

## SEROTYPING AND SENSITIVITY TESTS OF PATHOGENIC *ESCHERICHIA COLI* ISOLATED FROM SALPINGITIS IN COMMERCIAL LAYING HENS.

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### ABSTRACT

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Reproductive system disorders of laying hens have been gaining increasing attention due to immense economic losses that are being inflicted by these conditions on the growing poultry industry. Salpingitis is considered as an important one of these disorders. In order to determine the incidence of salpingitis in laying hens, 1050 recently dead laying hens from commercial laying farm in Assiut province were necropsied. Among these hens, 120 (11.43%) cases showed lesions of salpingitis. Bacterial examination detected 103 (85.8%) bacterial cultures from 120 suspected cases of salpingitis that yielded *Escherichia coli* in 46 (38.3%), *Enterobacter spp* in 31 (25.9%), *Klebsiella spp* in 11 (9.1%), *Citrobacter spp* in 8 (6.7%) of these cases and mixed bacteria in 7 (5.8%) cases. No bacteria were isolated from 17 (14.2%) of the suspected cases and also from normal oviducts of healthy hens. The forty-six *E. coli* isolates were serotyped and examined for susceptibility to 13 antimicrobials. O-serogroup determination test showed that the isolates belonged to nine different O serogroups including: O111, O26, O125, O55, O114, O127, O86, O124 and O142 serogroups. The most prevalent serogroups were O111, O26, O125, O55 respectively. However the maximum antimicrobial resistance of the tested *E. coli* isolates was demonstrated to sulfamethoxazol (100%), followed by amoxicillin (97.8%), erythromycin and oxytetracycline (89.1% for each), neomycin (87%), ampicillin (80.4%), kanamycin (67.4%) and streptomycin (60.9%), the minimal resistance was against gentamycin (2.2%) then ciprofloxacin (6.5%), norfloxacin (10.9%), nalidixic acid and lincospectin (23.9% for each). Multiple antimicrobial-resistant phenotypes (to 3 or more) were observed in 41/46 (89.1%) of *E. coli* isolates and one isolate was resistant to all tested drugs. The obtained results were recorded and compared with other workers results.

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**Key words:** *Salpingitis E. coli* Commercial layers Antibiotics sensitivity.

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### INTRODUCTION

Salpingitis is an inflammatory reaction of the oviduct (infundibulum, magnum and uterus region) which may contain liquid or caseous exudate, it is a common cause of death in layers, as poultry production intensified, however its occurrence has also increased and may become the major cause of death and give the appearance of contagious disease. This condition tends to be found sporadically during necropsy of cull hens, when the bacteria spread into the body cavity through the compromised oviduct wall leads to concurrent peritonitis, which is termed salpingoperitonitis (Saif *et al.*, 2003, McMullin, 2004 and Srinivasan *et al.*, 2013). It is a complex condition associated with various infections including *Mycoplasma* and other bacteria especially *E. coli*. *E. coli* isolates are the most common bacteria which have been reported from many countries as a frequent cause of

salpingitis in commercial layers (Fossum *et al.*, 2009). Acute and chronic bacterial infection of the oviduct (salpingitis) are recorded in most commercial layers and may account for losses from 1% to 8% over a laying year with a mean incidence of about 4%. The condition has variously called salpingitis, peritonitis and reproductive breakdown (Cumming, 2001). Out of 173 *E. coli* serogroups, the most commonly encountered in avian pathogenic *E. coli* (APEC) are O1, O2, O35, and O78 (Orskov and Orskov, 1992 and Barnes *et al.*, 2003) although the order of prevalence varies in different countries and farms (Cortes *et al.*, 2010). The presumptive diagnosis of *E. coli* salpingitis and peritonitis based on the clinical signs, macroscopic findings at post-mortem (Landman and Cornelissen, 2006).

Jones *et al.* (1978) represented that, reproductive disorders were the commonest cause of death in the

broiler breeder females. Egg peritonitis was the most important of these (61.2%) followed by salpingitis (20.7%) and prolapse of the oviduct (7.8%).

Monroy *et al.* (2005) isolated thirty isolates of *E. coli* from broiler breeders with salpingitis, the isolates were found belong to serogroups O1, O2, O5, O36, O45, O53 and O78.

Trampel *et al.* (2007) revealed that peritoneal cavity and oviducts of normal chickens without lesions of peritonitis did not contain *E. coli*, while *E. coli* was isolated from peritoneal cavity of 13/15 and from oviducts in 15/15 cases of peritonitis. The data suggest that all chickens with peritonitis in a single flock were likely infected by the same *E. coli* strain. *E. coli* isolates from the magnum and peritoneum had the same serogroup, virulence genotype, and phylogenetic group.

Ozawa *et al.* (2008) reported that, antimicrobial resistance of *E. coli* isolates was found for ampicillin (77.1%), oxytetracycline (75.9%), kanamycin (36.1%), fradiomycin (33.7%), trimethoprim (25.3%), enrofloxacin (21.7%), and florfenicol (6.0%). Although multiple antimicrobial-resistant phenotypes (three or more antimicrobials) accounted for 54.2% of isolates, no isolate exhibited resistance to all tested agents.

Ozaki and Murase, (2009) found that, analysis of 22 *E. coli* isolates obtained from liver, heart, and the surface of the reproductive tract of one bird were genetically unrelated with those recovered from the lumen of the oviduct. In the other birds, isolates from liver, heart, and reproductive tract lesions were closely related to each other. These findings suggest that salpingitis in the former bird may be caused by ascending infection of the oviduct from the cloacae and in the remaining birds may occur as part of systemic infection.

Salehi and Ghanbarpour, (2010) isolated *E. coli* from commercial layer hens with salpingitis. The O-serogroup determination test showed that 47 (38.84%) isolates were typeable and belonged to eleven different O serogroups (O1, O2, O6, O8, O15, O20, O25, O36, O78, O86 and O111) while 71 (58.67%) isolates were O-nontypeable. The most prevalent serogroups were O78, O2 and O1 respectively. The maximum antibiotic resistance was against tetracycline (100%) and minimum resistance was against lincospectin (37.19%). Twenty four isolates (19.83%) were resistant to all of the examined antibiotics and twenty three isolates showed different patterns of multiple drug resistance. They concluded that, there are similarities between *E. coli* isolates causes salpingitis and other avian pathogenic *E. coli* isolates in O-serogroups and antibio-resistance patterns.

El-Gohary *et al.* (2012) investigated three commercial poultry farms with different types of production; breeders, layers and broilers besides three hatcheries for the occurrence of *Salmonella* and *E. coli* organisms as index of biosecurity status. The results revealed that all *E. coli* strains were 100% sensitive to amikacin, nitrofurantion, chloramphenicol, polymyxin B, ceftriaxone and enrofloxacin. On the other hand, all of tested strains exhibited absolute (100%) resistance against streptomycin, neomycin and nalidixic acid.

Srinivasan *et al.* (2013) showed that, *E. coli* associated egg peritonitis was responsible for 15.39% of the reproductive system abnormalities in commercial layers. *E. coli* was isolated as pure culture and concurrent with other bacterial agents in 226 and 38 birds respectively. Among the fifteen *E. coli* serotypes identified serotype O166, O64 and O111 were predominant.

Srinivasan *et al.* (2014) indicated that the oviduct impaction was responsible for 0.87 % of the reproductive tract abnormalities in commercial layers. Among the 45 birds with impacted oviduct lesions, *E. coli* was isolated as a pure culture in 29, whereas in the remaining 16 birds was isolated along *E. coli* with other bacteria *Proteous spp.*, *Klebsiella spp.* and *Streptococcus spp.* Serotyping of *E. coli* isolates revealed 7serogroups (O144, O54, O109, O3, O12, O88, and O118).

The aim of this study was to determine the *E. coli* serovars (serogroups) and antibiotics resistance of *E. coli* isolated from salpingitis cases in commercial layers in Assiut province (Egypt).

## **MATERIALS and METHODS**

**I - Case history:** Recently dead laying hens were collected from farm of commercial cage layers in Assiut Province (Egypt). The flocks were Lohman type with age ranged from 25 – 68 weeks. The flocks were vaccinated against Avian influenza, Marek's disease, Newcastle disease, Infectiousbursal disease, Infectious bronchitis, Infectious coryza, Fowl pox and Egg drop syndrome. The birds were received ration contain tetracycline and lincomix as feed additives.

**II - Samples:** A total number of 1050 recently dead hens were subjected to post- mortem examination. From these birds, oviducts of 120 hens showed various types of abnormalities (in it's color or consistency) identified as salpingitis or salpinoperitonitis were collected. The oviducts were removed and opened along it's longitudinal axis for examination of internal contains. Also 20 normal oviducts were obtained from clinically healthy laying hens after slaughtering. Swabs were

collected from oviducts to bacteriological examination.

**III - Isolation and identification of the *E. coli* isolates:** Swabs of oviducts were collected (from dead birds with salpingitis lesions and that from clinically healthy laying hens) for screening of *E. coli* bacterial agents. The samples were placed in brain heart infusion broth and incubated at 37 °C for 24 h and cultured aerobically on MacConkey agar and eosin methylene blue agar (EMBA) for isolation of bacteria as described by Olsen *et al.* (2011). Bacterial isolates were identified on the basis of their morphology, growth characteristics, sugar fermentation and biochemical characteristics according to Quinn *et al.* (2011). Strains of *E. coli* were stored at -20 °C in brain heart infusion (BHI-Difco) broth containing 15% glycerol according to Monroy *et al.* (2005).

**IV- Serological identification of *E. coli*:** pure cultures of each isolate were serotyped using standard references *E. coli* antisera (DENKA SEIKEN Co., Japan). They include 8 vials of polyvalent in addition to the 44 vials of monovalent antisera and 7 H-sera. The isolates were serologically identified according to Kok *et al.* (1996) by using rapid diagnostic *E. coli* antisera sets (DENKA SEIKEN Co., Japan) for diagnosis of the Enteropathogenic types.

**V- Antibiogramme for *E. coli* isolated from salpingitis in commercial laying hens:** *In-vitro* antimicrobial susceptibility determination was tested by the single-disc diffusion method according to Mary and Usha (2013). Sensitivity discs with variable concentrations were used to

determine the susceptibility of the isolated *E. coli* strains (Oxoid Limited, Basingstoke, Hampshire, UK). Muller-Hinton agar (Oxoid, Basingstoke, UK) was prepared in a uniform thickness (4 mm) for testing of *E. coli* isolates. The *E. coli* strains were tested against 13 antimicrobial agents that represent the commonly used antimicrobials in veterinary therapy. The tested antimicrobials included Amoxicillin (30µg AMX), Ampicillin (10µg AM), Ciprofloxacin (5µg CP), Erythromycin (15µg E), Gentamycin (10µg GM), Kanamycin (30µg K), Lincospectin (150µg LS), Nalidixic acid (30µg NA), Neomycin (30µg N), Norfloxacin (10µg NOR), Oxytetracycline (30µg T), Streptomycin (10µg S) and Sulphamethoxazol (25µg SXT). The antimicrobial susceptibility testing was applied and interpreted according to the guidelines stipulated by National Committee for Clinical Laboratory Standards "NCCLS" (2001).

## RESULTS

Out of 1050 recently dead hens from commercial laying farm were subjected to postmortem examination to detect birds that show various types of oviduct abnormalities, 120 (11.43%) were identified as salpingitis or salinoperitonitis. They were examined bacteriologically to detect incidence of bacterial species associated salpingitis especially *E. coli* (Tables,1), *E. coli* serovars (Table,2), percentages of antimicrobial susceptibility of *E. coli* spp (Table,3) and antimicrobial resistance profiles of *E. coli* isolates (Table,4). The bacteriological examination did not detect bacterial isolates from normal oviducts of clinically healthy birds.

**Table 1:** Bacterial species and strains isolated from salpingitis in commercial layers (n=120)

<i>Bacterial spp</i>	<i>Identified strains</i>	<i>No of isolated strains</i>	<i>% of isolated strains</i>	<i>Total No. of isolates in each bacterial spp</i>	<i>% of each bacterial spp</i>
<i>E. coli spp.</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	46	38.3	46	38.3
<i>Enterobacter spp</i>	<i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i>	15	12.5	31	25.9
	<i>Enterobacter cloacae</i>	11	9.2		
	<i>Enterobacter agglomerans</i>	4	3.3		
	<i>Enterobacter hafniae</i>	1	0.9		
<i>Citrobacter spp</i>	<i>Citrobacter freundii</i>	7	5.8	8	6.7
	<i>Citrobacter diverss</i>	1	0.9		
<i>Klebsiella spp.</i>	<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	7	5.8	11	9.1
	<i>Klebsiella ozaenae</i>	4	3.3		
<b>Mixed bacteria</b>	Mixed bacteria	7	5.8	7	5.8
<b>Total</b>				103	85.8

**Table 2:** *E. coli* serogroups isolated from salpingitis in commercial layers (*n* of *E. coli*= 46).

<i>O</i> -group	Strain characterization	Number of strains	%
O111 : H4	EHEC	13	28.3
O26 : H11	EHEC	7	15.2
O125 : H21	ETEC	7	15.2
O55 : H7	EPEC	6	13.0
O114 : H21	EPEC	5	10.9
O127 : H6	ETEC	3	6.5
O86	EPEC	2	4.4
O124	EIEC	2	4.4
O142	EAEC	1	2.1
<b>Total</b>		46	100

**Table 3:** Percentages of antimicrobial susceptibility of *E. coli* spp. (*n*=46).

Antimicrobial agent	<i>S</i>		<i>R</i>	
	NO	%	NO	%
Sulphamethoxazol (SXT)	0	0	46	100
Amoxicillin (AMX)	1	2.2	45	97.8
Erythromycin (E)	5	10.9	41	89.1
Oxytetracycline (T)	5	10.9	41	89.1
Neomycin (N)	6	13.0	40	87.0
Ampicillin (AM)	9	19.6	37	80.4
Kanamycin (K)	15	32.6	31	67.4
Streptomycin (S)	18	39.1	28	60.9
Linco-spectin (LS)	35	76.1	11	23.9
Nalidixic acid (NA)	35	76.1	11	23.9
Norfloxacin (NOR)	41	89.1	5	10.9
Ciprofloxacin (CP)	43	93.5	3	6.5
Gentamycin (G)	45	97.8	1	2.2

**Table 4:** Antimicrobial resistance profiles of *E. coli* isolated from salpingitis in commercial layers. (*n*=46).

NO	Antimicrobial resistance profile	Total ( <i>n</i> =46)
1	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM, K, S, LS, NA, NOR, CP, G	1
2	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM, K, S, LS, NA, NOR, CP	2
3	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM, K, S, LS, NA, NOR	2
4	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM, K, S, LS, NA	2
5	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM, K, S, LS, NA	4
6	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM, K, S	17
7	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM, K	3
8	SXT, AMX, E, T, N, AM	6
9	SXT, AMX, E, T, N	3
10	SXT, AMX, E, T	1
11	SXT, AMX	4
12	SXT	1

## **DISCUSSION**

*Enterobacteriaceae* form a large heterogeneous family of medically and scientifically important gram-negative bacteria. *E. coli*, the most prevalent infecting organism in this family, is one of the prototypic bacteria studied (Carnes and Wilkins, 2005). Coliform salpingitis/ salpingoperitonitis results in decreased egg production and sporadic mortality. It is one of the most common causes of mortality in commercial layers and breeder chickens (Saif *et al.*, 2003).

The results of the present investigation indicated that the *E. coli* and other bacteria can not be isolated from normal oviducts of healthy layers. Trampel *et al.* (2007) recorded that, oviducts of normal chickens did not contain *E. coli*. The location of *E. coli* in chickens producing eggs confirms that this bacterium is associated with disease and is not part of the normal microflora found in the oviduct or peritoneal cavity. Healthy laying hens had *E. coli* within the cloacae but not in the oviduct or peritoneal cavity.

In this study, *Enterobacteriaceae* associated salpingitis were responsible for (120/1050) 11.43% of the reproductive tract abnormalities in commercial layers between 25 and 68 weeks of age. Also results of Bandyopadhyay and Dhawedkar (1984) recorded 11.25% of salpingoperitonitis in layers. Nili and Mahjour, (2005) determined (8.26%) as the incidence of salpingitis, oophoritis and egg peritonitis in cull laying hens from commercial laying farms. Jones *et al.* (1978) mentioned that, the bacterial organisms (predominantly coliform) associated with cases of peritonitis and salpingitis and were interpreted as ascending infections. They diagnosed salpingitis in 24/116 (20.7%) of female reproductive disorders in broiler breeders.

In the present study bacterial cultures of 120 suspected cases of salpingitis revealed 103 bacterial isolates with an incidence of 85.8% (Table, 1). This nearly agrees with results of Nili and Mahjour (2005) who detected 79 bacterial isolates from 86 suspected cases of inflammatory reactions of the ovary, the oviduct and the peritoneal cavity with an incidence of (91.86%).

The bacterial isolates in this study included *E. coli* spp in 46 (38.3%) cases, *Enterobacter* spp in 31 (25.9%) cases {15 (12.5%) *Enterobacter aerogenes*, 11 (9.2%) *Enterobacter cloacae*, 4 (3.3%) *Enterobacter agglomerans* and 1 (0.9%) *Enterobacter hafniae*}, *Citrobacter* spp in 8 (6.7%) cases {7 (5.8%) *Citrobacter freundii* and 1 (0.9%) *Citrobacter diversus*}, *Klebsiella* spp in 11 (9.1%) cases {7 (5.8%) *Klebsiella pneumoniae* and 4 (3.3%) *Klebsiella ozaenae*} and mixed bacteria in 7 (5.8%) cases (Table, 1). No bacteria were isolated from 17 (14.17%) cases

of suspected cases of salpingitis. Nili and Mahjour, (2005) examined bacterial culture of 86 suspected cases of inflammatory reactions of the ovary, the oviduct and the peritoneal cavity. The examination yielded *E. coli* in 62 (72.09%) of cases, *Salmonella* spp in 4 (4.65%) of cases, *Proteus Vulgaris* in 2 (2.33%) of cases and *Klebsiella* spp in 1 (1.16%) of cases and mixed bacterial infection in 9 (10.47%) cases. No bacteria were isolated from 8 (9.30%) of suspected cases. Salpingitis is a complex condition of chickens associated with various bacterial agents including *E. coli*, *Gallibacterium anatis*, *Staphylococcus* spp., *Mannheimia haemolytica*, *Streptococcus bovis* and occasionally *Salmonella* spp (Jordan *et al.*, 2005; Neubauer *et al.*, 2009). *E. coli* and other bacterial organisms (*Proteus* spp, *Klebsiella* spp, *Staphylococcus* spp, and *Streptococcus* spp) were isolated from peritoneal cavity, oviduct and cloacal swabs in all the dead birds with egg peritonitis lesion (Srinivasan *et al.*, 2013). The results of the present study and others show that *E. coli* was the main associated cause of salpingitis in commercial layers. Srinivasan *et al.* (2013) indicated that the *E. coli* associated egg peritonitis was responsible for 15.39% of the reproductive tract abnormalities in commercial layers between 21 and 80 weeks of age; they attributed the higher percentage of incidence to poor management practices and occurrence of more virulent *E. coli* serotypes in the affected farms. The birds at peak of production are more susceptible due to stress imposed by the stage of lay. Fossum *et al.* (2009) mentioned that *E. coli* isolates are the most common bacteria which have been reported from many countries as a frequent cause of disease in commercial laying hens.

In the present study, 46 isolates of APEC belonged to 9 serogroups were detected. The serogroups include O111, O26, O125, O55, O114, O127, O86, O124 and O142 serogroups (Table, 2). Salehi and Ghanbarpour, (2010) isolated 47 strains of *E. coli* from commercial layer hens with salpingitis. The isolates were typeable and belonged to 11 serogroups (O1, O2, O6, O8, O15, O20, O25, O36, O78, O86 and O111). Also Monroy *et al.* (2005) have reported that *E. coli* isolates from broiler breeders with salpingitis belong to serogroups O1, O2, O5, O36, O45, O53 and O78. Srinivasan *et al.* (2013) identified fifteen *E. coli* serotypes (O166, O64, O111, O5, O6, O8, O20, O29, O75, O83, O89, O96, O104, O119 and rough) from peritonitis in commercial layer chickens; the three predominant serotypes were (O166, O64 and O111). Srinivasan *et al.* (2014) detected 7 *E. coli* serogroups (O144, O54, O109, O3, O12, O88, and O118) from impacted oviducts in commercial white leghorn layer chicken. In the present study O111 serotype was the most predominant serovar. It was detected in oviducts of commercial layers as one of the most predominant serovars in different studies (Trampel *et al.*, 2007; Salehi and Ghanbarpour, 2010 and

Srinivasan *et al.*, 2013). The serogroup O86 was detected in salpingitis cases in this study and in study of Salehi and Ghanbarpou (2010). Eidand Erfan (2013) found that, O114, O125, O55, O111 and O26 serogroups were the most prevalent in broiler flocks in Sharkia Governorate (Egypt), also these serogroups were found predominant in our study. The other detected serogroups not reported in previously available literatures. Variation occurs in O-serogroups of *E. coli* isolates according to geographic region but in most studies the common serotypes of APEC isolates have been O1, O2, O35, and O78 (Saif *et al.*, 2003).

Presently, antimicrobial therapy is one of the primary control measures for reducing morbidity and mortality due to APEC associated avian colibacillosis (Dho-Moulin & Fairbrother, 1999 and Altekruse *et al.*, 2002). However, the maximum resistance of the tested *E. coli* isolates in this study was demonstrated to sulfamethoxazol (100%), followed by amoxicillin (97.8%), erythromycin and oxytetracycline (89.1% for each), neomycin (87%), ampicillin (80.4%), kanamycin (67.4%) and streptomycin (60.9%), the minimal resistance was against gentamycin (2.2%) then ciprofloxacin (6.5%), norfloxacin (10.9%), nalidixic acid and linco – spectin (23.9% for each) as represented in (Table, 3). Antimicrobial resistance profiles of *E. coli* strains were shown in (Table, 4). In the present study twelve different patterns of multiple drug resistance were observed. The isolates showed multi-drug resistance (resistant to three kinds of antibiotics), and more than 3 were up to 89.1% (41/46) of the drug-resistant strains and isolates resistant to more than 8 antibiotics were up to 23.9% (11/46), of which one *E. coli* isolates resistant to all tested antibiotics. Acquired multi drug resistance to antimicrobial agents creates an extensive trouble in case of the management of intra and extra intestinal infections caused by *E. coli*, which are a major source of illness, death, and increased healthcare costs (Gupta *et al.*, 2001). Salehi and Ghanbarpou, (2010) studied sensitivity of *E. coli* strains isolated from salpingitis of commercial layers for antibiotics, the result agree with our results in the high resistance to tetracycline 100%, sulfamethoxazol (97.52%), neomycin (96.69%) and agree with low resistance to linco-spectin (37.19%) and gentamicin (45.45%), but differ in results of enrofloxacin (88.42%), also twenty three different patterns of multiple drug resistance were observed. Akond *et al.* (2009) reported that, 50 identified *E. coli* strains from poultry sources were subjected to 13 antimicrobial agents to check their susceptibility. The tested strains were found resistant to penicillin, ciprofloxacin, rifampicin, kanamycin, streptomycin, cefixime, erythromycin, ampicillin, tetracycline, chloramphenicol and neomycin. None of the strains showed resistance to norfloxacin and gentamicin. This result in agreement with our result in different antibiotics resistance except for

ciprofloxacin. Commensal *E. coli* strains from poultry have similar patterns of resistance but at lower frequencies (Gyles, 2008). Recent study provides clear evidence that a sequential medication of a broiler flock, with different antimicrobial classes during short periods of time for prophylactic objectives, was accompanied by a dramatic increase in both antimicrobial resistance rates and phenotype diversity of *E. coli* strains (Da Costa *et al.*, 2008). Development of resistant pathogenic *E. coli* strains pose considerable threat to public health as these strains after ingestion, are capable of transferring their resistance to other pathogens through episomal transfer of R-factor (Johnson *et al.*, 2008).

## CONCLUSION

*E. coli* isolates are the most common bacteria which have been reported from many countries as a frequent cause of salpingitis in commercial laying hens. Variation occurs in O-serogroups of *E. coli* isolates according to geographic region. It is important to carry out bacteriological examination to the flocks in order to investigate the bacterial affections with estimation of changes in their sensitivity to the used antibiotics, at the same time, directed our care to find alternative means for control to avoid antibiotic resistant bacteria.

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## إجراء التصنيف السيرولوجي وإختبارات الحساسية للميكروب القولوني الممرض المعزول من قناة المبيض الملتهبة في دجاجات البيض التجاري

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تكتسب اختلالات الجهاز التناسلي في دجاج البيض التجاري اهتماما متزايدا بسبب الخسائر الاقتصادية العالية التي تلحق بصناعة الدواجن المتنامية بسبب هذه الاختلالات. ويعتبر التهاب قناة المبيض أحد أهم هذه المشاكل ولتحديد معدل حدوث التهاب قناة المبيض في الدجاج البياض تم إجراء الصفة التشريحية على جثث ١٠٥٠ دجاجة من مزرعة الدجاج البياض بمحافظة أسيوط. أظهرت الحالات وجود ١٢٠ (١١.٤٣%) حالة بها آفات مرضية لالتهابات قناة المبيض. أظهر الفحص البكتيري لها عن إصابة ١٠٣ (٨.٨٥%) حالة من أصل ١٢٠ حالة التهاب قناة المبيض. أسفر الفحص عن وجود الميكروب القولوني في عدد ٤٦ (٣٨.٨%) ، ميكروباتالانتيروباكتر في ٣١ (٢٥.٩%) ، ميكروباتالكليسيلا في ١١ (٩.١%) ، ميكروبات الستروباكتري في ٨ (٦.٧%) من هذه الحالات ووجود ميكروبات مختلطة في ٧ (٥.٨%) حالات بينما لم يتم عزل أي ميكروبات من ١٧ (١٤.٢%) حالة من الحالات المتوقعة وكذلك من قناة مبيض الدجاجات السليمة. تم اختبار ٤٦ معزولة للميكروب القولوني لتحديد الأنواع المصلية الاختبارات المصلية أسفرت عن وجود تسعة أنواع والتي شملت على الأنواع المصلية O111، O26، O125، O55، O114، O127، O86 ، O124 ، O142. وكانت الأنواع O111، O26، O125، O55 الأكثر شيوعا على التوالي. وكذلك تم اختبار استجابتها لثلاث عشر مضادا من المضادات الميكروبية. أظهرت معزولات الميكروب مقاومة شديدة للمضادات الميكروبية وبينما أعلاها كانت لمادة سلفاكينوكساليين (١٠٠%) يليها الأموكسيسيلين (٩٧.٨%) ، الأرترومايسين والتتراسيكلين (٨٩.١% لكل منهما) ، النيومايسين (٨٧%) ، الأمبسيلين (٨٠.٤%) ، كاناميسين (٦٧.٤%) وستربتومايسين (٦٠.٩%) وكانت أقلها مقاومة للجنتاميسين (٢.٢%) ثم سيبروفلوكساسين (٦.٥%) ، نورفلوكساسين (١٠.٩%) ، نالديكسيك أسيد ولينكوسيكيتين (٢٣.٩% لكل منهما). أظهرت ٤١ من أصل ٤٦ (٨٩.١%) معزولة للميكروب أنماط متعددة في مقاومة المضادات الميكروبية وكانت لعدد ثلاثة أو أكثر من المضادات وكانت عزلة واحدة مقاومة لكل المضادات المختبرة. تم تسجيل هذه النتائج ومقارنتها بنتائج الآخرين.