Preface

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Abstract

This cross-sectional study was carried out to determine the prevalence and risk factors and economic effect of brucellosis in rumminants' population in Jebel Aulia locality, Khartoum State. A total of 393 serum samples were collected from 53 herds, out of which 207 were bovine, 84 ovine, 82 caprine and 20 camels. The serum samples were screened for presence of brucella antibodies using RBPT and the positive samples were confirmed by C-ELISA test. The results pointed out that, prevalence of brucellosis among herds/flocks of cattle, camel, sheep and goats were 76% (22/29), 20% (1/5), 13% (1/8) and18% (2/11) respectively. The individual animal prevalence were 19% (39/207), 5% (1/20), 1 % (1/84) and 4 % (3/82) respectively.

A survey using questionnaire was conducted to collect the required epidemiological data. The risk factors were investigated using logistic regression analysis. The test revealed that only abortion cases (OR.001, CI.00-.247, *p*-value.014) and source of water (OR1.51, CI 2.949-7.745E5, *p*-value.021) were significant (P<0.05) risk factors.

The estimation of loss in milk production due to bovine brucellosis was found to be SDG39,210 (US\$8,524), loss due to abortion was SDG 12,600 (US\$ 2,739) and finally loss due to infertility problem was SDG 3,120 (US\$ 678). The total loss in the sample was SDG 55,530 (US\$ 12,072). The total loss in the herd sampled investigated was SDG 198,245 (US\$43,097). And finally the financial loss due to brucellosis in the whole locality was SDG 3,402,620 (US\$739,700).

This study provides necessary information about prevalence and risk factor of the disease in the study area which may help the decision makers in setting the priority of disease control.

مستخلص البحث

أجريت هذه الدراسة لتحديد مدى انتشار مرض البروسيلا(الاجهاض المعدى) ،عوامل الخطرو الاثار الاقتصاديه المرتبطة بالمرض في الحيوانات المجترة في منطقة جبل اولياء جمعت 393 عينة مصل دموي من53من القطعان، منها 207 عينة من الأبقار ،20 عينة من الابل، 84 عينة من الأغنام و82عينه من الماعز تم فحص عينات المصل للتأكد من وجودالأجسام المضادة للبروسيلا باستخدام فحص روز بنغال (RBPT) وتم تأكيد العينات الإيجابية بواسطة فحص اليسا (C-ELISA) وتم تأكيد العينات الإيجابية والإبل والأغنام والماعز كانت 76٪(22/29)، 20٪(1/5)و 13 % (1/8) و 18٪ (1/1) على التوالي وكانت نسبة العينات الموجبة لمرض البروسيلا في العينات التي تم جمعها 19٪(207/39)، 5٪(20/1)،

أجري مسح ميداني لجمع عوامل الخطر الوبائي المطلوبة باستخدام الاستبيان. كشف تحليل الانحدار اللوجستي أن حالة الإجهاض (OR.001,CI.00-.247, p-value.014) هما عوامل الخطر المرتبطة ومصدر المياه (OR1.51,CI 2.949-7.745E5, p-value.021) هما عوامل المحلية

تم تقدير الخسارة الماليه في إنتاج الحليب بسبب بروسيلا الأبقار لتكون 39,210 جنيه سوداني 8,524 دولار امريكي، وكانت الخسارة بسبب الإجهاض 12,600 جنيه سوداني 2,739 دولار وا بسبب مشكلة العقم 3,120 جنيه سوداني 678 دولار أمريكي والخسارة الكلية في العينة كانت 55,350 جنيه سوداني 12,072 دولار امريكي ومجموع الخسائر في القطعان التي استهدفت في البحث كان 198,245 جنيه سوداني 43,097 دولار أمريكي والخسائر المالية نتيجة لمرض البروسيلا في محلية جبل اولياء كانت 3,402,620 جنيه سوداني 739,700 دولار امريكي.

أوضحت هذه الدراسةالمعلومات اللازمةحول انتشار المرض وعوامل الخطر المرتبطة به في محلية جبل اولياء مما يساعد السلطات البيطريه في تحديد أولويات مكافحة الأمراض.