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Haemorrhagic Septicaemia (HS) is an acute, highly fatal, septicaemic disease of bovines occurring in most tropical regions of Asia and Africa. Among bovines, buffaloes have been reported to be more susceptible than cattle following natural infection. This study was conducted in pre-pubertal female buffaloes experimentally infected by *Pasteurella multocida* type B:2 and its immunogens with the objectives of determining the changes in gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH), follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH), luteinizing hormone (LH), progesterone, estrogen, interleukin-1 β (IL-1 β), interleukin 6 (IL-6) and tumour necrosis factor alpha (TNF- α) concentrations as well as pathological changes in the reproductive organs, mammary gland, supramammary lymph nodes and pituitary gland. Twenty-one clinically healthy pre-pubertal female buffalo calves of approximately eight months of age were selected for this study. The 21 buffalo calves were randomly divided into seven groups of three calves each. The seven treatment groups consisting of group 1 (three buffaloes) inoculated orally with sterile phosphate buffered saline (PBS) pH 7 (negative control group), group 2 (three buffaloes) inoculated with 10¹² colony forming units (cfu) of *P. multocida* type B:2, orally, and group 3 (three buffaloes) inoculated with 10¹² cfu of *P. multocida* B:2, subcutaneously. Buffaloes of group 4 (three buffaloes) and group 5 (three buffaloes) were inoculated with LPS extracted from *P. multocida* B:2 orally and intravenously, respectively. Groups 6 and 7 were inoculated with OMP extracted from *P. multocida* B:2, orally and intravenously, respectively. After inoculation, all the calves were monitored at 2 hour intervals for the clinical signs of HS for the first 12 hours and twice daily thereafter until the end of the experiment at day 21. At the end of the study surviving buffaloes were euthanised by exsanguination before post-mortem examination was carried out where reproductive organs (ovary, oviduct, uterine horn, uterine body, vagina, cervix), supramammary lymph nodes, mammary glands and pituitary glands were harvested for isolation and identification of *P. multocida* B:2 and histopathological examination. The blood samples were collected for determination of concentrations of proinflammatory cytokines (IL1- β , IL-6 and TNF- α) and GnRH, LH, FSH, progesterone and estrogen. Buffaloes of groups 3 and 7 showed typical HS clinical signs and survived for the 12

hours and 72 hours respectively, while all buffaloes of groups 2, 4, 5 and 6 survived throughout the 21-day experiment and showed only mild clinical response of HS. Groups inoculated with *Pasteurella multocida* B:2 and its immunogens showed significant decrease ($p < 0.05$) in the concentrations of GnRH, FSH and LH, progesterone and estrogen hormones compared to the control group and it was observed that subcutaneous routes of inoculation with *Pasteurella multocida* B:2 and its OMP groups 3 and 7 respectively led to a significantly low levels of production of these hormones in buffalo calves. IL-1 β , IL-6 and TNF- α concentrations showed significant ($p < 0.05$) increase post inoculation with *Pasteurella multocida* B:2 and its immunogens compared with control group and it was observed that subcutaneous routes of inoculation with *Pasteurella multocida* B:2 and its OMP group 3 and 7 respectively led to a significantly high level of cytokine production in buffalo calves. Microscopic examination showed significant congestion, infiltration of inflammatory cells, degeneration and necrosis in the reproductive organs, pituitary gland, supramammary lymph nodes and mammary gland and buffaloes of groups 3 and 7 showed significant changes compared with groups 2, 4, 5 and 6. Successful isolation and PCR confirmation of *P. multocida* B:2 was achieved from different parts of the reproductive system, including ovary, oviduct, uterine horn, uterine body and vagina as well as mammary glands and supramammary lymph nodes of the buffaloes inoculated subcutaneously with *P. multocida* B:2. Therefore, it can be concluded that *P. multocida* and its immunogens (LPS and OMP), had detrimental negative effects on GnRH, FSH, LH concentrations as well as oestrogen and progesterone concentration in all treated groups. Apart from these, cytokine concentrations showed significant increase in calves following inoculation with *P. multocida* type B:2 and its immunogens (LPS and OMP). The gross and cellular changes were of typical HS lesions following subcutaneous inoculation while the oral and intravenously inoculated group showed less cellular changes; therefore, this work provides strong evidence of the involvement of the female reproductive system of buffaloes during the pathogenesis of the disease and shows that route of inoculation strongly affects the localization of the bacterium in the reproductive system.

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Septisemia berdarah (HS) ialah penyakit septisemia akut yang membawa maut, di kalangan bovin di kebanyakan kawasan tropika Asia dan Afrika. Di kalangan spesies bovin, kerbau telah dilaporkan sebagai lebih mudah dijangkiti berbanding dengan lembu melalui jangkitan semulajadi. Kajian ini telah dijalankan ke atas kerbau betina pra-puberti yang dijangkiti secara ujikaji oleh *Pasteurella multocida* jenis B:2 dan imunogennya dengan tujuan menentukan perubahan di dalam hormon melepaskan-gonadotropin (GnRH), hormon merangsang folikel (FSH), hormon peluteinan (LH), progesteron, estrogen, interleukin-1 β (IL-1 β), interleukin 6 (IL-6) dan kepekatan faktor nekrosis tumor alfa (TNF- α) serta perubahan patologi pada organ-organ pembiakan, kelenjar mamari, nodus limfa supramamari dan kelenjar pituitari. Dua puluh satu ekor anak kerbau betina pra-puberti yang sihat dari segi klinikal dalam anggaran umur lapan bulan telah dipilih untuk kajian ini. Anak-anak kerbau tersebut dibahagikan secara rawak kepada tujuh kumpulan yang mengandungi tiga anak kerbau setiap satu. Tujuh kumpulan rawatan itu yang terdiri daripada kumpulan 1 (tiga kerbau) disuntik secara mulut dengan salina steril bertimbal fosfat (PBS) pH 7 (kumpulan kawalan negatif), kumpulan 2 (tiga kerbau) disuntik dengan 10¹² unit membentuk koloni (cfu) *P. multocida* jenis B:2, secara mulut, dan kumpulan 3 (tiga kerbau) disuntik dengan 10¹² cfu *P. multocida* B:2, secara subkutis. Kerbau kumpulan 4 (tiga kerbau) dan kumpulan 5 (tiga kerbau) telah disuntik dengan LPS yang diekstrak daripada *P. multocida* B:2 secara mulut dan intravena, masing-masing. Kumpulan-kumpulan 6 dan 7 telah disuntik dengan OMP yang diekstrak daripada *P. multocida* B:2, secara mulut dan intravena masing-masing. Selepas inokulasi, semua anak kerbau dipantau setiap 2 jam untuk tanda-tanda klinikal HS bagi 12 jam pertama dan dua kali sehari selepas itu sehingga akhir eksperimen pada hari ke-21. Pada akhir kajian, kerbau yang masih hidup dieutanasiakan secara penyembelihan sebelum pemeriksaan post-mortem dijalankan pada organ-organ pembiakan (ovari, oviduct, tanduk rahim, badan rahim, faraj, pangkal rahim), kelenjar limfa supramamari, kelenjar mamari dan kelenjar pituitari diambil untuk pengasingan dan pengenalpastian *P. multocida* B:2 serta pemeriksaan histopatologi. Sampel darah telah diambil untuk menentukan kepekatan

sitokin pro-inflamasi (IL-1 β , IL-6 dan TNF- α) dan GnRH, LH, FSH, progesteron serta estrogen. Kerbau kumpulan 3 dan 7 menunjukkan tanda-tanda klinikal HS biasa dan masih hidup selepas 12 jam dan 72 jam masing-masing, manakala semua kerbau kumpulan 2, 4, 5 dan 6 masih hidup sepanjang eksperimen 21 hari itu dan menunjukkan hanya respons klinikal HS yang ringan. Kumpulan disuntik dengan *P. multocida* B:2 dan imunogennya menunjukkan penurunan yang signifikan ($p < 0.05$) di dalam kepekatan GnRH, FSH dan LH, hormon-hormon progesteron dan estrogen berbanding dengan kumpulan kawalan dan diperhatikan bahawa laluan inokulasi subkutis dengan *P. multocida* B:2 dan kumpulan-kumpulan OMPnya 3 dan 7 masing-masing membawa kepada pengeluaran rendah hormon-hormon ini yang signifikan di kalangan anak kerbau. Kepekatan Interleukin 1 beta (IL-1 β), IL-6 dan TNF- α menunjukkan peningkatan signifikan ($p < 0.05$) pasca inokulasi dengan *Pasteurella multocida* B:2 dan imunogenya dibandingkan dengan kumpulan kawalan dan diperhatikan bahawa laluan inokulasi subkutis dengan *P. multocida* B:2 dan kumpulan OMPnya 3 dan 7 masing-masing membawa kepada tahap pengeluaran sitokin tinggi yang signifikan di kalangan anak kerbau. Pemerhatian melalui mikroskop menunjukkan konjeksi yang signifikan, penyusupan sel-sel inflamasi, degenerasi dan nekrosis dalam organ-organ pembiakan, kelenjar pituitari, kelenjar limfa supramamari dan kelenjar mamari kerbau kumpulan 3 dan 7 dan menunjukkan perubahan signifikan berbanding dengan kumpulan 2,4,5 dan 6. Pengasingan yang dan pengesanan PCR *Pasteurella multocida* B:2 berjaya dicapai dari bahagian-bahagian yang berbeza daripada sistem pembiakan, termasuk ovari, oviduct, tanduk rahim, badan rahim dan faraj serta kelenjar mamari dan nodus limfa supramamari kerbau yang disuntik secara subkutis dengan *P. multocida* 2. Oleh itu, boleh disimpulkan bahawa *P. multocida* jenis B:2 dan imunogennya (LPS dan OMP), mempunyai kesan negatif yang menjejaskan ke atas kepekatan GnRH, FSH, LH serta kepekatan estrogen dan progesteron di dalam semua kumpulan yang dirawat. Selain daripada itu, kepekatan sitokin menunjukkan peningkatan yang signifikan di kalangan anak kerbau berikutan inokulasi dengan *P. multocida* jenis B:2 dan imunogenya (LPS dan OMP). Perubahan kasar dan selular adalah tipikal sebagaimana lesi HS berikutan inokulasi subkutis manakala kumpulan disuntik secara mulut dan intravena menunjukkan kurang perubahan di peringkat sel; oleh yang demikian, kajian ini membuktikan penglibatan sistem pembiakan betina di kalangan kerbau semasa patogenesis penyakit ini dan menunjukkan bahawa laluan inokulasi sangat mempengaruhi kependudukan bakteria tersebut di dalam sistem pembiakan.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

APP	Acute-phase proteins
BA	Blood agar
BHIA	Brain heart infusion agar
Bp	Base pair
CFU	Colony forming unit
CG	Gonadotropin
CL	Corpus luteum
CSY	Casein/sucrose/yeast
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
E.coli	Escherichia coli
EBL	Embryonic bovine lung
EDTA	Ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid
ELISA	Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay
FMD	Foot and mouth disease
FSH	Follicle-stimulating hormone
GnRH	Gonadotropin-releasing hormone
<u>Gp130</u>	<u>Glycoprotein 130</u>
HRP	Horseradish Peroxidase
HPA	Hypothalamic Pituitary Adrenocortical
HS	Haemorrhagic Septicaemia
I.V	Intravenous
IACUC	Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
ICSH	Interstitial Cell Stimulating Hormone
IL 6	Interleukin 6

IL-1Ra	IL-1 receptor antagonist
IL-1 β	Interleukin-1 β
IL-6Ra	IL-6 receptor antagonist
LH	luteinizing hormone
LOS	lipo-oligosaccharide
LPS	Lipopolysaccharide
MCA	MacConkey Agar
OD	Optical density (absorbance)
ODC	Ornithine Decarboxylase
OMP	Outer-membrane protein
<i>P.M</i>	<i>Pasteurella multocida</i>
PAF	platelet-activating factor
PBS	Phosphate- buffered saline
PCR	Polymerase chain reaction
PLD	Phospholipase D
RIA	Radioimmunoassay
RPM	Revolutions per minute
S.C	Subcutaneous
SDS- PAGE	Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate – Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis
T	Time
Tbp	Transferrin binding protein
TLR	Toll-like receptor
TNF- α	Tumour necrosis factor alpha
<u>UDP-glucose</u>	Uridine diphosphate glucose
UPM	Universiti Putra Malaysia

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Haemorrhagic Septicaemia (HS) is a disease that greatly affects the buffaloes and cattle industry in Malaysia. The negative effect of this disease is due to its ability to spread fast (morbidity). It is also characterized by high mortality rates within the affected herds, with the mortality rate resembling that of an epidemic occurring in a non-endemic area resulting in very high loss that could cut across all age groups (FAO, 1994). Haemorrhagic Septicaemia has some other impacts which are indirect and these could include a decrease in meat and milk production because of physiological alterations in the infected animals (FAO, 1979) besides the need for treatment and vaccination of the animal which also incurs some expenses. The disease spreads rapidly within the affected herds, as the presence of carrier animals is a source of infection which eventually can lead to outbreaks (FAO, 1991; OIE, 2004).

Haemorrhagic Septicaemia, which is a bacterial disease, results in high fatality rates and especially among cattle and water buffaloes. In vulnerable animals, the progress of the disease is frequently rapid, from dullness and fever to death in the space of mere hours. Such rapid development of the disease means that few infected animals can be treated in time and be saved. Subclinical carriers can be responsible for spreading the disease among the herds (Zamri-Saad and Abubakar, 2011).

Haemorrhagic Septicaemia is the results of infection by *Pasteurella multocida* subsp. *multocida*, a Gram-negative coccobacillus in the family Pasteurellaceae. *P. multocida* is responsible for many diseases in animals, with two of its serotypes characteristically causing HS. Cattle and water buffaloes are the animals most affected by HS epidemics (Horadagoda et al., 2001). Cattle and water buffaloes are also the main reservoir hosts. Haemorrhagic Septicaemia is a significant disease affecting cattle and water buffaloes in Asia, Africa and the Middle East, with Southeast Asia recording the highest incidence. In Asia, HS is caused by the B:2 serotype, while it has also been isolated in the south of Europe, the Middle East, and in some African countries (Brown, 2008). On the other hand, Africa is the only region to have reported the E: 2 serotype. There appears to have been a recent reduction in the incidence of type E strains in southern Africa, while the prevalence of serotype B has increased. It seems that both the E: 2 and the B:2 serotype of *P. multocida* have been found to be absent among domesticated animals in America, Australia and New Zealand.

Haemorrhagic Septicaemia in Malaysia is generally controlled by the use of whole cell killed vaccine and the stressful condition is during the rainy season, when most outbreaks occur (Jesse, 2011). The disease is an acute septicaemic condition with high fever, depression, swollen and haemorrhagic lymph nodes, diarrhea, and followed by sudden death. The morbidity rate varies considerably, but the mortality is high. (Carter, 1982). It is widely acknowledged that HS infects the respiratory and digestive tracts of host animals (Zamri-Saad and Abubakar, 2011), but it has not been previously reported

how the reproductive system is involved in the pathogenesis of HS and there are still many gray areas in the knowledge of HS (Carrigan et al., 1991). This study design presents the detailed detection and histopathological variances of the reproductive system, mammary glands, supramammary lymph node and pituitary glands of prepubertal female buffaloes experimentally infected with *P. multocida* B:2 and its immunogens.

Pasteurella multocida infection pathogenesis is a complex host specific factor and specific bacterial virulence factor interaction (Boyce & Adler, 2006). Various virulence factors are identified including the following surface adhesions, capsule, iron regulated, iron acquisition proteins, and lipopolysaccharide (Harper et al., 2006). Lipopolysaccharide (LPS) is one of the important virulence factors (Harper et al., 2011). It is the principal antigen for strain identification and is an important constituent of the outer membrane, which is very important for Gram negative bacteria cell survival (Raetz & Whitfield, 2002; Peng et al., 2005; Moffatt et al., 2010). During host immune response, LPS has a dominant role (Horadagoda et al., 2001; Jesse et al., 2013abc). The direct role played by the LPS in the disease processes by interacting directly with an innate host immune defense, which leads to host immune cells activation, including the release of acute phase proteins (Raetz & Whitfield, 2002; Jesse et al., 2013ac). LPS basically consists of 3 parts include O-polysaccharide, core oligosaccharide, and lipid A (Raetz & Whitfield, 2002). *P. multocida* LPS has no O-polysaccharide, thus it is referred as rough LPS (Rimler, 1990).

To the best knowledge of this researcher, no work has been done on the change of reproductive hormone and cytokine (IL1 β , IL6 and TNF α) concentration of pre-pubertal female buffalo infected with *Pasteurella multocida* and its immunogens (LPS &OMP). Nevertheless, there is no report on the pathological changes in the reproductive system and pituitary gland of pre-pubertal female buffalo inoculated with *Pasteurella multocida* and its immunogens (LPS &OMP). This study was designed to determine the changes in Gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH), Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH), luteinizing hormone (LH) progesterone, estrogen, interleukin-1 β , and interleukin 6 and Tumour necrosis factor alpha (TNF - α) concentrations as well as pathological changes in the reproductive organs, mammary gland, supramammary lymph node and pituitary gland of pre-pubertal female buffaloes experimentally infected by *Pasteurella multocida* B:2.

Problem statement

1. Gray areas exist in the knowledge and information about reproductive pathophysiology modifications in buffaloes due to *Pasteurella multocida* and its immunogens (LPS and OMP) infection.
2. Haemorrhagic septicemia has an insidious effect on reproduction which eventually affects the productivity of the buffaloes. The probable reasons for the sexual maturation at puberty seems to be an increase in the production of pituitary hormones culminating in bigger ovary size and greater activity and the hypothalamo-pituitary axis maturation resulting in secretion of gonadotrophins (Hunter, 1980). Studies have reported on Haemorrhagic Septicemia lesions in

the reproductive organs which influence the reproductive efficiency in prepubertal female buffaloes (Annas, et al., 2014b).

Hypothes of the study:

Pasteurella multocida type (B:2) and its immunogens (LPS and OMP) has the ability to induce lesions in the reproductive tract, concentrations of reproductive hormone and concentrations of cytokine (IL-1 β , IL-6 and TNF α) in prepubertal female buffaloes.

Thus, the objectives of the current study are:

1. To measure the level of gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH), follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH), luteinizing hormone (LH) , estrogen and progesterone in prepubertal female buffaloes after inoculation of *P. multocida* type B:2 and its immunogens (LPS and OMP).
2. To study the histopathological changes of the reproductive organs, mammary gland , supramammary lymph nodes and pituitary gland in prepubertal female buffaloes after inoculation of *P. multocida* type B:2 and its immunogens (LPS and OMP).
3. To measure the concentration of proinflammatory cytokines IL-1 β , IL-6 and TNF - α in prepubertal female buffaloes after inoculation of *P. multocida* type B:2 and its immunogens (LPS and OMP).
4. To identify the *P. multocida* in the reproductive organs and pituitary gland in pre-pubertal female buffaloes by using PCR.

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APPENDICES

Appendix A

1-Gram's stain

a - Ammonium oxalate crystal violet

Solution 1: Crystal violet 2.0 gm

Ethyl alcohol (95 per cent) 20.0 ml

Solution 2: Ammonium oxalate 0.8 gm

Distilled water 80.0 ml

Solution 1 and 2 was mixed well and then filtered.

b- Gram's iodine solution

Iodine 1.0 gm

Potassium iodide 2.0 gm

The ingredients were dissolved in distilled water to make total volume 300 ml and then filtered.

c - Acetone or Ethyl alcohol (decolorizer)

d- Safranin (counter stain)

Safranin-O (2.5 per cent solution) in 95% alcohol 10 ml

Distilled water 100 ml

2- Indole test

a) Kovac's reagents

Paradimethylaminobenzaldehyde 50 gm

Pure amyl or Isoamyl alcohol 75 ml

Concentrated pure hydrochloric acid 25 ml

The aldehyde was dissolved in the alcohol by gentle warming in water bath, cooled and then hydrochloric acid was added. It was protected from light and stored at 4°C temperature.

b) Tryptone water

Tryptone 10 gm

Sodium chloride 5 gm

Distilled water 1000 ml

The ingredients were dissolved in distilled water by gentle warming and then sterilized at 15 psi pressure, 121°C temperature for 20 minutes.

3-Brain Heart Infusion Broth (BHI broth)

Dehydrated, HiMedia)

Ingredients Grams/liter

Peptic digest of animal tissues	10.00
Calf brain, infusion (solids) Yeast extract	12.50
Beef heart Infusion (solids)	5.00
Dextrose	2.00
Sodium chloride	5.00
Disodium phosphate	2.50
Final pH (at 25oC)	7.4 + 0.2
Suspended 37 gm in 1000 ml distilled water, distributed in test tube and sterilized by Autoclaving at 15 psi pressure, 121°C for 20 minutes.	

4-Blood Agar (BA)

Blood agar base (Dehydrated, HiMedia)

Ingredients	Grams/liter
Beef heart, infusion form	500.00
Tryptose	10.00
Sodium chloride	5.00
Agar	15.00
Final pH (at 25oC)	7.3 + 0.2

Suspended 40 gm of dehydrated blood agar base in 1000 ml distilled water and sterilized by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure, 121°C temperature for 20 minutes. The molten medium was cooled to about 50°C temperature and aseptically 5% v/v sterile defibrinated sheep blood was added. The above medium was mixed well and poured into sterile petri plates.

5-MacConkey Agar (MCA) (Dehydrated, HI Media)

Ingredients	Grams/liter
Peptic digest of animal tissue	20.00
Lactose	10.00
Bile salt	5.00
Sodium chloride	5.00
Neutral red	0.07
Agar	15.00

Final pH (at 25oC) 7.5 + 0.2

Suspended 55.07 gm of dehydrated MCA in 1000 ml distilled water and sterilized by autoclaving at 15 psi pressure 121°C for 20 minutes. The molten medium was cooled to about 50°C temperature and poured into sterile petri plates.

Table : 1(Appendix. A): Biochemical tests used for identification of *P. multocida* isolation from productive organs, mammary gland, and pituitary gland and supramammary lymph node of pre-pubertal female buffaloes

Organ	Oxidase	Urease	Indole	Motility	Growth (MAC)	ODC	Trehalose	Mannitol	sorbitol	Dulcitol	Result
Ovary	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	<i>P. multocida ss. multocida</i>
Oviduct	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	<i>P. multocida ss. multocida</i>
Uterine horn	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	<i>P. multocida ss. multocida</i>
Uterine body	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	<i>P. multocida ss. multocida</i>
Cervix	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<i>P. multocida</i>
Vagina	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	<i>P. multocida ss. multocida</i>
Mammary gland	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	<i>P. multocida ss. multocida</i>
Supramammary lymph node	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	<i>P. multocida ss. multocida</i>
Pituitary gland	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<i>P. multocida</i>

Appendix B

1-Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate – Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE):

Discontinuous SDS- PAGE was performed according to Laemmli (1970) using Bio-Rad Mini – protean Tetra Cell gel slabs, 70 (l) × 75 (W) × 0.75 mm following the manufacturers Bio-Rad, laboratories). Reagents for SDS- PAGE were prepared as described in Appendix A. The resolving and stacking gel with 12% and 4% acrylamide respectively, were used. Sample was diluted at 1:4 with sample buffer and heated at 95°C for 5 minutes. Electrophoresis was performed at RT with constant voltage of 50 volts for the first 15 minutes followed with 100 volts for 1 hour using electrophoresis buffer.

2-SDS- PAGE of the LPS Extraction

The crude Lipopolysaccharide extract that was prepared using the LPS Extraction Kit from Intron Biotechnology was then run on mini SDS – PAGE as described above to observe whether any protein bands were present or not in the extraction.

3-SDS – PAGE of the Crude OMP

The crude outer membrane protein extract that was prepared using the Qiagen Protein Extraction Kit was then run on mini SDS- PAGE. Molecular weight standards (Kaleidoscope Pre stained or High Range Standards).

4-Coomassie Brilliant Blue R- 250 Staining and Destaining

The SDS – PAGE gels were fixed and stained with 0.25% Coomassie brilliant blue R- 250 (Bio-Rad , laboratories) in methanol: water (4:1:5 , v:v:v) for 1 hour at RT with gentle shaking (micro plate Shaker EAS 2/4 , SLT, Lab instruments, Austria). Destaining was carried out with methanol water, (6: 4, v: v) until the background was clear.

5-Reagents for Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis (SDS – PAGE)

1-30 % Acrylamide Mix

Acrylamide	146.0 g
Bis – acrylamide	4.0 g
Distilled water	500 ml

Dissolved in 500 ml distilled water in a volumetric flask and filter through a whatman No. 1 filter. Store at 4°C. This solution is highly toxic and should be handled accordingly.

2-Sodium dodecyl Sulphate

SDS	10.0 g
Distilled water	100 ml

Dissolved in distilled water with gentle stirring

3- Staining solution (Coomassie Brilliant Blue)

Coomassie Brilliant Blue	2.5 g
50% methanol	900 ml
Glacial acetic acid	100 ml

Dissolve Coomassie Brilliant Blue in methanol: distilled water (1:1, v: v) and glacial acetic acid. Filter the solution through No. 1 filter to remove any particulate matter

4-Destaining solution

Methanol	600 ml
Distilled water	400 ml

Destaining solution is prepared by mixing methanol and distilled water together.

Appendix C

1-Assay procedure for progesterone

The antibody coated tubes provided were labeled for standard (S0-S5), total count, non-specific binding, quality control and the samples; 50µl of the standard solution was added to the labeled tubes mentioned above except the samples tubes; 50µl of the experimental samples (control and infected) were added to the samples tubes. 500 µl of radioactive tracer substance was added into each tube (standard, total count, non-specific binding, quality control and samples) and were mixed vigorously for 2 minutes and incubated for 1 hour at 18 - 25°C with shaking (350 rpm). After incubation, the contents were aspirated except the total control and a non-specific binding tube which was used to measure the sensitivity of the radioactive tracer. The bounding was measured in Wallace wiz3ad 1470 automatic gamma. The sensitivity of the assay was the minimal detection limit of the assay which is zero standard and calculated as twice the standard deviation of the zero standards.

2-Assay procedure for estrogen

The antibody coated tubes provided were labeled for standard (S0-S6), total count, non-specific binding, quality control and the samples. An amount of 100µl of the standard solution was added to the labeled tubes mentioned above except the samples tubes. 100µl of the experimental samples (control and infected) were added to the samples tubes. 500 µl of radioactive tracer substance was added into each tube (standard, total count, non-specific binding, quality control and samples) and mixed vigorously for 2 minutes and incubated for 3 h at 18 -250 C with shaking (350 rpm). After incubation, the contents were aspirated except the total control and a non-specific binding tube which is used to measure the sensitivity of the radioactive tracer. The bounding was measured in Wallace wizad 1470 automatic gamma. The sensitivity of the assay is the minimal detection limit of the assay, which is the zero standard and is calculated as twice the standard deviation of the zero standards.

3-Assay procedure for LH and FSH

The antibody coated tubes provided were labeled for standard (S0-S5), total count, non-specific binding, quality control and the samples; 100µl of the standard solution was added to the labeled tubes mentioned above except the sample tubes. 100µl of the experimental samples (control and infected) were added to the sample tubes. 50 µl of radioactive tracer substance was added into each tube (standard, total count, non-specific binding, quality control, and samples) and were mixed vigorously for 2 minutes and incubated for 90 min at 18 - 250 C with shaking (350 rpm). After incubation, the contents were aspirated except the total control and a non-specific binding tube which is used to measure the sensitivity of the radioactive tracer. After that, the contents were washed twice with 2 ml of wash solution. The bounding was measured in Wallace wizad 1470 automatic gamma. The sensitivity of the assay is the minimal detection limit of the assay, which is the zero standards and is calculated as twice the standard deviation

of the zero standards. The assay procedure for LH and FSH is the same, the only difference being the coating of each tube with specific antibodies.



Appendix D

1- Embedding

After the tissue is cleared with alcohol, it is then transferred into a melted paraffin wax, each piece of tissue is placed in a position with its appropriate identifying name beside the tissue pan. The tissue is placed down gently with forceps and flattened. The tissue pan is. Then filled with the melted liquid paraffin wax, after which the pan is placed at the cooler part of the machine containing ice, it makes it harder and it is removed gently.

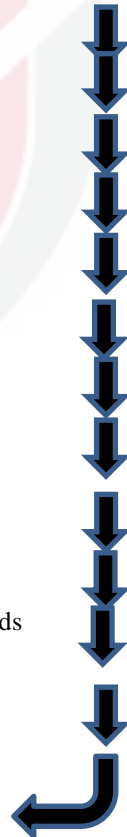
2-Sectioning

This is the process whereby the blocks are sectioned into a thin ribbon. 3 microtome thickness is used to cut the block gently and the ribbon like is allowed to flow on the water bath and is picked up gently with cover slide and allowed to dry overnight

3-Staining

Harris Hematoxylin and Eosin Staining

Submerge slides in Xylene	5 mins
Submerge slides in 100% Ethanol/ Alcohol	5 mins
Submerge slides in 70% Ethanol/ Alcohol	5 mins
Rinse	1-2 mins
Submerge slides in in Hematoxylin	5 mins
Rinse	3-5 mins
Dip the slides in 1% Acid Alcohol 3 dips	3 seconds
Running tap water	5 mins
Submerge slides in Eosin	1 min
Spray and dry the slides with 95% Alcohol	
Rinse the slides in running tap water	5- 10 seconds
Spray and dry the slides with 95% Alcohol, clean and leave the slides to dry	
Mount with DPX, Ready for viewing	



Appendix E

PCR procedure

Colony +2µl of Dnaozone (Template)

1- Buffer (Tri-Hcl)	2µL
2- MgCl ₂	2µL
3-d NTP	0.5µL
4- a - Primer 1 forward	0.5µL
b- Primer 1 reverse	0.5µL
5- a - Primer 1 forward	0.5µL
b- Primer 1 reverse	0.5µL
6-Taq polymerase	0.5µL
7- DNATemplate	2µL
8 - H ₂ O	41µL
	50µ L

Primer design

The primer for the amplification of the *P. multocida* was referenced to (OIE, 2012). The forward primer used was: 5'-AGG CTC GTT TGG ATT ATG AAG -3' while the reverse primer used was: 5'-ATC CGC TAA CAC ACT CTC -3' for *P. multocida* in general. The base pair for *P. multocida* in general was 460 base pair. The forward primer used was: 5'- ATC CGC TAT TTA CCC AGT GG -3' while the reverse primer used was : 5'-GCT GTA AAC GAA CTC GCC AC -3' for *P. multocida* type B: 2. The base pair for *P. multocida* in general was 620 base pair.

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