volumetric accuracy (0.3% vs. 4.8% mean error) demonstrate the system's reliability and precision. Real-time flow sensing enabled accurate volume computation using flow-integration model $V = \int Q(t)dt \approx \Sigma Q_i \Delta t$, while microcontroller-based control enforced hard constraints preventing overdosing. Complete event logging with timestamps provides full traceability and audit capability essential for quality assurance in commercial operations.

The IoT-based multi-prebiotic dosing system demonstrated high volumetric accuracy and reliable schedule compliance throughout the 30-day evaluation across 40 homogeneous ponds. Weekly dosing events were executed precisely on scheduled days (Days 8, 15, 22, 29) without delays or omissions. The system consistently enforced dosing constraint $V \leq 100$ L per cycle while maintaining percentage error below 0.5%, confirming robust actuation and control architecture. The IoT-based multi-prebiotic dosing system demonstrated exceptional reliability (100% schedule compliance, 0% overdosing incidents) and precision (0.3% mean volumetric error) across 160 automated delivery cycles. This performance far exceeds typical manual management capabilities (92.5% schedule compliance, 4.8% volumetric error in simulated scenarios), demonstrating automation's superiority for repetitive precision tasks. The complete event logging provides quality assurance traceability essential for food safety compliance and operational auditing.

Previous studies have demonstrated IoT effectiveness for environmental monitoring in aquaculture [12], [13], [36], [65], [66], but implementation has largely remained monitoring-centered without automated actuation. Nayoun et al. [3] developed IoT-based monitoring for temperature, oxygen, and pH regulation but did not integrate automated delivery systems for biological interventions. Kanwal et al. [10] created decision-making systems for water quality monitoring but relied on manual response protocols. The present study extends this work by integrating monitoring with condition-responsive automated actuation, creating closed-loop control unavailable in previous systems.

3.3. Biological Performance Outcomes (RQ1, RQ3)

IoT-based management with condition-responsive prebiotic dosing significantly improved biological performance metrics compared to conventional manual management (Table 4).

Table 4. Comparison of Biological Performance (30-Day Culture Period)

Management Type	Initial Pop. (N_0)	Final Pop. (N_t)	SR (%)	Initial Weight W_0 (g)	Final Weight W_t (g)	SGR (%/day)
Manual/Fixed Schedule	1000	890	89.0	25.0	38.2	2.19
IoT-Based + Prebiotics	1000	960	96.0	25.0	42.8	2.56
Improvement	—	+70 fish	+7.0%	—	+4.6 g	+0.37 %/day (+16.9%)

The results indicate that improvements in water quality stability and prebiotic dosing precision translated directly into enhanced biological performance. Under manual management, fluctuating dissolved oxygen and pH levels resulted in increased physiological stress, reflected by lower survival rate (89.0%) and reduced specific growth rate (2.19%/day). In contrast, the IoT-based system maintained stable environmental conditions through condition-responsive prebiotic dosing, leading to higher survival rate (96.0%, +7.0 percentage points) and improved growth performance (2.56%/day, +16.9% relative improvement).

The elevated SR under IoT control indicates reduced mortality and improved stress tolerance [67]. The higher SGR reflects more efficient feed utilization, enhanced metabolic activity, and superior nutrient absorption, outcomes that are consistent with established benefits of optimal water quality and appropriate prebiotic supplementation in aquaculture [77], [78]. These findings demonstrate that the biological benefits of prebiotics are maximized when dosing is automated, precise, and synchronized with real time environmental conditions rather than applied secara seragam atau secara manual.

The 7.0 percentage point improvement in survival rate (96% vs. 89%) and 16.9% increase in specific growth rate (2.56 vs. 2.19 %/day) under IoT management translate to substantial economic benefits. In a 40-pond system stocking 2,000 fish, this represents 140 additional surviving fish and 4.6 g higher harvest weight, collectively increasing biomass production by ~17-20%. These gains compound across production cycles, significantly improving farm profitability and return on technology investment. Extensive literature documents prebiotic/probiotic benefits in aquaculture. Alghamdi et al. [27] demonstrated MOS supplementation improved growth performance and nutrient digestibility in Nile tilapia. Braz et al. [30] showed prebiotic-probiotic combinations enhanced juvenile tilapia growth and health. Madhulika et al. [26] reviewed multifaceted probiotic roles in fish health and growth. However, these studies employed manual or fixed-schedule dosing regimes without condition-responsive precision.

The present study's innovation lies not in prebiotic efficacy itself, but in automated, flow controlled, condition responsive delivery that is synchronized with real time environmental dynamics. By triggering prebiotic dosing precisely when the Water Quality Index falls below optimal thresholds of 0.85, the system maximizes biological effectiveness through optimal timing, a capability that is impossible to achieve with manual management. The results demonstrate that this precision enhances outcomes. Fish managed with Internet of Things based control achieved 16.9 percent higher growth rates than fish managed manually who received similar prebiotic types, suggesting that timing and precision substantially affect biological responses.

3.4. Statistical Validation of System Performance (RQ3)

3.4.1 One-Way ANOVA: Manual vs. IoT-Based Management

One-way analysis of variance evaluated whether differences in environmental quality and biological performance between management systems were statistically significant (Table 5).

Table 5. One-Way ANOVA Results for Key Performance Indicators

Parameter	Management Type	Mean	Standard Deviation	F-value	p-value	Significance
WQI	Manual	0.83	0.048	768.4	1.5×10^{-7}	***
	IoT-Based	1.09	0.031			
SR (%)	Manual	89.0	2.8	214.6	6.8×10^{-6}	***
	IoT-Based	96.0	1.5			
SGR (%/day)	Manual	2.19	0.15	132.9	2.3×10^{-5}	***
	IoT-Based	2.56	0.12			

*Note: indicates p < 0.001 (highly significant)

All tested parameters exhibited p-values well below $\alpha = 0.05$, confirming statistically significant differences between manual and IoT-based management systems. Large F-values (132.9-768.4) indicate strong treatment effects, demonstrating that the IoT-based integrated framework substantially improves environmental stability (WQI), survival outcomes (SR), and growth performance (SGR). Effect sizes are large: Cohen's d = 6.5 for WQI, 3.2 for SR, and 2.6 for SGR, indicating practical significance beyond statistical significance.

3.4.2 Regression Analysis: Environmental and Dosing Effects on Biological Performance (RQ3)

Multiple linear regression examined relationships between water quality variables, prebiotic dosing accuracy, and biological performance metrics (Table 6).

Table 6. Multiple Linear Regression Results

Dependent Variable	Predictor	Coefficient (β)	Std. Error	t-value	R²	p-value
SR (%)	Intercept	32.5	4.2	7.74	0.82	<0.001
	WQI	8.42	0.85	9.91		<0.001
	Dosing Error (%)	−1.37	0.42	−3.26		0.004
SGR (%/day)	Intercept	0.89	0.18	4.94	0.76	<0.001
	WQI	0.41	0.05	8.20		<0.001
	Dosing Error (%)	−0.09	0.03	−3.00		0.011

Regression Equations:

$$SR = 32.5 + 8.42 \cdot WQI - 1.37 \cdot Dosing\ Error, R^2 = 0.82, p < 0.001$$

$$SGR = 0.89 + 0.41 \cdot WQI - 0.09 \cdot Dosing\ Error, R^2 = 0.76, p < 0.001$$

Regression results reveal strong positive relationships between WQI and both survival rate (β = 8.42, $p < 0.001$) and specific growth rate (β = 0.41, $p < 0.001$), indicating that improved environmental stability significantly enhances fish biological performance. For each 0.1-unit increase in WQI, survival rate increases by approximately 0.84 percentage points and SGR increases by 0.041 %/day. Conversely, dosing error exhibits negative coefficients for both SR (β = −1.37, p = 0.004) and SGR (β = −0.09, p = 0.011), confirming that inaccuracies in prebiotic delivery reduce biological outcomes. A 1% increase in dosing error is associated with 1.37 percentage point decrease in survival rate and 0.09 %/day decrease in growth rate. High R^2 values (SR: 0.82; SGR: 0.76) indicate that water quality stability and dosing precision together explain 76-82% of observed variability in biological performance, demonstrating the critical importance of these factors. The remaining variance (18-24%) likely reflects individual variation, unmeasured environmental factors, and genetic differences among fish.

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3.5. VR-Based Operator Training Effectiveness (RQ4)

Operator performance was evaluated using task completion time and operational error frequency, measured before and after VR-based training exposure (Tables 7-8).

Table 7. VR Training Performance Evaluation (n=20 operators, 3 training sessions each)

Metric	Before VR Training	After VR Training	Improvement	% Change
Task completion time (min)	18.4 ± 3.2	11.2 ± 2.1	−7.2 min	−39.1%
Operational errors per task	3.2 ± 1.1	0.9 ± 0.5	−2.3 errors	−71.9%
Correct dosing actions (%)	76 ± 8	96 ± 3	+20% points	+26.3%
System comprehension score (0-100)	62 ± 11	89 ± 6	+27 points	+43.5%

Note: Values presented as mean ± standard deviation

VR-based training significantly improved operator performance across all measured dimensions. Task completion time decreased by nearly 40%, while operational errors were reduced by more than 70%, indicating substantial gains in procedural fluency and decision-making accuracy. The improvement in correct dosing actions (+20 percentage points) demonstrates that operators gained clearer understanding of system logic, environmental thresholds, and appropriate intervention mechanisms. Marked improvement in system comprehension scores (+43.5%) confirms deeper understanding of cause-effect relationships within the integrated IoT-aquaculture system.

Table 8. Paired t-Test Results: VR Training Impact

Metric	Before VR (Mean)	After VR (Mean)	Mean Difference	t-value	df	p-value	Significance
Task completion time (min)	18.4	11.2	−7.2	9.87	19	3.1×10^{-4}	***
Operational errors (count)	3.2	0.9	−2.3	8.14	19	6.5×10^{-4}	***
System comprehension score	62	89	+27	10.3	19	1.8×10^{-4}	***

**Note: indicates p < 0.001 (highly significant); df = degrees of freedom*

Paired-sample t-tests confirm statistically significant improvements in all performance metrics following VR training (all p-values < 0.001). Large effect sizes (Cohen's d ranging 1.8-2.4) indicate substantial practical significance beyond statistical significance. These results validate the effectiveness of immersive VR-based training in enhancing operator efficiency and procedural accuracy for IoT-mediated aquaculture management.

Unlike conventional training methods relying on static documentation or on-site trial-and-error approaches, the immersive VR environment enabled operators to visualize real-time water quality deterioration dynamics, observe dosing system responses, and experience system feedback without risking operational errors in actual farm conditions. This experiential learning approach facilitated deeper understanding of temporal dynamics, intervention timing, and system behaviors that are difficult to convey through traditional instructional methods.VR training effectiveness (39% reduction in task completion time, 72% reduction in operational errors) validates immersive technology as a powerful competency development tool. These improvements address a critical technology transfer barrier: operator uncertainty about complex automated systems often leads to underutilization or misuse of precision technologies [74]. By enabling risk-free experiential learning, VR training accelerates adoption and ensures operators can effectively supervise and intervene in automated operations.

VR applications in agricultural education have expanded recently. Chatterjee et al. [35] explored VR simulation for farmer training, demonstrating engagement benefits. Spyrou et al. [76] examined XR-based digital twins for agricultural education, highlighting immersive learning advantages. Liu et al. [39] investigated VR-based engineering education in traffic systems, confirming pedagogical effectiveness. However, existing agricultural VR applications focus on general procedural training rather than system-specific technical competency development for IoT-mediated operations [48], [49]. The present VR module differs by: (i) simulating specific system behaviors (water quality deterioration, dosing responses), (ii) enabling interactive control practice with performance feedback, and (iii) compressing temporal dynamics to accelerate experiential learning. The 72% reduction in operational errors following VR training exceeds improvements reported in previous agricultural VR studies (typically 30-45% [32], [33]), suggesting system-specific immersive training provides superior competency development compared to general procedural familiarization.

The VR module's effectiveness validates experiential learning theory [72], [85] and constructivist pedagogical principles [66] in technical skill development. By enabling learners to actively manipulate system components, observe consequences, and receive immediate feedback, VR creates "learning by doing" environments unavailable through passive instruction. The temporal compression feature (observing week-long dynamics in minutes) addresses a fundamental challenge in agricultural education: many important processes operate on timescales incompatible with typical training sessions. Previous studies have demonstrated IoT effectiveness for environmental monitoring in aquaculture [21], [22], [46], [86], [87], but implementation has largely remained monitoring-centered without automated actuation. Boumehrez et al. [73] introduced fuzzy logic systems for aquaculture water quality management, providing intelligent decision-making frameworks. However, their work focused on control algorithms rather than complete system integration with biological interventions and operator training. The present framework demonstrates how multidisciplinary integration (sensing + actuation + training) achieves synergistic benefits beyond individual component capabilities.

Most precision aquaculture implementations deploy dedicated sensors in each production unit [13], [14], [16]. While this provides unit-specific resolution, it creates prohibitive costs and maintenance burdens for large-scale operations. Ahmad et al. [21] and Erawati et al. [22] demonstrated IoT monitoring systems but assumed one sensor set per pond, limiting economic scalability. The present study's centralized sensing architecture for homogeneous pond networks represents a novel approach addressing scalability challenges. By leveraging hydraulic connectivity and operational uniformity, representative monitoring is achieved with minimal hardware. This concept parallels centralized monitoring strategies in industrial process control [59] but has not previously been applied to multi-pond aquaculture.

While individual components (IoT monitoring, prebiotic supplementation, VR training) have been studied separately, no previous work has integrated these technologies into a unified socio-technical system for aquaculture. The present framework demonstrates synergistic benefits: IoT enables precision prebiotic delivery, prebiotic delivery improves biological outcomes monitored by IoT, and VR training ensures operators understand and effectively supervise the integrated system. This multidisciplinary integration addresses the full technology-human-biology interaction chain rather than isolated components. This research extends precision agriculture principles that are traditionally focused on crop production to intensive aquaculture contexts. The study validates that site specific, condition responsive management improves outcomes in aquatic systems in a manner comparable to terrestrial applications. However, aquaculture presents unique challenges such as three dimensional production environments, continuous environmental flux, and biological interventions that target microbial communities rather than plants. The framework demonstrates how precision agriculture concepts can be adapted to these distinctive aquaculture characteristics.

The closed-loop architecture implements classic control theory principles: continuous monitoring (sensing), decision logic (control algorithm), automated response (actuation), and feedback (updated environmental state). The weekly deterioration-restoration cycles represent system dynamics under periodic disturbance (feeding) and corrective control (prebiotic dosing). The study provides empirical validation of feedback control effectiveness in biological production systems, extending beyond industrial applications to living organism management where response dynamics involve complex microbial-host interactions.

VR training effectiveness has implications for technology acceptance theory [90]. Operator uncertainty represents a significant barrier to precision agriculture adoption, particularly for complex IoT systems that require understanding of multiple interacting components [91], [92]. By improving operator comprehension and confidence, VR training directly addresses perceived complexity and self efficacy as key determinants of technology acceptance. The 43.5 percent improvement in system comprehension scores suggests that immersive training enhances mental models of system functioning and has the potential to accelerate adoption beyond the training environment.

The validated framework provides a replicable model for commercial adoption. Key practical benefits include: (i) Reduced Labor: Automated dosing eliminates manual measurement and delivery tasks; (ii) Improved Consistency: 100% schedule compliance vs. 92.5% manual compliance reduces missed interventions; (iii) Enhanced Productivity: 7% higher survival and 17% higher growth translate directly to increased revenue; (iv) Scalability: Centralized sensing enables cost-effective expansion to large pond numbers; (v) Quality Assurance: Complete event logging supports traceability and food safety certification. Economic analysis (detailed in supplementary materials) indicates the system achieves payback period of 1.8-2.3 years for operations ≥30 ponds, with positive net present value at typical aquaculture discount rates (8-12%). This demonstrates commercial viability beyond experimental validation.

The VR training component addresses a critical practical challenge: transferring complex precision agriculture technologies to practitioners with varying technical backgrounds. Agricultural extension services could deploy VR training modules to prepare farmers before field implementation, accelerating adoption and reducing operational errors. The 39% reduction in task completion time following VR training suggests operators can achieve proficiency faster than conventional on-site training approaches. Improving survival rates from 89% to 96% allows equivalent production from fewer ponds or enables intensity increases without proportional mortality increases. This supports sustainable intensification objectives: increasing food production per unit land/water without degrading environmental resources [93]. The precise dosing system also reduces prebiotic waste and potential environmental release, aligning with environmental stewardship goals.

This research introduces four primary novelties to the fields of aquaculture and educational technology. First, it presents the first integrated framework unifying automated multi prebiotic dosing, centralized IoT monitoring, and immersive VR training within a single operational architecture. While these technologies have been studied independently, their synergistic integration and combined validation represent a significant advancement. Second, the study introduces a centralized sensing architecture for homogeneous pond networks. By demonstrating that representative monitoring is achievable through shared drainage lines, the research offers a scalable and cost effective alternative to individual pond instrumentation. Third, the system implements condition responsive multi prebiotic delivery using precise flow controlled volumetric metering triggered by real time water quality data. This creates a closed loop management system that optimizes biological interventions based on environmental flux. Finally, the research positions VR as a functional technology layer rather than a passive visualization tool. By integrating interactive training and performance assessment, the framework establishes VR as a practical component for human competency development in complex automated systems.

The novel contributions of this study include the first integrated IoT prebiotic VR framework in aquaculture, a novel centralized sensing architecture for homogeneous pond networks, and the first automated condition responsive multi prebiotic delivery system with precision flow control. Moving forward, future research should focus on multi species validation, full production cycle studies, and the development of predictive control algorithms to further advance the framework toward widespread commercial adoption. In conclusion, this research demonstrates that combining IoT driven automation, biological interventions, and immersive training significantly enhances environmental stability, biological productivity, and operational competency. The validated framework contributes to sustainable food production objectives by enabling resource efficient intensification and facilitating effective technology transfer to practitioners in the expanding global aquaculture sector.

Several limitations should be considered when interpreting these findings. The centralized sensing strategy relies on the assumption of pond homogeneity, which may limit direct application to heterogeneous farms with varying species or management protocols. The study focused exclusively on Nile tilapia in circular ponds, meaning biological relationships might differ in other production systems or for different species. Furthermore, the 30 day experimental duration provides a proof of concept but does not capture a full production cycle or long term cumulative effects. The research was conducted under controlled conditions, which may not fully reflect the technical and environmental challenges of real world commercial deployments. Economic analysis was based on standardized costs and did not account for regional market variations. Additionally, the VR training evaluation involved a limited sample of operators, and the environmental monitoring was restricted to three core parameters, excluding other relevant variables such as ammonia or nitrites.

Future research should focus on seven key directions to build upon these findings. Validation studies should be extended to diverse species and production systems such as recirculating aquaculture or cage culture to ensure generalizability. Long term experiments covering full production cycles are necessary to assess system reliability and cumulative biological impacts. The development of adaptive and predictive control algorithms using machine learning could transition the system from reactive to proactive management. Expanding the sensing array to include a wider range of chemical parameters would enable more comprehensive environmental control. Future work should also explore sensing strategies for heterogeneous pond configurations to broaden the framework's applicability. Partnering with commercial farms for large scale implementation studies will help identify practical adoption barriers and refine economic models. Finally, optimizing VR training modules for broader demographics and investigating long term skill retention will further enhance the effectiveness of technology transfer in precision agriculture.

4. CONCLUSION

This research successfully developed and validated an integrated multidisciplinary framework combining IoT controlled multi prebiotic dosing, centralized environmental monitoring, and VR based operator training for intensive aquaculture management. The study directly addressed its research objectives through systematic experimental evaluation over 30 days across 40 homogeneous ponds, demonstrating the technical feasibility and functional integration of sensing, automated biological intervention, and immersive training technologies. The IoT based condition responsive prebiotic delivery achieved significantly superior outcomes compared to manual management, including 31 percent higher water quality stability, a 7.0 percentage point increase in survival rate, and a 16.9 percent higher specific growth rate. These biological improvements were supported by exceptional dosing precision with only a 0.3 percent mean volumetric error and 100 percent schedule compliance, all of which were confirmed as highly significant through statistical validation. Furthermore, the centralized sensing strategy provided accurate representative environmental monitoring while reducing hardware requirements by 97.5 percent compared to individual pond instrumentation. This approach maintains high measurement precision while substantially improving cost efficiency and economic scalability for commercial multi pond operations. The effectiveness of the VR based immersive training was equally significant, resulting in a 39 percent reduction in task completion time, a 72 percent reduction in operational errors, and a 43 percent increase in system comprehension scores. These results validate VR as a functional technology layer for developing operational competency in complex IoT mediated systems rather than merely a passive visualization tool. Theoretically, this research extends precision agriculture principles to intensive aquaculture and advances the understanding of multidisciplinary technology integration. Practically, the framework provides a validated and replicable model for commercial adoption that supports sustainable intensification and enables regulatory compliance through digital record keeping.

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