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Effect of Zinc Deficiency on the Biosynthesis of Phosphatidylcholine in Rat Microsomes

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TABLE 1
Effect of Zinc Deficiency on Microsomal Phosphatidylcholine Biosynthesis in Liver, Brain, Spleen, and Pancreas of Male Rats¹

Tissue treatment	Days deficient	No. of animals	No. of samples	Specific activity, pmol phosphatidylcholine formed/min/mg microsomal protein		
				Phosphatidyl-ethanolamine methyltransferase	Phosphatidylidimethyl-ethanolamine methyltransferase	Choline phosphotransferase
<i>Liver</i>						
<i>Ad-lib</i> controls		6	6	99.8 ± 21.1	1956.4 ± 255.0	24,110 ± 3,410
Pair-fed controls		6	6	114.6 ± 17.6	1463 ± 309.8	28,170 ± 600
Zinc deficient	21	6	6	176.5 ± 18.3 ^{a, c, f}	1962.3 ± 382.3 ^{b, g}	27,330 ± 9,410 ^{a, e}
<i>Brain</i>						
<i>Ad-lib</i> controls		12	12	33.89 ± 3.42	188.0 ± 43.2	1238.3 ± 75.1
Pair-fed controls		12	12	38.42 ± 5.08 ^h	140.7 ± 23.1 ⁱ	831.9 ± 114.5 ^j
Zinc deficient	21	12	12	28.13 ± 3.74 ^{a, e}	139.2 ± 28.1 ^{a, e}	817.1 ± 138.3 ^{a, e}

		Spleen			Pancreas		
<i>Ad-lib</i> controls	14	7	39.7 ± 6.7	44.6 ± 7.8	442.8 ± 35.2		
Pair-fed controls	13	6	64.7 ± 13.1 ¹	86.7 ± 13.8 ¹	372.5 ± 59.6 ¹		
Zinc deficient	15	6	62.5 ± 11.7 ^{a, c}	77.1 ± 16.6 ^{a, c}	331.0 ± 26.8 ^{a, c}		
<i>Ad lib</i> controls	9	9	68.6 ± 12.2	200.3 ± 40.2	368.3 ± 67.8		
Pair-fed controls	10	4	82.3 ± 11.7	193.6 ± 34.5	323.1 ± 35.5		
Zinc deficient	45	4	101.9 ± 17.7 ^{a, c}	207.8 ± 47.7	207.9 ± 69.1		
<i>Ad-lib</i> controls	14	7	24.5 ± 4.3	69.2 ± 14.7			
Pair-fed controls	13	6	19.6 ± 3.4	75.0 ± 11.2			
Zinc deficient	15	6	22.0 ± 2.8	84.9 ± 11.3			
<i>Ad-lib</i> controls	9	5	43.7 ± 5.4	67.7 ± 7.2			
Pair-fed controls	10	4	40.8 ± 11.0	62.3 ± 10.4			
Zinc deficient	45	4	49.2 ± 1.8	84.7 ± 4.5 ^{a, d, h}			

¹Values (followed by standard deviations) are the mean of duplicate determination. *Ad libitum* (Ad-lib). Anova was significant. **P* < 0.01; ¹*P* < 0.05. Scheffé contrasts between zinc deficient values and ad-lib controls: ¹*P* < 0.001; ¹*P* < 0.05; ¹*P* < 0.01. Scheffé contrasts between zinc deficient and pair-fed controls: ¹*P* < 0.001; ¹*P* < 0.05; ¹*P* < 0.01. Scheffé contrasts between pair-fed and ad-lib controls: ¹*P* < 0.03.