

## **Dedication:**

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## **LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS**

**ELISA:** Enzyme Linked Immune Sorbent Assay

**IgG** : Immunglubin G

**IgM** : Immunglubin M

***T.gondii*** : *Toxoplasma gondii*

## Abstract

The study was a descriptive cross sectional, that was conducted at the International laboratory Health of Khartoum State. Following informed consent, samples were collected at voluntary counseling and testing centers blood bank in Khartoum, Omdurman and Khartoum North teaching Hospitals. The study was done during 2011-2013. The study involved 534 samples taken from the blood donors; the study has investigated *Toxoplasma gondii* by latex agglutination test, in addition to assessment of levels of IgG and IgM using the ELISA test. The area from which study samples were collected included Khartoum with 299(56%) samples, Omdurman with 118(22.1%) samples and Khartoum North with 117(21.9%) samples. Positive results were detected in 235(44%), 218(40.8%), 187(35%) by using latex agglutination test, ELISA for IgG and IgM levels respectively.

All samples were examined by latex agglutination, ELISA IgG and IgM test for the presence of anti-*Toxoplasma* antibodies. The study population was divided into 7 age group (18-25), (26-30), (31-35), (36-40), (41-45), (46-50), (51-56) age distribution of the study groups with the latex agglutination test, ELISA IgG and IgM test. The highest rate (36%) was reported among the age group 18-25 years, but the lowest rate 1.3% was reported among the age group 51-56 years.

The latex test, IgG and IgM tests were significant.

The study showed that drinking non boiling milk found to be statistically significant in latex test and ELISA. IgM ( $P = 0.002$ ), ( $P = 0.049$ ) and not significant in ELISA IgG ( $P = 0.09$ ).

Contact with domestic animals was found to be non-significant in the transmission cycle.

Eating uncooked or partially cooked meat has been shown to be of great importance in the transmission cycle.

## المستخلص للدراسة

أجريت هذه الدراسة بينوك الدم في مستشفى الخرطوم و مستشفى ام درمان و مستشفى الخرطوم بحرى التعليمى حيث جمعت عينات مصل من 534 من المتبرعين بالدم، كما أجريت هذه الدراسة فى الفترة من 2011-2013. تراوحت أعمار المتبرعين بالدم قيد الدراسة ما بين 18- 56 سنة . وذلك لتشخيص الإصابة بداء القطط.

كانت نسبة المناطق التى جمعت منها العينات كالتالى: الخرطوم ،(56%) 299 ام درمان (22.1%) 118 والخرطوم بحرى (21.9%) 117 تم اختبار هذه العينات لمعرفة الأجسام المضادة لطفيل المقوسات المعوية كانت النتائج باختبار التلازن (44%) 235 و الإليزا IgG (40.8%) 218 و IgM (35%) 187.

قسمت الاعداد الى سبعة فئات عمرية (18-25)، (26-30)، (31-35)، (36-40)، (41-45)، (46-50) (51-56) أوضحت النتائج أن أعلى معدل لانتشار الطفيل قد تم تسجيله في المتبرعين في الفئة العمرية 18 - 25 سنة، حيث بلغت 36% وأقل معدل انتشار للطفيل قد تم تسجيله في المتبرعين في الفئة العمرية 51-56 سنة حيث بلغت 1.3%.

أوضحت الدراسة التعامل مع الحيوانات الأليفة ليس له دور واضح فى الإصابة بداء القطط.

أوضحت الدراسة ان تناول الحليب الغير مقلّى بنسبة لاختبار التلازن و الإليزا (IgM) له دور فى دورة إنتقال الطفيل ، بينما وجدت نسب متفاوتة عند الذين يتناولون اللحوم النية او غير المطهوه جيدا له دور واضح فى الإصابة بداء القطط.

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