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# THE EFFECT OF THERMAL MANIPULATION OF (ROSS 308) BROILER BREEDER EGGS DURING EARLY & LATE EMBRYOGENESIS STAGES ON PRODUCTIVE PERFORMANCE OF HATCHIE CHICKS AT HEAT STRESS CONDITION.

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# **ABSTRACT**

The study was conducted in Hatchery -private sector- in Qushtapa, Erbil, from 24-5-2016 to 14-6-2016. The hatched chicks were reared from (14/6/2016 to 26/7/2016) in one of the halls of Department of Animal Production in College of Agriculture/ Salahadding University-Erbil within total 63 days.

This study was conducted to investigate the effect of thermal manipulation (TM) during different embryogenesis stages of broiler breeder eggs as at embryonic days (ED): T2 (1-5), T3 (19-21) and T1 was control (no TM) on hatching results and subsequent chick characteristics and broiler productive performance of thermally conditioned chicks (exposed to  $38.0 \pm 2$  °C for 12 hours/day) at  $21^{st}$  day of age. One thousand eight hundred (1800) Ross-308 eggs from twenty seventh weeks old imported were used. Eggs were randomly divided into three treatments with four replicates per each treatment (600 eggs/ treatment). Two identical incubators were used. In the first incubator all eggs were incubated at 37.7 °C and 60-65% relative humidity (RH). The eggs thermally treated were transferred into the second incubator and was kept at 38.2 °C and 60-65% RH. After four (4) hours (hrs.) of thermal treating, the eggs were returned to the first incubator, immediately. It was found that thermal manipulation did not affect the hatchability percentage of total and fertile set eggs, normal bird's percentage, and chicks' quality. Post-hatching, 270 day-old chicks were randomly assigned according to treatment groups within hatching process. Chicks were distributed into three treatments with three replicates-groups-, with thirty chicks per each replicate. All treatment groups were subjected to thermal conditioning of 38  $\pm 2$  °C for 12 hrs. /day for a week, from day 21<sup>st</sup>post-hatching. After exposure body temperature of birds were measured. Live body weight, bodyweight gain, feed consumption, feed conversion ratio and mortality were recorded on weekly basis. Production index, dressing percentage and carcass cuts percentages were measured at 35 and 42 days of age of broiler chicks. The overall data showed the following results:

- 1- T2 showed significantly ( $p \le 0.05$ ) higher relative growth than control group and T3.
- 2- T3 and control group showed significantly higher feed conversion ratio than T2, so T2 had a better cumulative ratio.
- 3- T2 and T3 showed significantly ( $p \le 0.05$ ) lower rectal temperature than control group.
- 4- T2 had the higher production index than T3 and control group at marketing age of 35 days.

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5- Control group showed significantly lowest cumulative mortality percentage than T2.

In the embryogenesis development, the incubation temperature is increased by 0.5°C for 4 hrs. This thermal treatment of the body temperature leads to decrease of the chicks' temperature at day 42, as compared with the control group. As a result it confirms the acquisition of thermo tolerance in thermally manipulated groups.

Key-Words: Epigenetic adaption, Thermal manipulation, Early age heat conditioning, Performance, Thermo-tolerance.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Poultry meat consumption is expected to be raised by 60% over the next 20 years and will be the most important meat category worldwide by 2030FAO (2010) Genetic selection strategies which has significantly Improved growth of meattype broiler chickens during recent decades, but lack of a parallel development of the visceral systems causes significant difficulties for broiler chickens in coping with high temperature challenges, due to the large body mass and high rate of metabolism associated with rapid growth Cangar, A.Z.et al., (2008). Thermotolerance can be defined as the ability of organisms to survive and overcome lethal thermal stress from a previous heat exposure Moseley, P.L. (1997). Increasing the thermo-tolerance capacity of the birds and also inhibition of economic losses as a result of heat stress, the adaptation to ambient conditions depends on a mechanism called epigenetic adaptation when chicken can be better conditioned to thermal stress tolerance during the pre-hatching and early posthatching period through epigenetic mechanism by exploiting the immaturity of temperature regulation in embryos and early post-hatch birds by thermal conditioning at critical developmental phases Yahav, S. and J. P. Mcmurtry (2001) and these methods have provided some suitable results for broiler industry Nickelmann, M. and B. Tzschentke(2002). Under these conditions there is a period when the thermo-tolerance can be enhanced by thermal conditioning, without impairing the performance Yahav, S. and S. Hurwitz (1996).

### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

The chicks of this experiment were exposed to thermal manipulation by increasing 0.5 °C from standard temperature for four hours daily during embryogenesis in early and late embryonic stages, the heat exposing on treatments were as follow:

Heat exposing treatment started from ED (1-5) incubation periods and ED (19-21) of hatching period, respectively. While, **T3: Control: no TM**= exposed to standard conditions (37.7 °C and 65-70% RH) in incubator and (37.3, 37.1 and 37.0 °C during days 19th, 20th and 21st of hatching, respectively with 75-80% RH) in hatchery. Two hundred seventy (270) a day-old hatched chicks (Ross-308) reared in poultry research hall of Grdarasha farm/ Animal Resources Department/ College of Agriculture/ Salahaddin University from 14/6/2016 to 26/7/2016. The house was divided into 9 floor cages (2\*1.7) m². The chicks of both treatments and control groups were randomly divided into 3 replicates / group, three cages for each

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treatment. The chicks were reared at standard environment temperature till 21 day old, all chicks were exposed to heat conditioning of (38±2°C) from 21 days old for 12 hours/day for one week till 28 days old, after that the birds exposed to elevated temperature 26±2°C till marketing age. A constant photoperiod of 23L: 1D hours during period was provided. Feed and water were provided ad libitum along the experiment period. Birds were fed three rations; starter from (1-22) days, grower from (23-36) days and finisher from (36-42) days. The analyzed metabolic energy (ME kcal) and crude protein (CP %) for starter, grower and finisher was (2925 kcal, 22-23%),(3040 kcal, 20-21%) and (3100 kcal, 18-19%) respectively. Vaccination program used during the experiment was according to Intervet Schering- Plough Animal Health. The experiments were executed as a complete randomized design (CRD), all data analyzed using the SAS,Statisticalanalysissystem(2001). Duncan's multiple range tests were used to compare differences among treatment means Duncan, D. B. (1955).

# RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table (1) shows that T1 had significantly ( $P \le 0.05$ ) higher relative growth compared to T2 and control group. While T2 showed significantly ( $P \le 0.05$ ) lower relative growth than other thermally manipulated groups and the control group. According to Willemsen,H.;*et al.*,(2008) development during the first week of life of a chick was important to their future performance. Physiological processes such as cell hyperplasia and hypertrophy, maturation of the thermoregulatory and immunological systems, growth and differentiation of the gastrointestinal tract will subsequently markedly influence BW until market age.

Table (2) shows that there were no significant differences in live body weight (BW) at day 35<sup>th</sup> and 42<sup>nd</sup> of age. The non-significant differences in BW at 6th week were due to the changes of kinetics of satellite cell prolification which improved numerically BW at slaughter age. Further, in embryos as well as chicks of meat-type poultry mild heat exposure if applied during developmental 'Critical periods' environmental influences can change the programming of respective body Functions Tzschentke,B.and A.Plagemann(2006).

Accumulative BWG (1-35d) was noted that T1 was significantly (P≤0.05) lower than control group. The difference in weight gain among treated groups may be due to different environmental Conditions in the hatcher, chicks hatching at different moments within the hatch window are subjected to Different conditions for a variable length of time, which may lead to different chick physiology at hatch and at the typical moment of chick collection and also to different growth post-hatch Van deVen, L. (2012). Also the reduction in weight gain during and immediately after conditions to high temperatures may be due to that the chicken directs the energy used for its growth to maintain body temperature within normal range with minimal response to heat stress and ensuring the organic function of tissues within physiological Limits Lin,H.;et al.,(2006). As well as, high rearing temperature decrease in weight gain may due to that heat stress Increase serum corticosterone level (which stimulate much higher muscle breakdown, that contributed to the lower BWG observed in birds kept in heat stress than those in a thermoneutral

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environment Quinteiro-Filho, W.M.; et al., (2010). In poultry it is believed that less weight gain in the heat stressed groups due to reduction in intestinal absorption efficiency was partly explained by decreased metabolic utilization nutrients. Increased heat production, reduced protein retention, and enhanced lipid deposition Baziz, A.H.; et al., (1996). Accumulative FI (1-35d) and (1-42d), T1 consumed significantly ( $P \le 0.05$ ) less feed than other treatment groups (Table influential factors affecting feed consumption of chicks have been suggested to be related to the incubation and brooding temperature Leksrisompong, N.:et al..(2009). The possible causes of feed intake reduction for heat treated groups may be due to the effect of metabolic heat production which is one of the factors that cause feed intake reduction in birds maintained in hot temperatures Sigueira, J. C.; R. F. M. Oliveira; J. L. Donzele etal. (2007). Moreover, may probably due to that chickens maintained at the higher temperatures, generally responded by increasing their respiratory rate, therefore, the period of time for their consumption of feed decreased Han, A.Y.; et al., (2010).. As well as, in poultry the heat stressed groups have low appetite and lower feed intake, as it may be a defense mechanism to help reduce heat production Sohail, M.U.; et al., (2012)...

Feed conversion is an index associated with both feed consumption and weight gain. In accumulative FCR (1-42d) T1 had significantly (P≤0.05) better FCR than T2 and control. Also the results indicated that there were no significant differences among all the thermally manipulated groups as compared to each other and to control group in FCR in accumulative FCR (1-35) (Table 2). In accumulative mortality percentage (1-35 and 1-42) control group had significantly (P≤0.05) lower mortality percentage than T1 (Table 2). The result of cumulative mortality percentage of T2 agreed with Hulet, R.:et al., (2007). Also may early age heat conditioning relieved the negative effects of heat stress on viability and ability of broilers to tolerate the high Toplu,H.D.O.: et al.. (2014). Whereas the increased mortality temperatures percentage during rearing period in T1 and T2 may be related to the negative effects of elevated temperature during embryogenesis on the cardiovascular system as heart size, heart weight and energy metabolism capabilities in cardiac tissue and this may increase the incidence of broiler problems such as sudden death syndrome and ascites may be related to metabolic disorders that are associated with cardiovascular development later in life Fernandes, J. I. M.; et al., (2013).

Table (2) clarifies that T1 represented significantly (P≤0.05) higher PI than T2 and control groups. While, at the duration of 1-42 days, there was non-significant among all treatments. The improvement in production index may be related to overall improvement in average body weight and mortality percentage of broilers during rearing period. Heat stress has a negative effect on poultry production efficiency Cahaner, A.; *et al.*, (2008). Many researches showed that manipulation of incubation temperature intermittently during broiler embryogenesis with low magnitude may have a long-lasting influence on improving poultry performance [Piestun, Y.; *et al.*, (2011)., Piestun, Y.; *et al.*, (2013b), Tatge, S.; *et al.*, (2014)]. In contrast Collins, K.E.; *et al.*, (2013) demonstrated that TM adversely affected broiler performance.

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Table (3) shows carcass traits at day 42<sup>nd</sup>, dressing percentage without giblets were significantly (P<0.05) higher in T1 than T2 and control group. Carcass traits at day 35<sup>th</sup>, Breast percentage were significantly (P≤0.05) higher in T1 than T2 and control group. Thigh percentage was significantly (P\le 0.05) higher in T1 than control group. As well as, at day 35th there were no significant differences among all thermally manipulated groups as compared to each other and to control group in percentages of dressing with giblet parts and abdominal fat. Results of T1 are agreement with Piestun, Y.; et al., (2013a) that heating the embryos improved the relative breast muscle slightly at days 35<sup>th</sup> days. At day 42<sup>nd</sup>, dressing percentage without giblets was significantly (P<0.05) higher in T1 than other treatments. While there were no significant differences among all thermally manipulated groups as compared to each other and to control group in live body weight and percentages of dressing with giblets, and breast at day 42<sup>nd</sup>. At day 42<sup>nd</sup> the results of [25] confirmed the result of T2 that increasing incubation temperature 1 °C above the standard during the last three days of incubation numerically increased body weight at slaughter than control. The results of treated (T1) groups for dressing without giblets percentage were confirmed by the results of El-Moniary, M.M. A.; et al., (2010) increased carcass percentage slightly at days 42<sup>nd</sup>. The thigh percentage results of T2 were in agreement with the results of El-Moniary, M.M. A.; et al., (2010) at day 42<sup>nd</sup> .In contrast, the results of T2 at day 42<sup>nd</sup>. Results of T1 was matched the results of Han, A.Y.; et al., (2010) where found that TM of 38.5°C from ED4 through ED7 resulted smaller fat pads and adipocytes than controls. Elevating incubation temperature during embryogenesis improved productive characteristics of adult chickens because have a stimulatory effect on the proliferation of satellite cells (muscle cells) that is considered the precursor of myogenic cells in the embryo or post-hatching muscles, which effects on increased growth and development of skeletal musculature in the postnatal period of development Piestun, Y.; et al., (2013b) by changing the rate of myoblast proliferation resulting in increased number of cells within a diameter and/or numbers in the pectoral major muscle in the heat treated embryos Piestun, Y.; et al., (2011).

Table (4)shows that there is no significant difference among all thermally manipulated groups as compared to each other and to control group in body temperature at hatch, day 35th of age. At day 42nd control group had significantly  $(P \le 0.05)$  higher body temperature than T1 and T2.

The reduced rectal temperature in T1 group compare to control at day 42<sup>nd</sup>, may be due to increased rearing temperature causes a decrease in the concentration of T2 hormones in blood plasma and a decrease in metabolic rate of broiler chickens generally led to lower body temperature at normal or high temperature Muchacka,R.;*et al.*,(2012). Nevertheless, may be thermal conditioning in broiler chickens enhanced heat tolerance Wang,S.andF. W.Edens(1998).

# CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Relying on the present results of exposing the broiler breeder eggs to intermittent thermal manipulation (TM) by 0.5°C above the optimum incubation temperature

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during early and late embryogenesis periods, followed by post-hatch thermal conditioning (TC) of chicks, it was concluded that:

- 1- Relative growth percentage at 1st week age as an indicator for future performance.
- 2- All thermally manipulated birds showed a significant reduction in 42 days body temperature compared to control, which is an indicator for best acquisition of thermotolerance.
- 3- Production index as an indicator for bird's subsequent performance, ED (1-5) were superior to and control groups during the first and the second marketing age, respectively.
- 4- In mixed (males and females) rearing thermal Manipulation had no significant effect on dressing percentage with giblets generally at 35 and 42 days, also dressing percentage without giblets at 35 days, while at 42 days thermally manipulated groups at ED (1-5) was significantly higher than other treatments.

So we recommend that:-

- 1- Determination of relative growth at 1st week is recommended in predicting the subsequent productive performance of broilers.
- 2- Thermal manipulation is recommended generally as a method for better subsequent thermo-tolerance.
- 4- To obtain higher percentages of main carcass parts at 35 days it is recommended to apply thermal manipulation during both ED 1-5 while using thermal manipulation during ED (19-21) and control are advised in getting higher Percentages of main carcass parts at 42 days.
- 5- More future investigations are needed to have better idea about thermal manipulation and thermal Conditioning in breeders, layers and broilers.

Table (1): The Effect of Thermal Manipulation On relative growth (%) of broiler chicks during first week of age.

RG				1.0
KG	T1	T2	Control	L.S.
1st	413.1	356.0	394.6	*
week	±7.7 <sup>a</sup>	±4.4°	±12.0 <sup>b</sup>	

a, b, c: means within each row had the different subscript were differ significantly ( $P \le 0.05$ ).

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Table (2): The Effect of Thermal Manipulation On accumulative body weight (g), body weight gain (g/bird), feed consumption, feed conversion ratio, mortality percentage and production index during two rearing period (1-35d) and (1-42d) of broiler chicks.

Accumulative	Treatment			L.S.
	T1	T2	Control	
BW (1-35d)	2141.5±65.6 <sup>a</sup>	2146.2±59.6 <sup>a</sup>	2110.6±56.1 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
BW (1-42d)	2771.8±89.7 <sup>a</sup>	2842.1±86.7 <sup>a</sup>	2834.0±97.3 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
BWG (1-35d)	2044.6±7.8 <sup>b</sup>	2081.6±24.8 <sup>ab</sup>	2104.5±7.8 <sup>a</sup>	*
BWG (1-42d)	2735±12 <sup>a</sup>	2793.0±28.7 <sup>a</sup>	2808.2±25.2 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
FI (1-35 d)	2867.0±56.3 <sup>b</sup>	3020.7±31.3 <sup>a</sup>	3033.9±10.8 <sup>a</sup>	*
FI (1-42 d)	3958.8±65.6 <sup>b</sup>	4185.9±26.9 <sup>a</sup>	4207.9±26.9 <sup>a</sup>	*
FCR (1-35 d)	1.402±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	1.451±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	1.498±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
FCR (1-42 d)	1.447±0.03 <sup>b</sup>	1.500±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	1.499±0.04 <sup>a</sup>	*
Mortality(1-35d)	10.0±3.69 <sup>a</sup>	8.14±2.84 <sup>ab</sup>	2.96±0.83 <sup>b</sup>	*
& (1-42d)				
PI 35 d	383.17±15.8 <sup>a</sup>	373.03±13.5 <sup>b</sup>	379.82±3.5 <sup>b</sup>	*
PI 42 d	419.22±11.7 <sup>a</sup>	413.33±10.5 <sup>a</sup>	408.34±4.6 <sup>a</sup>	N.S

a, b, c: means within each row had the different subscript were differ significantly ( $P \le 0.05$ ).

Table (3): The Effect of Thermal Manipulation on carcass traits of mixed broilers at 35 and 42 days.

Carcass traits	Age	reatment*			LS
		T1	T2	Control	
Live body	35	2141.5±65.6 <sup>a</sup>	2146.2±59.6a	2110.6±56.1a	*
weight (gm)	42	2771.8±89.7 <sup>a</sup>	$2842.1\pm86.7^{a}$	2834.0±97.3 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
Dressing%	35	77.7±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	78.9±0.8 <sup>a</sup>	79.2±2.4a	N.S
with giblets	42	81.1±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	$80.9 \pm 1.2^{a}$	79.6±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
Dressing%	35	72.6±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	$73.4\pm0.9^{a}$	73.9±2.3a	N.S
without giblets	42	$75.7\pm0.4^{a}$	$74.5 \pm 0.4^{b}$	$74.2\pm0.4^{b}$	*
Giblets % (liver, heart and	35	$7.6\pm0.2^{a}$	8.5±0.9 <sup>a</sup>	8.5±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
gizzard)	42	$7.7\pm0.4^{a}$	$8.69.1\pm1.4^{a}$	7.9±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
Breast %	35	36.8±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	34.9±0.4 <sup>b</sup>	34.9±0.6 <sup>b</sup>	*
	42	35.3±0.5 <sup>a</sup>	$36.4\pm0.5^{a}$	36.6±0.5 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
Thighs %	35	28.8±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	27.9±0.3ab	27.6±0.4 <sup>b</sup>	*
	42	$28.6\pm0.4^{a}$	29.5±0.3a	29.2±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	N.S

a, b, c: means within each row had the different subscript were differ significantly ( $P \le 0.05$ ).

<sup>\*</sup> Main parts= (breast & thighs), Secondary parts= (back, wing & neck).

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Table (4): The Effect of Thermal Manipulation on Productive Performance of Hatchie Chicks at Heat Stress Condition. On body temperature (°C).

Age (d)	Treatmen		L.S.	
71ge (d)	T1	T2	Control	E.S.
35	40.8±0.18 <sup>a</sup>	40.7±0.13 <sup>a</sup>	40.9±0.13 <sup>a</sup>	N.S
42	40.7±0.12 <sup>b</sup>	40.6±0.15 <sup>b</sup>	41.5±0.16 <sup>a</sup>	*

a, b, c: means within each row had the different subscript were differ significantly ( $P \le 0.05$ ).

تأثير التحوير الحراري خلال فترتي المبكرة و المتأخرة من النمو الجنيني لبيض أمهات اللحم لسلالة ROSS 308 التجارية على نتائج التفقيس وكفاءة الأنتاج للأفراخ الفاقسة تحت ظروف الإجهاد الحراري

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#### الخلاصة

أجريت المرحلة الاولى من هذه الدراسة في مفقس تابع للقطاع الخاص الواقع في ناحية قوشتبة/اربيل للفترة من(2016/5/24 الى 2016/6/14) وربيت الافراخ الفاقسة في إحدى قاعات قسم الانتاج الحيواني التابعة لكلية الزراعة /جامعة صلاح الدين للفترةمن (14/6/6/14 ولغاية 2016/7/26) والمدة الكلية63 وماً أجريت هذه الدراسة لمعرفة تَأثير التدخل الحراري في المرحلة المبكرة و المتأخرة فيالتطور و النمو الجنيني لبيض امهات افراخ اللحم وذلك في المرحلة الأولى برفع درجة الحرارة الحاضنة بـ (0.5 م) عن درجة الحرارة القياسية لمدة 4 ساعات يومياً ، وكانت معاملات التدخل الحراري المعاملة الثانية من يوم (1-5) والمعاملة الثالثة من يوم (19-21)، اما المعاملة الأولى معاملة حرارة قياسية (السيطرة)، وفي المرحلة الثانية تم تعريض الافراخ الفاقسة الى اجهاد حرارى من يوم 21 من عمر الافراخ واقع 12ساعة/يوملمدة اسبوعوا حدفقطوبدر جة حرارة 38مْ ±2. واستخدمت (1800) بيضة رووز -308 من قطيع امهات بيض التفقيس بعمر 27 اسبوعاً. ووزعت بصورة عشوائية على ثلاث معاملات بواقع اربعة مكررات (150 بيضة/مكرر). واستخدمت حاضنتان متماثلتان. حضنت بيض جميع المعاملات في الحاضنة الأولى على درجة حرارة 37.7م والرطوبة النسبية 60-65%. وبعدها نقل بيض المعاملة الحرارية المبكرة الى الحاضنة الثانية بحيث حضن على درجة حرارة 38.2م والرطوبة النسبية 60-65%. بعد اربع ساعات من التحوير الحراري للمعاملة الحرارية تم اعادة البيض الى الحاصنة الاولى وكررت هذه العملية للايام (1-5) يوم من فترة الحضانة كما تم استخدام نفس الاسلوب بالنسبة للمعاملة الثالثة للايام(19-21) يوم من فترة التفقيس. وقد وجد أن:

التدخل الحرارى في كلا المرحلتين المبكرة و المتأخرة لم يؤثر في النسبة المؤية للفقس من البيض الكلي و البيض المخصب، و نسبة المؤية للفراخ الطبيعية، و جودة الافراخ، بعد الفقس وزعت الافراخ عشوائياً على وفق معاملات التحوير الحراري الى ثلاث معاملات بثلاثة مكررات بواقع 30 فرخة لكل مكرر. وتم تعريض جميع المعاملات الله على المدة 12 ساعة / يوم في نهاية الاسبوع الثالث اي في يوم 21 من عمر الافراخ. وبعد التعريض اظهرت البيانات النتائج الأتية:

- 1. أَظهرت المعاملة الثانية تأثيراً معنوياً عند مستوى احتمال(أ≤0.05)في الزيادة الوزنية النسبية مقارنتاً بمعاملة السيطرة.
- 2. أظهرت المعاملة الثانية تفوقاً معنوياً عند مستوى احتمال(أ≤0.05) في كفاءة التحويل الغذائي التراكمي(1-42) على المعاملة الثالثة و معاملة السيطرة ، إذ إن معامل التحويل الغذائي في المعاملة االثانية كان افضل من المعاملتين.

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قارنتاً معنوياً في درجة حرارة الجسم للمعاملتين الثانية والثالثة مقارنتاً بمعاملة السيطرة عندمستوباحتمال(أ≤0.05) في درجة حرارة الجسم عند عمر 42 يوم من عمر الأفراخ.

أظهرت المعاملة الثانية تفوقاً معنوياً عند مستوى احتمال(أ≤0.0) في الدليل الأنتاجي على المعاملتين المعاملة الثالثة و معاملة السيطرة عند يوم 35 من العمر التسويقي.

5. لوحظ انخفاضاً معنوياً للمعاملة السيطرة عندمستوباحتمال(أ≤0.05) في نسبة الهلاكات التراكمية من
يوم (1-42) قياساً بالمعاملتين الثانية و الثالثة.

نستنتج من النتائج بأن التحوير الحراري بزيادة 0.5 م لمدة 4 ساعات أثناء التطور الجنيني لمعاملتين الثانية و الثالثة أدت إلى خفض درجة حرارة الجسم بعمر 42 يوم مقارنتاً بمعاملة السيطرة وهذا يدل على اكتساب قدرة مقاومة الحرارة.

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