# Post Partum Pyometra in Iraqi Goats: Clinical & Therapeutical Study

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### Summary

Iraqi goats (27) were used in this study .They were diagnosed clinically as cases of postpartum open pyometra (external &vaginal examination ). This study was performed in vet med /Baghdad university and two regions from Baghdad province ,their age 2-5years from 2008-2011. They were divided randomly into three groups (9goats of each group) .The 1<sup>st</sup> group treated with 250 µg of estrumate I/M injected and 2gm (10ml) oxytetracycline 20% intrauterine (I.U). The 2<sup>nd</sup> group treated with estrumate in same dose and 1tube of Metricure I.U and the 3<sup>rd</sup> group treated with estrumate and 25ml of 0.5% loguls iodine . Results showed that the number of goats responded were 77.7%, 66.6% and 88.8% in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> group respectively. The mean of the days open were  $43.12\pm9.16,148.31\pm8.24$  and  $136.42\pm8.51$  in the 1<sup>st</sup> ,2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> group ,1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> group were significant P<0.01 with 3<sup>rd</sup> group (decreases) .The number of newly born kids were 32 kids (17male ,15female ). The alive were 27(84.3%) and dead 5(5.7%). The retention of fetal membrane recorded 4/21 (19.04). In conclusion that the PGF2 $\alpha$  (estrumate) has an effect role in the treatment of pyometra in goats and its effect increasing when combined with loguls iodine or oxytetracycline.

Key Word : Goat , PGF2 $\alpha$  , Loguls Iodine , Metricure .

# تقيح الرحم بعد الولادة في المعز العراقي : دراسة سريرية وعلاجية

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#### الخلاصة

اجريت هذه الدراسة على 27 من المعز المحلية كانت تعاني من تقيح الرحم المفتوح بعد الولادة وذلك في كلية الطب البيطري / جامعة بغداد وموقعين اخرين في محافظة بغداد ،تراوحت اعمار هذه الحيوانات مابين 5-2 سنوات قسمت عشوائيا الى ثلاثة مجاميع ضمت كل منها 9 من المعز وكان التقسيم بموجب نوع العلاج المستخدم وقد اعطيت جميع المجاميع عقار الاستروميت (بروستاكلاندين صناعي )وبمقدار 250مايكوغرام (1مل) في العضلة اضافة الى 2غم من المضاد الحياتي الاوكسي نتراسايكلين 20% (10مل) داخل الرحم المعتود و25مايكوغرام المستخدم وقد اعطيت جميع المجاميع عقار الاستروميت (بروستاكلاندين صناعي )وبمقدار 200مايكوغرام (1مل) في العضلة اضافة الى 2غم من المضاد الحياتي الاوكسي نتراسايكلين 20% (10مل) داخل الرحم المموعة الأولى وانبوبة واحدة من مادة ( المتريكيور) داخل الرحم بالنسبة للمجموعة الثانية و25مل من محلول اليود المائي وبتركيز 0.5% للمجموعة الثالثة . وقد اظهرت نتائج العلاج استجابة المعز وبنسبة محلول اليود المائي وبتركيز 1.5% ماموعة الثالثة والثالثة على التوالي ، فيما كان معدل الايام المفتوحة لتلك معن محلول اليود المائي وبتركيز 1.5% المجموعة الثالثة . وقد اظهرت نتائج العلاج استجابة المعز وبنسبة المجموعة الثالثة المعز وبنسبة المجموعة الثالثة على التوالي ، فيما كان معدل الايام المفتوحة لتلك محلول اليود المائي وبتركيز 1.5% ماموعية الثالثة على التوالي ، فيما كان معدل الايام المفتوحة التك المجموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة على التوالي ، فيما كان معدل الايام المفتوحة التك المجاميع الولى والثانية والثالثة على التوالي ، فيما كان معدل الايام المفتوحة المجاميع عالمحموعة الثالثة الموالي ولند المائي وقد المائي وقد المائي المحموعة الثالثة المواليد الكلى الناتج بعد اخصاب هذه الحوانات المجاميع من المولي مان المعنور . المعامي ماد الحيات المولي والثالثة على التوالي المحموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة المولي والثانية وليالي معدل الايام المفتوحة التك المحموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة المحموعة الثالثة المولي والثالثة المولي والثالثة المولي والثالثة المولي ماليا المولي والثالثة المولي والثالثة المولي معمولية المولي والثالثة المولي معنوية المولي المولي والثالثان المحموعة المولي ماليمومية المولي مالي معد المولي المو

وحملها بعد العلاج فكان 32 جدي (منها 17 ذكور 15، اناث) ، فيما سجل عدد المواليد الحية 27 (84.3%) اما الميتة فكان 5 (5.7%) . فيما كانت نسبة احتباس الاغشية الجنينية هي 19.04% و عليه نستنتج من هذه الدراسة الدور المهم للبروستاكلاندين في معالجة حالة التقيح في الماعز وزيادة هذا الدور اذا ما اقترن مع اعطاء مادة المحلول المائي لليود او الاوكسي تتراسايكلين مما يعزز في معالجة الحالة.

## Introduction

Pyometra is an infectious uterine disorder and mostly common occurs after parturition in does .it characterized by the accumulation of pus in the uterus and persistence corpus luteum with absent of estrus due to failure of uterine luteolytic factor (PGF2 $\alpha$ ) release and secondary to the sever endometritis (1 and 2).The incidence of doe pyometra was 1-10% (3 and 4).

Pyometra in does followed an acute endometritis due to difficult kidding and associated with retained placenta (5). Pyometra in caprine is characterize by accumulation of pus or mucopurulent matter in the uterus (2). In most cases of post partum pyometra the cervix is relaxed so that some of the pus escapes and observed occasionally when the doe lies down or defecates , the pus is usually thick mucoid and creamy and yellow or greenish-gray in color (1 and 4) Many treatments had been used in ewes and does (5, 6, and 7).

The aim of the study is evaluate the different treatments upon post partum Pyometra in Iraq goats. The reproductive efficiency criteria for the treated animals were : services per conception ,days open ,type of birth ,sex and viability of new born kids and retention of fetal membranes .

### Materials and methods

This study was conducted in Vet. Med. Collage / Baghdad University and two other regions in Baghdad .27 does aged between 2-5 years were used in duration from 2008-2011.

Cases were diagnosed by external and vaginal examination using vaginal speculum and then divided randomly into three groups according to the type of treatment, each group include 9 does. The 1<sup>st</sup> group were treated with PGF2 $\alpha$  (Estrumate )\* 250 µg (1ml ) injected intramuscular (I/M) and 2gm (10ml) of oxytetracyclin 20% I.U ,the 2<sup>nd</sup> group were given Estrumate 250 µg and 1 tube of (Metricure ) \*\* (I.U) ,the 3<sup>rd</sup> group treated with Estrumate 250 µg (IM) and 25 ml of loguls solution. Mean and standard deviation, chi-square and T.test were conducted for analyzing the data.

<sup>\*</sup>Essex Animal Health Friesoythe Sedelsberger Strasse . Germany .

<sup>\*\*</sup> Al- Shark Veterinary Products .

### **Results**

The results were showed in table 1 and 2. Table 1 represented the response to the treatment and showed that the treatment using Estrumate  $250\mu g$  with 2gm (10ml) of 20% oxytetracycline (1<sup>st</sup> group) or with metricure (1tube) (2<sup>nd</sup> group) was effective and the response recorded 77.7% (7/9), 66.6% (6/9) respectively but the best results were achieved when Estrumate and loguls iodine 0.5% were used in the 3<sup>rd</sup> group and the response recorded 88.8% (8/9).

Table 2 showed that the open days were  $143.12\pm 9.16$ ,  $148.31\pm 8.24$  and  $136.42\pm 8.51$  in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> groups respectively. The number of the offspring after treatment was 32 kids (17male ,15female ) out of 27treated does. The nature of parturition was 18 (85.7%) for normal and 3(14.3%) represented dystocia. The alive kids were 27 (84.3%) and dead kids were 5(15.7%) from the total born kids, type of parturition were 11(52.3%) for single and 10(47.7%) for twin .Retention of fetal membranes were 4(19.04%) in the all three groups.

Table -1- Shows type of Pyometra treatment, degree of response and days open in postpartum							
pyometra in does.							

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Groups	No. of	Type of treatment	<b>Response animals</b>	Days open					
	treated		No. %	M±SE					
	animals								
1	9	Estrumate 250µg	7 A	Α					
		(1ml) IM + 2gm	77.7%	143.12±9.16					
		(10ml) oxytetracycline							
2	9	Estrumate 250µg	6 B	Α					
		(1ml) IM + Metricure	66.6%	148.31±8.24					
		(1tube) IU							
3	9	Estrumate 250µg	8 A	В					
		(1ml) IM +loguls	88.8%	136.42±8.51					
		iodine (20ml ) IU							
Total	27		21/27 77.7%						

\*Different letters significant p<0.01.

 Table -2- Reveals the effect of treatment on nature and type of parturition, sex, viability of newborn and retention of fetal membranes.

Groups	No. of	No. of conceived		Nature of		Туре	of	Sex of k	kids	Viabili	ty	Retained
	animals	animals		parturiti	ion	parturi	tion	Μ	F	L	D	of feta
		No.	%	Ν	D	S	Т					memb.
1	9	7	77.7	6	1	4	3	6	4	9	1	1
2	9	6	66.6	5	1	3	3	4	5	8	1	1
3	9	8	88.8	7	1	4	3	7	6	10	2	2
							Twin					
							triple					
Total	27	21/27	77.7	18	3	11	10	17	15	27	5	4/21
				85.7%	14.3%	52.3%	47.7%	53.1%	46.9%	84.3%	15.7%	19.04%

N =Normal, D=Dystocia, S=Single, T= Twin, M=Male, F=Female, L=Alive, D=Dead

#### Discussion

The all over response was 77.7% (21/27), this response seems to be to the role of PGF2 $\alpha$  in evacuating the uterine contents by increasing the contractility of uterine muscles (1 and 6) and to the effect of oxytetracycline and its maintenance therapeutic levels in the uterus for 72hrs more than other antibiotics (4 and 5) this results may be related to the loguls iodine solution by releasing PGF2 $\alpha$ from the uterine endometrium and stimulated muscles contraction and tone (7 and 5).

The responsive rate were 77.7% ,66.6% and 88.8% in the 1<sup>st</sup> ,2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> groups respectively and these results were in agreement with (8,9 and 10) who reported increase in does treated from pyometra with PGF2 $\alpha$  in various doses . The open days in the 3<sup>rd</sup> group comparable with other groups (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>) were effective in reducing days open and increasing the response of animal to the treatment in this group , the findings of the present study for the best treatment and reducing days open are close to those reported by 5,11 and 12. In this study concluded that the PGF2 $\alpha$  (Estrumate) combination with loguls iodine intrauterine infusion was effective in the treatment of postpartum pyometra in does and may be related to the role of PGF2 $\alpha$  in increasing the uterine contraction with rapid evacuation of contents and reducing uterine infection .

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