

## عنوان مقاله:

Effects of Peppermint (*Mentha piperita* L.) Alcoholic Extract on Carbon Tetrachloride-induced Hepatotoxicity in Broiler Chickens Under Heat Stress Condition

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## خلاصه مقاله:

In order to investigate the effects of peppermint (*Mentha piperita* L.) alcoholic extract on liver injury caused by the oxidant carbon tetrachloride (CCl<sub>4</sub>), an experiment was performed as a completely randomized design in a factorial arrangement (2 × 2) with 4 replications of 10 broilers each. Factors included two levels of peppermint leaf alcoholic extract (0 and 2 mL/Kg body weight) and CCl<sub>4</sub> (0 and 1 mL/Kg body weight). Results showed significant (P) interactions for body weight gain (BWG), feed intake (FI) and feed conversion ratio (FCR) on d 42 of the experiment. The alcoholic extract of peppermint leaf did not improve growth performance, whereas CCl<sub>4</sub> worsened BWG and FCR (P). The interaction between peppermint extract and CCl<sub>4</sub> indicated an ameliorative effect of peppermint extract on BWG and FCR (P). The interaction effects between peppermint extract and CCl<sub>4</sub> significantly differed for blood serum concentrations of total protein, albumin, albumin:globulin ratio, glucose, triglyceride, total cholesterol, HDLC, LDLC, LDLC:HDLC ratio, and VLDLC as well as the amount of blood liver enzymes (P). Peppermint extract significantly increased blood serum concentrations of total protein, albumin, triglyceride and HDLC, whilst CCl<sub>4</sub> decreased those concentrations (P). Blood serum concentrations of total cholesterol, LDLC, LDLC:HDLC ratio, VLDLC and glucose were decreased by peppermint extract, whereas those concentrations were increased by CCl<sub>4</sub> (P). A significantly higher level of liver enzymes was found in blood serum of birds treated by CCl<sub>4</sub> than those by peppermint extract (P). A moderate effect on blood serum liver enzymes was observed by the interaction between 2 mL of peppermint extract and 1 mL of CCl<sub>4</sub> (P). Generally, this study indicated that in vivo administration of peppermint alcoholic extract ameliorated the adverse effects of CCl<sub>4</sub> on growth performance and liver function, therefore it might be useful for the prevention of oxidative stress-induced hepatotoxicity in broilers.

## کلمات کلیدی:

CCl<sub>4</sub>, liver, Broiler, Peppermint, Oxidative stress

