

Table III. *The concentration of C. jejuni on samples of chicken carcasses collected after the slaughter operations.*

<i>C. jejuni</i>	Caeca	Bleeding*	Defeathering#	Evisceration#	Washing#	Chilling#
Mean	5.374044013	4.078751274	1.831685688	2.787108632	2.545574554	2.76650184
Median	5.627636253	3.954215699	0.995635195	2.903089987	2.544068044	3
SD	1.613333167	1.047516471	1.014431325	0.778875511	0.278445066	0.757715035
95° perc	7.661623156	5.946502352	3.538718726	3.678379134	3.004967555	3.614852317
5° perc	2.903089987	2.618264014	0.995635195	0.995635195	2.176091259	0.995635195

*Contamination levels significantly higher ($p < 0.0001$); #Contamination levels significantly lower ($p < 0.0001$).