

FACTS ON STUNNING

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HISTORY OF STUNNING

- A primitive form of stunning was used in premodern times in the case of cattle, which were poleaxed (An axe having a hammer face opposite the blade, used to slaughter cattle).
- prior to humane slaughter pistols and electric stunners, pigs, sheep and other animals (including cattle) were simply struck while fully conscious
- The development of stunning technologies occurred largely in the first half of the twentieth century. In 1911, the Council of Justice to Animals (later the Humane Slaughter Association) was created to improve the slaughter of livestock and address the killing of unwanted pets.
- In the early 1920s, HSA introduced and demonstrated a mechanical stunner, which led to the adoption of humane stunning by many local authorities.“
- The HSA played a key role in the passage of the Slaughter of Animals Act 1933. This made the mechanical stunning of cows and electrical stunning of pigs compulsory, with the exception of Jewish and Muslim meat.

WHY IS STUNNING USED

- To kill more animals for profit
- To deem the animal unconscious to avoid any pain when the cut is done, so they say (?)

1. **Captive bolt gun:** retractable rod causes concussion or brain damage
2. **Electrocution:** poultry dipped in electrified pool of water or current applied to animals head
3. **Gassing:** suffocation with carbon dioxide

T Captive bolt (1) ⚡ Electrocution (2) ☠ Gas (3)	
Livestock	Common methods
 Cattle	
 Sheep	
 Poultry	
 Pigs	

THE MYTH OF PAIN AND CRUELTY IN RELIGIOUS SLAUGHTER (**WITHOUT STUNNING**)

- No scientific medical evidences that proper Religious slaughter causes any pain to the animal?
- The animal keeps STILL after the proper cut
- Physiologically explained(Anaesthesia/stunning)...Convulsions/contractions are not sign of pain?
- The miracle of TASMIAH(sedative): Damascus Scientific study plus YouTube experiments
- The German study: based on the EEG recording...NO PAIN(Schulze and Hazim)

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- Superior animal welfare just before DHABH/ gentle individual handling/no stress/familial human face
- Electricity is painful (common sense)
- Endorphins/pain killers are released with the cut.
- US considered Religious slaughter: HUMANE (1958)

THE MYTH OF PAIN AND CRUELTY IN RELIGIOUS SLAUGHTER (**WITHOUT STUNNING**)

- In stunning: bruises/burn/broken bones/paralysis/re-stunning... all are painful
- The Farm Animal Welfare Council (FAWC) in Britain, has concluded in their scientific studies that: THERE IS **NO EVIDENCE OF PAIN IN RELIGIOUS SLAUGHTER** and that IT IS DIFFICULT TO MEASURE PAIN AND DISTRESS DURING THE SLAUGHTER PROCESS IN AN OBJECTIVE SCIENTIFIC MANNER....(FAWC: Report on the Welfare of Farmed Animals at slaughter or killing: Part 1: Red Meat Animals, June 2003/section 194).

THE MYTH OF PAIN AND CRUELTY IN RELIGIOUS SLAUGHTER (**WITHOUT STUNNING**)

- No objective evidence.. but subjective feeling based on no scientific evidences: IT IS A MYTH !
- All Prophets of ALLAH: Ibrahim/Moses/Jesus and Muhammad (peace be upon them)
- Can not be cruel to the animals when they have done DHABH without stunning.
- They all were mercy to man and animals.

THE EFFECTS AND THE OUTCOMES RESULTING FROM THE USE OF **STUNNING**

- Pain cruelty and torture (but the animal can not speak or complain?)
- failed stunning/repeated stunning/bruises/burns/broken bones...
Blood splash/SALT AND PEPPER HAEMORRHAGE(blood consumed inside the eaten meat/blood is haram and is unhealthy)
- Less bleeding out
- Weakening/stopping of the beating heart/Death of some animals especially in poultry (40%) MITAH (dead animal) is haram to eat.... they all mixed together...
Fatwa: avoid eating all!
- Preventing the animal from hearing TASMIAH

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- Electricity affects and disturbs the chemical ingredients of the meat (not healthy/not Tayyib)
- Captive Bolt pistol for cows has been prohibited in many States in the US: Spread of BSE/Mad cow disease
- Unhealthy outcomes: Consuming blood, unnatural meat, BSE...
- **MANY MUHARRAMAT**(forbidden outcomes): Mitah/dead animal before doing the cut, consuming blood, not Tayyib meat... plus the pain and the cruelty to the animals

ALL TYPES OF **STUNNING** SHOULD BE OPPOSED FOR MANY REASONS

- Humane / animal welfare reasons
- Health reasons
- Economic reasons
- Consumers reasons/demands
- Religious reasons

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- Safety reasons(no electricity/no bullets/no pistol...)
- Practicality/simplicity reasons...Can be done easily at any place (but better in licensed slaughterhouses)
- And Legal reasons according to the law in Britain: Is LEGAL for Muslims to do their religious slaughter for Halal meat without stunning... those Muslims who use stunning are "breaking" their own law?

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Electrocution



Stunning



THE HUMANE ACT OF THE PROPHETIC METHOD OF DHABH: PHYSIOLOGICAL MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXPLANATION

- Some medical knowledge on the anatomy and the physiology of the neck of the animal
- Will be very helpful to understand the wisdom and the humane Prophetic method of DHABH:
- Blood vessels (Carotids/Jugulars), Trachea, Oesophagus, Brain, Spinal cord and blood pressure
- An extremely sharp, clean and long knife
- Relaxed animal/no stress no fear... handled individually
- TASMIAH/Deep swift CUT to the 4 major blood vessels in the neck, Trachea, Oesophagus... but not the spinal cord. **(NO PAIN)**

TASMIAH: **BISMILLAH ALLAH AKBAR** A NEW MEDICAL MIRACLE

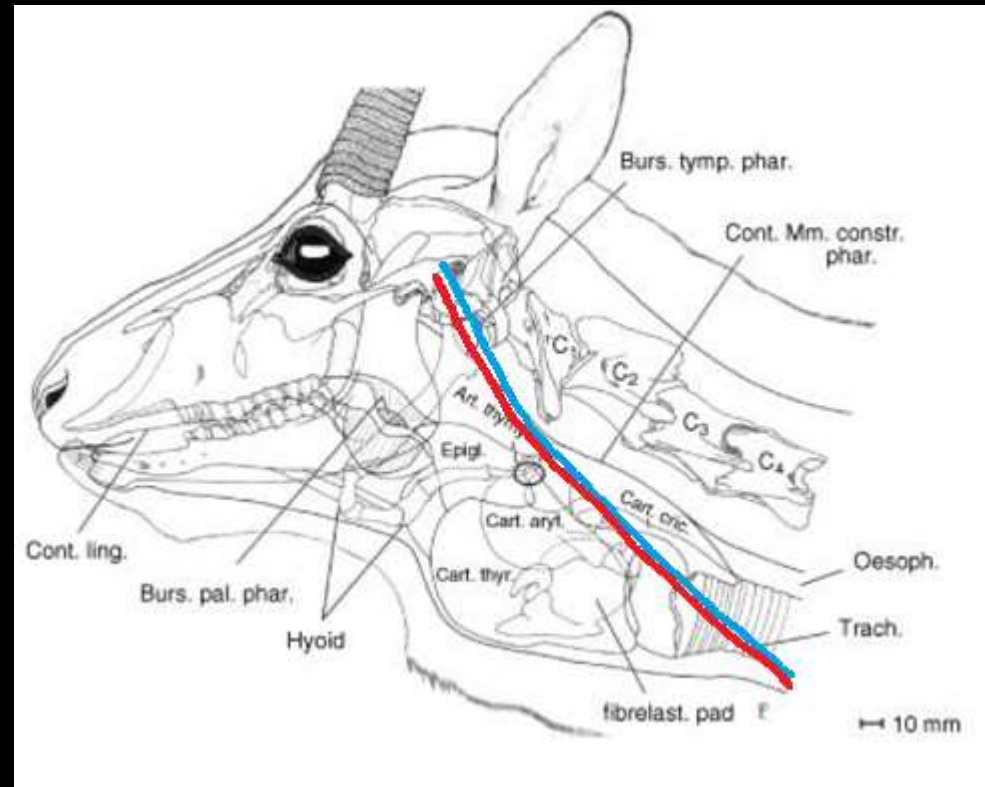
- THE NEW SCIENTIFIC MEDICAL DISCOVERY REGARDING TASMIAH (Saying: **BISMILLAH ALLAH AKBAR**/In the Name of ALLAH, ALLAH IS THE GREATEST) at time of Dhabh/animal slaughter, WHEN THE ANIMAL IS FULLY CONSCIOUS, FULLY HEARING, FULLY LIVING (**UNSTUNNED**).
- THIS MIRACULOUS FASCINATING MEDICAL RESULT WAS SIGNED BY OVER 30 MEDICAL/ HEALTH/DOCTORS PROFESSORS AND SCIENTISTS AT DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY IN SYRIA/Middle East about 10 years ago.
- The TASMIAH ACTS AS A **TRANQUILLISER/SEDATIVE** ON THE ANIMAL AND THE MAN DOING THE SLAUGHTER, AND IT **PURIFY THE MEAT** FROM BLOOD AND BACTERIA.

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THE SEDATIVE EFFECT OF TASMIAH (Bismillah Allah Akbar)
short video

- <https://youtu.be/PrZxwZwv3MM>
- <http://www.amin-sheikho.com/home.php?page=41&id=1337>

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- **The animal in a quiet stable state/keeping still...no movements**
- **Acute blood loss....Haemorrhagic shock ...immediate loss of consciousness.. Instantaneous anaesthesia /" Stunning"...more fast loss of consciousness...**
- **Due to sudden loss of blood from the brain... sudden contractions/convulsions...to squeeze blood from the body/arms/legs to "supply" the starving screaming dying brain (PAINLESS)**
- **But all the blood goes first from the hole of the cut before reaching the brain**
- **Maximum bleeding out...as recommended in Sunnah**

THE HUMANE ACT OF THE PROPHETIC METHOD OF DHABH: PHYSIOLOGICAL MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXPLANATION

Ref:

- Lord Horder GCVO, MD, FRCP
- DR Leonard Hill (1923)
- Sir Lovatt Evans
- Professor Harold Burrow
- I M Levingen (1979)
- Professor F R Bell
- Mr. Openshaw
- Mr. Hayhurst etc

(Some are quoted, in Impact Magazine 1985).

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, THE MOST MERCIFUL THE MOST COMPASSIONATE

Forbidden to you (for food) are dead animals, blood, the flesh of swine and that over which has been invoked other than the name of ALLAH (s.w.t) that which has been killed by strangling or by a violent blow or by a headlong fall or by being gored to death; that which has been partly eaten by a wild animal, unless you are able to slaughter it (in due form) and that which is sacrificed on stone (altars).

(Qur'an: Surah Al-Maida 5/3)

MUFTIS/ULAMAS IN BRITAIN OPPOSE MECHANICAL SLAUGHTER AND **STUNNING**

- Halal Monitoring Committee (HMC) has organised in 2009 an independent online survey regarding Mechanical slaughter and stunning.
- Responses were received from 282 Imams (including 32 Muftis) from over 25 towns and cities in the UK
- This is the result of the survey/responses

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95% of the Ulama do not accept "mechanical slaughter"(stunned) as an accepted method of Halal slaughter in Islam (2.1% want to understand the issue further)

99.7% stated that Bismillah (Tasmiah) should be prayed individually by person slaughtering (not recorded)

90% rejected electrical stunning of chickens (9% welcomed further research)

85% rejected electrical stunning of larger animals (9% welcomed further research)

99% expressed preference for non-stunned

Group 6100% saw the need for the continuation of religious exemption in the UK which allows Muslims and Jews to practice their religious beliefs (prophetic method of slaughter/Zabiha) and without the use of any type of stunning.

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REF:

- Published in HMC newsletter No. 13 available at <http://www.halalmc.net/newsletters/issue13.pdf>
- Today we have a lot of FATAWAS against stunning
- The fact is: When you explain to Muftis and Ulamas the effects of stunning on the animal/meat ,they all oppose it...we badly need EDUCATION to Muftis and Ulamas all over the world !

THE ORDER OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD TO DO DHABH/ANIMAL SLAUGHTER LIKE HIM

Narrated Anas bin Malik:

Allah's Apostle said, "I have been ordered to fight the people till they say: 'None has the right to be worshiped but Allah.' And if they say so, pray like our prayers, face our Qibla and slaughter as we slaughter, then their blood and property will be sacred to us and we will not interfere with them except legally and their reckoning will be with Allah

THE ORDER OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD TO DO DHABH/ANIMAL SLAUGHTER LIKE HIM

Narrated Maimun ibn Siyah that he asked Anas bin Malik:

"O Abu Hamza! What makes the life and property of a person sacred?" He replied, "Whoever says, 'None has the right to be worshiped but Allah', faces our Qibla during the prayers, prays like us and eats our slaughtered animal, then he is a Muslim, and has got the same rights and obligations as other Muslims have."

Ref: Buhkari Volume 1, Book 8, Number 387

WEBSITES AGAINST STUNNING

www.halalansa.com

www.unstunnedhalal.com

www.halalmc.co.uk or www.halalmc.org

www.iccservices.org.uk (regent Park mosque)

www.iccuk.org

www.mcb.org.uk/halalmeat

www.thingsnotsaid.org

www.chechitauk.org Jewish website:

My website:-Website: www.halaltayyibmeat.com

MY MEDICAL STUDY ON STUNNING

- <http://www.halaltayyibmeat.com/my-medical-report-on-stunning.html>
- A GOOD REFERENCE IN THE UK: The famous book by the late Dr Ghulam M Khan (Founder/Ex-President of the Islamic Medical Association/UK)/the first doctor Campaigner against stunning:
AL-DHABH: Slaying Animals :The Islamic Way

THE BEST METHOD OF ANIMAL SLAUGHTER FOR TRUE HALAL TAYYIB MEAT SHOULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- **Allows for draining most of the blood out**
- **Causes no stress to the animal**
- **Allows the animal to hear the Name of ALLAH (Tasmiah) before death**
- **Does not cause death before the actual slaughter**
- **Found with no fault in any scientific study**
- **Proved to be humane', causing NO "pain" or suffering or cruelty, even to a few individual animals**

THE BEST METHOD OF ANIMAL SLAUGHTER FOR TRUE HALAL TAYYIB MEAT SHOULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- **Causes no damaging or harmful effects or injuries to the animal and to the quality of the meat**
- **Found to be a sure way of death (reliable)**
- **Found to be irreversible (slowly and gradually progressing to death);**
- **With only one way of killing (direct method)**
- **To be practical and realistic; quick and easy to perform in any society, in any place**
- **‘Very economical’ (not a lot of machinery and equipment, etc.)**

THE BEST METHOD OF ANIMAL SLAUGHTER FOR TRUE HALAL TAYYIB MEAT SHOULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- **Being more familiar to the animal, with less machinery and restraint (with a less threatening atmosphere)**
- **Safe to perform (no electricity, gas or shocks, etc.)**
- **Accepted and wanted by the community consuming the meat**
- **Practiced by the final prophet Muhammad (pbuh) and by all the Prophets of ALLAH (same method)**
- **Blessed for the believers by ALLAH (s.w.t).**

THESE CRITERIA OCCUR ONLY WITH THE HUMANE PROPHETIC METHOD OF DHABH WITHOUT STUNNING

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WEBSITE: www.halaltayyibmeat.com