

Erratum to "EFFECT OF *IN OVO* ADMINISTRATION OF BUTYRIC ACID INTO BROILER BREEDER EGGS ON CHICKEN SMALL INTESTINE PH AND MORPHOLOGY"

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ABSTRACT

This experiment was conducted to evaluate effects of *in ovo* butyric acid (BA) administration into broiler eggs on chicken small intestine pH and morphology. 480 fertile eggs were obtained from Ross broiler breeder (45 wk) and divided into 3 treatments with 4 replicate and 160 eggs per treatment. On the 18^{th} day of incubation, 1 ml of *in ovo* solution was injected into amniotic fluid. Treatments were including 0.3 % BA solution, 0.9 % NaCl solution and control group. For pH and intestinal morphometric examination, 4 chicks per replicate were euthanized. The results showed that effect of BA injection on jejunum (p < 0.01) and ileum pH (p < 0.05) on hatch day was significant. Jejunum villi height increased (p < 0.05) on the 7^{th} day compared with the control group. The highest ileum villi was observed following the BA injection (p < 0.01). It can be concluded that BA injection affects small intestine morphology and increases body weight of chicks.

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