**Supplementary table S1: The chemical composition (%) of diets fed to camels under investigation**

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| **Feeds**  | **DM** | **Chemical analysis (%) on DM basis** |
| **Ash** | **CP** | **CF** | **EE** | **NFE** | **NDF** | **ADF** | **ADL** |
| **Concentrate mixture1** | 92.41 | 9.96 | 13.81 | 14.48 | 2.92 | 58.83 | 35.18 | 20.10 | 7.49 |
| **Fresh Egyptian Clover2** | 18.00 | 12.94 | 14.23 | 31.38 | 1.34 | 40.11 | 49.60 | 29.10 | 5.20 |
| **Egyptian Clover hay** | 89.29 | 12.13 | 12.44 | 25.64 | 1.73 | 48.06 | 44.15 | 38.37 | 10.50 |
| **Wheat straw**  | 93.12 | 10.80 | 2.94 | 39.71 | 0.45 | 46.10 | 77.30 | 50.04 | 9.00 |

**1Concentrate mixture composed of 30% wheat bran, 22% cotton seed meal, 33%yellow corn, 10% sunflower meal, 3% molasses, 1.5% limestone, 0.5% salt .2*Trifolium alexandrinum*;**