Molecular determination of extended spectrum β-lactamases antibiotics resistance genes in *E. coli* isolated from diarrhea in cattle

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Abstract

None response to the treatment by an antibiotic called antibiotics resistance result from some genes called resistance genes. This mechanism is widespread in most of the bacteria, like *E.coli*. All of the extended resistance genes called (ESBIS) is a typical example for study of some genes that resistance beta-lactam antibiotic is subject of this research. Fifty feces sample were collected from cattle suffering from diarrhea in alqaissiyah city were cultured on selective media for *E.coli*, then DNA was extracted from all *E.coli* isolates for antibiotic resistance gene detection by PCR; The results of this study revealed the prevalence of β-lactamase gene four B-lactamases genes in E.coli blaAmpc gene were (91.4%), the bla<sub>cte-m</sub> gene were (80%), bla<sub>tem</sub> were (62.8%) and finally and bla<sub>SHV</sub> gene were (22%) among isolates *E.coli*; bla<sub>Ampc</sub> gene has high prevalence than others genes while bla<sub>SHV</sub> was a lower percentage than other genes.

Keyword: *E.coli*, diarrhea, antibiotics resistance genes, β-lactamases

Introduction:

Diarrhea is the syndromes characterized by loose of fluids from the body; usually, lasts days will be developed to the dehydration case due to decrease the fluid less than normal level. The causative agent of the diarrhea is inflammation in the intestines due to a viral, bacterial, or parasite; these infections are often transmitted through contaminated food or contaminated water by the stool, or transmitted directly between the animals. *E.coli* considered most common in a family of Enterobacteriaceae which causes diarrhea in all age and all animals' types and in all the degree (1).most *Escherichia coli* strains are commensal microbital in the mammalian gastrointestinal gut, yet some strains can cause severe diarrhea illnesses in animals (2) and (3). *Escherichia coli* is the most opportunistic bacteria that cause enteritis. Many of *E.coli* cases don't a response to treatment for causes related to have genetic materials that have (4). β-Lactam antibiotics have been used on the wide aspect to treat *E. coli* disease; however, treatment by this group become without good results in last period. The rate of antibiotic resistance is increasing and this antibiotic become without any cure and increasing every year in the world (5). The antibiotic used for several cascade ago, percentage of β-lactam resistant in Enterobacteria started an increasing. Some of the enterobacteria group is opportunistic pathogens and develop new resistance mechanisms and new genes in the genetic material can prevent the antibiotic to kill the bacteria and resist the antibiotic beta-lactam group called extended spectrum beta-lactamases (ESBLS) (6). (ESBLS) have considered as a huge problem spread in the worldwide with little of treatment methods (7) ESBLS are defined as B-lactamases that confer bacterial resistance to some of the antibiotics like penicillins, cephalosporins, and aztreonam by deactivation these
antibiotics, and are inhibited by B-lactamase inhibitors (8) (9). The organism that producing β-lactamase enzymes is used as mechanism action of bacterial resistance. (ESBLs) Extended-spectrum β-lactamases formed bacteria have much antibiotic non-respons. This study was designed to detect several types of (ESBLs) are included (bla<sub>Extended</sub>) gene, (bla<sub>CTX-M</sub>) gene, (bla<sub>TEM</sub>) gene and (bla<sub>Amp</sub>) gene also another studies (14-19). The aim of our research is knowledge of the prevalence of beta-lactam resistance genes in E.coli has taken from diarrhea cases in cattle.

**Methods and Materials:**

**Sample collection:**

Fifty Fecal samples were collected from cattle suffering from diarrhea from different fields in Diwanyia province. The samples were placed in sterile (25 ml) container, transferred into Microbiology of Laboratory College of Veterinary Medicine to bacterial isolation.

**Bacterial identification:**

*Escherichia coli* was isolated from fecal samples by inoculation on blood agar and Maconcky agar then EMB broth at 37°C overnight for primary enrichment culture and the bacterial growth were culture on Eosin methylene blue media (EMB) and blood agar at 37°C overnight for selective isolation of purity culture *Escherichia coli* isolates.

**Bacterial DNA extraction:**

DNA extraction by commercial DNA extraction kit (Presto Mini-DNA Bacteria Kit Geneaid Biotech Ltd. Korea). The extraction method was depending on the manufacturing instructions by using Gram-negative bacteria DNA Protocol extraction method by using (10 mg/ml) proteinase K buffer.

**Nanodrop:**

The extracted DNA was estimated by Nano-drop device at 260-280nm and was preformed it store at deep freezer until used in PCR method.

**PCR (polymerase chain reaction):**

PCR technique was used for detection of four genes in E.coli (bla<sub>TEM</sub>, bla<sub>SHV</sub>, Bla<sub>CTX-M</sub>, and bla<sub>Amp</sub>) genes) the detection was depending on specific primer. The PCR primers was used in current study to detect the extended-spectrum β-lactamases including (Bla<sub>CTX-M</sub> gene, bla<sub>SHV</sub> gene, bla<sub>TEM</sub> gene, and bla<sub>Amp</sub> gene) were designed by NCBI Gene sequence database. The primers have provided from Company of Bioneer, in Korea Table (1).

**Table (1): PCR primers and their sequence**

| Primer of gene | Sequence | Amplicon |
|----------------|----------|----------|
| Bla<sub>CTX-M</sub> | 3AGCGATAAAGTGCAGATGAA5 | 247bp |
| Bla<sub>SHV</sub> | 5TGGTGCATTACGATGAGGAT5 | 410bp |
| Bla<sub>TEM</sub> | 5AATCACCAGACATGCGCTG3 | 531bp |
| Bla<sub>Amp</sub> | 5TGGTACTGCGTCTGCCCTG3 | 670bp |

**Preparation of PCR master mix:**

The mix was prepared using (Accu-Power®PCR-PreMix-Kit) master mix reagent and done depend on company instructions as following table (2).
Table (2): Protocol of PCR reaction mixture volumes and concentrations

| Master                          | Volume |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| DNA template (10 ng/μl)        | 5 μl   |
| Forward primer                 | 1.5 μl |
| Reverse primer                 | 1.5 μl |
| PCR water                      | 12 μl  |
| Total volume                   | 20 μl  |

PCR thermocycler conditions:

PCR mix revealed table (2) placed in AccuPower PCR-PreMix which contains all other PCR substances which required to the reaction such as (dNTPs, NTaq DA polymerase, 10% PCR buffer). Next step all the PCR tubes treat with vortex centrifuge for vibration for 3 minutes and transferred into thermocycler (MyGene, Bioneer. Korea).

Results:

Thirty five out of fifty isolates of were identified as E.coli, while the rest is negative 15(30%) by using EMB media (contain all nutrient element for grow E.coli like PH as in the intestine, salt, bile acid .... etc) as below table (4).

Table (3): PCR thermocycler conditions

| PCR                        | Temp | Time | Repeat |
|----------------------------|------|------|--------|
| Initial Denaturation       | 95C  | 5 min| 1      |
| Denaturation               | 95C  | 30 sec| 30 cycle|
| Annealing                  | 60C  | 30 sec| 1      |
| Extension                  | 72C  | 1 min|        |
| Final extension            | 72C  | 5 min| 1      |
| Hold                       | 4C   | Forever|      |

PCR product analysis:

The PCR final products were examined by electrophoresis with (1%) agarose gel using 1X TBE buffer, and stained with ethidium bromide and investigation under UV transilluminator (80) volts for one hour.

The Results of Polymerase chain reaction showed many of (ESBLs) (blaAmpC), (blaCTX-M), (blaTEM), and (blaSHV genes) as following table (5); the figures (1) (2) (3) and (4).

Table (4): number and percent of E.coli isolated from 50 cattle feed samples

| Total isolates | Number E.coli isolates | Percent % | Number of other bacteria | Percent % |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|
| 50             | 35                     | 70%       | 15                       | 30%       |

Table (5): ESBLs gene name and the Percent mant genes were detected by PCR as. blaAmpC, blactx-m, blaTem and blaSHV genes

| ESBLs gene name | Number of isolates | The Percent (%) |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| blaAmpC         | (32)               | (91.4%)         |
| blaCTX-M        | (28)               | (80%)           |
| blaTEM          | (22)               | (62.8%)         |
| blaSHV          | (8)                | (22%)           |
Discussion:

*Escherichia coli* are most common bacteria caused diarrhea in cattle and calves, and producing (extended spectrum beta-lactamases) or called (ESBLs) by this mechanism resistant for all groups of (beta-lactam antibiotics) (20). ESBL-*E.coli* microorganisms are spread in all the world, with prevalence different from country to country and even in one country, and different from institution to another institution, based on several factors like the weather, the contamination level, virulence of the strains (21). The current study aimed to determination the percentages of some extended spectrum beta-lactamas genes in *E.coli* isolated from diarrhea of cattle this percentage was (70%). The results of (22) refer to (544) healthy adult worker that works in the factory was (75.5%), he refer to (77.3%) of *E.coli* isolated from (30) workers act in the animal farm were positive. This study has an agreement with (23) who take (84) total isolates and detect the (55) isolates ESBL-*E.coli*; the prevalence was *CTX-M* gene; *SHV* gene and *TEM* gene (96.4%) (2.4%) (1.2%) respectively. High
contamination level with ESBL Enterobacteraeae, up to (93.3%), are reported this supported by (24-26). While our results different with (27)and (28) where the first reported the prevalence of (30%) of E. coli isolates. also different with (28) where Escherichia coli that isolated from (0.3 to 2.2%) of fecal samples in the United States, the United Kingdom, and there are big gap with (29) where prevalence of E. coli was (14.6%) The study results also different with (30) and (31), where it was (27.3%) of isolates. The genes were detected in a study; the prevalence of ESBL E. coli isolates was contract and depends on many factors like the area of the world and in different hospitals in the country. In Iran was reported as (30.5%) also confirm in some countries e.g. turkey (17%), Korea (9.2%), India (27%), Lebanon (13.3%), (32) and (33). The genes that detected in this study the prevalence of studies gene among isolate E.coli was a different value of the percentage of blaAmpc gene was (91.4%), blaCTX-M gene was (80%), blatem was (62.8%) and, finally, blashv gene was (62.8%). there are several research and reports may have same, different and close to our outcome. The disagreement with (34) found blatem gene; blatem gene; blaCTX-M gene were (9%) (33%) (9%) respectively. There are different results with our report in where (33) confirm E. coli were ESBL- strain was (30.5%), The TEM gene; SHV gene CTX gene were (49%) (44%), (28%) respectively; according to the study the TEM-gene was more prevalent (33). Also (35) has different results with our results, however, blaCTX-M was (7.1%) and blatem was (18.7%) but blashv was (16.4%) that close for our result. (36) Reported (52%) of isolates were detected as extended spectrum β-lactamases (ESBLs) by use PCR; all E. coli isolates possessed one or more ESBL gene. CTX-M type ESBL was the most dominant ESBL (87.2%) among the isolates. while those for TEM-type and SHV-type were (54.5%) and (21.8%) respectively. Our result similar to the results of (37) wherever, ESBLs were (63.6%) of E. coli; ESBL genes were (57.3%); blactxM was the commonest was (85.4%); blatem was (54.9%) and blashv was (32.9%); the results of ESBL genotyping has shown; The TEM gene was (49%); SHV (44%) gene, CTX (28%) genes (20). Also very similarity with (38) ESBLs were detected (63.6%) and considred close to ours ; Other reports in India had found high percentage of ESBL strains about (41%) to (63.6%) in E. coli; ESBL- Enterobacteraeae about from (5%) to (52%) and in some Asian countries about (10%) to (46.5%); while blactx-M gene was (75.2%) all that likely to ours (38). The variations among studies were high resistance to other nonβ-lactam antibiotics caused by treatment failure by these drugs (38); systemic inflammation; overuse of broad-spectrum antibiotics, play great important role for spread resistance phenomena in the Enterobacteraeae family; using some of antibiotics like trimethoprim - sulphamethoxazole and cephalosporins were associated with infections cases by ESBL strains also the animals which take contaminated ventilator for long use that will developed and spreading the ESBL organism (38) and (39). (40) Found percent of E.coli was (65%); blatem was (21.7%); blashv was (34%) and blactxM was (43.4%). Percentage of antimicrobial drugs resistant E. coli in animals depend on many of the factors like size of herd, nature of calf housing, type of milking system, and nature of geographic location where the animals live; Treatment by broad spectrum antibiotics for prolonged time will be increased the spreading of resistant E. coli ; take milk contaminated by waste that contain antibiotics, but depending on colostrums from also in the cows that treated with antibiotics at drying off period had affected negative on antibiotic resistance E. coli ; while Feeding healthy colostrums or healthy milk will be decreased the cases that resist the beta-lactam (41).
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