

## Estimation Relationship Between Interleukin-17 With Oxidant - Antioxidants Status Among Patients With Hypertension

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**Abstract:** Vasculitis characterized by immune cell infiltration is an important mechanism in the development of hypertension and cardiovascular disease. The role of IL-17 in hypertension is controversial. So, This study aimed to observe and clarify the role of IL-17 in hypertension patients and its link with oxidative stress – antioxidants. The sample of this study consists of 30 patients (18 male ,12 female ) and 30 apparently healthy individuals (18 male ,12 female ) . The results showed an elevated mean sera level of IL-17 (966.04 pg/ml ) , in Patients with hypertension as compared with the control (213.37 pg/ml), with significant difference ( $p \leq 0.05$ ) While show marked decrease in level of (NO and GSH ) in Patients with hypertension as compared with the control ( $p \leq 0.05$ ). It was found negative correlation between IL-17 , NO and GSH.

**Keywords:** Hypertension, IL-17, Nitric oxide, Glutathione

### Introduction

Hypertension control is defined as achieving a blood pressure of less than 140/90 mmHg in individuals who are being treated for hypertension (Maimaris et al 2013). While uncontrolled hypertension was defined as an average SBP  $\geq 140$  mmHg or an average DBP  $\geq 90$  mmHg, among those with hypertension (Wyatt et al 2008). In ThiQar Governorate, southern Iraq, a study conducted in 2012 on some primary health care centers in the city of Nasiriyah showed that 46.1% of the study population suffer from high blood pressure, and only 17.7% of them have controlled blood pressure. (Al-Lami et al 2012 ; Ali et al 2015). Hypertension is a major health problem, especially because the symptoms are not visible. Most people get hypertension without being aware of it. Modifier factors such as obesity, overweight

measured by body mass index, visceral adiposity measured by waist circumference, increased age, are now well known to be correlated with the high prevalence of hypertension (Dibby, 2015 ;Haneen and Khalid). Elevated formation of reactive oxygen species in the vascular wall is a major feature of cardiovascular disease and contributes to endothelial dysfunction and vasculitis .(Dominguez et al 2010; Higashi et al 2009).The correlation between increased production of ROS and hypertension has been explained through enhanced inactivation of the vasodilator nitric oxide (NO) by superoxide radical ( $O_2^-$ ) (Grossman, 2008; Kopf et al 2008 ). Glutathione acts as a major thiol-disulfide redox buffer for the cell .Synthesis of GSH is catalyzed through c-glutamyl cysteine synthetase (c-GCS) and GSH synthetase. c-GCS transcription and activity are regulated by many factors and processes such as GSH conjugation, GSH depletion , antioxidants , inflammatory cytokines, oxidative stress , and nitrosative stress.(Wu et al 2004 ). Ulrich et al 2019 ,They focused on the cooperative roles of salt, IL-17, and the inflammatory response in autoimmune diseases and hypertension.

### **Materials and methods**

This study has been conducted at AL-Hussein Teaching Hospital in Thi-Qar , at the period between 16/1/2021 to 25/4/2021. It included (60) subjects, (30) control(18 male ,12 female ) and (30) patients (18 male ,12 female ) . A 3 mL-blood sample was pulled from each ( patients and controls) IL-17 was determined by ELISA (Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay) using ready kits manufactured by Elabscience company(USA). NO was determined according to the method of (Dervisevic et al 2012). GSH was determined according to the method of(Ellman, 1959).

### **Statistical Analysis:**

The statistical analysis was done using spss v 23 the results were expressed as mean  $\pm$  standard deviation (mean  $\pm$  SD). T test was used to compare parameters in studied groups Pearson's correlation was applied to determine the relationship among the present study parameters. P-values ( $P \leq 0.05$  ) were considered statistically significant.

### **Result**

In this work, it was specified the effect of this disease (hypertension ) on the IL-17 ,NO and GSH. 6.7 % of patients have normal blood pressure (BP), 10% have high-normal blood pressure, 60% have grade 1 hypertension and 28% have grade 2 hypertension as shown in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1 Explain the classification of hypertensive patients based on office blood pressure (BP) measurement

Category	No. (%)	SBP (mmHg) Mean $\pm$ SD	DBP (mmHg) Mean $\pm$ SD
Normal BP	2(6.7%)	<130	<85
High-normal BP	3 (10%)	130–139	85–89
Grade 1 hypertension	18(60%)	140–159	90–99
Grade 2 hypertension	7(23.3%)	$\geq$ 160	$\geq$ 100

(Table 1-2 ) showed elevated level of IL-17in patients with hypertension as compared with the control with significant difference ( $p \leq 0.05$ ) While show marked decrease in level of (NO and GSH ) in Patients with hypertension as compared with the control ( $p \leq 0.05$ ).

**Table(1-2 ):- concentrations of IL-17,NO and GSH in (control) and(patients) groups**

Parameters	Patient (n= 25) mean $\pm$ SD	Control (n=25) mean $\pm$ SD	p.value
IL-17 (pg/ml)	966.04 $\pm$ 92.37	213.37 $\pm$ 32.46	0.000
NO( $\mu$ mol/mL)	4.56 $\pm$ 0.67	7.30 $\pm$ 1.02	0.001
GSH( $\mu$ mol/L)	402.50 $\pm$ 93.09	540.76 $\pm$ 82.21	0.000

Table (1-3) and figures (1-1), (1-2)Explain the correlation between IL-17 and other parameters in this studies .It was found negative correlation between IL-17 , NO and GSH ).

Table (1-2) Correlation between IL-17 and other parameters this studies .

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NO	- 0. 72	negative correlation
GSH	- 0. 68	negative correlation

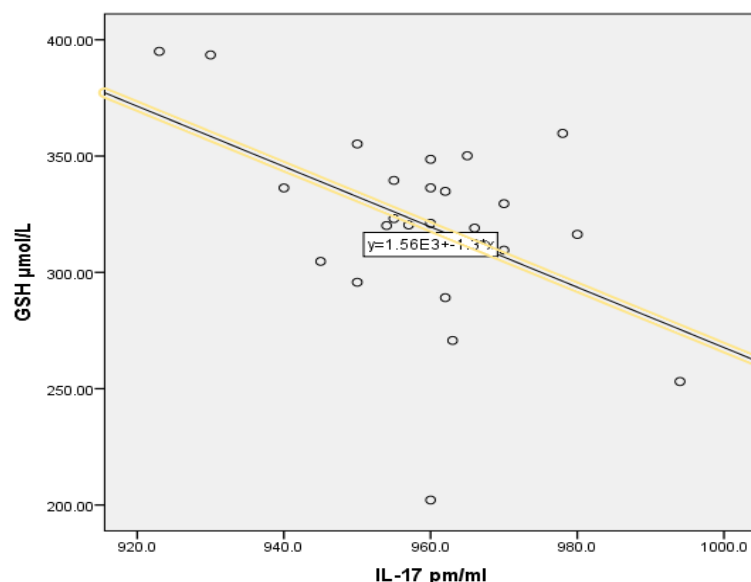
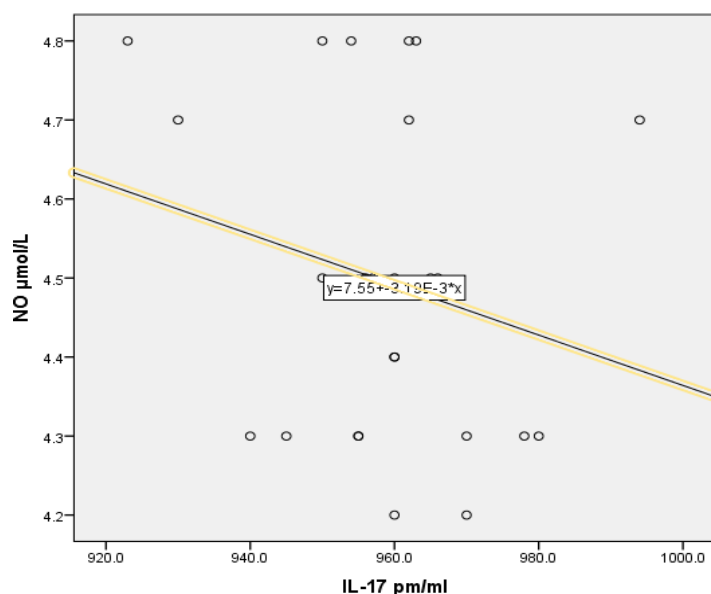


Figure (1- 1 ) shows the negative correlation between IL-17 and NO. Figure (1- 2 ) shows the negative correlation between IL-17 and GSH.

## Discussion

Interleukins, appear to play a role in peripheral organ damage in hypertensive individuals (as a major mediator of inflammation)(Daniela et al 2019 ). Actually, Vasculitis characterized by immune cell infiltration is an important mechanism in the development of hypertension and cardiovascular disease. (Eriksson et al ,2001).There are six known members of the IL-17 family. IL-17A is the most widely studied and has been implicated in the pathogenesis of multiple autoimmune and inflammatory diseases (Tesmer et al 2008). Recent evidence also supports a role for IL-17 in cardiovascular disease and hypertension (Eid et al 2009 )Notably, the level of serum IL-17 in hypertensive patients was marked higher than in normal individuals (Madhur, et al 2010). Prehypertension is a transition stage from normotension to hypertension. A growing body of evidence indicates that chronic low-grade inflammation is a common pathological process and an important contributing factor to prehypertension (Virdis and Schiffrin 2003,Savoia and Schiffrin,2007). However, few studies have investigated the relationship between prehypertension and the immune response.Weiet al2015 , were examined serum levels of IL-17 in prehypertensive patients and those with optimal BP. The serum level of IL-17 was significantly higher in the prehypertension group compared with the optimal BP group. Also the serum level of IL-17 in the prehypertension

group was very close to those reported in the hypertension group. It is known from preclinical models that an imbalance between the production and degradation of reactive oxygen species is involved in the mechanisms of hypertension. Because excessive ROS enhances cellular processes such as differentiation and apoptosis and controls vascular tension and endothelial function, it contributes to endothelial dysfunction. (M. S. Finkel et al 1992). Oxidative stress results from decreased levels of antioxidant and increased generation of reactive oxygen species. Inflammation, in turn, leads to endothelial dysfunction and atherosclerosis through ROS, a product of cellular and soluble immune factors. (T. A. Angelovich et al, 2015, A. Agita and M. Taha 2017, W. R. Taylor 1999). Consequently, ROS stimulates proinflammatory cytokine secretion, and lessening availability of NO (Q.-Z. Lia et al 2005). Studies have shown that inhibiting ROS reduce blood pressure by improving endothelial function through rising NO production. (Daniela et al 2019). Oxidative stress is linked with GSH oxidation and depletion, which has been observed in hypertensive subjects when compared with normotensive individuals (Rodrigo et al 2007, Bessa et al 2009, Redon et al 2003). It has been shown that higher blood pressure is linked with disorders in glutathione metabolism. Mononuclear cells from hypertensive subjects display marked lower GSH and higher GSSG levels than from the control group (Chaves et al 2007).

### **Conclusion**

In this study, the association between serum IL-17, NO and GSH levels and hypertension is studied. Serum IL-17 levels is a marker of inflammation is significantly raised in cases of hypertension. In conclusion, it was found a significant association between hypertension and serum IL-17. Also it was found the oxidative stress plays a significant role in the pathogenesis of hypertension.

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