

## Effect of adding the Limiting Amino Acids to Low – Crude Protein Diets on Performance of Broiler Chicks.

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### Abstract

This study was conducted to study the effect of decreasing the dietary crude protein level while supplementing the essential amino acids on growth performance, carcass, some blood constituents of broiler chicks. An experiment was done using 252 one day-old broiler chicks Arbor-acres, randomly allotted to seven dietary treatment groups; the first group positive control with optimum CP level (PC), the second group negative control (NC) low 3 points than requirements, and groups 3 up 7 were fed the NC diet but supplemented incrementally with the essential amino acids; lysine, lysine+ methionine, lysine+ methionine+ tryptophan, lysine+ methionine+ tryptophan +threonine and lysine+ methionine+ tryptophan+ threonine+ valine, respectively to cover the dietary requirements for each amino acid during starter, grower and finisher periods. Results show that there were no significant differences between treatments ( $P=0.242$ ) on starter live weight. For grower period the control group with optimum CP % level, followed by low CP % diet supplemented with all amino acids had significantly the highest live body weight compared with the low CP group without supplemental amino acids ( $P= 0.006$ ). The gains in body weight were found to be significant during grower and finisher phases the highest values were observed in the positive control and low CP supplemental with all AA diets. The same two treatments the best FCR for the overall experimental period compared to the other treatments. Carcass traits were not significantly affected by dietary treatments. Plasma total protein ( $P=0.034$ ), albumin ( $P=0.002$ ), and triglycerides ( $P=0.002$ ), were significantly affected by dietary treatments. The lowest feed cost per kg live weight gain of chickens were found in the experimental group (T7) containing all amino acids supplemented to the low CP diets. It could be recommended to decrease the dietary CP level of broiler chicks by 3 points without affecting the growth performance up on supplementing the essential AA.

**Key words:** crude protein (CP), positive control (PC), performance, dressing

### Introduction

Dietary protein is one of the most important factors affecting poultry production. Our information about feeding of amino acids has been progressed in two or three recent decades. This progress is undoubtedly due to the production of synthetic amino acids. Effects of supplementary amino acid in reducing protein intake, feed consumption and environmental pollution via reduce pollutants excretion (ammonia nitrogen) by farm animals, is main reasons for using of these supplements (Aletor *et al.*, 2000). Lowering dietary protein levels and use of synthetic amino acids, while reduce cost of diet, have reduced environmental pollution of nitrogen (Bregendahl *et al.*, 2002).

Methionine (Met.) and lysine (Lys.) are the major amino acid (AA) that are supplemented in poultry diets mostly due to their high production demand in the commercial markets, however, threonine (Thr.) and tryptophan (Trp) are also used in the poultry feed industry, but their volume of use is not as high as Met. and Lys. (Malveda *et al.*, 2006). Also commercial production of valine (Val.) became available latter (Waguespack *et al.*, 2009). The efficiency of amino acid utilization is best when all amino acids are at or slightly below, but not above, their need for protein

accretion and maintenance. In addition, formulating diets that meet, but do not exceed, amino acid needs also results in less nitrogen excretion. Formulating broiler diets using the economically feasible commercial amino acid supplements results in diets marginally reduced in crude protein that support equal broiler growth to diets containing higher crude protein and excessive amino acids (Kidd *et al.*, 2002).

Decreasing CP levels lower than requirements significantly decreased body weight gain and increased the feed conversion ratio. Adding the essential limiting amino acids to the low CP diets significantly improved the performance but did not completely overcome the adverse effects of the low CP diets (Waldroup *et al.*, 2005). On the other hand (Abdel Maksoud *et al.*, 2010) found that birds fed the low-protein diets supplemented with essential amino acids showed significantly higher live body weight and better feed conversion ratio than optimum CP diet. Abbasi *et al.*, (2014) recorded the effects of different dietary CP and Thr. levels on the performance indicate that it is possible to reduce dietary CP level up to 10% after the starter period without any detrimental impact on growth performance. The supplementation of limiting amino acids (LAA) in low CP diet could avoid performance reduction due to low CP content of

diet and simultaneously decrease nitrogen excretion in broiler chickens (Koreleski and Swiatkiewicz, 2008). Dietary CP led to reduces the heat production and water consumption which help in lowering moisture content of litter. reduction in CP level in broiler diet can also allow for the use of a greater variety of feedstuffs which can be valuable in itself as a method to increase flexibility in the choice of locally available feedstuffs ( Alleman and Leclercq, 2007).

### Materials and Methods

The experimental work of the present study was carried out at private poultry farm at Moshtohor, El Qalubia Governorate, Egypt, during the period from 19<sup>th</sup> December to 24<sup>th</sup> of January 2018. It was aimed to evaluate the effect of dietary supplementation of essential amino acids to low crude protein diets (less 3% than requirements) on performance of broiler chicken.

**Birds and their management:** A total number of 252, day-old unsexed Arbor Acres broiler chicks were used in this study. Chicks were kept under similar standard hygienic and environmental conditions in separate pens with 12 birds/m<sup>2</sup> stoking density until the end of the experiment. Wood shaving was used at 10 cm depth as a litter. Floor brooders with gas heaters and also the light it is nearly on chicken were used for brooding chicks. Brooding temperature was maintained at 33°C the first 5 days of chicks age then decreased by 2°C weekly until the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> week . Feed and water were offered *ad-libitum*. Chicks were fed starter diet at the first ten days of age then replaced with grower diet during 11-24day of age, finally finisher diets were used from 25- to the end of the experiment (37days of age). The basal diet was formulated according to the recommended requirements of strain.

**Table 1.** Proportion of ingredients and calculated nutrient composition of starter diet (0-10 days of age)

Ingredient	Positive control	Negative control	Negative +Lysine	Neg.+Lys +Meth	Neg.+Lys+Meth + Trept	Neg.+Lys+Meth+Cys+ Trept+Thr	Neg.+Lys+Meth++ Trept+Thr +Valine
yellow corn	54.85	64.25	64.5	65.1	65.21	65.3	65.6
Soybean meal 44%	31.0	24	24	22.7	22.7	22.8	22.5
Corn Gluten 60%	7.6	7.5	6.5	7	6.96	6.56	6.35
Soya Oil	2.0	0.5	0.5	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Calcium Phosphate	1.75	1.8	1.8	1.85	1.24	1.25	1.25
Limestone	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.85	1.85	1.84
L-lysine	0.4	-	0.65	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.71
DL-Methionine	0.26	-	-	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.38
L.treptophan	-	-	-	-	0.04	0.04	0.04
L-Threonine	0.06	-	-	-	-	0.19	0.2
L-valine	0.03	-	-	-	-	-	0.19
Vitamin-Mineral premix	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
NaCl	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Anti-toxin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

Experimental diets: Chicks were allocated to one of the following dietary's ever treatments (36 chicks/treatment-with 3 replicates):

Group (1): catalogue recommendation (optimum CP and ME level).

Group (2): -3% CP.

Group (3): -3% CP + optimum lysine.

Group (4): -3% CP + optimum lysine +optimum methionine.

Group (5): -3% CP + optimum lysine + optimum methionine + optimum tryptophan.

Group (6): -3% CP + optimum lysine + optimum methionine + optimum tryptophan + optimum threonine.

Group (7): -3% CP + optimum lysine + optimum methionine + optimum tryptophan + optimum threonine + optimum valine.

### Calculated Chemical analysis %:

	23.05	20.0	20.05	20.07	20.08	20.09	20.08
CP (%)	23.05	20.0	20.05	20.07	20.08	20.09	20.08
ME (Kcal/kg)	3003	3003	3001	3004	3004	3002	3006
Ca (%)	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96
Avail Ph (%)	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48
L-lysine (%)	1.44	0.94	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44
DLMethionine(%)	1.08	0.76	0.73	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08
L.treptophan(%)	0.23	0.20	0.20	0.19	0.23	0.23	0.23
L-Threonine (%)	0.97	0.82	0.79	0.78	0.78	0.97	0.97
L-valine(%)	1.1	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.92	0.92	1.1

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2000mg and Vit-K-4000mg and antioxidant,10g, and complete to 3.0 kg by calcium carbonate. Trace mineral mixture:Fe-80000mg, I-1000mg, Cu-8000mg, Mn-100000mg, Zn-80000mg, Se-150mg,Mo-1000mg:

**Table 2.** Proportion of ingredients and calculated nutrient composition of growing diets (11-24 days) of age.

Ingredient	Positive Control	Negative control	Negative +Lysine	Neg.+Lys +Meth	Neg.+Lys +Meth+ Treptophan	Neg.+Lys +Meth+ Treptophan+Threonin	Neg.+Lys +Meth+ Treptophan +Threonin +Valine
yellow corn	56.86	64.6	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.2
Soybean meal 44%	28.8	24.7	24.3	24.3	24.3	24.41	24.3
Corn Gluten 60%	6.7	4.5	4.0	3.65	3.65	3.3	3.05
Soya Oil	3.4	2.65	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.65	2.65
DiCa.+ Phosphate	1.58	1.60	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65
Limestone	1.15	1.15	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16
L-lysine	0.31	-	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.49
DL-Methionine	0.24	-	-	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.37
L.treptophan	-	-	-	-	0.03	0.03	0.03
L-Thrionine	0.2	-	-	-	-	0.15	0.15
L-valine	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.15
Vit-Min premix	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
NaCl	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Anti-toxin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

**Calculated Chemical analysis of the grower diets:**

	21.54	18.55	18.56	18.56	18.57	18.58	18.55
CP (%)	21.54	18.55	18.56	18.56	18.57	18.58	18.55
ME (Kcal/kg)	3104	3103	3103	3102	3102	3103	3103
Ca (%)	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89
Avail Ph (%)	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44
-lysine (%)	1.29	0.93	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.29
Methionine (%)	1.0	0.68	0.67	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
treptophan(%)	0.22	0.2	0.19	0.19	0.22	0.22	0.22
Threonine (%)	0.88	0.76	0.75	0.74	0.74	0.88	0.88
valine(%)	1.01	0.89	0.87	0.86	0.86	0.86	1.0

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**Table 3.** Proportion of ingredients and calculated nutrient composition of finisher diets (25-37 days) of age.

Ingredient	Positive Control	Negative control	Negative +Lysine	Neg.+Lys +Meth	Neg.+Lys+Meth+ Treptophan+Threonin	Neg.+Lys+Meth+ Treptophan	Neg.+Lys +Meth+ Trep+Thre +Valine
yellow corn	57.3	65.7	66.57	66.8	66.87	66.80	67.28
Soybean meal	31.5	25.9	25.0	24.5	24.3	24.36	23.80
Corn Gluten60	1.7	0.15	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Soya Oil	6.0	5.0	4.75	4.65	4.65	4.65	4.55
DiCa. Phosphate	1.33	1.41	1.41	1.41	1.41	1.41	1.41
Limestone	1.01	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04
L-lysine	0.1	-	0.33	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.38
DL-Methionine	0.25	-	-	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.36
L.treptophan	-	-	-	-	0.01	0.01	0.01
L-Thrionine	-	-	-	-	0.11	-	0.12
L-valine	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.14
Vit-Min premix	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
NaCl	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Anti-toxin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

**Calculated Chemical analysis of the finisher diets:**

CP (%)	19.53	16.54	16.5	16.5	16.54	16.54	16.53
ME (Kcal/kg)	3200	3202	3201	3201	3203	3204	3205
Ca (%)	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.79
Avail Ph (%)	0.395	0.397	0.396	0.395	0.395	0.395	0.395
lysine (%)	1.16	0.92	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16
methionine (%)	0.91	0.58	0.57	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.91
treptophan(%)	0.22	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.18	0.19	0.19
threonine (%)	0.8	0.69	0.68	0.67	0.78	0.78	0.78
valine(%)	0.92	0.80	0.79	0.78	0.77	0.77	0.9

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**Measurements: Growth performance:**

**Live Body weight**, the live weights of day-old chicks were recorded on arrival and thereafter at weekly intervals. From these data, average weekly live weights and average weekly gain in weights were calculated for each group. Chicks were individually weighed to the nearest (g) at hatch at the finally starter, grower, finish period of birds age

**Feed intake**, the records maintained for daily feed consumption were used to calculate average weekly feed consumption.

**Feed conversion ratio** of various groups were also calculated using gain in weights and feed consumption of these groups. The daily record of mortality, if any, during the experimental period was also maintained.

**Carcass characteristics**, Carcass traits as influenced by the feeding of essential amino acids in terms of dressing percentage, abdominal fat, oregan metric was evaluated. Four birds per treatment, randomized, making a total of 28 birds were selected randomly at the end of the feeding experiment.

**plasma biochemical parameters**, the blood samples for plasma biochemical analyses were collected from 4 birds in each treatment at the end of the growth of experiment. The blood was collected up on slaughtering in heparinized tubes and subject to centrifugation at 3000 rpm for 10 minutes. The plasma samples were analyzed for total protein (Gornaliet *al.*, 1949), albumin (Doumaset *al.*, 1971), triglycerides and glucose (Soloni, 1971) after finishing.

**Economic Efficiency**, The economics of broiler production was calculated at the end of experiment considering feed cost as the only variable. The feed cost per kilogram was calculated by considering the prevailing prices of the feed ingredients were the price of one kilogram live weight in local market was 25 LE during the experimental and calculated as follows: Economic Efficiency Ggain:

**EEG=100× [(sale price per total gain – total feed cost) / total feed cost]**

**Statically analysis:**

Data collected were subjected to General Linear Model procedure of SAS users guide (SAS, 2001). Differences between means were tested using Duncans multiple range tests (Duncans, 1955). One way analysis model was applied for experiment  $Y_{ij}$  =

$\mu + T_i + e_{ij}$  where  $Y_{ij}$  = an observation,  $\mu$  = overall mean  $T_i$  = Effect of  $I^{th}$  treatments ( $i = 1, \dots, 5$ ).  $e_{ij}$  = Experimental error.

**Results and Discussion**

**Growth Performance: Live Body Weight**, results indicate the effect of dietary treatments on live body weight of chicken through different experimental periods are presented in Table (4). There was insignificant differences between treatment ( $P=0.242$ ) on starter weight up to 11 days of age. For grower period up to 24 days of age the control group with optimum CP % level, followed by low CP % diet supplemented with all amino acids (Trt 7) had significantly the highest live body weight compared with the low CP group without supplemental amino acids ( $P=0.006$ ). The latter was not significantly differ from other low CP diet supplemented with A.A. (Trt 3 up to 6). Also, The optimum CP diet, followed by low CP + all A.A diet, then all A.A combination diet except that supplemented with lysine alone had significantly ( $P=0.002$ ) higher final body weight than the negative control deprived from supplemental AA. **Live Body weigh gain**, data illustrated through different experimental periods are presented in Table (5) show the response of broilers to dietary treatments interims of live body weigh gain (LBWG). During starter phase, LBWG did not differ, significantly ( $P=0.231$ ) between experimental groups. During grower period (11-24 days of age) the optimum CP level supplemented with all A.A gave the highest gains ( $P=0.008$ ), followed by other A.A supplemented groups but not significantly differ from the negative control group. During finisher phase (25-37 of age), the low CP level with lysine + methionine the low CP supplemented with all A.A except valine, followed by low CP level supplemented with all A.A the positive control group with optimum CP level (all nutrient meet the requirements of the strain), followed by the group with low CP level supplemented with all A.A showed significantly ( $P=0.001$ ) higher LBWG estimated by 19.2 and 16.99 %, respectively, over that obtained by the negative control group. Also, supplementing the negative control diet with A.A, resulted in better total gains compared to chicks had no access to such supplementation.

**Feed intake (FI)**, data illustrated through different experimental periods are presented in Table (6) show the effect of dietary treatments without holding significant difference, except for FI during finisher period ( $P=0.033$ ). The studied treatments did not significantly affect FI during starter, grower, and overall period. Broiler chicks received low protein diet supplemented by lysine + methionine followed by those had access to the first four limiting A.A (without supplemental valine) showed respectively, the highest FI during finisher period compared with the rest of the treatments including the controls.

**Feed conversion ratio (FCR)**, data in Table (7) reveal that the best results were recorded with broiler groups fed low CP diet supplemented with all A.A (Trt.7), followed by the control with optimum CP diet, then the low CP supplemented with the first four A.A. The improvements in FCR in those treatments over the control with low CP alone (Trt.2) were estimated by

16.5, 14.2 and 11.8 %, respectively for the total experimental term.

**Carcass characteristics**, data in Table (8) reveal that all studied Carcass variables including Dressing ( $P=0.563$ ) and carcass ( $P=0.559$ ) total giblets ( $P=0.266$ ) and abdominal fat ( $P=0.518$ ) percentages were not significantly affected by dietary treatments under evaluation. However, dressing and carcass percentages were the highest with the chicks had a sufficient dietary CP level. Also, it is remarkable that the broilers group that was fed the control with low CP diet and the broiler group fed the low CP diet supplemented with all A.A without valine supplementation (Trt.6) had the lowest abdominal fat accumulation. The carcass characteristics as affected by the supplementation of A.A by reducing the dietary CP levels on the performance of broilers are shown in Table (15).

**Table 4.** Effect of supplementation amino acid to low-crude protein on body weight of birds (g/bird).

Period Groups	Initial Period	Starter Period	Grower Period	Finisher Period
Positive control	56.3	212	1198 <sup>a</sup>	1932 <sup>a</sup>
Neg. control	56.1	197	1000 <sup>c</sup>	1631 <sup>d</sup>
N.+ lysine	56.3	199	1025 <sup>bc</sup>	1693 <sup>d</sup>
Neg.+ Lys + methionine	56.4	195	1020 <sup>bc</sup>	1828 <sup>b</sup>
Neg.+ Lys + Meth + Trept	56.3	199	1038 <sup>bc</sup>	1772 <sup>c</sup>
Neg.+ Lys + Meth + Treptn + Theri	56.1	204	1083 <sup>bc</sup>	1871 <sup>ab</sup>
N.+ Lys + Meth + Trept + Ther + Val	55.9	221	1121 <sup>b</sup>	1896 <sup>a</sup>
PSE	0.27	7.54	31.2	37.75
P	0.926	0.242	0.006	0.001

<sup>a-d-c-d</sup> means have different superscripts in the same column are significantly differed.

**Table 5.** Effect of supplementing amino acids to low-crude protein on body weight gain of birds (g)

Group	starter	Grower	Finisher	Total
Positive control	156	986 <sup>a</sup>	734 <sup>ab</sup>	1876 <sup>a</sup>
Negative control	141	803 <sup>c</sup>	631 <sup>c</sup>	1574 <sup>d</sup>
Neg.+lysine	143	826 <sup>bc</sup>	668 <sup>c</sup>	1637 <sup>d</sup>
Neg.+Lys+methionine	139	825 <sup>c</sup>	807 <sup>a</sup>	1771 <sup>b</sup>
Neg.+Lysine+Methe+Trep	143	839 <sup>bc</sup>	734 <sup>b</sup>	1716 <sup>c</sup>
Neg.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther	148	879 <sup>bc</sup>	788 <sup>a</sup>	1815 <sup>ab</sup>
N.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther+Val	156	900 <sup>ab</sup>	755 <sup>a</sup>	1840 <sup>a</sup>
PSE	7.53	28.85	29.20	37.71
P	0.231	0.008	0.007	0.001

<sup>a-b-c</sup> means have different superscripts in the same column are significantly differed

**Table 6.** Effect of supplementing amino acids to low-crude protein on feed intake of birds (g) during experimental periods.

Groups	Starter	Grower	Finisher	Feed
Positive control	238	1340	1741 <sup>b</sup>	3309
Neg. control	215	1328	1743 <sup>b</sup>	3336
Neg.+ lysine	217	1308	1726 <sup>b</sup>	3251
Neg.+ Lys + methionine	205	1367	1927 <sup>a</sup>	3499
Neg.+Lys +Meth+Trep	234	1378	1674 <sup>b</sup>	3286
N.+ Lys+ Meth+Trep+ Ther	218	1362	1804 <sup>ab</sup>	3384
N.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther+Val	239	1356	1656 <sup>b</sup>	3251
PSE	9.68	42.7	50.93	75.42
P	0.157	0.573	0.033	0.256

<sup>a-b</sup> means have different superscripts in the same column are significantly differed.

**Table 7.** Effect of supplementing amino acids to low-crude protein on FCR during the experimental

Group	Starter	Grower	Finisher	Total
Positive control	1.53	1.45	2.38 <sup>bc</sup>	1.82 <sup>d</sup>
Neg. control	1.53	1.66	2.84 <sup>a</sup>	2.12 <sup>a</sup>
Neg.+lysine	1.51	1.59	2.59 <sup>b</sup>	1.99 <sup>b</sup>
Neg.+Lys+methionine	1.47	1.66	2.39 <sup>bc</sup>	1.98 <sup>b</sup>
Neg.+Lys+Meth+ Trep	1.64	1.65	2.29 <sup>c</sup>	1.91 <sup>b</sup>
Neg.+Lysi+Meth+ Trep+Ther	1.47	1.55	2.30 <sup>bc</sup>	1.87 <sup>cd</sup>
N.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther+Val	1.46	1.51	2.15 <sup>c</sup>	1.77 <sup>d</sup>
PSE	0.05	0.07	0.11	0.04
P	0.196	0.246	0.015	0.001

<sup>a-d-c-d</sup> means have different superscripts in the same column are significantly differed.

**Table 8.** Effect of supplementing amino acids to low-crude protein on the carcass characteristics and Organometry of the birds.

Group	Dressing	Carcass	Total Giblets	Abdominal fat
Positive control	73.1	67.8	5.29	1.05
Neg. control	71.6	66.0	5.52	0.84
Neg.+lysine	71.5	65.8	5.58	1.06
Neg.+Lys+methionine	72.5	67.3	5.14	1.19
Neg.+Lys+Meth+Trep	71.5	66.2	5.17	1.15
Neg.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther	71.5	66.8	5.21	0.78
N.+Lys +Meth+Trep +Ther+ Val	72.9	67.3	5.55	1.10
PSE	0.80	0.84	0.28	0.14
P	0.563	0.559	0.266	0.518

**Table 9.** Effect of supplemental amino acids on plasma parameters (mg/dl) of the birds.

Group	Total P.	Albumin	Globulin	A/G	Triglyceride	Glucose
Positive control	2.86 <sup>ab</sup>	1.18 <sup>bc</sup>	1.50	0.81	74.3 <sup>b</sup>	210
Neg. control	2.28 <sup>b</sup>	0.99 <sup>d</sup>	1.29	0.82	69.0 <sup>b</sup>	213
Neg.+lysine	2.38 <sup>b</sup>	1.03 <sup>d</sup>	1.35	0.76	98.8 <sup>a</sup>	206
Neg.+Lys+methionine	2.30 <sup>b</sup>	0.98 <sup>d</sup>	1.32	0.75	81.5 <sup>b</sup>	206
Neg.+Lys+Meth+Trep	2.50 <sup>b</sup>	1.11 <sup>cd</sup>	1.39	0.80	86.5 <sup>ab</sup>	213
Neg.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther	2.60 <sup>ab</sup>	1.22 <sup>ab</sup>	1.38	0.89	76.5 <sup>b</sup>	205
N.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther+Val	2.87 <sup>a</sup>	1.28 <sup>a</sup>	1.59	0.81	40.0 <sup>c</sup>	212
PSE	0.13	0.05	0.12	0.07	6.51	7.66
P	0.034	0.002	0.385	0.867	0.002	0.960

<sup>a-d-c</sup> means have different superscripts in the same column are significantly differed.

result are harmony with those of **Quentin *et al.*, (2004)** who found that the reduction of the protein concentration growth, FCR and breast meat yield were significantly improved by Lys. supplementation up to 0.76% in the diet whatever the protein level. In the other hand, **Abdel Maksoud *et al.*, (2010)** reported that birds fed the low-protein diets (21%) supplemented with EAAs (21.68% total CP) founded that birds fed the low-protein diets supplemented with EAAs showed significantly the highest BW and best FCR and FE. It was improved and BW increased significantly by increasing dietary lysine levels. The results reported the findings of present study are in agreement with there recorded increased in gain body weight of broilers with low CP diet with supplementation amino acids made by **Roy., (2013)**, **Abbas *et al.*, (2014)**, **Ahmed., (2014)** mention that, dietary crude protein can be reduced by 1 unit in commercial broiler diets without compromising the bird performance and BWG, FI, and FCR did differ

significantly between the various treatment groups. This low FI of birds from low protein group is contrary to report of **Summers *et al.*, (1988)**. The findings of present study **Roy., (2013)** who found that, the body weight gain and feed conversion ratio of the broilers supplemented with 1.6 and 2.0 % Thr. with 21 and 19 % CP, respectively were significantly higher ( $P < 0.01$ ) than the other treatment, an experiment, FI was significantly higher in 1.6 % threonine and 21 % CP. Profitability per kg of broiler was significantly higher in the groups receiving 2.0 % threonine and 19 % threonine. It is obvious that the reduction in dietary CP level or the supplementation with limiting A.A. had no negative impact in FI compared with optimal dietary CP level. The result are harmony with those of **Abdel Maksoud *et al.*, (2010)** found that birds fed the low-protein diets (21%) supplemented with EAAs (21.68% total CP) showed significantly the highest BW and best FCR and FE. **Nukreaw and Bunchasak (2015)** observed the

significant difference in FCR in low crude protein diet with essential amino acid supplemented group than group of broilers receiving crude protein diet. **Dozier et al., (2000a), Ciftci and Ceylan (2004), Ojediran T.K et al., (2017)** results show that the birds fed diet (16.6% CP and 0.8% lysine) had a significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ) higher breast, **Saki et al., (2007)** reported that decreased CP in the diet increased breast meat yield and reduction abdominal fat by these ratios of methionine/protein.

#### Blood Plasma Constituents:

Blood plasma metabolites concentrations as affected by dietary treatments are illustrated through different experimental periods are presented in Table (9). On one hand, Plasma total protein ( $P=0.034$ ), albumin ( $P=0.002$ ), and triglycerides ( $P=0.002$ ), were significantly affected by dietary treatments. On the other hand, plasma globulin ( $P=0.385$ ), Albumin / globulin ratio ( $P=0.867$ ) and glucose ( $P=0.960$ ) were not significantly affected by dietary treatment it is responsible that the diet with optimal dietary CP level and that with all supplemented A.A fortified low CP, both showed the highest total protein concentrations,

mean while, the broiler group with the control low CP diet showed the lowest plasma total protein values. Both immune systems are highly dependent upon an adequate availability of amino acids for the synthesis of these proteins and polypeptides, as well as other molecules with enormous biological importance (**Kim et al., 2007**). A sufficient intake of dietary methionine and cysteine is important for the synthesis of proteins of the immune system (**Grimble., 2006**).

**Economical efficiency** : Data listed in table (10) shows the economic efficiency (E.E.) for birds of different experimental groups as affected by treatments applied showed that higher relative cost / Kg gain and feed cost of producing 1 Kg gain were reduced in amino acids supplemented groups compared to both of adequate protein or low protein diets was recorded by broiler chicks fed diet supplemented with all amino acids at (Trt.7) was 96.71 % followed by those that fed on diets supplemented with a level of amino acids (Trt 6), 97.42% compared with (Trt.2), 113.59 % with no supplemented amino acid we found high different with all groups which compared with control group which it was 100 %.

**Table 10.** Economical efficiency as affected by dietary protein levels and supplemental amino acids:

Trt.	Total LWG (g)	Total FI(g)	Feed cost/ group			Price /kg feed L.E.	Feed cost / chick L.E.	Feed cost / 1kg G L.E.	Relative cost / Kg gain %	
			Starter L.E.	Grower L.E.	Finisher L.E.					
T1	1876	3309	46.67	207.2	218.73	472.6	3.75	13.13	6.99	100
T2	1574	3336	43.41	198.7	206.65	448.8	3.56	12.5	7.94	113.59
T3	1637	3251	43.81	192.1	205.13	441.1	3.5	12.25	7.48	107.01
T4	1771	3499	44.23	192.9	202.65	440.0	3.49	12.22	6.90	98.71
T5	1716	3286	44.23	193.1	205.43	442.7	3.51	12.27	7.15	102.28
T6	1815	3384	44.31	192.9	208.00	445.2	3.53	12.36	6.81	97.42
T7	1840	3251	44.79	194.8	208.22	447.8	3.55	12.44	6.76	96.71

**T1:** Positive control, **T2:** Neg. control, **T3:** Neg.+lysine, **T4:** Neg.+Lys+methionine,

**T5:** Neg.+Lys+Meth+Trep, **T6:** Neg.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther, **T7:** N.+Lys+Meth+Trep+Ther+Val

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## تأثير إضافة الأحماض الأمينية المحددة للعلائق المنخفضة في البروتين الخام علي أداء كتاكيت دجاج اللحم

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أجريت هذه الدراسة لدراسة تأثير انخفاض مستوى البروتين الخام الغذائي مع استكماله بالأحماض الأمينية الأساسية علي أداء النمو ، الذبيحة ، وبعض قياسات الدم لفراخ التسمين. أجريت تجربة باستخدام 252 فراخاً لدجاج التسمين عمرها يوم واحد ، أربور فدان ، تم تخصيصها بشكل عشوائي لسبع مجموعات غذائية ؛ أول مجموعة تحكم إيجابي مع المستوى الأمثل للبروتين الخام ، المجموعة الثانية السيطرة السلبية (NC) منخفضة 3 نقاط من المتطلبات ، والمجموعات 3 حتى 7 تم تغذية النظام الغذائي NC ولكن تستكمل تدريجياً مع الأحماض الأمينية الأساسية ؛ ليسين ، ليسين + ميثيونين ، ليسين + ميثيونين + تريبتوفان ، ليسين + ميثيونين + تريبتوفان + ثريونين و ليسين + ميثيونين + تريبتوفان + ثريونين + فالين ، على التوالي لتغطية المتطلبات الغذائية لكل حمض أميني خلال فترات البادىء والنامي والناهي. أظهرت النتائج أنه لا توجد فروق ذات دلالة إحصائية بين المعاملات ( $P=0.242$ ) في البادىء على الوزن الحي. بالنسبة لفترة النامي كانت المجموعة الكنترول ذات المستوى الأمثل من البروتين الخام ، يليها المعاملة المنخفضة من البروتين الخام والمستكملة بجميع الأحماض الأمينية ذات أعلى وزن في الجسم بشكل ملحوظ مقارنة مع مجموعة البروتين الخام المنخفضة بدون أحماض أمينية إضافية ( $P = 0.006$ ). قد لوحظ ان الزيادة التي تحققت في وزن الجسم كانت كبيرة خلال مراحل النامي والناهي لوحظت أعلى القيم في الكنترول الإيجابية والمعاملة المنخفضة البروتين الخام والمستكملة بجميع الاحماض الامينية. نفس المعاملتين أفضل في معامل التحويل الغذائي للفترة التجريبية الشاملة مقارنة مع المعاملات الأخرى. لم تتأثر سمات الذبيحة بشكل كبير من قبل المعاملات الغذائية. البروتين الكلي للبلازما ( $P = 0.034$ ) ، الالبومين ( $P = 0.002$ ) ، والدهون الثلاثية ( $P = 0.002$ ) ، تأثرت بشكل كبير من خلال المعاملات الغذائية. وجد ان أقل تكلفة لتغذية كل كيلوجرام من الوزن الحي للدجاج في المعاملة التجريبية (T7) التي تحتوي على جميع الأحماض الأمينية الكاملة للعلائق الغذائية منخفضة البروتين الخام . يمكن التوصية بخفض مستوى البروتين الخام في العلائق الغذائية لكتاكيت التسمين بنسبة 3 نقاط دون التأثير على أداء النمو عند إضافة الاحماض الامينية الأساسية.