

## LIVER AND KIDNEY FUNCTIONS IN CATTLE VACCINATED WITH TISSUE CULTURE RINDERPEST VACCINE

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### SUMMARY

This study was conducted to determine the effect of rinderpest tissue culture vaccine on the hepato-renal functions of cross-breed Friesian calves. Eight calves 8-14 months of age and weighing 150-180 Kg were vaccinated with tissue culture rinderpest vaccine ( $10^{4.5}$  TCID<sub>50</sub> / ml / calf). and blood samples were collected before vaccination and at 3,7,14 and 21 days post-vaccination. The results revealed that the calves became immunized against rinderpest disease where the neutralizing antibodies reach its peak ( $2.52 \pm 0.02 \log_{10}$  / ml) by 21 days. The calves showed increase in total protein at 21 days and globulin at 14 and 21 days, while albumin was decreased at 14 and 21 days. SGOT, SGPT, bilirubin, creatinine and blood-urea-nitrogen did not change.

It is concluded that the tissue culture rinderpest vaccine has no effect on liver and kidney functions and produce a good level of immunity.

### INTRODUCTION

Rinderpest has been known as the most important and devastating disease of cattle and buffaloes . It is still the cause of high mortality rate among the cattle and buffaloes (Scott, 1981).

Rinderpest is an acute febrile disease of ruminants produced by a virus related to the paramyxovirus family (Burner and Gillespie, 1965).

Efficient vaccination of cattle and buffaloes

against rinderpest has led to virtual eradication of clinical disease in Egypt (Abo El-Hassan et al., 1987). Therefore, this work was planned to study the effect of tissue culture rinderpest vaccine on liver and kidney functions.

### MATERIALS AND METHODS

Eight cross-breed Friesian calves 8-14 months of age and weighing 150-180 Kg were used . The animals were apparently healthy and free from both external and internal parasites. They were housed in isolated units and fed on concentrated ration (3kg/calf/day) and proved to be rinderpest susceptible just prior to vaccination by serum neutralization test (Reed and Muench, 1938). the rectal temperature was recorded before vaccination and up to 21 days.

the animals were vaccinated by tissue culture attenuated rinderpest vaccine ( $10^{4.5}$  TCID<sub>50</sub> / ml / calf). Blood sample was collected from each animal before vaccination and at 3, 7, 14 and 21 days post-vaccination. The serum was separated and used to determine the antibody titre after vaccination by serum neutralization test (Reed and Muench, 1938).

Also, The serum was used to study the following hepato-renal parameters: serum glutamic oxalacetic transaminase (SGOT) and serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase (SGPT) according to Reitman and Frankel (1957), serum alkaline phosphatase (SALP) (Kind and King, 1954), serum total protein (Weichselbaum, 1946), serum albumin (Ness, 1965), serum direct and indirect bilirubin (Malloy and Evelyn, 1937), blood-urea-nitrogen (Coulombe and Favreau,

Table (1): Rectal temperature and rinderpest antibody titre in calves inoculated with tissue culture rinderpest vaccine.

Items	Time				
	Prevaccination day	Post-vaccination (days)			
		3	7	14	21
Rectal temperature	38.50 ± 0.04	38.86 ± 0.06	38.60 ± 0.05	38.62 ± 0.03	38.17 ± 0.06
Rinderpest antibody titre (Log 10)	0.00 ± 0.00	-- --	1.58 ± 0.5**	2.11 ± 0.01**	2.52 ± 0.02**

Values expressed as means ± SE.

\*\* Means significantly differed from prevaccination at  $P \leq .01$ .

Table (2): Results of liver and kidney function tests in calves vaccinated with rinderpest tissue culture vaccine (n=8).

Hepato-renal parameters	Sampling time				
	Prevaccination day	Post-vaccination period (days)			
		3	7	14	21
SGOT (IU %)	9.66 ± 0.24	9.10 ± 0.09	9.21 ± 0.25	9.37 ± 0.12	10.32 ± 0.16
SGPT (IU %)	6.06 ± 0.30	6.666 ± 0.38	5.38 ± 0.34	6.71 ± 0.34	5.82 ± 0.43
SALP (k.ku/dl)	8.32 ± 0.44	9.46 ± 0.37	8.35 ± 0.62	9.79 ± 0.99	8.99 ± 0.45
Total protein (g/dl)	6.56 ± 0.20	6.22 ± 0.20	6.04 ± 0.16	7.42 ± 0.42	7.23 ± 0.24 *
Albumin (g/dl)	2.98 ± 0.12	2.93 ± 0.14	3.92 ± 0.09	2.61 ± 0.15*	2.52 ± 0.08**
Globulin (g/dl)	3.58 ± 0.25	3.29 ± 0.25	3.02 ± 0.17	4.81 ± 0.44*	4.51 ± 0.29*
Total bilirubin (mg/l)	5.00 ± 0.81	4.28 ± 0.42	5.05 ± 0.57	5.02 ± 0.30	4.65 ± 0.42
Direct bilirubin (mg/l)	0.92 ± 0.11	1.56 ± 0.32	1.15 ± 0.41	1.22 ± 0.21	1.35 ± 0.40
Free bilirubin (mg/l)	4.07 ± 0.80	2.70 ± 0.29	3.90 ± 0.56	3.80 ± 0.42	3.30 ± 0.42
Blood-urea-nitrogen (mg %)	17.95 ± 1.64	20.25 ± 1.62	14.89 ± 0.49	20.82 ± 0.58	19.40 ± 1.14
Serum creatinine (mg %)	1.42 ± 0.02	1.41 ± 0.02	1.41 ± 0.06	1.43 ± 0.02	1.39 ± 0.03

Values expressed as means ± Standard error.

\* Means significantly differed from prevaccination at  $P \leq .05$ .

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1963) and serum creatinine (Husdan and Rapaport, 1968). The data were statistically analysed using student "t" test.

## RESULTS

Quantitative serum neutralization test before vaccination revealed that the calves were clinically normal and seronegative to rinderpest neutralizing antibody then the titres of antibodies were significantly increased ( $P < 0.01$ ) at the day 7, 14 and 21 post-vaccination (table 1).

The rectal temperature recorded before vaccination and up to 21 days post-vaccination were within the normal limits (table 1). Liver and Kidney functions (Table 2) revealed that serum total protein was increased ( $p < 0.05$ ) at 21 days post-vaccination, serum albumin was decreased at 14 and 21 days, and serum globulin increased at 14 and 21 days.

## DISCUSSION

The rectal temperature of the calves were within the normal limits ( $38.17 \pm 0.6$  to  $38.86 \pm 0.05$ ). This indicates that there is no post-vaccinal reactions. These results agree with that of Chawala (1969) and Murty et al. (1974).

The rinderpest neutralizing antibodies titre reached its peak ( $2.52 \pm 0.02 \log_{10} \text{TCID}_{50} / \text{ml}$ ) by 21<sup>th</sup> day post-vaccination. These data are in a close agreement with that of Gurkupal (1983). So, the animals of the present study become immune against rinderpest disease.

SGOT and SGPT were within the normal limits. These results agree with that of El-Amrousi et al., (1975).

Serum alkaline phosphatase values showed insignificant changes. These data are within the normal limits reported by Goswami et al. (1971) for young and adult healthy cattle ( $7.37 \pm 0.52$  and  $9.33 \pm 0.47$  K.K.U. %, respectively).

Serum total proteins were increased at 21 days post-vaccination and serum globulin were increased at 14 and 21 days post-vaccination while the serum albumin were decreased at 14 and

21 days. These data are in agreement with that of Taha et al. (1984) in vaccinated buffaloes. The increase in the level of total protein and globulin could be attributed to the increased level of antibodies after vaccination.

Total, direct and free bilirubin showed insignificant changes before and after vaccination. These results coincide with that of Jamin (1978) in healthy cattle.

Blood-urea-nitrogen and serum creatinine are within the normal limits. The results of blood-urea-nitrogen agree with that recorded in healthy cattle by Blowey (1975) and Ekman (1976). The serum creatinine are in accordance with that reported by Salah and Zein-El-Abdin (1976) and Muniandy et al., (1990).

Conclusively, the tissue culture rinderpest vaccine (TCRPV) has a non-significant effect on both liver and kidney functions. So, the vaccine could be used safely for vaccination of cattle where it produces a good level of immunity.

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