

# Dedication

**To My Mother & Father  
For their subtle support  
To My Brothers & Friends  
For their kind help and  
encouragement**

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## Abstract

This study was carried out in the period from May 2007- March 2008 to detect the presence of *Hafnia alvei* in patients suffering from urinary tract infection. Forty six urine specimens were collected from patients attended Khartoum Teaching Hospital, Ibrahim Malik Teaching Hospital and Omdurman Teaching Hospital. Bacterial DNA was extracted from each urine specimen using Phenol-Choloroform technique. Real time PCR technique was adopted to detect the presence of *Hafnia alvei*.

The results revealed that only one (2.1%) specimen was positive and the rest forty five (97.8%) were negative. The study concluded that real time PCR technique facilitates detection of *Hafnia alvei* in urine without bacteriological culture.

## الخلاصة

أجريت هذه الدراسة في الفترة بين مايو 2007م إلى مارس 2008م لتحديد وجود بكتيريا الهافنية النخروية في عينات البول من مرضى مصابين بالتهاب المجارى البولية.

تم تجميع ستة وأربعون عينة بول من هؤلاء المرضى من مستشفى الخرطوم التعليمي، مستشفى ابراهيم مالك التعليمي ومستشفى أم درمان التعليمي.

تم استخلاص الحمض النووى الريبى منقوص الاكسجين للبكتيريا من عينات البول باستخدام تقنية الفينول كلوروفورم.

وقد استخدم تقنية تفاعل البلمرة المتسلسل الزمنى للكشف عن بكتيريا الهافنية النخروية وأظهرت النتائج وجود عينة واحدة (2.1%) إيجابية وبقية النتائج خمسة وأربعون (97.8%) سلبية.

خلصت الدراسة إلى أن تقنية تفاعل البلمرة المتسلسل الزمنى تسهل كشف الهافنية النخروية في البول بدون اللجوء لتقنيات الاستزراع المخبرى.

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