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Pharmacological Studies on Lincomycin in Broilers with Necrotic Enteritis (*Cl. Perfringens*)

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Abstract

THIS STUDY investigated the use of the antibiotic lincomycin to treat necrotic enteritis in broilers in light of the growing public health concern around antibiotic resistance. with Analysis the possible mechanism involved in the result of lincomycin on growth performance and carcass characteristics of broiler chicks via evaluating: Growth performance profile , Hematological profile, Liver and kidney functions, Immunological response, Histopathological examination of the GIT Tissue and re-isolation of Cl. perfringens from the infected chickens post-treatment The experiment was performed at lab. Animal house , Faculty of Vet. Medicine Zagazig University. The study was conducted on healthy one hundred and twenty, For this experiment, commercial Hubbard chickens that were one day old were obtained from Al-Kahira Poultry Company, located in the 10th of Ramadan city, Egypt. They split up into four groups. There are thirty broilers in each group. The allocation of the chickens was as follows: First group: negative control group; fed on a basal diet only; second group: positive control group; fed on a basal diet and infected with 2 ml broth culture of Cl. perfringens type (1.9×10^9 organism/mL) orally on $19t^h$ days old; third group: prophylaxis lincomycin; gave lincomycin (10 mg/kg B.wt.) in drinking water from the first day of the experiment until the end; and on the 19^{th} day old, gave an oral infection with 2 ml broth culture of Cl. perfringens (1.9×10^9 organism/mL). Fourth group (therapeutic lincomycin): 2 milliliters of infected broth 1.9×10^9 organism/ml was cultured orally on the 19^{th} day of life, and after the onset of infection symptoms, drinking water was treated with lincomycin (10 mg/kg B.w.) for five days. Our findings demonstrated a significant reduction in body weight, weight increase, erythrocytic count, hemoglobin content, PCV%, and serum proteins in broiler hens suffering from necrotic enteritis. Additionally, a noteworthy rise in feed conversion rate, leukocytic count, and the administration of lincomycin to infected broilers improved clinical symptoms and decreased the mortality rate to 8, 6, and 2%, respectively. Additionally, the hematobiochemical changes and performance were recovered. Therefore, using lincomycin as a preventive or therapeutic measure proved very beneficial for managing necrotic enteritis in broiler chicks.

Keywords: Lincomycin, Necrotic Enteritis, Broiler chickens, Clostridium perfringens.

Introduction

Enteric diseases are an important concern to the poultry industry because of lost productivity, increased mortality, reduced welfare of birds and the associated contamination of poultry products for human consumption. Digestive tract infections are a major concern in the poultry industry and have led to severe economic losses [1].

Necrotic enteritis in experimental or subclinical structure is a significant intestinal poultry illness that unfavorably affects benefit in the poultry business[2]. A review by [3] assessed that NE occurrences may cost the global grill industry as much as $2 billion annually, and that the cost of subclinical NE can be as high as five pence per bird. Necrotic enteritis is quite possibly of the main intestinal sickness in chicks and it is of a significant expense to the business around the world. It is brought about by avian-explicit, Necrotic Enteritis Beta poison (NetB)-delivering, types of Clostridium perfringens, a Gram-positive spore-shaping anaerobe [4].

For the beyond forty years, anti-infection agents as lincomycin have been enhanced to creature and poultry feed to further develop development execution and proficiency and safeguard creatures from antagonistic impacts of pathogenic and non-pathogenic intestinal microorganisms [5].

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Field perceptions have shown that low degrees of lincomycin in the feed would decrease as well as wipe out the frequency of Necrotic enteritis [6].

The most often used antibiotic specialty in both humans and animals is lincomycin. It is mostly used in dairy steers and poultry to prevent and treat contamination caused by gram-positive pathogenic microorganisms. Anti-toxin deposits can be found in animal products including eggs, meat, and milk, and they can have a variety of negative effects in consumers, such as increased bacterial blockage or hypersensitivity reactions. [7].

Lincomycin isolated from microorganisms in soil Protein blend hindrance is caused by the fungal actinomycetes Streptomyces lincolnensis var. lincolnensis, which binds to the 50S ribosomal subunit. Its range of action against Gram-positive bacteria and most anaerobes depends on the medication's concentration at the disease site and the response of the contaminated living being. [8].

The purpose of this study is to investigate the possible mechanism involved in the beneficial effect of suggested lincomycin on growth performance and carcass characteristics of broiler chickens.

Material and Methods

Ato Linc 400 powder ® (468 mg lincomycin HCL)

Ato Linc, from ATCO, Pharmaceutical Ltd., Egypt, contains 468 mg of lincomycin HCL equivalent to 400 mg of lincomycin base per gram.

Lincomycin is a lincosamide anti-infection initially detached from the dirt bacterium Streptomyces lincolnensis which commonly includes a L-proline amino corrosive subordinate connected through amide bunch with an eight-carbon aminothio sugar. Clinical utilization of lincomycin has generally been supplanted by its semisynthetic subsidiary clindamycin because of its higher viability and a more extensive scope of defenseless organic entities, so lincomycin stays being used [9].

Lincomycin was viable for the treatment of NE in grills at focuses equivalent to 10 mg/liter of drinking water [10].

Readying the inoculum and the chick challenge

At the age of nineteen days, all contaminated groups received a single dose of 1 milliliter per chicken field strain Cl. perfringens type "A" (1.9 x 10^9 organisms/ml), kindly provided by the Anaerobes Unit of the Creature Wellbeing Exploration Foundation, Dokki, Giza, Egypt. [11]. IThe ATCCTM 13124TM reference strain of Clostridium perfringens type "A" was cultivated in beef broth and incubated for 24 to 48 hours at 37 °C in anaerobic conditions using a Gas Pak. After that, the obtained bacterial cells were again suspended in PBS (phosphate-buffered saline).

Experimental Birds:

For this experiment, 180 commercial Hubbard chicks weighing between 38 and 42 grams, one day old, were obtained from Al-Kahira Poultry Company, located on the 10th of Ramadan city, Egypt. The chicks will be raised in standard hygienic and environmental conditions with unlimited access to food. Hitchner B1 and LaSota live virus vaccines (Intervet Boxmeer Company, Boxmeer, Netherlands) will be used to vaccinate all chicks against Newcastle disease on days 7 and 18. The vial contains 10^6 EID50 Newcastle disease virus, dissolved in physiological saline (30 mL per 1000 doses) as eye drops. Using Holland, every chick was vaccinated against Gumboro disease on the fifteenth day of life. The vaccine known as Gumboro (Rhone- Merieau Company, France) was diluted in 50 milliliters of physiological saline per thousand birds to create eye drops.

The whole period of the experiment was 45 days for all groups till the end of experiment. The experiment was performed at lab. Animal house , Faculty of Vet. Medicine Zagazig University.

The temperature in the chicken house was kept at 25±20C. Ad lib access to food and water will be offered, and standard management procedures will be observed to keep the birds stress-free. The experiment was carried out in compliance with the guidelines established by the Zagzig University's Moral Committee in Egypt.

Experimental Design

One hundred and eighty commercial Hubbard chicks, one day old and in good health, from Al-Kahira Poultry Company, 10th of Ramadan city, Egypt, were utilized for the study. They split up into four groups. There are thirty broiler chicks in each batch. The hens were divided into the following four groups:

First group: non-infected individuals given only a basal diet (negative control group).

Second group: (Positive control group) : benefited from a basal eating regimen and was contaminated with 2 ml stock culture Cl. perfringens type (1.9×109 living being/mL) orally on nineteenth day old 11].

Third group: (Lincomycin Prophylaxis) gave 10 mg/kg B.wt. of lincomycin in drinking water from the start of the analysis to the end, and on the nineteenth day of life, orally contaminated with 2 ml of Cl. perfringens stock culture (1.9×109 life form/mL) [10].

Fourth group (Therapeutic lincomycin) involved tainting the 19-day-old animals with an oral 2 ml stock culture (1.9 x 10^9 viable organisms/ml) and treating them with 10 mg/kg B.w. of lincomycin in drinking water for five days following the onset of contamination symptoms. [12].

Sampling:

1-Blood Samples collected for hematological analysis and blood serum (for biochemical analysis and immunological parameters):

Five birds, from each group, were used for collecting blood samples 2nd , 9th , 16th days post infection in prophylactic groups and 2nd , 9th , 16th days after treatment in therapeutic groups [13]., Each blood sample was subdivided into two parts. The 1st part was taken on dipotassium salt of EDTA (1mg/1mL blood) for hematological examination. The 2nd part was collected into clean centrifuge tube for obtaining serum by centrifugation for biochemical studies [14].

2-Tissue Samples collected for Histopathological Examination:

Small intestine tissue was collected after animal sacrifice for histopathological examination purposes.

Methods used for hematological analysis

For hematological examination (CBC): Identification of (Absolute Erythrocytic count, All out Leucocytic count, Hemoglobin (Hb)) with (Auto Hematolgy Analyzer–Sysmex XN-Series Hematology) as [15] by liquid Sysmex Reagent, Neo-Diluent AC.

Methods used for biochemical analysis

-For determination of liver function: Identification of blood serum (AST-ALT-ALP- Total protein – Albumin, globulin) Chem 7 (Semi Mechanized Clinical Science Analyzer - Erba R) as indicated by [16] by by LiquiChek Reagent – AGAPPE - 51408003 Kit for SGOT , SGPT , ALP- and ChemChek Reagent – AGAPPE -51003004 Kit Total protein – Albumin, globulin).

-For determination of Kidney function: Discovery of blood serum (urea-creatinine - uric Acid - potassium)by Chem7 (Semi Mechanized Clinical Science Analyzer - Erba R) as per [17] by LiquiChek Reagent – AGAPPE -51413002 Kit for urea , uric acid and Diamond Diagnostics Colorimetric –Kinetic for creatinine .

-For determination of Immunological Parameters : Identification of blood serum (IgM , IgA , CD4 , CD8, IL-2 , IL4 , TNF-α,) by Absorbance microplate peruser ChroMate 4300 (ELISA) as indicated by the accompanying guideline by (Elabscience) ELISA Kit- E-MSEL-M0044 (IGM) , E-EL-M0690 (IGA) , E-EL-P3009 (IL1) , E-EL-P3006 (IL4) , E-HSEL-M0009 (TNF-α,) , E-EL-H0752(CD+4) and E-EL-H2359(CD+8)

Growth performance measured by feed conversion ratio, average daily increase, average feed intake, and body weight

Initial body weight, ultimate body weight, body weight gain, total feed intake, and feed conversion were among the performance metrics tracked. The following equation was used to calculate the body weight gain (BWG, g) based on weekly records of body weight (BW, g) and feed intake (FI, g/bird):

Initial weight (g) – final weight (g) equals BWG.

Using the following formula, the feed conversion ratio (FCR) was determined as the amount of feed needed (g) to produce a unit of gain (g).

Feed intake (g) / weight growth (g) equals FCR.

Histopathological examination

Small digestive tract tissue was gathered after creature penance for histopathological assessment purposes. All tissue tests were fixed in 10 % impartial cushioned formalin answer for 12 hours, then, at that point, got dried out through expanding ethanol series after lack of hydration until they arrived at the outright liquor (1hour). The examples were cleared in xylol (1:1) in broiler (sixty °C) for 30 minutes and implanted in paraffinic wax (liquefying point 56 °C for 3 hours. Then, at that point, cut into 5 µm-thick segments utilizing a microtome (Leica RM2255, Germany) and stained with Della field's hematoxylin (a blue, fundamental or atomic stain) and counterstained by eosin (a red, acidic or cytoplasm stain) color of hematoxylin and eosin (H and E) for minuscule analysis. Slides were submerged in hematoxylin for ten minutes, and then rinsed with deionized water to remove excess stain. Then, at that point, slides were moved to ferment 70% liquor till the legitimate thickness of variety is accomplished.

The slides were washed in basic water to kill any corrosive present and afterward counterstained with eosin (1 % immersed fluid answer) for 5 min. The abundance stain was eliminated with refined water until the right staining impact was stained. Areas were again got dried out by passing in series of 70, 80, 90 and 96 % liquor for 2 min in every, then, at that point, two times in 100 percent liquor. Areas were cleared by passing xylol two times for 2 min each to guarantee disposing of the liquor. At last, segments were implanted in Canada resin, covered with a slim cover glass, and dried in broiler (40 °C) to solidify the amber. The slides were inspected and captured with an Olympus UTU1X-2 camera associated with an Olympus CX41 magnifying lens (Tokyo, Japan). [17].

Reagents utilized for Histopathological Assessment: 10% nonpartisan supported formalin arrangement, ethanol, xylol (1:1), paraffin wax, Hematoxylin and Eosin (H &E) color, refined water, 70 % liquor and soluble water as per [17].

Re-isolation of C. perfringens after treatment

Each group's (n = 10) intestinal samples were collected once at 35 days of age and were then immediately plated. Ten weakenings were prepared for each example, and 0.1 mL was distributed (thrice) on a blood agar medium supplemented with 5% sheep blood and 100 mg/L neomycin sulfate to meet C. perfringens requirements. For 16 to 24 hours, the plates were anaerobically brooded at 37°C. The various states were arbitrarily selected, Gram stained, and closely examined to confirm that the α- and β-hemolytic provinces were indeed C. perfringens. The digesting products' log10 CFU/g were taken into consideration. [19].

Following sampling, the swabs were placed right away in tubes with 10 ml of Fluid Thioglycollate Medium (HiMedia, Mumbai, India) for selective enrichment. The tubes were then adequately shaken and allowed to incubate for 12 to 24 hours at 37°C. Then, using an anaerobic jar (the 2.5-liter Oxoid AnaeroJar) and gas packs (the Thermo ScientificTM OxoidTM AnaeroGenTM 2.5L Sachet), a loop of the enrichment broth was streaked on CHROMagarTM C. perfringens (CHROMagar, France). This was done in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and incubated at 37 °C for 48 hours under anaerobic conditions. After that, all possible colonies of Candida perfringens were subcultured on CHROMagarTM C. perfringens and kept in anaerobic conditions for 48 hours at 37°C. [11] to obtain pure cultures. Suspected isolates were kept in 25% glycerol [20].

Statistical Analysis

The current information is exposed to factual investigation. Factual examination was finished involving the Measurable Bundle for Sociologies (SPSS) PC program, rendition 25.00 delivered by IBM Programming, Inc. Chicago, USA, and Chart Cushion crystal programming form 9.4. The information were dissected by one-way investigation of change (ANOVA) and the gathering implies were looked at by Turkey's post hoc test (Stirs up and Rodriguez). All information were introduced as means ± standard mistake (SE).

Results

Hematological parameters

Fig.(1) show the impact of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on prophylactic and treatment groups' hematological parameters following infection with Clostridium perfringens type "A" (1.9×109 organism/ml) in 19-day-old broilers. TLC significantly increased and generated a considerable fall in the infected non-treated group's CBC. in erythrocytic count, hemoglobin content, PCV %, while in prophylactic group (3) and treated group (4) , CBC showed significance decrease in TLC and RBCs , HGB and MCV when compared to negative control group (1). Medication of infected broilers with lincomycin and restored the hematobiochemical alterations.

Liver function Parameters

The effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on Liver function Parameters of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers is displayed in Figs. (2, 3).

When compared to the negative control group (group 1), the infected non-treated group (group 2) had a significant increase in the liver function parameters (AST, ALT, ALP, and Total protein). This was followed by improvements in the examined groups with non-significant variations, which also restored the performance and liver function alterations.

The globulin cases of the studied groups, the positive control group, and the negative control group did not differ significantly, according to our findings.

Kidney functions Parameters:

The effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on kidney functions parameters of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers is displayed in Figs (4.5,6,7).

kidney function parameters were evaluated for each group compared to positive and negative control group. According to our findings, the infected non-treated group (2) had a considerable increase in urea, creatinine, uric acid, and potassium, while the studied groups (3,4) exhibited moderate improvement.

Immunological Parameters

The effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on immunological Parameters of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers is displayed in Figs. (8.9,10,11,12,13).

The studied chicken groups' immune properties were estimated. Our research revealed a significant increase in the infected, untreated group but a non-significant increase in IgM and IgA (2), while in examined groups there were a significant increase in IgM and IgA,TNF , CD+4 and CD+8 in lincomycin induced groups (3,4) when compared in infected non treated group

Growth performance

Growth-Related Effects of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) The following performance parameters are shown in Figs.(14,15) for prophylactic and treated groups following infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×109 organism/ml) on the 19^{th} day of broiler life: initial BWT, final BWT [FBWT], body

weight gain [BWG], average feed intake [AFI], and feed conversion ratio [FCR].

Based on average daily gain and body weight, our findings indicated that necrotic enteritis in broiler chickens caused a significant reduction in weight gain and body weight, along with a significant increase in the feed conversion ratio (Fig. 14). On the other hand, treating infected broilers with bacitracin or lincomycin improved clinical signs and decreased the mortality rate to 8, 6, and 2%, respectively, and restored performance and hematobiochemical alterations.

Intestinal Histopathology

As shown in Figure 16; Antibiotics' impact on intestinal morphology were assessed. Fig. 17 shows that the preventive group (group 3) had greater villus height and deeper crypts than the treatment group (group 4).

Along with increasing villi length, it shows the degeneration of intestinal villi, notably at higher doses positive control groups. Although there were non-significant degenerative changes in the anatomy of lincomycin induced groups.

Histopathological analysis and evaluation of lesions; Samples were selected at random, then averaged. Lesion assessment (Score scale: 0 = normal; 1 ≤ 25%; 2 = 26–50%; 3 = 51–75%; 4 = 76–100%) was blinded to the sample treatments (Fig.18).

Re-Isolation of Clostridium perfringens and Intestinal Bacterial Count

Impact of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on Normal Prophylaxis and Treated Groups Following Infection with *Clostridium perfringens* type "A" (1.9×10^9organism/ml) on the 19^{th} day of Broiler Production.

The preventive and treatment groups had considerably ($P < 0.05$) lower levels of *C. perfringens* and total coliform. Additionally, as compared to the positive control group, the prophylactic and treatment groups, respectively, demonstrated a substantial ($P \leq 0.05$) improvement in the count.

Discussion

Around the world, poultry is the source of meat and eggs that is developing the fastest. This progress was made possible by the right genetic predisposition. further developed taking care of, wellbeing the executives' practices, and anti-infection agents. The poultry business is a significant area in the economies of numerous nations around the world. Consequently, any commitment towards better comprehension of poultry creation could assist with working on this area. Holes in exploration and information show that there is a need to foster elective substances that will diminish the weight of over dependence on anti-microbials [21].

In the chicken industry, gastrointestinal disorders are a major problem that have resulted in severe financial losses. Necrotic enteritis (NE), in its clinical or subclinical form, is a serious intestinal disease that negatively impacts poultry producers' bottom lines. According to a report by [3], the cost of subclinical NE can be as little as five pence per bird, while NE flare-ups may cost the global grill industry as much as $2 billion annually. [1].

In both humans and animals, digestive problems can be attributed to Candida albicans. It is frequently detected in wastewater, residue, the air, and the solid digestive tracts of both humans and other animals. Necrotic erosion (NE) typically affects grill chicks between two and three weeks of age. It is caused by *C. perfringens*, a nonmotile, anaerobic, Gram-positive bacterium that frames endospores and can survive in extreme environments like rotting soil and natural matter by shaping safe endospores. In order to meet its needs, *C. perfringens* releases toxins that damage host tissue since it is unable to integrate a few essential amino acids. [22]. An infection with multiple causes is necrotic enteritis. Due to the widespread belief in *C. perfringens*, it is difficult to attribute the development of NE to a single factor. A dangerous microbe called Candida perfringens targets gastrointestinal cells and disrupts the biological balance in the digestive tract, resulting in dysbiosis. A number of factors have been suggested as the cause of the overgrowth of *C. perfringens* in the digestive tracts, including damage to the gastrointestinal mucosa, low pH in the digestive tract, co-disease with coccidia, breed, sex, and age [21].

Clinical signs of clostridiosis include dehydration, depression, orange-colored, frothy stools that occasionally become tinged with blood, and agitated behavior. Huge portions of the digestive tract are necrotic and covered in a pseudo-film with an earthy yellow color that is packed with postmortem tissue pieces, bacterial settlers, and necrotic cells [23].

For a very long time, the production of food animals has made extensive use of antibiotic growth promoters (AGPs). Antibacterial drugs such as bacitracin, avoparcin, lincomycin, amoxicillin, tylosin, virginiamycin, and tylosin were typically used to treat and prevent NE [24].

The most often used antibiotic specialty in both humans and animals is lincomycin. It is mostly used in dairy steers and poultry to prevent and treat contamination caused by gram-positive pathogenic microorganisms. Anti-toxins can be found in animal products including eggs, meat, and milk, and they can have a variety of negative effects in consumers, such as increased bacterial blockage or hypersensitivity reactions [25].

A few examinations were performed; Hematological examinations: Erythrocytic count, hemoglobin (Hb), stuffed cell volume (PCV), mean corpuscular volume (MCV), mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH), mean corpuscular hemoglobin focus (MCHC), and complete leukocytic count. Biochemical investigations were led blood levels of potassium, serum uric corrosive, serum creatinine, serum globulins, serum egg whites, serum alanine aminotransferase (ALT), serum aspartate aminotransferase (AST), serum basic phosphatase (High mountain), and serum absolute proteins. Serum IgM, IgA, CD+4, CD+8, Fiery go-betweens (growth corruption factor; TNF), and interleukin IL-8 were all subjected to immunological studies. . Development exhibitions were assessed as absolute body weight, Normal day to day gain, Normal feed admission and Feed transformation proportion. Gastrointestinal morphology was performed; Histopathology of the stomach with location of injury score %. Histopathology for digestive tract with discovery of villus level and grave profundity and re-disengagement of *Cl. Perfringens* after treatment.

According to our findings, WBCs significantly increased the positive control, or leukocytosis.The groups under study and the negative control did not differ significantly from one another. While prophylaxis studied groups 3 and 4, there was no significant difference in RBCs (1012/L) between the positive control and negative control groups.

As can be seen in Table 1 and Figure 1, there was a significant difference in HGB (g/L) between the examined group and the negative control, and between groups 3 and 4, there was a significant difference as well. Positive control had the lowest HGB level.

As indicated by MCV (fL) in Table 1 and Figure 1, there was no discernible difference between the positive control group and the examined group. The MCH (pg) results indicated a significant difference with the negative control but no significant difference with the study group and positive control.

[26] examined whole blood images, including differential leukocytic count, packed cell volume, red platelet count, and white cell count.

All contaminated chickens had fixed status, shortcoming, diminished hunger, sleepiness, and earthy colored the runs all through the post disease period. Oven chicks treated with lincomycin among the contaminated gatherings showed less extreme clinical side effects, especially in the preventive measurement gatherings. Little gastrointestinal sores of changed seriousness showed up in the chicks.

The death rate in the gathering under certain control (G2) was 20%. Sickliness was brought about by serious digestive sores in the dead hens from this gathering, which likewise had ridiculous the runs and a development of blood. negative control (G1) bunch saw no episodes of casualty. lincomycin separate caused the least gastrointestinal sores generally speaking and could prevent necrotic enteritis from creating in tested chicks. Our outcomes were consented to [26].

When compared to the positive control, the treatment had a significant impact on the number of *C. perfringens* bacteria, which decreased significantly in all treated groups. Leukocytosis, heterophilia, and monocytosis were observed in G2 infected with *C. perfringens* in comparison to the control, which demonstrated a significant decrease in RBCS, HB, and PCV [26].RBCs, HB, and PCV were significantly reduced, which may be because *C. perfringens* toxins destroy RBCs and cause hemolytic anemia. In contrast, leukocytosis, heterophilia, and monocytosis were found in G2 as compared to the control.

When lincomycin was administered to chickens for five consecutive days, there were very minor increases in hemoglobin, erythrocytic count, pressed cell volume, and leukocytic count. These changes in the blood picture may be the result of tested medications protecting the digestive epithelium against the toxic effects of subclinical microbial illness. According to research, lincomycin in apportion caused non-massive changes in hemoglobin, pressed cell volume, total leukocytic counts, and absolute erythrocytic count [27]. These findings were corroborated by our findings.

Our findings corroborated the findings of the [28] study, which demonstrated that lincomycins were equivalent to those demonstrating that sound ovens receiving lincomycin showed non-critical increases in leukocytic count, hemoglobin, full erythrocytic count, and packed cell volume. Similarly, sound oven chickens treated with lincomycin displayed a significant increase in leukocytic counts overall, hemoglobin, packed cell volume, and erythrocytic count overall. Lincomycin treatment for five consecutive days was shown to result in a monitored but non-critical increase in erythrocytic count, hemoglobin, packed cell volume, leukocytic count, phagocytic movement, and phagocytic index in solid oven chickens. [29]

In clinical practice, liver function tests, or LFTs, are frequently used to screen for liver illness, track the course of established conditions, and keep an eye on the side effects of potentially hepatotoxic medications. Serum aminotransferases, alkaline phosphatase, total protein, serum albumin, and globulin are among the most often detected LFTs.

As a sign of hepatocyte damage, aminotransferases such as aspartate aminotransferase (AST) and alanine aminotransferase (ALT) quantify the amount of intracellular hepatic enzymes that have

seeped into the bloodstream. Alkaline phosphatase (AP) is a marker for cholestasis and biliary function. Globulin, albumin, and total protein all represent the function of liver synthesis.

AST and ALT aminotransferases usually have a concentration of less than 30–40 units/l. Increases in aminotransferases that are more significant than several times the upper limits of the normal range indicate either severe viral hepatitis, ischemic hepatitis, or liver damage brought on by drugs or toxins. Still, people with a continuous mild increase in aminotransferases are significantly more common than those with severe hepatitis. Higher-than-typical degrees of liver capability levels might show liver harm or infection, like a hindered bile pipe, or certain bone illnesses. A soluble phosphatase (Snowcapped mountain) test estimates how much High mountain in the blood. It is regularly used to analyze liver harm or bone problems [30].

Some authors [11] demonstrated how probiotic concentrate plus amoxicillin treatment prevented a notable rise in serum all-out protein. Since lysozyme and its constituents comprise a small portion of plasma protein, an increase in plasma protein often indicates the development of resistance.

Albumin is one of the significant proteins combined in the liver. Energy supply is a vital determinant for the ordinary physiology of egg whites creation. To be sure, decreased serum egg whites levels are seen in ailments related with unhealthiness, though high serum egg whites levels have been accounted for to be related with metabolic condition, a mark of stoutness and over nourishment. Moreover, as of late, serum egg whites have been recommended to be related with insulin obstruction [31].

In our review tainted non treated bunch showed a huge height in AST, ALT, High Mountain and all out protein, egg whites, followed by upgrades with non-critical varieties in the analyzed gatherings in every liver capability boundaries addressing liver injury because of bacterial disease while in the event of globulin level there was no tremendous contrast between certain control, negative control and analyzed gatherings. The prophylaxis bunch showed stamped improvement in liver capability test that turned out to be better in bunch 5 which treated with lincomycin.

Results [32] showed that after giving lincomycin in varying amounts to chickens in their drinking water for five consecutive days, there was a non-significant increase in serum total protein, egg whites, complete, γ, β, and α globulin, along with a non-critical decrease in the proportion of globulin in egg whites on the first day after organization. Similarly, lincomycin caused a little increase in plasma protein profile levels, which was consistent with our findings.

Additionally, because the liver function tests and protein picture were unaffected, it was discovered that the lincomycin in the oven chickens' diet was safeguarded. Additionally, the in ration of bacitracin supplement led to a non-critical elevation in egg whites, complete protein, γ globulin, β, and α globulin. As of late, the previously mentioned results were upheld by one more review that expressed that utilizing lincomycin at restorative portion actuated non-critical expansion in serum all out protein, egg whites, all out protein, egg whites complete, α, β and γ globulin in oven chickens [27].

Kidney function is important for the assessment of poisoning since it is essential to the organism's survival. Renal capacity records are frequently utilized to determine the usual components of the different nephron segments. Serum concentrations of electrolytes, urea, uric acid, and creatine may provide information on how a substance or drug affects the glomerular or cylindrical portions of the kidney [21].

kidney capability boundaries were assessed for each gathering versus positive and negative benchmark group. Our outcomes showed that there was a critical expansion in urea, creatinine, uric corrosive, and potassium in certain benchmark group that exhibited the presence of kidney wounds followed by huge expansion in urea, creatinine, uric corrosive, and potassium in group (3) than group (4).

Estimation of serum urea and creatinine levels are regularly used to concentrate on the impact on renal capability [33]. have been accounted for to produce receptive oxygen species which might bring about oxidative pressure and cell harm to the liver and kidney [34]. Organization of anti-microbials prompted raised of urea and creatinine [35].

Our outcomes are upheld by [36]. who noticed that, there were gentle height in serum urea and creatinine which the non-impacts on the renal capability files might demonstrate that nephron ordinary capability at the rounded and glomerular level was not impacted.

Our results showed that immunological parameters were estimated in studied chicken groups. Our study showed that IgM and IgA were significantly decreased in positive control and evaluated in prophylaxis group (group 3) while it is slightly evaluated. Our study showed that TNF, IL4, CD+4and CD+8was significantly increased in positive control and non-significantly decreased in prophylaxis group, therapeutic and negative control.

According to our findings, at the beginning of the challenge phase, the challenged birds' jejunal mucosa contained higher quantities of IL-4, TNF-α, and S-IgA than the unchallenged birds' did.

This result was in good agreement with that of [35], who observed that C. perfringens challenge

notably increased cell cytotoxicity and the mRNA articulation of interleukiens.

CD4+/CD8+ proportion is an immediate record for assessing the state of body insusceptibility [38].

The stomach microbiota in chicken has for quite some time been contemplated, generally according to the point of view of development execution. Be that as it may, there are a few immunological examinations in regards to destroy homeostasis in chicken. Despite the fact that CD4+CD25+ Lymphocytes are accounted for to go about as administrative White blood cells in chicken, Studies demonstrating the relationship between stomach bacteria and Tregs have not been conducted. As a result, we organised an anti-toxin mixed drink containing ampicillin, gentamycin, neomycin, metronidazole, and vancomycin in water for seven days, so creating a model for 'anti-microbials treated chickens' [39].

The obtained results also indicate the possibility that the pathogenicity of the *C. perfringens* strain affects the degree of NE contamination. in all probability by changing the declaration of digestive qualities engaged with resistance, gastrointestinal honesty, bodily fluid creation, apoptosis, and sustenance carriers. The solid stomach related framework is fundamental for sustenance retention as well as going about as a fundamental obstruction against bacterial illness

Body weight was measured at the beginning (day 0), throughout the analysis (days 5, 10), and after the organization (day 23) in order to evaluate the effects on feed change proportion, body weight gain, and normal weight gain of each gathering. In grams of feed consumed per gram of body weight gain, the feed conversion ratio (FCR) was calculated.

Our results showed that, according to body weight and average daily gain (Fig.15); there is a significant elevation of negative control, while there were non-significant differences with slight decrease in group 3 , 4 and positive control. According to feed conversion ratio (Fig. 16); there is an increase in positive control, 3, 4 groups.

Another explanation for the improved body execution following the use of bacitracin and lincomycin is their antimicrobial effect, which affects the bird's metabolic activity by suppressing pathogenic organisms that damage the stomach epithelium and impair food retention, impeding nonpathogenic organisms that compete for development factors in the stomach, and limiting organisms that deliver toxic substances that influence development [40].

Significant alterations in the tunica mucosa and lamina propria were found during the histological evaluation of the digestive tract in the clostridium perfringens-infected group. These developments included thickening of a villi despite total loss of villi in a specific area of the duodenum and jejunum, either by itself or in combination with lincomycin, and degenerative changes from the apical portion of the digestive villi in the ileum to the entire length of gastrointestinal villi. The effects of antibiotics on intestinal morphology were evaluated. On day 21, the villus height in the antibiotics and E. faecium treated groups was non-significantly higher.

Alongside expanding villi length, it eases back the degeneration of gastrointestinal villi, prominently at higher dosages when joined with lincomycin. Despite the fact that there were non-critical degenerative changes in the life systems, everything being equal, the cecum assessment showed an expansion in the lymphatic component after contamination.

Histopathological evaluation and sore scoring: The tests were randomly selected and administered at the halfway through. To score on the soreness scale, test medications were disoriented (0 = usual; 1 ≤ 25%; 2 = 26–50%; 3 = 51–75%; 4 = 76–100%).

As to digestive histopathological sore scoring (degeneration and clog), prophylactic and restorative gatherings showed huge improvement of injuries contrasted and positive benchmark group. *C. perfringens* disease extraordinarily expanded stomach gross obsessive and histopathological sore scores, advanced liver *C. perfringens* intrusion, and raised jejunal mucosal lysozyme exercises [41] and it was agreed to our results.

After showing the anatomical and histological characteristics of the affected samples so the compulsive lesions which signified by their categories and characteristic of lesion[42] .Both *C. perfringens* and absolute coliform includes were essentially the most reduced in the prophylactic and treated gatherings. Moreover, prophylactic, and treated gatherings, separately showed critical improvement in the count when analyzed positive benchmark group.

Conclusions

Our research led us to the following conclusions: lincomycin was very helpful in preventing necrotic enteritis in broilers, and it also had a positive effect on the bacterial burden and histopathological picture of the infected broilers' gut intestine. It also had a positive impact on the growth performance, hematological picture, liver and kidney functions, and immunological profile.

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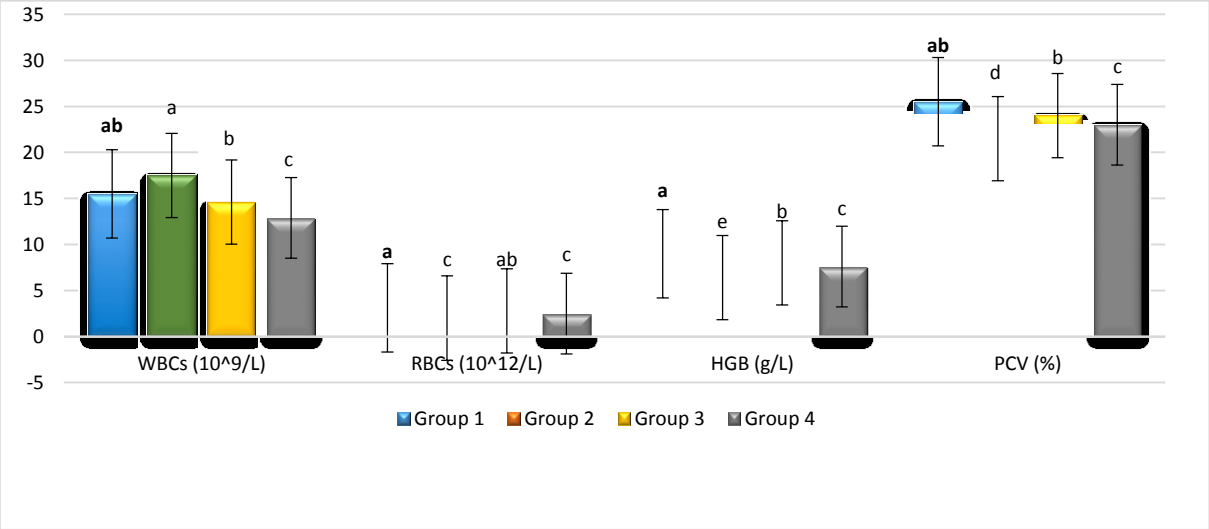


Fig.1. Consequence of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on hematological parameters of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day old of broilers.

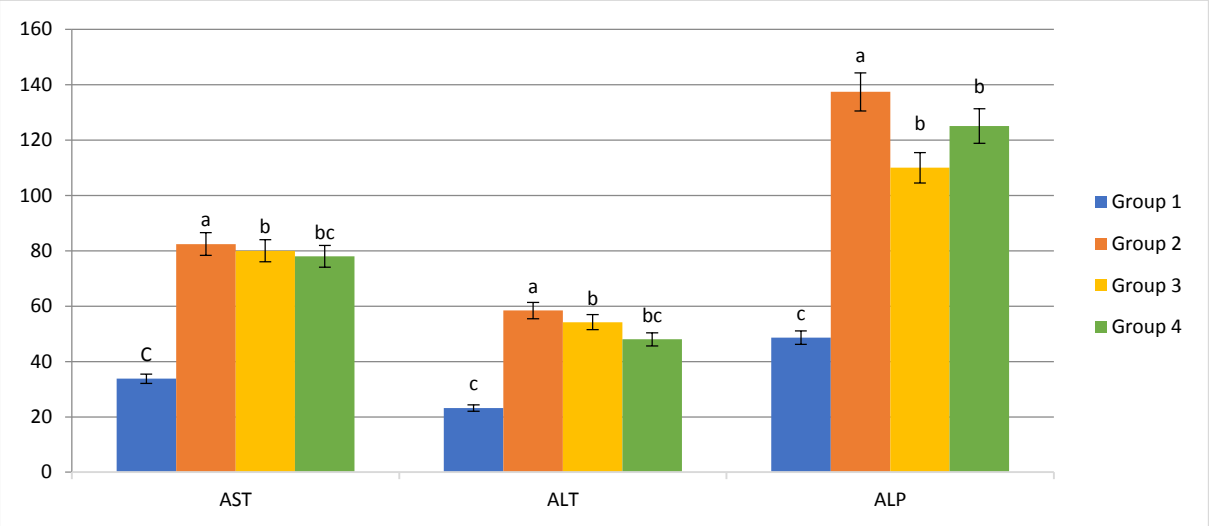
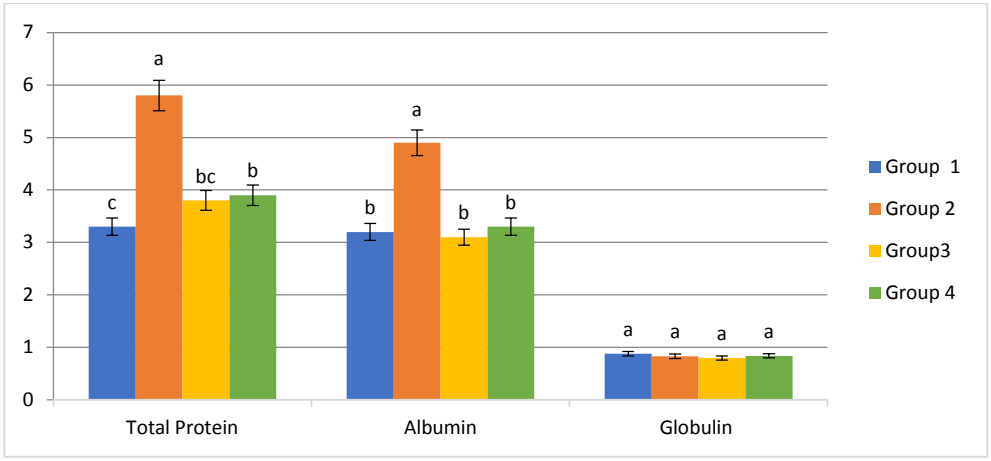


Fig.2. Consequence of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on Liver function Parameters of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.



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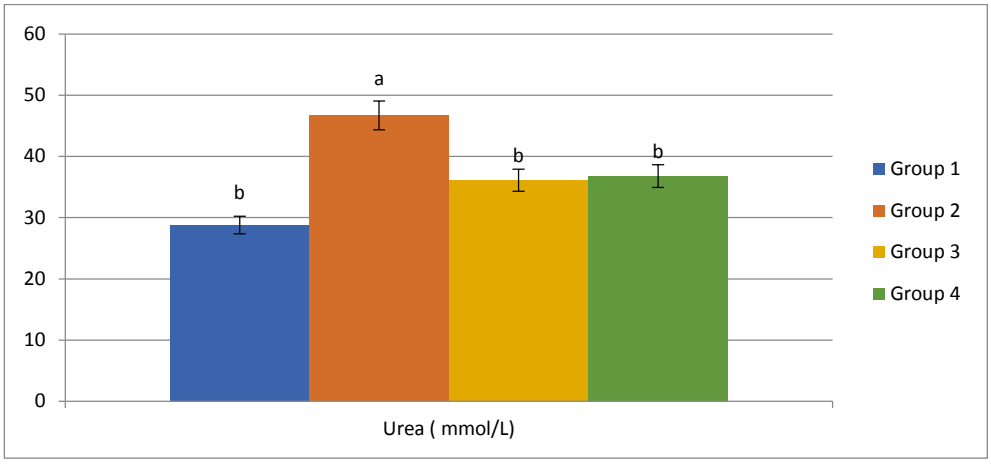


Fig.4. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on urea (mmol/l) of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×109 organism/ml) on 19th day of broilers.

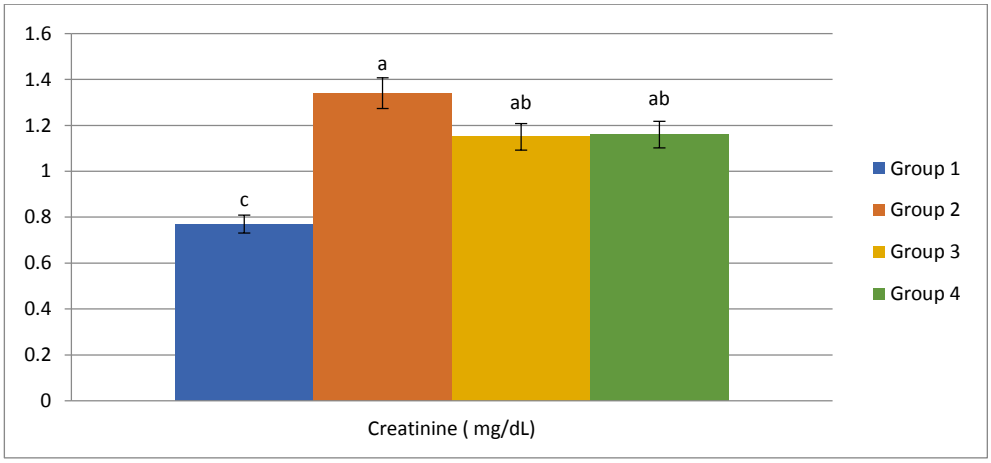


Fig.5. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on creatinine (mg/dl) of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.

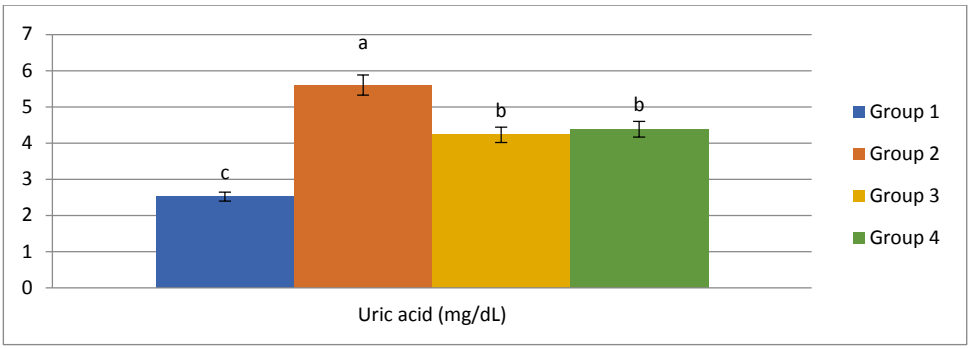
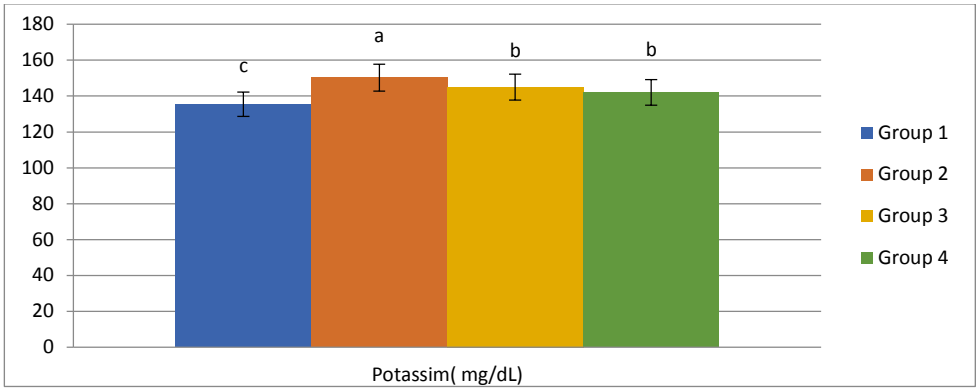


Fig.6. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on uric acid (mg/dl) of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.



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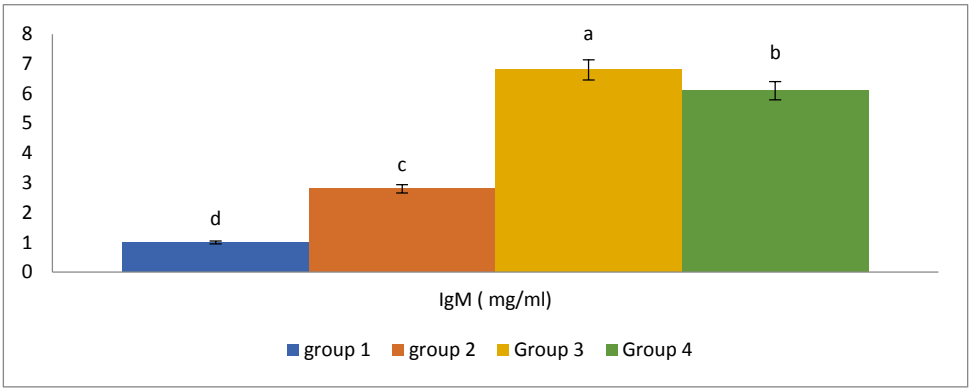

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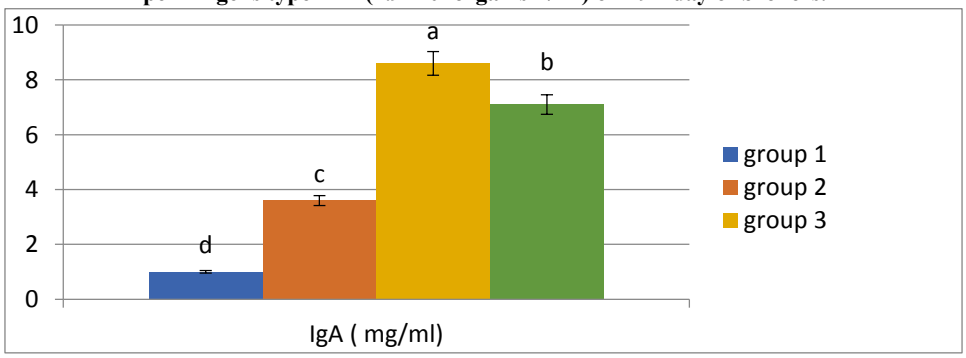


Fig.9. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on IgA (mg/ml) of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.

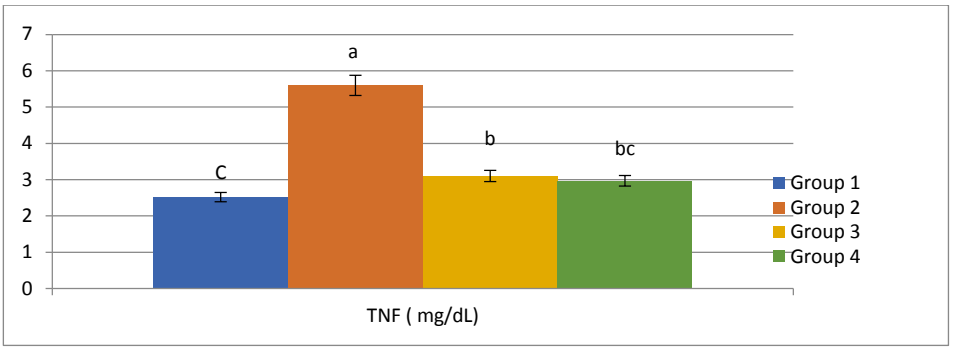
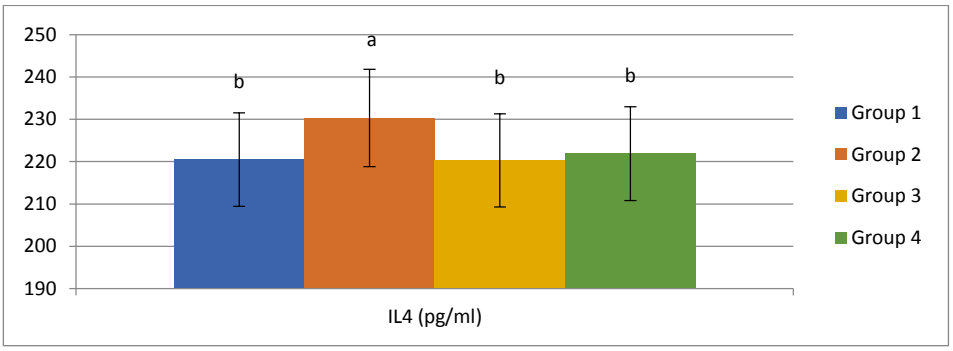


Fig.10. Consequence of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on Tumor necrotic factor (mg/ml) of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×109 organism/ml) on 19th day of broilers.



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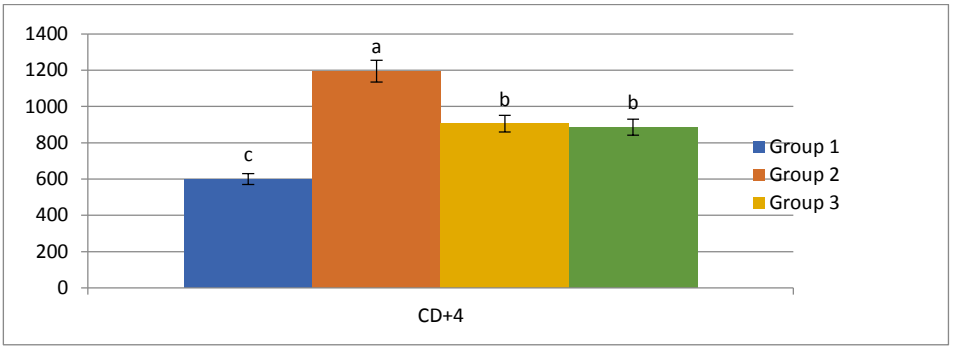

Fig.12. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on CD+4 of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19th day of broilers.

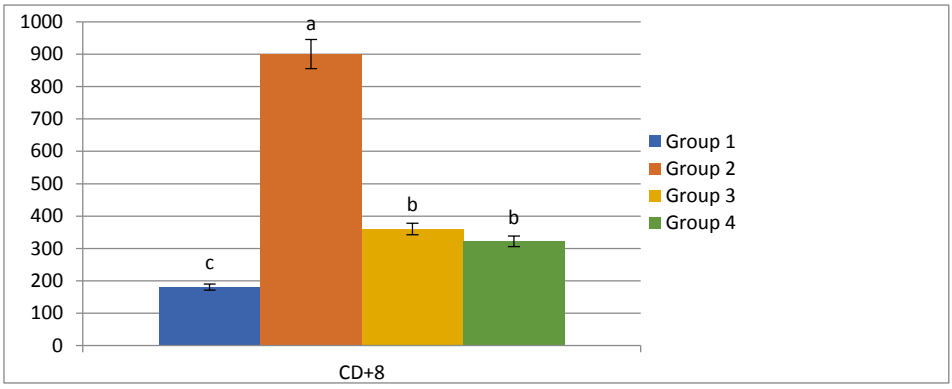

Fig.13. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on CD+8 of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19th day of broilers.

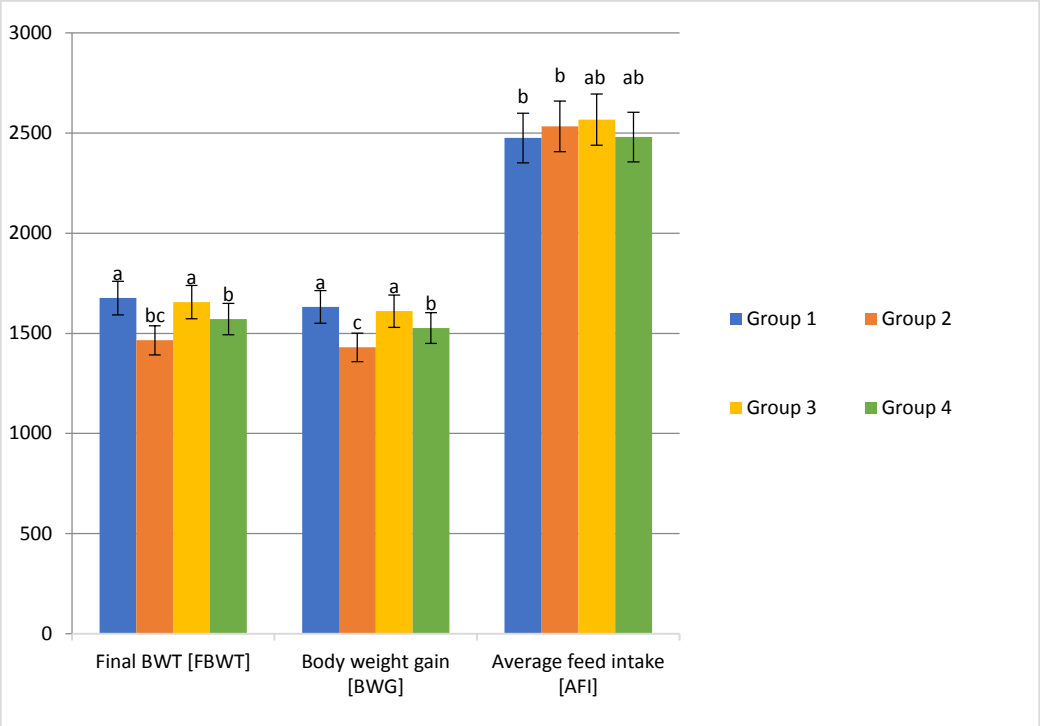

Fig.14. Impact of 10 mg/liter of lincomycin on growth The performance parameters of prophylactic and treatment groups were measured following infection with 1.9×109 organism/ml of Clostridium perfringens type "A" on the 19th day of broiler production. These included initial BWT, final BWT [FBWT], body weight gain [BWG], and average feed intake [AFI].

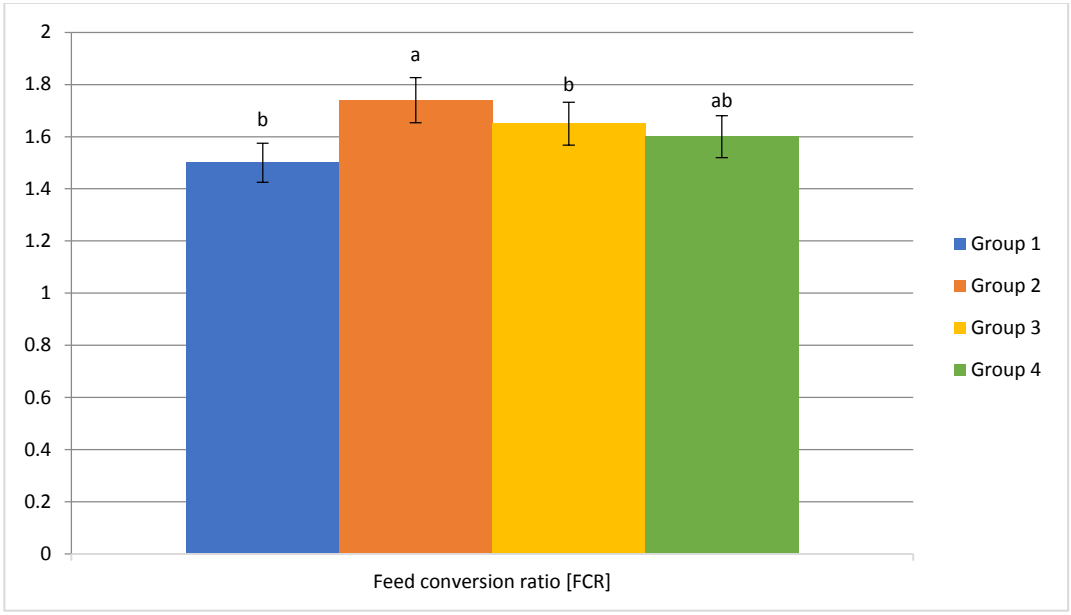

Fig.15. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on feed conversion ratio [FCR] of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.

Fig.16. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on Villus Height & Crypt Depth of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.

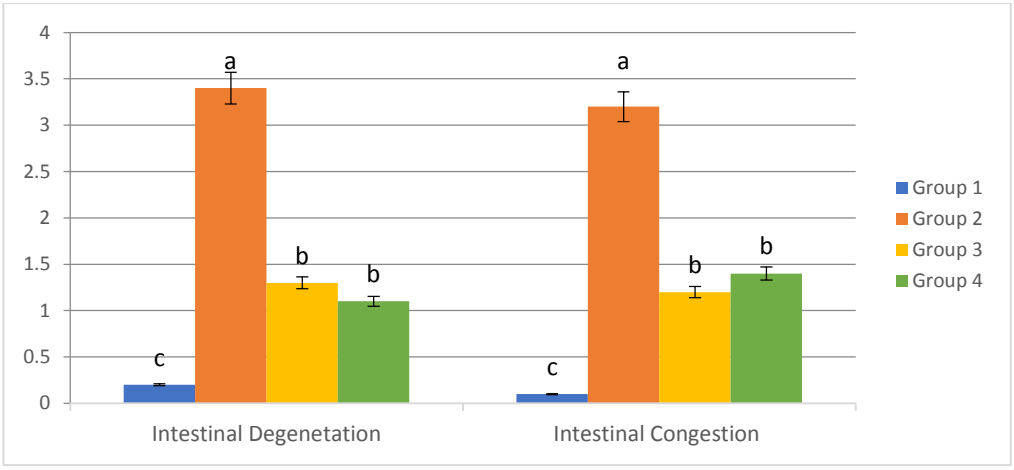

Fig.17. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on Histopathological lesion scoring of intestines of prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.

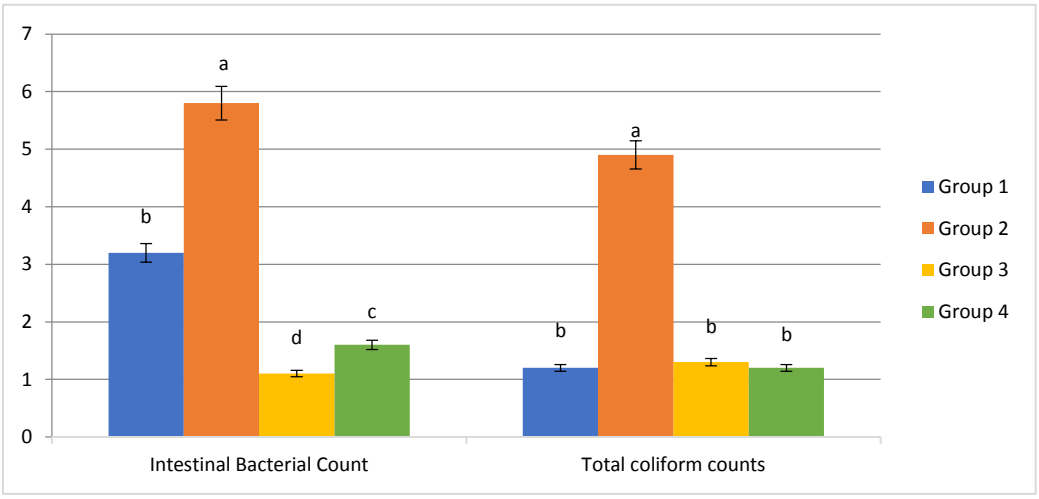

Fig.18. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on Re-isolation of C. perfringens and Intestinal Bacterial Count of normal prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers .

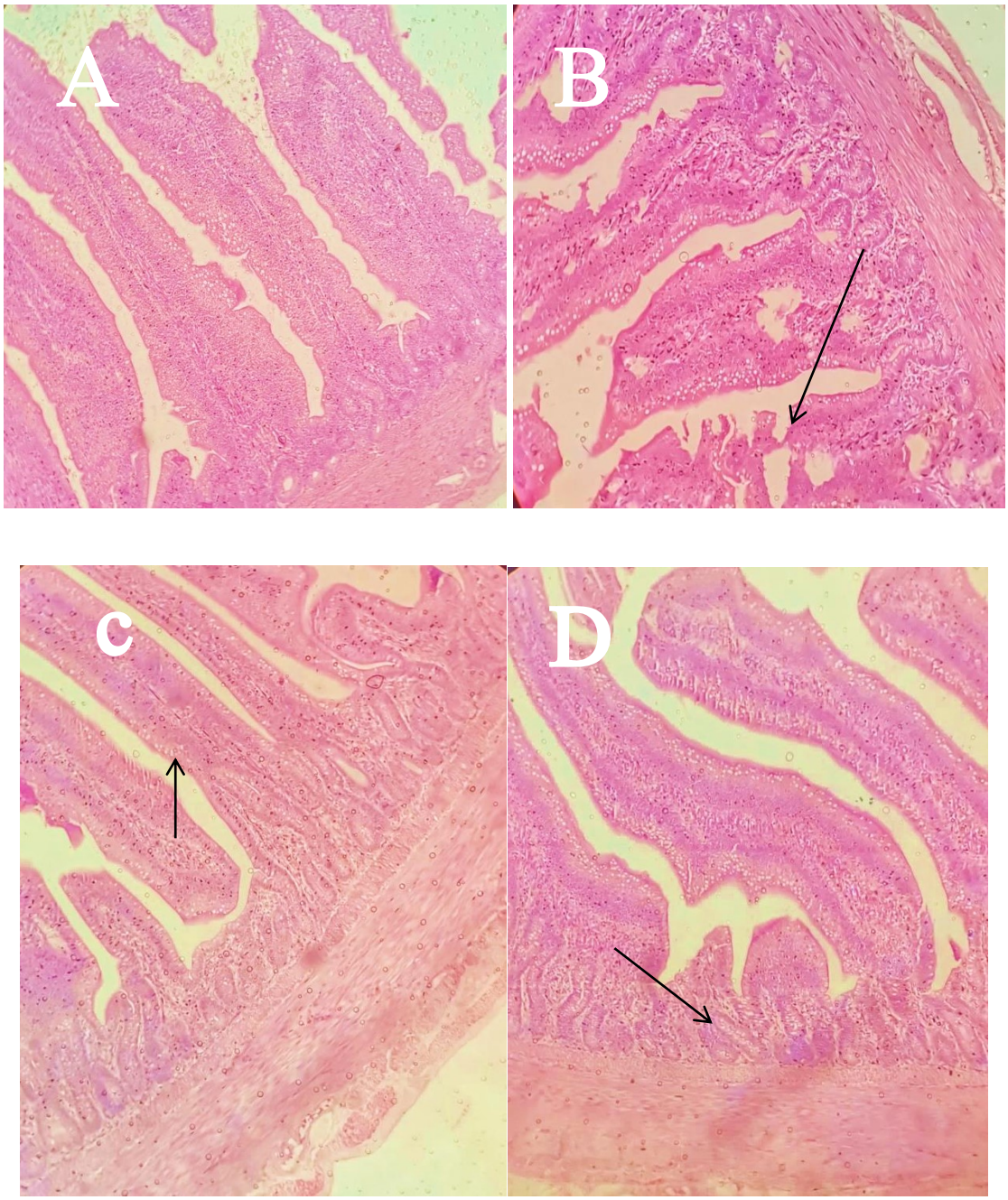

Fig.19. Effect of Lincomycin (10 mg/liter) on chicken's intestine of normal prophylaxis and treated groups after infection with clostridia perfringens type "A" (1.9×10^9 organism/ml) on 19^{th} day of broilers.

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استكشفت هذه الدراسة استخدام المضاد الحيوي لينكومايسين لعلاج التهاب الأمعاء النخري (NE) في دجاج التسمين، مع ظهور قلق على الصحة العامة بشأن مقاومة المضادات الحيوية مع التحقيق في الآلية المحتملة المشاركة في تأثير لينكومايسين على أداء النمو وخصائص ذبيحة دجاج التسمين من خلال تقييم : أداء النمو، صوره الدم الكاملة، وظائف الكبد والكلى، الاستجابة المناعية، الفحص النسيجي المرضي لأنسجة الجهاز الهضمي وإعادة عزل الكلوستريديا اللاهوائية من الدجاج المصاب بعد العلاج. أجريت التجربة في المختبر بكلية الطب البيطري. جامعة الزقازيق. أجريت هذه الدراسة على مائة وثمانين دجاج هبارد تجاري صحي عمر يوم واحد من شركة القاهرة للدواجن بمدينة العاشر من رمضان، مصر. قسموا إلى 4 مجموعات. أظهرت نتائجنا أن التهاب الأمعاء النخري في دجاج اللحم أدى إلى انخفاض معنوي في وزن الجسم وزيادة الوزن وعدد كريات الدم الحمراء ومحتوى الهيموجلوبين ونسبة البروتين بالدم . علاوة على ذلك، أدت الزيادة المعنوية في معدل التحويل الغذائي، عدد الكريات البيض، لكن بعلاج دواجن اللحم المصابة باللينكومايسين ادى الى إلى تحسين العلامات المرضية وانخفاض معدل الوفيات إلى 8، 6 و 2٪ على التوالي، وكذلك استعادة الأداء والتعديلات الكيميائية الحيوية. لذا فإن استخدام اللينكومايسين كنظام وقائي أو علاجي كان له قيمة كبيرة في السيطرة على التهاب الأمعاء النخري في دجاج التسمين.

الكلمات الدالة: دجاج التسمين ، اللينكومايسين ، التهاب الامعاء الناخر و الكلوستريديا اللاهوائية.