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### Immune Profile of Medication Vaccinated Broiler Chickens.

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#### ABSTRACT

This study was carried out to study effect of antibiotics and/ or prebiotics on total feed conversion rate (FCR) immune profile to Newcastle disease (ND), Avian Influenza (AI), Infectious Bronchitis (IB) and Infectious Bursal disease (IBD) vaccines as well as Mycoplasma gallisepticum (MG) infection were measured by ELISA- test as well as air sac lesion score at end of the 5th week of age in broiler chickens. A total number of 200, 1 day old broiler chickens were used. Chicks were divided into 8 equal groups; 25 chicks each; and treated as follows: group 1, 2,3,4,5 and 6 were medicated with tylosin + colistin, tylosin, tylosin and prebiotic, colistin, colistin + prebiotic and prebiotic ; respectively. While groups 7 and 8 were kept as non medicated vaccine and negative control; respectively. Chicken groups 1-7 were received the used vaccines. while group 8 was kept as control negative. Antibiotics were used at the first 3 days and 14-16 as well as 26- 28 days of life. Prebiotic (Multienzymes) was given in feed in a dose of 500 gm/ton from the 4-28 days of life. Live vaccines Hitchner B1 and La Sota against ND at 5 and 18 days of age, H 120 strain against IB disease at 1- day old and 228E against IBD at 6 and 14 days of age all were given by eye drops instillation. Inactivated vaccine against AI and ND was given subcutaneously at 8 and 10 days old; respectively. At end of the 5th week of age: 20 blood samples/group for monitoring ELISA antibody titers and 10 birds were subjected to PM examination. Feed conversion rate (FCR) was calculated. FCR in medicated groups (1.55- 1.67) was higher than control non medicated 1.67 and vaccinated non treated 1.77 at the end of 5<sup>th</sup> weeks of age. The medicated groups showed the best in prebiotic group 7 (1.55) followed 1.57, 1.59, 1.60 and 1.65 in tylosin gr 3, colistin gr 5, tylosincolistin gr 2, tylosin-prebiotic gr 4 and colistin - prebiotic gr 6; respectively. The recorded gross air sac lesions were varied from apparent normal to slight turbidity without marked difference between medicated groups, while negative control and vaccinated non medicated showed thickened air sac wall with fibrinous exudates. The means air sac lesion score was the highest 2.80 in vaccinated non treated group and 1.8 in control negative, while medicated groups varied from 1.55 to 0.68. These results indicated that the used drugs played a role in controlling infection and limitation of air sac gross lesions. ELISA titers against ND , AI , IB and IBD viruses at 1st day of life, as compared with that of 5<sup>th</sup> week of age indicated the normal decaying of maternal antibody titer without field challenge, while it was increased with MG that indicates stimulation of possible infection. Concerning means ELISA titer by 5<sup>th</sup> week of age days of age against: 1) MG ELISA : The vaccinated non treated and control negative groups showed higher titres 1891.8±121.5 and1685.0±332.5 than vaccinated medicated groups where the titre range was 200.4±142.5 (Tylosin) to 1073.3±761.8 (Colistin). Combination of the used drugs showed moderate results. The result indicated that live vaccines activated Mycolasma of infection and used drugs suppressed this activation. 2) ND ELISA the lowest was 4492.0±1374.7 in gr. 2 , followed by 4496.4±1427.1 in gr. 5, 4736.9±1116.2 in vaccinated non treated gr. 8, 4853.7±1547.9 in gr. 7, 5378.2±1872.6 in gr. 6, 5496.5±1186. in gr. 3 and the highest was 5874.8±1171.3 in tylosin-prebiotic gr. 4. 3) AI ELISA tires the lowest was 2547.3±908.5 in gr. 2 followed by 3259.1±1475.7 in gr. 8, 3366.4±1198.2 gr. 4, 3682.7±1297.5 in gr. 7 3982.7±970.2 in gr. 5, 4006.0±1260.2 in gr. 3and the highest was 4121.7±1329.6 in gr. 6. 4) IB mean titres lowest was 5887.1±826.8 followed by 7259.7±1410.6, 7935.7±2321.9, 8657.1±1050.5, 8857.1±1326.7, 10700.0±998.1 and the highest.1titre was 10850.0±920 in gr2,gr 8, g r5 , gr 7,gr. 3,tylosin-prebiotic gr 4 and colistin-prebiotic gr. 6; respectively. 5) ELISA titer means against IBD the lowest was 1470.3±360, followed by 1660.7±423.9.3, 1726.4±360.2, 1760.8±563.7, 1930.6±525.3, 2105.1±535.5 and 2900.3±434.9 in gr 3, 4, 5, 2, 8, 7 and 6; respectively. The recorded CV% values of vaccines response in medicated groups were lower than vaccinated non medicated group and varied from good to excellent. Generally the multienzyme prebiotic with antibiotic induced higher titres and the combined antibiotic result in mordent levels than antibiotic alone. It could be concluded that the use of antibiotics and/ or prebiotic in broilers improved immune response against used vaccines, performance and reduced air sac lesion score. Therefore, we can recommended the usage of antibiotics and/ or prebiotic in broiler from MG suspected infected breeders and reared in uncontrolled hygienic condition to reduce spread of MG infection, limitation of air sac gross lesions and controlling its adverse effect on immune response and performance.

Keywords: broiler, ELISA, Antibiotic, prebiotic, FCR, immune profile, air sac lesion score. multienzyme.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Antibiotic and antibacterial medications still used in poultry industry in several indications including therapeutic treatment, prevention or as traditional growth promoters [1] and [2]. However using of such antibiotics at time of vaccination is not well established yet and few data available in such indication.

In broiler and turkey production flocks, an effective monitoring program can be the regular sampling and testing of blood as they are slaughtered at the processing plant. This serologic monitoring will establish a baseline of antibody titers that are the result of both vaccination and field challenge [3]. Changes in the usually observed antibody titers may indicate a decrease or increase in vaccine efficiency [4] or an increased field challenge by a particular pathogen [5] A regular serologic monitoring program is also helpful to determine whether a flock has been exposed to a new pathogen, not previously present in the region [6]. Evolution and diagnostic advantages of the graphic presentation of ELISA based flock profiling data in combination with gross and microscopic pathology data was described by Mallinsonet al. [7]. The establishment of such profiles for different poultry diseases is facilitated by ELISA testing [8].

Prebiotics are non digestibility and selected ferments capability by some bacterial groups [9]. Most prebiotics are carbohydrates. Prebiotic ingredients are often made of several compounds. These molecules not only differ for the polymerization degree but also for the production technology (as, fractions can be obtained either by enzymatic hydrolysis or by extraction); these the two manufacturing processes lead up to different mixtures of final products. Intestinal bacteria metabolize these compounds in a different ways [10, 11,12].

Respiratory disease of poultry cause severe economic losses specially Avian influenza (AI) [13], Newcastle disease (ND), Infectious bronchitis (IB) and Mycoplasma gallisepticum (MG) [14] these affections could be prevented by vaccination by triggering or boosting the bird's immune system to produce antibodies that in turn fight the invading causal organisms using live and inactivated vaccine against [15,16,17] as well as usage of antibiotics [18]. Infectious bursal disease (IBD) causes a variable degree of immunosuppression in the affected birds. Infection of chicks in the early age, displays a severe and prolonged immunosuppression [19]. Vaccination plays an important part in the health management of the poultry flock.

Talebi and Ghasemi-lak [20] compared ELISA titres of MG and MS infected broiler breeders at 35 weeks old before and after treatment with tylosin for 5 days and concluded that the antibiotics affect the outcome of the Mg and Ms infections in broiler breeders and reduce serological titres of Mg and Ms infected birds but do not completely cure the birds from the infections. Amer, et al. [21] reported that Tilmicosin titres in 1- day old commercial broiler chicks for the 1<sup>st</sup> 2 days of life and repetition at the 19 days of age for another 2 days was completely eliminate the serum positive titers for MG and partially eliminate it for MS as measured by ELISA and the prevalence of marked air sac gross lesions in non treated control group indicated the development of CRD, the lesions increased in severity with age in non treated. The treated groups showed milder lesions varied from normal to slight turbidity without marked difference between medicated flocks. The prevalence of gross lesions of the air sac in all the medicated groups was less than those of the infected non medicated [22,23]. Mohnl, et al. [24] found that the symbiotic had a comparable potential to improve broiler performance.

The CV is a measure of variation of antibodies within a group of serum samples. The lower the CV, the more uniform the antibody response. A low CV is typically associated with good vaccination procedures or with a recent antibody response after field exposure to a given pathogen. Because an ELISA titer or an ELISA titer range reflects simply a quantitative response, such titers should be used as follows: 1) as a reference for possible trends in seroconversion in a poultry company upon field challenges; 2) for identification of rapid seroconversion in paired acute and convalescent samples in a diagnostic situation; 3) for evaluations of vaccines and vaccine application procedures; or 4) to document the absence of antibodies against pathogens such as AIV, MG, or MS (IDEXX manual)

Both polymexins (colistin) and macroloids (tylosin) antibiotics used in this study has positive impacts in controlling of *MG* and enhanced immune response of broiler chickens to IB and IBD vaccines.



Prebiotic (betaine) to produce humoral immune response. A combination between antibiotic and prebiotic can be used to minimize the possible adverse effects of excessive use of antibiotic on vital organs [25,26].

The objective of present study was to evaluate immune performance of commercial broiler chickens to used vaccines when these chickens were raised with antibiotic and/ or prebiotic medicated. The parameters measured included: Feed conversion rate, humeral immune response to ND, AI, IB and IBD vaccines as well as MG infection were measured by ELISA- test as well as air sac lesion score at end of the  $5^{\rm th}$  week of age .

#### MATERIAL AND METHODS

#### **Experimental Chicks**:

A total number of 200 commercial broilers chicks obtained from breeder farm not vaccinated against Mycoplasma as hatched were divided into 8 equal groups; 25 chicks in each.

#### Ration:

Commercial starter and grower broiler chicken ration were given till 21 and 32 days of age, respectively. The used commercial balanced ration based on yellow corn or soyabean that met the [27] broiler chicken requirements.

#### Vaccine Strains:

- Hitchiner Bı vaccine : contains lentogenic Newcastle strains Hipra lab. Spain Batch NO. 388V-3.
- La Sota vaccine: lentogenic Newcastle strains IZO S.P.A. Italy Batch no. 0722 F.
- Infectious bursal disease (IBD) intermediate stain vaccine Nobis Gumbro 228 E, Intervet.
- Inactivated ND Clone 30 virus " Newcavac vaccine" Intervet UK Ltd- Batch no. S257A01.
- Inactivated oil VOLVAC<sup>®</sup> AI H5N2 Inactivated oil emulsion vaccine Boehringer Ingelheim vetmedica S.A.De.C.V., Mexico. recommended dose according company instructions was 0.5 m l, used subcutaneously in neck region.

#### Natuzyme<sup>®</sup> Prebiotic:

It is a multienzyme poultry feed supplements commercial product, Novartis Limited- India, contains standardized components : Cellulase, xylanase, beta-lucanase, alpha-amylase and pectinases. It also contains phytase, protease, hemicelluse, amyloglycosidase, pentosanase and phyton activities. Dosage: 500 gm/ton of feed.

#### Antibiotics:

**Colistin sulphate 6 MIU:** each gm contains 6000.000 IU colistin sulphate. Lot No. 150415 . Jordan Vet. and Agr. Med. Ind. Co – Amman – Jordan.

**Tylox**<sup>®</sup> : tylosin water soluble powder 100gm - Lot. No. 150118. Jordan Vet. and Agr. Med. Ind. Co – Amman – Jordan.

#### Vaccination time and application methods:

Live vaccines applied by eye drops instillation against ND using live Hitchner B<sub>1</sub> and La Sota at 5 and 18 days of age by eye drops instillation methods while against IB disease using live H 120 strain at one day old and against IBD at 6 and 14 days of age. While inactivated vaccine against AI and ND was given through subcutaneous route at the back of the neck at 8 and 10 days old; respectively. Live vaccinal virus was inoculated in specific pathogen free (SPF) embrionated chicken egg (ECE) and EID<sub>50</sub> titer was calculated by method of [28].



#### **Calculation of FCR:**

Total weight (g) of food consumption by the birds of a group during a given period /total weight gain (g) of the birds of the same group during a given period (including weight gain of birds which died during the given period) according to *Sainsbury* [29].

#### Samples:

Blood samples for serum were collected for ELISA test at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of life.

#### Serological ELISA test:

The sera obtained were tested to evaluate the antibodies titer against MG, ND, AI, IB and IBD antibodies procedure was performed using commercial ELISA kits: The ELISA test was performed according to the manufacturer's recommendations. The results were expressed in titer as recommended by the diagnostic kit producer.

- Indirect ELISA methods, including ProFLOCK Plus AIV Ab test kit (Synbiotics, USA), The indirect ELISA methods were performed.
- ND: Chicken serum samples were examined for NDV antibodies by indirect ELISA, using a commercial ELISA test kit ProFLOK® NDV Plus (Synbiotics, San Diego, CA), run in 96-well microtiter plates containing NDV antigen.
- **IBD:** The sera obtained from blood of experimental chicks at various time points were tested for IBD antibodies using the PROFLOK<sup>®</sup> plus IBD Ab test kit (Synbiotics, San Diego, CA). The antigen used by this kit is purified extract from IBDV infected bursa tissue.
- **IB:** The PROFLOK<sup>®</sup> IBV ELISA Kit (Synbiotics, USA), which is a rapid serologic test for the detection of IBV Antibody in chicken serum samples.
- MG: The procedure used in this test was performed using commercial ELISA kits for the presence of anti-MG antibodies ProFLOK<sup>®</sup> Mycoplasma gallisepticum Antibody Test Kit, Synbiotics Corp. USA].

#### Air Sac Lesions scour:

The air sacs of in dead and sacrificed chickens were examined according to Guarini, et al. [30].

#### **Experimental design:**

A total number of 200 broilers Hubbard chicks were divided into 8 equal groups; 25 chicks in each. Chicks group 1, 2,3,4,5 and 6 were medicated with tylosin + colistin, tylosin, tylosin and prebiotic, colistin, colistin + prebiotic and prebiotic ; respectively. While groups 7 and 8 were kept as non medicated vaccine and negative control; respectively. Chicken groups 1-7 were received the used vaccines. while group 8 was kept as control negative. Antibiotics were used at the first 3 days and 14-16 as well as 26- 28 days of life. Prebiotic was given in feed in a dose of 500 gm/ton from the 4-28 days of life. At end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age: twenty blood samples for serum were collected for monitoring antibody titers using ELISA -test. Ten birds were subjected to postmortem examination.

#### **Coefficient of variation (CV%) values:**

The CV% is the standard deviation divided by the mean, multiplied by 100, whether we are relating to antibody titers. Interpretation of CV values in vaccinated birds can be done as: > 30% : Excellent; 30-50%: Good; 51-80%: Fair and >80%: poor.

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Respiratory disease of poultry cause severe economic losses specially AI [31], ND , IB and MG [14] these affections could be prevented by vaccination. The general health condition of birds is a factor in the



choice of vaccine, especially in flocks that are under heavy challenge from virulent respiratory viruses or severely immunosuppressed, sometimes a safer vaccine would be preferable to a more efficacious vaccine with some reactivity. Chronic respiratory disease was adversely affecting broiler performance and the impact of MG infection was exacerbated by an respiratory viral vaccination program [6,32.33]. Mycoplasmas may affect the cell-mediated immune system by inducing either suppression or stimulation of B and T lymphocytes, and inducing cytokines [34,35 and 36]. Some vaccines can also prevent infection with and reduce transmission of a field strain [37, 38]. In broiler production, an effective monitoring program can be the regular sampling and testing of blood as they are slaughtered at the processing plant. This serologic monitoring will establish a baseline of antibody titers that are the result of both vaccination and field challenge [3]. Changes in the usually observed antibody titers may indicate a decrease or increase in vaccine efficiency [4].

FCR (Table 1 and Fig 1) at the end of 5<sup>th</sup> weeks of age the best was 1.55 in prebiotic group 7, followed by group 3 (tylosin) which was 1.57, followed by group 5 (colistin) which was 1.59, followed by group 2 (tylosin-colistin) which was 1.60, followed by group 4 (tylosin-prebiotic) which was 1.65, followed by group 6 (colistin - prebiotic) which was 1.67, followed by group 1 (control negative) which was 1.75, followed by group 8 (vaccinated non treated group) which was 1.77, the latest group 8 was the mostly affected this maybe due to that vaccination itself considered stress on birds resulting in affecting feed conversion rate negatively this results was matched with Xiaofei Wang, et al. [39] who reported that immunization against ND virus at different vaccinal doses affect body weight gain and FCR, on the other hand Nunes, et al. [40] stated that use of enzymes in poultry feed improves feed conversion rate this maybe explain that group 7 which received enzyme mixture was the highest feed conversion rate compared to control group, all other treated groups were better than control non treated group this maybe due to that antibiotics used control pathogenic microorganisms which affect feed conversion rate negatively, this results was parallel with Adel Feizi et al. [41] who reported that use of tylosin not only control MG mortalities and lesions but also improves FCR together with body weight gain, also Kuldeep Dhama et al. [42] stated that use of antibiotics such as colistin improves poultry performance including feed conversion rate. Effect of antibiotics in improving performance due to its antimicrobial activities rather than having any direct effects on birds physiology [43,44].

The recorded gross air sac lesions were varied from apparent normal to slight turbidity without marked difference between medicated groups, while negative control and vaccinated nonmedicated showed thickened air sac wall with fibrinous exudates. Results of means air sac lesion score (Table 2 and Fig 2) revealed that the highest was group 8 (vaccinated non treated group) which was 2.80, followed by group 7 (prebiotic only) which was 1.80, followed by group 1 (control group ) which was 1.55, followed by group 6 (colistin-prebiotic) which was 1.37, followed by group 4 (tylosin-prebiotic) which was 1.26, followed by group 2 (tylosin-colistin) which was 1.10, followed by group 3 (tylosin) which was 0.75, and the lowest mean air sac lesion score was group 5 (colistin) which was 0.68. Presence of air sac lesions maybe due to Mycoplasma spp. infection either vertically or horizontally transmitted [45,46]. This opportunistic microorganism under field stress factors including live vaccination will results in air sac lesions and disease conditions [47,48], under our experimental conditions the lowest lesion score was in antibiotic medicated groups rather than others group, this may be due to sensitivity of Mycoplasma spp. to tylosin [41,49] or effect of colistin on invaders complicating agent such as avian pathogenic E.coli resulting in decrease lesion and severity of such condition [50,51]. Also under our experimental conditions it was found that prebiotic enzymes has no role on lesion score caused by Mycoplasma infection, researchers reported that enzymes decrease lesion score only caused by C. perfrungens infection [52] together with improving gut flora in cocci-vaccinated broilers [53]. The result indicated that the used drugs played a role in controlling infection and limitation of air sac gross lesions [6.21,54].

ELISA maternal titers at  $1^{st}$  day of life in negative control group 1 against ND, AI, IB and IBD was 7038.5± 2372.4, 3217.6± 571.3, 1450.8± 687.6 and 1450.8± 687.6 as decreased to at the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age where it was 179.5± 89.4,113.8±72.1, 65.5±47.8 and 80.5± 43.7; respectively. This result indicating normal decaying of maternal antibody titer without any field challenge.

ND virus ELISA titres at the 5th weeks in chicken groups the lowest was 4492.0±1374.7 in group 2 (tylosine – colistin), followed by 4496.4±1427.1 in group 5 (colistin), 4736.9±1116.2 in group 8 (vaccinated



non treated ), 4853.7±1547.9 in group 7 (prebiotic ) , 5378.2±1872.6 in group 6 (colistin-prebiotic), 5496.5±1186. in group 3 (tylosin) and the highest was 5874.8±1171.3 in group 4 (tylosin-prebiotic).

Mean ELISA titer against AI virus at 5<sup>th</sup> week of life was the lowest 2547.3 $\pm$ 908.5 in group 2 followed by 3259.1 $\pm$ 1475.7 in group 8, 3366.4 $\pm$ 1198.2 group 4, 3682.7 $\pm$ 1297.5 in group 7 3982.7 $\pm$ 970.2 in group 5, 4006.0 $\pm$ 1260.2 in group 3and the highest was 4121.7 $\pm$ 1329.6 in group 6.

IB mean titres was virus the lowest by group 2 (tylosin-colistin) which was 5887.1±826.8, follwed by group 8 (vaccinated non treated ) which was 7259.7±1410.6, followed by group 5 (colistin ) which was 7935.7±2321.9, followed by group 7 (prebiotic ) which was 8657.1±1050.5, followed by group 3 (tylosin ) which was 8857.1±1326.7, followed by group 4 (tylosin-prebiotic) which was 10700.0±998.1, followed by group 6 (colistin-prebiotic) 10850.0±920.1.

ELISA titer means against IBD virus at revealed that the lowest was in group 3 (tylosin) which was1470.3±360.3, followed by group 4 (tylosin-prebiotic) which was 1660.7±423.9, followed by group 5 (colistin) which was 1726.4±360.2, followed by group 2 (tylosin-colistin) which was 1760.8±563.7, followed by group 8 (vaccinated non treated group) which was 1930.6±525.3, followed by group 7 (prebiotic) which was 2105.1±535.5, followed by the highest titre in group 6 (colistin – prebiotic) which was 2900.3±434.9. Generally the multienzyme prebiotic with antibiotic induced higher titres and the combined antibiotic result in mordent levels than antibiotic alone. Under our experimental conditions it was noticed that prebiotics enzymes improves humoral immune response in broiler chickens, this results was parallel with Zangiabadi and Torki [55] who reported that enzymes prebiotics improves performance together with humoral immune response in broiler chickens, also improves of means ELISA titer in respiratory virus vaccines groups treated with colistin antibiotic when compared with vaccinated non treated groups revealed that colistin has role in improvement of humoral immune response, this results was matched with results found by Der-Nan Lee [56] and Naoto Yoshino [57]. On the other hand tylosin did not improves humoral immune response against IBD vaccination when compared to vaccinated control group, this due to that macroloids is indeed capable of altering the proliferative capacity of immune cell [58], promote production of pro-inflammatory cytokines such as interleukin 1(IL-1), interleukin 2 (IL-2), interferons (IFNs), and tumor necrosis factor alpha [59] this maybe due to positive effect of macroloids on macrophage. On the other hand, other authors reported that macroloids found to improves spleenocytes proliferations in chickens but in the same time antibody ELISA titers against IB was lower when compared with colistin [56] Interpretation of the CV value of the obtained ELISA results proved that non treated controls showed high homogenous titers as a result of active MG infection while it was lower in medicated groups. The recorded CV% values of vaccines response in medicated groups were lower than vaccinated non medicated group and varied from good to excellent (Table 3 and fig 3).

Gr. No	Group treatment	AFI	ABW	FCR
1	Negative control	3496	1990	1.75
2	Tylosin - colistin	3570	2227.5	1.6
3	Tylosin	3457	2194	1.57
4	Tylosin - prebiotic	3660	2221	1.65
5	colistin	3579	2250	1.59
6	Colistin - prebiotic	3625	2173	1.67
7	prebiotic	3582	2305	1.55
8	vaccinated non treated	3515	1987	1.77

### Table (1): Average feed intake (AFI), Average body weight (ABW) and Feed conversion rate (FCR) of vaccinated , medicated and control broiler chicken groups at end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age.

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# Table (2): Mean ELISA titres ± SD against MS,ND,AI, IB and IBD (n=20) as well as Mean Air sac lesion scour in vaccinated , medicated and control broiler chicken groupsat end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age (n= 10).

Gr Treatment			n= 20										n= 10	
	Age/	MG		ND		AI		IB		IBD		Mean		
	Treatment	days	Mean ± SD	CV %	Mean ± SD	CV %	Mean ± SD	CV %	Mean ± SD	CV %	Mean ± SD	CV %	Air sac lesion scour	
	1 Negative control	0	543.6 24.5	5	7038.5 2372.4	34	3217.6 571.3	18	1450.8 687.6	47	1450.8 687.6	47	1.55	
1			1685.0 332.5	20	179.5 89.4	45	113.8 72.1	63	65.5 47.8	54	80.5 43.7	54	1.55	
2	Tylosin - Colistin	- 34	924.6 156.5	17	4492.0 1374.7	31	2547.3 908.5	36	5887.1 826.8	14	1760.8 563.7	32	1.10	
3	Tylosin			200.4 142.5	71	5496.5 1186.7	22	4006.0 1260.2	31	8857.1 1326.7	15	1470.3 360.3	25	0.75
4	Tylosin - Prebiotic		924.6 134.5	4	5874.8 1171.3	20	3366.4 1198.2	36	10700.0 998.1	9	1660.7 423.9	26	1.26	
5	Colistin		1073.3 761.8	71	4496.4 1427.1	32	3982.7 970.2	24	7935.7 2321.9	29	1726.4 360.2	21	0.68	
6	Colistin - Prebiotic			999.0 476.5	48	5378.2 1872.6	35	4121.7 1329.6	32	10850.0 920.1	8	2900.3 434.9	15	1.37
7	Prebiotic		625.7 89.5	14	4853.7 1547.9	32	3682.7 1297.5	35	8657.1 1050.5	12	2105.1 535.5	25	1.80	
8	Vaccinated non treated		1891.8 121.5	6	4736.9 1116.2	24	3259.1 1475.7	45	7259.7 1410.6	19	1930.6 525.3	27	2.80	

# Table (3): Interpretation of CV values in ELISA results against MS,ND,AI, IB and IBD in vaccinated , medicated and control broiler chicken groups at end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age.

	MG		ND		AI		IB		IBD	
	CV%	Interpretation	CV%	Interpretation	CV%	Interpretation	CV%	Interpretation	CV%	Interpretation
Negative control	20	Excellent	45		63	Fair	54	Fair	54	Fair
Tylosin + colistin	17		31	Good	36		14		32	Good
Tylosin	71	Fair	22	Excellent Good	31	- Good	15	- Excellent	25	Excellent
Tylosin -prebiotic	4	Excellent	20		36		9		26	
colistin	71	Fair	32		24		29		21	
Colistin -prebiotic	48	Good	35		32		8		15	
prebiotic	14		32		35		12		25	
Vaccinated non treated	6	Excellent	24	Excellent	45		19		27	

# Fig (1): Levels of Feed conversion rate (FCR) of vaccinated , medicated and control broiler chicken groups at end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age.



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### Fig (2): Levels of mean air sac lesion scour of vaccinated, medicated and control broiler chicken groups at end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age.



Fig (3): Levels of CV% values in ELISA against MS, ND, AI, IB and IBD in vaccinated , medicated and control broiler chicken groups at end of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of age.



It could be concluded that the use of antibiotics and/ or prebiotic in broilers improved immune response against used vaccines , performance and reduced air sac lesion score. Therefore, we can recommended the usage of antibiotics and/ or prebiotic in broiler from MG suspected infected breeders and reared in uncontrolled hygienic condition to reduce spread of MG infection, limitation of air sac gross lesions and controlling its adverse effect on immune response and performance.

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