ABSTRACT

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P-glycoprotein in *Haemonchus contortus* 

Anthelmintic resistence in parasitic nematodes has become an alarming issue worlwide. Haemonchus contortus, a pathogenic nematode of small ruminants, has become resistant to all types of anthelmintic drugs. Important players of the anthelmintic resistence are ABC transporters, most notably P-glycoproteins. In Haemonchus contortus, 10 homologues of Pgp have been identified. Research of individual P-glycoproteins could reveal particular transporters involved in anthelmintic resistence mechanisms.

The diploma thesis focuses on P-glycoprotein-9.2, whose constitutive expression is higher in resistant strains of *H. contortus* than in susceptible strain. The opening chapters of the diploma thesis deals with the topic of parasitic nematode H. contortus, anthelmintic resistence and description of ABC transporters. The main part of this thesis is dedicated to construction of plasmids for in vitro preparation of digoxigenin-labelled RNA probes, and detection of P-glycoprotein-9.2 mRNA by chromogenic RNA in situ hybridisation. Target mRNA of P-glycoprotein-9.2 was found in hypodermis, intestinal tissue, ovaria and uterus including eggs.