

The study of fat, Protein, and production levels of milk in Holstein dairy cows treated with arginine

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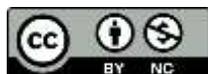
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Abstract

In this study, 73 non-pregnant and clinically healthy and lactating Holstein cows without any clinical signs, and with a mean parity of 3.2 ± 1.4 , days in milk at the beginning of study 110 ± 20 days, body condition score (BCS) of about 3.2 ± 0.3 , and milk production rate of 48 ± 10 kg were selected and randomly placed in two treatment and control groups. In the treatment group ($n=36$), arginine ($155 \mu\text{mol} / \text{kg}$ body weight) was injected once every 8 hours a day for 6 days, and in the control group ($n=37$) saline solution (0.11 ml/kg body weight, once every 8 hours a day) was injected for 6 days. The results showed that there was no difference between the treatment and the control group in terms of milk production (38.5 and 36 kg, $P=0.3$), fat (3.7 and 3.8% , $P=0.8$) and protein (3.1 and 3.1% , $P=0.5$) levels. It was concluded from this study that the use of arginine after the peak of milk production could not increase the fat, protein, and production levels of milk.

Keywords: Arginine, Amino Acid, Holstein Cow, Milk Production, Milk Fat and protein

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