

**Table (3).** Effect of royal jelly (RJ), gibberellic acid (GA3), and testosterone (TS) treatments on some productive performance traits of Matrouh hens from 24-48 weeks of age

| Items                                        | Treatments                 |                             |                            |                            |      |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------|
|                                              | Control                    | 200 µg RJ /Kg BW            | 200 µg GA3 /Kg BW          | 200 µg TS /Kg BW           | Sig. |
| <b>Initial body weight (g)</b>               | 915.63±18.30               | 943.75±14.85                | 940.63±18.17               | 946.88±15.87               | NS   |
| <b>Final body weight (g)</b>                 | 1370.77±22.34 <sup>b</sup> | 1424.29±22.19 <sup>ab</sup> | 1443.34±17.89 <sup>a</sup> | 1464.14±22.65 <sup>a</sup> | *    |
| <b>Change in body weight (g)</b>             | 465.00±21.77               | 492.15±21.89                | 506.30±19.94               | 510.69±23.74               | NS   |
| <b>Daily feed intake (g)</b>                 | 118.87±0.59 <sup>c</sup>   | 121.07±0.18 <sup>a</sup>    | 120.32±0.28 <sup>ab</sup>  | 119.05±0.54 <sup>bc</sup>  | **   |
| <b>Egg number</b>                            | 121.63±4.08 <sup>c</sup>   | 145.50±4.10 <sup>ab</sup>   | 149.13±2.85 <sup>a</sup>   | 130.69±3.28 <sup>b</sup>   | **   |
| <b>Egg production (%)</b>                    | 41.89±1.87 <sup>b</sup>    | 46.76±1.31 <sup>b</sup>     | 52.13±2.19 <sup>a</sup>    | 43.45±1.22 <sup>b</sup>    | **   |
| <b>Egg weight (g)</b>                        | 47.42±0.18 <sup>b</sup>    | 47.79±0.26 <sup>ab</sup>    | 47.99±0.14 <sup>a</sup>    | 47.78±0.18 <sup>ab</sup>   | *    |
| <b>Egg mass (g /hen)</b>                     | 19.90±0.95 <sup>b</sup>    | 22.37±0.68 <sup>b</sup>     | 25.03±1.09 <sup>a</sup>    | 20.77±0.61 <sup>b</sup>    | *    |
| <b>Feed conversion ratio (g. / hen/ day)</b> | 6.18±0.30 <sup>a</sup>     | 5.49±0.17 <sup>bc</sup>     | 4.94±0.20 <sup>c</sup>     | 5.81±0.18 <sup>ab</sup>    | **   |
| <b>Total mortality (%)</b>                   | 18.75                      | 12.50                       | 15.63                      | 9.48                       | NS   |

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NS = Not significant, \* = P< 0.05.

**Table (4).** Effect of royal jelly (RJ), gibberellic acid (GA3), and testosterone (TS) treatments on some egg quality measurement of Matrouh hens at 24-48 weeks of age

| Items                                 | Treatments              |                          |                          |                          |      |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------|
|                                       | Control                 | 200 µg RJ /Kg<br>BW      | 200 µg GA3 /Kg<br>BW     | 200 µg TS /Kg<br>BW      | Sig. |
| <b><i>Egg quality measurement</i></b> |                         |                          |                          |                          |      |
| Egg weight, g                         | 47.00±1.31              | 49.67±1.34               | 50.20±1.55               | 47.74±1.61               | NS   |
| Egg shape index, %                    | 74.26±1.7 <sup>b</sup>  | 77.31±0.48 <sup>ab</sup> | 78.14±0.53 <sup>a</sup>  | 76.69±0.88 <sup>ab</sup> | **   |
| Egg yolk index, %                     | 39.64±1.04              | 41.62±0.83               | 42.37±0.87               | 41.59±0.58               | NS   |
| Egg albumin index,%                   | 76.07±1.02 <sup>b</sup> | 73.80±1.26 <sup>b</sup>  | 77.13±1.60 <sup>b</sup>  | 80.78±2.63 <sup>a</sup>  | *    |
| Haugh unit (Score)                    | 82.62±1.63              | 88.21±1.66               | 86.83±2.31               | 87.52±2.33               | NS   |
| Shell thickness (mm)                  | 0.30±0.004              | 0.31±0.004               | 0.31±0.005               | 0.30±0.005               | NS   |
| <b><i>Egg components (%)</i></b>      |                         |                          |                          |                          |      |
| Yolk weight                           | 32.51±0.61              | 30.54±0.7                | 31.33±0.71               | 30.71±0.51               | NS   |
| Albumin weight                        | 54.71±0.77 <sup>b</sup> | 57.22±0.82 <sup>a</sup>  | 56.71±0.81 <sup>ab</sup> | 57.71±0.64 <sup>a</sup>  | *    |
| Shell weight                          | 12.47±0.48              | 12.43±0.38               | 11.91±0.27               | 11.7±0.35                | NS   |

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NS = Not significant, \* = P< 0.05.

**Table 5:** Effect of royal jelly, gibberellic acid and testosterone treatments on economic efficiency of egg production of laying Matrouh hens strains, during the experimental period 24-48 weeks of age

| Items                      | Control            | RJ                  | GA3                 | TS                 | Sig. test |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Egg number                 | 121.63             | 145.50              | 149.13              | 130.69             |           |
| Price/egg (LE)             | 1.25               | 1.25                | 1.25                | 1.25               |           |
| Total revenue hen (LE)     | 163.36             | 186.41              | 181.88              | 152.03             |           |
| Total feed intake/ hen(kg) | 20.00              | 20.21               | 20.34               | 19.97              |           |
| Price/Kg feed (LE)         | 4.000              | 4.000               | 4.000               | 4.000              |           |
| Total feed cost/ hen (LE)  | 80.00              | 80.85               | 81.36               | 79.88              |           |
| Fixed hen (LE)             | 6.25               | 3.95                | 6.65                | 3.00               |           |
| Total cost hen (LE)        | 86.25              | 84.80               | 88.00               | 82.88              |           |
| Net revenue/hen (LE)       | 69.15 <sup>b</sup> | 93.87 <sup>b</sup>  | 101.61 <sup>a</sup> | 77.11 <sup>b</sup> | *         |
| Economic efficiency (EEf)  | 83.44 <sup>b</sup> | 106.67 <sup>b</sup> | 119.82 <sup>a</sup> | 89.41 <sup>b</sup> | *         |
| Relative E.Ef. (%)         | 107.16             | 143.60              | 127.85              | 100.00             |           |

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