**ABSTRACT** 

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(Ovis musimon)

Abstract:

This diploma thesis contributes to the knowledge of albendazole pharmacokinetics in mouflon

(Ovis gmelini musimon) treated by a single administration of albendazole in a dose of 30,0 mg/kg

of body weight. Two separate experiments were realised. The first one was carried out on 12

mouflon ewes divided into 4 groups. Groups of the animals were gradually culled at the time

intervals of 4, 6, 8 and 10 hours after the albendazole administration. The samples of the blood

(serum), bile from gallbladder and terminal bile ducts were withdrawn. The concentration of

albendazole (ABZ) and its major metabolites albendazolsulphoxide (ABZSO) and

albendazolsulphone (ABZSO<sub>2</sub>) were determined in samples of biological materials by HPLC

method. To determine the ratio of ABZSO enantiomers, the HPLC method with chiral column

was used. The second experiment carried on 2 animals (time interval 6 hours) extended and

partially confirmed previous results.

The increase in blood concentrations of albendazole and its metabolites until the eighth hour

after the administration is evident. In later time intervals decrease in concentrations was

documented. The concentrations of ABZSO and ABZSO<sub>2</sub> between the bile from the gallbladder

and the bile ducts differ minimally. The average maximum concentration of ABZSO in the bile is

3.6 µg/ml for gallbladder and 3.3 µ g / ml for bile ducts. The ratio of enantiomers ABZSO (-)

and ABZSO (+) is shifted significantly to ABZSO (+) in all the samples. The found ratio of

enantiomers in individual time intervals is not constant.

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