

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2005 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

TSV Infected Shrimp

Objectives/Goals Abstract

My objective was to see if pacific white shrimp that are not infected with Taura Syndrome and are fed with green tea for a certain period, and then exposed to shrimp that are infected with TSV what would happen to the non-infected shrimp?

Methods/Materials

To test this I had equal number of infected and non-infected shrimp in two different tanks. I mixed green tea into the non-infected shrimp#s food to boost their immune system. I then mixed the infected shrimp with the non-infected. By doing this I was able to see if the shrimp that were non-infected became infected and the rate of that it occurred.

Results

My results were pretty self-explanatory, the green tea did have some effect on the shrimp of how fast the shrimp were getting the virus, but it didn#t help as much as we need it to help.

Conclusions/Discussion

If there are non-infected shrimp that are fed with green tea for a period of four days and then exposed to shrimp that are infected with the virus, then about half will be infected.

Summary Statement

TSV non-infected shrimp were given a immune system enhancer (green tea) and then exposed to a TSV infected shrimp.

Help Received

Grandfather help me get the shrimp tested in my experiment.