

Phylligenin Extracted from Forsythia Suspensa Inhibit IL2 Production and NLRP3 Activation in Endotoxin Challenged Immune Cells

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Abstract—*Forsythia suspensa Vahl (Oleaceae)* is a large shrub widely distributed in China, Korea and Japan. It is also grown in some parts of eastern India. *Forsythia suspensa* extracts have been used as traditional medicine for treatment of fever, headache, breast cancer, swine flu, tonsillitis, tuberculosis, avian flu, sore throat and headache. *Forsythia suspensa* extract has been reported to exhibit various biological activities like antioxidant, antiviral and anti-inflammatory. Lignan alcohol glycoside, volatile oil and triterpenoids are the major components identified in *forsythia suspensa* extracts. Moreover epoxygnanas like *forsythialan*, *phylligenin (forsythin)* and *8-hydroxypinoresinol* have been also isolated. *Phylligenin* is an important ingredient isolated from fruits and leaves of *Forsythia suspensa (Vahl)*. We investigated the effect of *Phylligenin* on *Concanavalin A (5µg/mL)* induced T cell proliferation and *Lipopolysaccharide* induced NLRP3 activation in *J774.1* cells. *Phylligenin (50-200µM)* inhibited the *Concanavalin* induced T cell proliferation and *IL2* production in a concentration dependent manner. Also *Phylligenin* inhibited the *Concanavalin A* induced *IL12* and *IFNY* in blood of *Balbc* mice. Furthermore *Phylligenin* inhibited the activation of NLRP3 in *Lipopolysaccharide* challenge *J774.1* cells with maximum effect at 200 µM. Stastical analyses were done by using *Graphpad prism* software and by using one way ANOVA. P value less than 0.05 were considered.

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