
DETERMINATION OF HEAVY ELEMENTS CONCENTRATIONS IN COSMETICS COMMONLY USED IN ARABIC REGIONS

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Abstract

Forty two samples of cosmetics including twenty one artificial cosmetics (makeup and skin care items) and twenty-one traditional cosmetics used particularly in Arabic regions were analyzed to determine the concentrations of Pb, Cd, As, Hg, Ni, Co, Cr, Mo, Si, Sr and V. Inductively Coupled Plasma-Optical Emission (ICP- OES) spectrometer were applied for elemental analysis. The outcome of this paper shows that lead and cadmium concentrations are so high in all kohl samples. The higher concentrations of arsenic were in hand cream samples imported from Israel (43.37 and 52.71 ppm), while the higher concentration of mercury is 585.16 ppm. The amounts of heavy elements that may be absorbed into the body from daily usage of lipsticks and kohl have been calculated.

Keywords: Heavy elements, Cosmetics, ICP-OES, Traditional cosmetics in Arabic regions.

Introduction

Cosmetics are widely used throughout the world including makeup and skin care items. In addition, some traditional materials particularly in Arabic regions and some countries of south East Asia. For example, kohl (traditional powder eyeliner, it's usage in the Arabic region originated to the Arabic and Islamic heritage because of the Arabs thoughts of kohl's benefits: wide eye, pure it from dust, impurities and protects it from hot sunshine), henna (henna is a plant used to dye and beautify the skin and also used to dye hair), clay, talc stone and alum stone. These traditional materials are taken directly as raw materials from nature and used to beautify and take care of the skin. This research is a part of our work which aiming to study natural radioactivity concentrations in cosmetics, as well as the concentrations of some other heavy elements and explaining how serious they are. Besides, this research questions whether those cosmetics are safe to use or not and we will recommend some advice to minimize the hazard of using these materials. In this paper, we will shed light only on the elemental analysis using (ICP-OES) technique.

Based on many interesting other studies of the concentrations of the four most toxic elements (lead, mercury, arsenic and cadmium) in cosmetics, we are interested

to study the heavy elements concentrations in cosmetics in order to contribute the development of standards and specific levels of these elements allowed in the Arabic nations. We depend on the daily use and prices of these products. It is worth mentioning that most of the States did not establish allowable levels of heavy metals in cosmetics except some developed countries such as America, Canada and some European Union countries. Table (1) shows the allowable levels of heavy metals in cosmetics set by these states: Canada [1], Germany [1] and the U.S.A [3]. It can be noticed that American levels are ranging between Canadian and German limits.

Heavy metals may harm human health. After having exposure to those metals, they accumulate in the internal organs of the human body causing damage over time. For example, lead is accumulated in various tissues, especially bone, but also in the liver, kidneys, pancreas and lungs. Furthermore, it causes several health effects: disruption the biosynthesis of hemoglobin and anemia, a rise in blood pressure, kidney damage, miscarriages, disruption of nervous systems, declined fertility of men through sperm damage and diminished learning abilities of children. If Pb is ingested, adults will absorb about 10% into blood while children will absorb about 40 to 50% [3]. After immediate exposure, humans are able to get rid 50 % of lead within two or six weeks [3], but it takes 25 to 30 years to overcome 50 % of lead that has accumulated in the body over time [3]. Moreover, lead absorption through the skin is very little and can be eliminated through perspiration and organic fluids, so it doesn't represent a health hazard as ingestion pathway. Further report [4] releases lead absorption rate in skin unguents which is higher than powders products. Also, there is no evidence of intoxication risks when unguents containing Pb in the concentration of 0.4% (4000 ppm) are applied on the human skin.

Table (1) Allowable levels of some heavy elements in cosmetics

Element	Allowable level in ppm		
	In Canada [1]	In Germany [1]	In USA [2]
Arsenic	3	5	3 to 5
Mercury	3	1	1 to 3
Cadmium	3	5	5 to 15
Lead	10	20	10 to 20
Antimony	5	10	—
Titanium as(TiO ₂)	—	—	20000

Arsenic is one of the most toxic elements that can be found. It can cause irritation of the stomach and intestines, decreased production of red and white blood cells, skin changes and intensify the chances of cancer development. A lethal dose of As oxide is generally regarded as 100 mg. It is suggested that humans get rid 50% of As from the body between two and 40 days later, although it will tend to accumulate in skin and hair over time [5].

Absorption of lower concentrations of cadmium over time may cause kidney damage, bone deformity and Osteoporosis [6]. Humans overcome 50% of cadmium from the body 10-12 years after absorbing those concentrations [7]. Mercury has a number of health effects: disruption of the nervous system, damage to brain functions, DNA damage and chromosomal damage, allergic reactions, resulting in skin rashes, tiredness, headaches and miscarriages.

The effects of stable Sr compounds are based on its homology to calcium: strontium can replace calcium in most biological processes, so that it could be absorbed into the blood first, but most of it ends up in bones. The absorption of Sr from the skin is slow and unimportant. Other heavy elements can also cause several health influences when up taking in certain levels. Ni is actually the leading reason for dermatitis contact. However, small amounts of other toxic elements may sensitize the immune system and trigger an allergic reaction due to the cumulative effects of different metals to which the organism is exposed [8]. In fact, in some cases, allergic reactions associated to nickel are also connected with higher levels of sensitivity to Cr, Co and Cd (It was proposed that cosmetic products must contain less than 5 ppm [8]).

Most cosmetics are applied to the skin. Thus, the heavy elements are absorbed through the skin and oral exposure can occur for cosmetics used in and around the mouth. Besides, from hand-to-mouth contact after exposure to cosmetics containing heavy metal impurities. Inhalation exposure is expected to be negligible [1]. The objective of the present work is to determine the concentrations of As, Cd, Co, Cr, Mo, Ni, Pb, Si, Sr, Ti and V in 42 cosmetic samples, including 21 artificial cosmetics, 21 traditional and natural cosmetics using ICP-OES technique.

Experimental work

Sample collection

Forty two samples including one part of twenty one artificial cosmetics of several brands and prices were purchased from markets in Libya and Egypt as shown in tables 2 and 4.

Sample preparation

Samples digestion: 0.15 g of sample, 7 ml high purity Nitric Acid and 2 ml high purity hydrofluoric acid are added to a microwave vessel and the samples are heated over 15 minutes to 130°C. Then, samples are held at 130°C for three minutes before the temperature is ramped to 200°C over 15 minutes and held at 200°C for 30 minutes. After that, 30 mL of 4% high purity Boric Acid solution is added to the vessels (A 4% Boric Acid solution has been added after digesting to neutralize the Hydrofluoric acid) then, the samples are heated again in the microwave to 170°C over 15 minutes and held for 10 minutes at 170°C. The samples are then diluted to 50 ml using distilled H₂O.

The trace element analysis is performed using Thermo scientific iCap 7000 series ICP-OES spectrometer in Laboratories Compound of Desert Research Center of Egyptian Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation.

Results

The results of the present work are illustrated in tables (2) and (5); from these tables Sr, V and Mo have low concentrations and do not have negative effects in most samples. While the concentrations of Si are high in all samples. It is non-toxic and it is inert material.

According to table (2) which lists the sample's name, codes, origin country, color and heavy elements concentrations, the concentrations of Cd and Hg in all samples are less than the allowable levels [1] [2]. Also, the concentrations of Ti are higher than the allowable level in some samples, but stable Ti is not a poison metal except for some effects on the lungs. If inhaled at high rates, it will not remain inside the body and the body can overcome it easily.

Regarding to table (2), the concentrations of all elements are in acceptable levels [1][2] in foundation creams and compact powder samples with the exception of As in SFL34 which are (15.95 ppm), and foundation cream is applied on the face and can uptake through the mouth. In lipsticks and lip-glosses, the heavy elements concentrations in Italian made brands having expensive prices are lower than those in Chinese and samples of unknown sources

In eye cosmetics, the concentrations of Pb and Cr are high in alleye shadow samples and Co is high in rose and blue samples. It is known that the eyelid skin is very thin and the applying of such contaminated eye shadows can cause irritation, concerning samples of mascara and eyeliner, most of theelements concentrations are at acceptable levels. Althoughthe last one is from unknown source and inexpensive, it has low concentration of Pb. In body powder sample, the concentration of Cr is 11.78 ppm and 28.71 ppm of Pb. These relatively high concentrations can cause several health effects with daily use especially for children due to the higher probabilityabsorbing through the mouth. While in the German hair dye sample all the elements were below allowable levels. In Israeli hand cream samples, arsenicis recordedhigherconcentrations than all other ones (43.37 and 52.71 ppm). Oral contamination can occur from hand-to-mouth contact after using contaminated hand creams and also these high concentrations may be absorbed through the skin.

The results of this work show high rates of heavy elements contamination in some samples compared to other results as shown in Table (3).

Table (2) the concentrations of heavy elements in well-known cosmetics.

Sample Type	Sample color	Sample Code	Country of origin	Heavy elements concentrations (mean±RSD)(%) (ppm)											
				As	Cl	Co	Cr	Hg	Mo	Ni	Pb	Si	Sr	Ti	V
Compact powder foundation	-	SPN1	Taiwan	<0.008	<0.0003	64.24±0.43	19.00±1.52	-	1.36±1.33	4.49±0.56	13.41±2.24	198502.00±1.76	12.51±2.43	59565.00±2.37	67.83±1.06
	-	SPN2	Ireland	3.86±0.37	<0.0003	<0.0004	17.43±1.27	-	1.30±2.50	1.43±2.42	24.28±0.51	7012.30±1.52	8.65±1.32	29.29±0.77	0.01±1.01
Lipstick	-	SPN3	Taiwan	3.14±0.30	<0.0003	58.11±0.22	12.18±1.07	-	1.74±2.30	2.00±2.64	<0.002	23536.98±2.79	11.48±0.75	43523.00±0.54	43.29±0.85
	-	SPN4	Ireland	<0.008	<0.0003	66.58±0.10	13.42±1.51	-	1.50±2.30	1.53±2.95	16.28±1.53	249774.00±2.46	28.87±1.92	50666.00±0.47	50.63±2.86
	-	SFL34	Unknown	15.95±0.13	<0.0003	47.67±0.98	32.88±1.05	0.80±0.10	0.70±0.90	6.45±1.33	12.07±2.67	6994.79±2.22	5.09±0.38	26686.00±0.91	32.48±1.89
	-	SL17	Italy	<0.008	<0.0003	55.14±0.51	12.41±2.19	-	1.25±2.82	1.00±2.00	0.002±1.02	11282.00±1.56	9.37±0.07	36614±0.13	38.37±1.59
Lip-gloss	Red	SLN33	Unknown	3.02±1.05	<0.0003	<0.0004	8.28±1.61	-	0.55±2.19	2.56±2.19	34.77±0.13	38006.49±0.57	15.94±0.14	226.40±1.05	9.77±2.34
	Rose	SCS5	China	4.09±0.94	<0.0003	0.35±2.67	3.92±2.35	0.11±1.30	1.39±1.08	0.44±0.68	1.46±2.45	11.696.20±2.12	2.50±0.43	374.37±0.94	<0.01
	Rose	SQL6	Italy	<0.008	<0.0003	35.38±0.32	7.28±1.51	-	1.47±1.98	1.81±1.52	<0.002	23653.90±2.91	35.54±1.13	22886.00±2.43	29.70±1.89
Hair Dye	Red	SCB10	Germany	0.41±1.58	<0.0003	<0.0004	5.49±1.60	-	1.38±2.73	0.59±1.59	10.03±0.02	7740.13±1.61	0.55±0.35	4.77±1.58	<0.01
	Blond	SCB11	Syria	3.89±0.85	<0.0003	<0.0004	24.62±1.76	0.06±1.10	2.05±1.37	6.17±0.46	6.53±1.07	7768.98±1.35	3.89±0.08	20.26±0.85	<0.01
Eye Shadow	Pink	SESR9.1	China	<0.008	<0.0003	173.57±0.21	46.75±1.59	-	1.16±2.29	3.68±2.37	3.5.18±1.20	122082.23±1.81	17.57±1.82	96485±2.10	104.24±2.50
	Yellow	SESY9.3	China	<0.008	<0.0003	<0.0004	2739.06±0.37	0.04±2.4	0.76±2.55	2.98±0.40	19912.47±0.33	181.67.11±0.01	36.99±0.04	1131.00±1.54	16.96±2.63
Eyeliner	Blue	SEB31	Unknown	<0.008	<0.0003	491.87±0.16	20.23±1.26	0.12±0.06	1.46±1.64	1.01±1.17	29.12±1.91	108002.60±0.55	19.06±1.10	257059.00±1.06	265.29±1.46
	Black	SEL18	Unknown	3.38±0.89	<0.0003	0.33±2.30	13.31±1.88	-	1.42±1.07	4.54±0.15	5.33±1.74	13963.58±2.37	2.28±1.53	234.04±0.89	<0.01
Body powder	White	SP116	Germany	<0.008	<0.0003	<0.0004	11.78±2.93	-	1.01±2.06	1.24±1.71	28.71±0.65	237369.00±0.59	7.19±1.34	16.57±0.38	212.86±1.21
	Black	SMA14	UK	3.62±2.72	<0.0003	<0.0004	6.22±1.92	0.09±0.50	1.30±2.48	0.88±1.24	3.37±1.67	16853.53±2.48	2.20±0.49	23.33±2.72	7.19±1.91
Shampoo	-	SSI27	Israel	1.48±0.93	<0.0003	<0.0004	<0.009	0.03±0.00	0.24±1.41	0.21±2.08	2.61±0.03	3706.40±2.25	1.99±0.88	5.70±0.50	3.21±2.26
	-	SSI28	Israel	1.34±0.84	<0.0003	<0.0004	1.69±2.40	-	0.21±1.23	0.23±0.71	3.34±2.06	3925.06±1.43	1.88±1.71	2.74±0.84	<0.01
Hand cream	-	SCG29	Israel	52.71±0.29	<0.0003	<0.0004	6.52±1.68	0.92±1.07	0.65±1.07	1.86±2.31	21.74±2.77	16368.97±1.52	5.77±1.29	13.40±0.29	<0.01
	-	SCW10	Israel	43.37±0.54	<0.0003	<0.0004	7.34±1.40	0.06±0.09	0.35±2.69	0.29±1.91	10.37±2.84	15853.26±2.48	3.43±2.04	11.10±0.54	9.99±0.60

Table (3) comparison between our results and other studies' results

Cosmetic type	Study Information	Maximum Results (ppm)			
		(<CL=	Concern		Not Measured)
			Level	Nm	
Eye shadow	This work	Pb 35.18	As < CL	Co 491.87	Cr 2739.06
	M.G. Volpe et al.'s (2012) [8]	81.58	NM	< CL	< CL
Lipsticks and lipglosses	This work	34.77	4.09	55.14	12.41
	Paola Piccinini et al.'s (2013), [9]	3.75	NM	NM	NM
	Canadian environmental defence (2011), [10]	110	70	NM	NM
	Iman Al-Saleh et al.'s (2009), [3]	3760	NM	NM	NM

Regarding health riskassessment,Loretz et al.'s (2005) [11] calculated the daily usage of lipsticks by 360 women aged(18–65) over two weeks.The outcome of this study in average is 2.35usesof lipstickper day. The mean quantity of lipstick used per day was(0.024g).Also, we have done a rough estimationof 20 females in the vicinity of family and work on the number of times of their daily usage of lipsticks. The results were higherthanLoretz's results because the hot weather in Arabic regions makes women applying makeup more than one time a day. Therefore, we calculate the weekly absorption rate of heavy elements as Loretz's results on the base that lipstick is fully ingested(this is very possible, especially while eating).According to table (4) the weekly rate of heavy metals from cosmetics is not high (some micro grams a week). However, there is a weekly absorption from other sources: dust inhalation, water, food ingestion and contact with toys making these weekly rates more effective due to the influence of heavy metals(accumulative).

Table (4) The amounts of heavy elements weekly absorbed into the body as a result of using lipsticks

Sample Type	Sample Code	Weekly exposure of some heavy elements from lipsticks (in µg)			
		As	Co	Cr	Pb
Lipstick	SLL7	—	9.26	2.08	—
	SLN33	0.51	—	1.39	5.84
Lip-gloss	SGS5	0.69	0.06	0.65	0.25
	SGL6	—	5.94	1.22	—

The results of heavy elements concentrations in traditional cosmetics are registered in table (4). It is clear that Yemeni henna sample has the mostacceptable concentrations of heavy elements comparing with other

henna samples. Concerning hair dyeing, the German dye sample in Table (2) has heavy elements concentrations lower than those in all henna samples.

According to talc stone which is a raw material used to make body powders, the concentrations of Pb and Hg are so high [2475.81 and 22.93 ppm, respectively] comparing with allowable levels [1] [2] and also comparing with those in body powder sample in Table (5).

Nevertheless, kohl as a traditional eyeliner in Arabic regions, the results show that the concentrations of As, Cd, Cr and Pb are higher than the allowable levels. But Hg has high concentrations only in 3 samples (see table 4). The concentration of Pb in powdered kohl sample imported from India is 2771 ppm which is so high, but it is relatively low to kohl-stone samples (748344.54 ppm ~ 74%). The concentrations of Cd which have low values in all other samples are ranged between [8.00 - 39.87 ppm] in kohl-stone samples. A study in KSA (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia) [12] has shown the lead concentrations in imported samples available in KSA ranged between 0.004 to 53% (40 to 530000 ppm). Also, these results illustrate reduction of hemoglobin and increase of lead blood level for individuals using kohl comparing with those who have never used kohl. Another study indicated to a high level of lead in cataract lenses in comparison with clear lenses [13].

Historically, kohl is an Arabic name, while 'stibium', known as 'Athmad' or 'Al-ithmīd', was Latinized as 'athimodium,' 'atimodium,' 'atimonium,' 'antimonium.' Similarly, the name surma is derived from the word for antimony. Several prescriptions given in Eastern pharmacopoeias include antimony, zinc and lead. Antimony first appeared in a chemical literature of the renaissance period, and Basilius Valentinus (1565– 1624) wrote a monograph on it in 1604. Actually, antimony, in the form of its sulphide (stibnite, Sb_2S_3), has been known in Eastern countries at very early times. A reference was made to antimony in the Old Testament. It was used for making cosmetics such as rouge and black paint for eyebrows, and was confused with lead. This information provides considerable evidence to support the suggestion that earlier types of kohl mainly contained antimony sulphide. As antimony sulphide became scarce, it was replaced by lead sulphide and lead oxide [12].

Most Arabic women applied kohl at a rate of one to two times daily. We have approximately found the amount (0.08 g) of kohl could the user

applied per time for all samples given in table (4). Since we cannot estimate the exact amount absorbed into the body from the used weight, kohl can be ingested or entered through the tear duct. However, we can roughly assume that about 50 % of applying kohl is absorbed into the body and then calculate the amount of four most toxic metals absorbed per year by using kohl one time a day. The results are shown in table (5).

Table (5)The amounts of heavy elements absorbed per year into the body as a result of using kohl

Sample Code	The amount of heavy elements absorbed annually (mg)			
	As	Cd	Pb	Hg
SEL18	1.23	Nil	1.95	Nil
SKA17	Nil	Nil	1011.55	0.03
SKK20	2.27	2.92	18493.33	Nil
SKP22	4.95	14.55	199982.20	0.01
SKI23	1.66	7.03	205994.80	Nil
SKK24	4.10	2.76	192561.55	0.02
SKA1	2.59	2.87	258067.35	25.13
SKR2	38.73	2.33	244547.57	24.78
SKL3	1.64	5.69	273145.76	55.68

The US FDA warned not to use the present Kohl as color additive in any of the products and barred entry to the United States based on kohl contaminated of lead. Kohl is a color additive as that term is defined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act).There is no regulation permitting its use in a cosmetic or in any other FDA-regulated product [14].

Conclusion:

In this study, we determine high concentrations of As, Cr, Co, Ni and Pb in the various samples, particularly those cheap ones in natural materials especially in samples of kohl stones.

Women are advised not to use cosmetic products frequently and to choose the surest brands leaving the cheap products, especially in lipsticks and eye cosmetics. Using kohl, based on this study and other studies, women should be notified that current widespread of Kohl on the markets is not genuine and unhealthy. On the contrary, highly toxic of lead, other heavy metals and the need to stop using it completely for them and for their children. We recommend that necessary make Agency to protect consumer from contaminated material

Table (5) Heavy elements concentrations in traditional cosmetics.

Sample Type	Sample Code	Country of origin	Heavy elements concentrations (mean±SD) (ppm)												
			As	Cd	Co	Cr	Hg	Mo	Ni	Pb	Si	Str	Ti	V	
Henna	SHR12	India	3.89±0.78	<0.0003	1.10±1.04	110.41±1.76	0.07±0.95	2.86±0.29	10.61±0.42	3.03±1.32	11579.12±0.38	109.41±1.57	98.44±0.11	8.91±1.33	
	SHR13	Sudan	2.98±0.56	<0.0003	3.24±0.19	11.92±1.97	—	1.49±1.69	5.59±1.72	245.93±0.89	29208.00±2.61	104.10±2.91	1082.70±0.07	25.00±1.41	
	SHR12	Nemal-Libya	3.66±2.41	<0.0003	<0.0004	8.00±2.54	0.24±0.85	0.72±1.69	0.78±1.84	187.24±1.14	8318.28±1.74	454.31±1.57	66.60±0.03	6.95±2.17	
	SHR13	Nemal-Yemen	<0.008	<0.0003	2.80±0.73	30.22±0.27	—	8.52±1.91	8.76±1.38	271.81±0.27	04246.21±0.67	173.17±0.36	1418.40±0.45	35.06±1.40	
	SHBE36	Egypt	3.22±1.65	<0.0003	<0.0004	16.81±0.79	72.56±	<0.001	6.01±0.15	576.08±2.47	45714.29±0.84	472.43±0.90	482.39±0.64	17.14±5.23	
Kohl	SKR20	KSA	6.23±1.02	8.00±0.27	<0.0004	12.60±2.75	—	1.50±0.66	8.87±0.37	2.91±2.72	547896.44±1.08	14508.09±1.62	260.10±1.16	32.20±0.12	
	SKR22	Pakistan	13.55±0.55	39.87±0.34	<0.0004	7.28±2.40	0.02±0.83	2.37±1.50	0.64±1.76	54.53±0.31±0.38	8904.42±2.79	94.38±2.20	3.50±2.06	<0.005	
	SKR23	India	4.54±4.51	19.25±0.03	<0.0004	19.93±1.87	—	0.76±8.30	707033.84±1.05	9538.73±2.04	166.49±1.06	18.21±4.17	<0.005		
	SKR1	KSA	7.1±2.8	7.86±0.53	<0.0004	8.96±3.4	68.85±0.00	<0.001	0.86±7.46	6669993.35±0.66	58616.1±0.34	161.24±2.53	17.47±1.98	<0.005	
	SKR2	KSA	106.12±0.48	6.39±0.04	<0.0004	4.29±6.09	67.9±0.12	<0.001	0.66±1.70	7483344.54±1.40	7218.54±2.26	53.77±0.53	12.25±0.89	<0.005	
Kohl powder	SKL3	Iran	4.52±.62	15.6±0.07	<0.0004	4.77±1.70	152.55±0.01	<0.001	0.66±1.70	7483344.54±1.40	7218.54±2.26	53.77±0.53	12.25±0.89	<0.005	
	SKA17	India	<0.008	<0.0003	33.37±0.82	41.78±2.12	0.08±1.10	3.13±2.08	113.23±0.55	2771.38±0.34	133198.65±1.51	39.97±0.01	1152.53±1.20	212.86±1.21	
	Alum stone	Unknown	<0.008	<0.0003	39.37±0.31	18.39±1.76	—	0.29±1.95	6.64±1.17	56.47±1.99	213832.57±0.29	12.66±2.20	22387±1.22	30.28±0.72	
	Pumice stone	Unknown	<0.008	<0.003	45.38±0.02	246.04±0.01	13.11±	<0.001	136.89±0.16	557.55±0.12	185462.41±0.09	1423.15±0.42	10479.04±0.4	202.24±0.88	
	Clay	Unknown	3.43±2.58	<0.0003	<0.0004	17.8±2.56	144.57±4.38	<0.001	2.93±3.90	754.67±1.72	226400±1.05	256.83±1.27	392±0.72	11.97±1.22	
CVR2	CMGI	Unknown	6.42±2.10	<0.0003	13.21±0.13	130.9±0.91	585.16±0.39	<0.001	22.75±0.49	12754.49±0.57	239953.43±1.56	171.79±1.80	7435.13±1.72	148.1±3.31	
	CVR2	Unknown	<0.008	<0.0003	16.67±1.07	145.15±0.65	147.11±0.58	<0.001	26.49±0.85	714.14±0.83	208300.13±0.12	299.44±0.65	6749.67±0.35	179.12±1.27	
	STEL	Egypt	<0.008	<0.0003	<0.0004	12.26±0.72	22.93±1.09	<0.001	1.23±1.33	2475.81±1.65	224983.43±0.17	11.66±0.63	72.17±0.51	8.42±5.52	

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