

Protective Effect of Chloroformic Extract of *Abrus Precatorius* in Renal Parameters on Albino Rats (*Rattus Norvegicus*)

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Abstract—*Abrus precatorius* is the member of family leguminous with characteristic red and black seeds. The leaves, roots and seeds of *Abrus precatorius* are used for medicinal purposes. In India, it is commonly known as Ratti, Gaungchi, Crab's eye, etc. *Abrus precatorius* gives a crab's eye view mainly on the pharmacognostic characteristics, phytochemistry and pharmacognostic actions of the plant. The seeds of *Abrus precatorius* are used by tribal people for common ailments related to reproduction. *Abrus precatorius* is now considered as a valuable source of unique natural products for development of medicines against various diseases. Protective effect of chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorius* on renal and different biochemical parameters like Bilirubin, Creatinine, Urea, SGOT, SGPT, Acid Alkaline, Acid phosphatase were observed in renal tissues. Rats were divided into two groups. The rats were divided in experimental and control group of 8 animals each. Out of these two groups of set I, group II served as chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorius* seeds of dose 20 mg/rat/day for 15 and 30 days respectively. The insignificant changes in these biochemical parameters showed that *Abrus precatorius* is not toxic for renal tissues.

Keywords: Pharmacognostic characteristic, pharmacological actions, Gaungchi, Albino Rats.

1. INTRODUCTION

Population explosion is one among the most deadliest threat to the society, to protect ourselves from the adverse effect of this problem use of contraceptive is first measure adopted by human beings. Therefore, search of newer contraceptive is being carried out. In this context a herbal male contraceptive having reversible effect can become only answer to the population explosion and the threats, world is facing to this high rapid increase in individuals. In India, several plants have shown potentials for a successful male contraceptive agent. Bansal et.al. (2004) have reported degeneration in spermatogenic cells and an increase in testicular cholesterol, lipids, and sialic acid with alcoholic extract of *Abrus precatorius* seeds suggesting its effects on spermatogenesis. The aqueous and methanolic extract of seeds of this plant possess antispermatic properties. Also, it does not cause

damage to hepatic tissue (Sharma 2007). The eluted fraction of chloroformic extract of seeds of *A. precatorius* affect spermatogenesis, sperm motility and cause malformations in the spermatozoa (Khan 2008) and the seeds of *Abrus precatorius* cause vomiting, Diarrhea and abdominal pain because it contains abrin, agglutinin and isoflavin (Anitha et al. 1999; Linn et al. 2000; Pannarselvam et al. 2000). The *Abrus precatorius* seeds show the antifertility activity due to presence of saponin, agglutinin, glycyrrhizin and glycolytic enzymes (Maa et al. 1998). So, the present plant *Abrus precatorius*, was selected because it shows spermicidal effects with no adverse effects on liver function. Plant *Abrus precatorius* with seeds The seeds of *Abrus precatorius* are used by tribal people for common ailments related to reproduction. In this study the aqueous extract of *Abrus precatorius* seeds could possess moderate toxicity and adequate *Abrus precatorius* is the member of family leguminous with characteristic red and black seeds. The leaves, roots and seeds of *Abrus precatorius* are used for medicinal purposes, a practice most probably dating back to antiquity (Ivon, 2003). Herbal medicinal plants have been used as safe alternatives of the chemical methods. Evaluation of the herbal medicinal plants has been in progress for several decades to identify effective and safe substances for fertility regulation. Crude extract of *Abrus precatorius*, seed has a negative impact on male reproductive function. It might be suggested that crude mixture of *Abrus precatorius* seeds might have antifertility property for male rats. *Abrus precatorius* gives a crab's eye view mainly on the pharmacognostic characteristics, phytochemistry and pharmacological action of the plant. *Abrus precatorius* is now considered as a valuable source of unique natural products for development of medicines against various disease. This study provides an information on botanical name, family, parts used, extract used, dose, duration and their possible male antifertility effects in various animals. It is commonly known as Ratti, Gaungchi, Crab's eye, etc. should be exercised in its use in ethnomedicine. Leaves of *Abrus precatorius* are sweet and traditionally used to treat cough, malaria, snake bites and

boils. So, the study evaluates the proximate and minerals composition of *Abrus precatorius* and establishes the best solvent solvent for the extraction of the sweet component of the leaves, by performing organoleptic test on the extract of different solvents, under different temperature condition. Since, this plant has abortifacient effect in females, it is used criminally for poisoning and aborting cattle. Haematotoxicant can be act directly on circulating blood cells or they can act indirectly by inducing an immune response against the cell type present. Therefore, a study of *Abrus precatorius* on albino rats, blood was undertaken.

Material and Method- Experimental animals and dose-



Pure strains of sexually mature albino rats (*Rattus norvegicus*) were kept under laboratory conditions on standard mouse pellet diet and water ad libitum. Experiment was carried out on albino rats weighing 150g to 200g. The rats were divided in experimental and control groups of 8 animals each. Out of these two groups of set I, group I, served as normal control group, group II served as chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorius* seeds of dose 20mg/rat/day for 15 and 30 days respectively. After 15 and 30 days treatment the animals were starved for 24 hours and then sacrificed by decapitation.

2. BIOCHEMICAL STUDY-

The estimation of serum bilirubin, acid phosphatase, alkaline phosphatase activity, SGOT, SGPT and serum creatinine, blood urea was done by calorimeter using standard chemistry.

3. COLLECTION OF BLOOD AND SERUM SAMPLES-

Blood samples were collected by cervical decapitation from diethyl ether anaesthetized rats. The serum was separated from the clot and centrifused into clean bottles and biochemical analysis.

4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION-

When chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorius* (Linn.) seeds was administered orally in a dose of 20mg/rat/day after 15 and 30 days, following variations in the different biochemical parameters were observed. In the renal tissue the bilirubin level was no change in animal treated with 20 mg/rat/day after 15 days. The changes were insignificant after 15 days. As well as after 30 days the serum bilirubin level of treated rats showed insignificant. These findings are in agreement with the findings of **Sharma (2007)**, who have reported no significant changes in bilirubin level in administration of chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorius* (Linn.) seeds in albino rats. Similarly, **Adedapo et.al. (2007a)** reported total bilirubin was unchanged on administration of *Ballotani* grain in albino rats. These findings are also similar to the findings of **Sahoo et.al. (2008)** who have reported no changes of in bilirubin level caused due to *Abrus precatorius* in albino rats. **Mohagheghi et.al. (2011)** reported no changes in serum bilirubin level caused due to *Hibiscus sabdariffa* in diabetic rats. But contradict with the findings of **Adedapo et.al. (2008)** who have reported a decrease in the levels of total and unconjugated bilirubin on administration of aqueous extract of *Acacia Karroo* stem bark in rats and mice. **Jimoh et.al. (2008)** who have reported the aqueous extract from the shoot of *Arctotis arctotoides* causes decreases in the serum bilirubin level in rats. These observations also contradict the observations of **Sharma (2008)** who reported increase in the activity of serum bilirubin on administration of **Endosulfan** and **Diazinon** in male albino rats. **Sharma (2008)** significant toxic changes on administration of **Malathion** in male albino rats. In the renal tissue, the serum creatinine level was no change in animal treated with 20 mg/rat/day after 15 days. The changes were insignificant after 15 days. As well as after 30 days the serum creatinine level of treated rats showed insignificant. These findings are in agreement with the findings of **Gathumbi et.al. (2000)** and **shinde et.al. (2003)** who have reported similar results with the aqueous extract of *Prunus africana* stem bark and *Arctotis arctotoides* extract in rats.

These observations are in agreement with the observations of **Sharma (2005)** who have reported similar result with chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorius* (Linn.) seeds. **Adedapo et.al. (2007a)** who have reported the aqueous extract of leaves of *Acacia karroo* cause decrease in creatinine level in albino rats. **Jimoh et.al. (2008)** who have reported the aqueous extract from the shoot of *Arctotis arctotoides* causes no toxic changes in the serum creatinine level in rats and mice. These findings are in agreement with the findings of **Gupta et.al. (2008)** who have reported no acute and sub-acute changes in creatinine level with aqueous extract of *Rhodiola imbricate* roots in rats. These observation are in agreement with the observation of **Wurochekke et.al. (2008)** But, the findings contradict the findings of **Murali and Goyal (2001)**,

who have reported that *Tinospora cordifolia* used in insulin treatment cause increase in serum creatinine level only after 30 days in diabetic rats. **Akdogan et.al. (2003)** reported increase in the level of serum creatinine on administration of *Menthaspicata* and *Mentha piperita* Linn. in rats. **Shinde and Goyal (2003)** who have reported that serum creatinine level indicate the impaired renal function of diabetic animals. Who have reported the aqueous stem bark extract of *Xemenia Americana* causes no significant differences in serum levels of creatinine in rats. These observations are in accordance with the observations of **Jaykaran et.al. (2009)** who have reported *Ficus racemosa* Linn. Bark cause no lethal level in alb in orats. These findings are in agreement with the findings of **Okasha et.al. (2008)** reported no significant changes in creatinine level on.

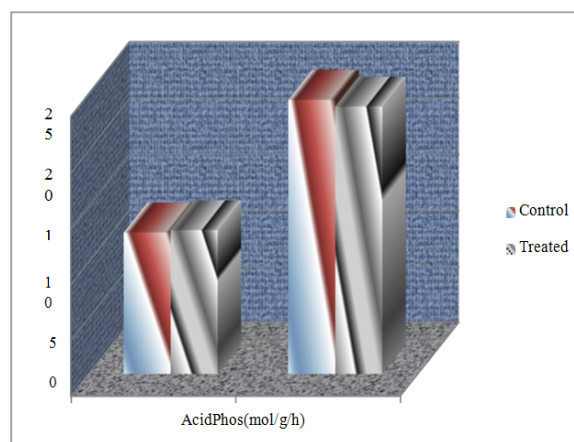
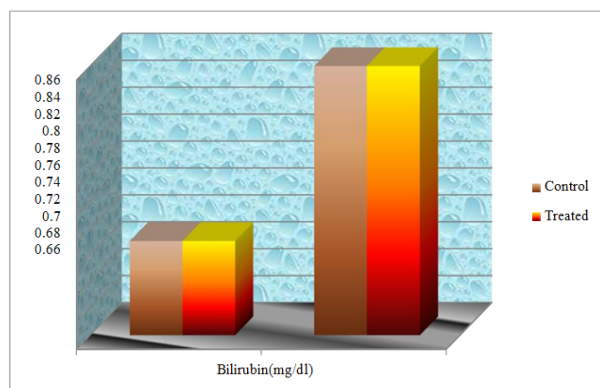
Table-1 Blood biochemistry of albino rats treated with 20 mg/rat/day dose of chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorious* seeds (Linn.) after 15 days of treatment administration of aqueous seeds extract of *Hibiscus sabdariffa* in female albino rats.

Table-2 Blood biochemistry of albino rats treated with 20 mg/rat/day dose of chloroformic extract of *Abrus precatorious* seeds (Linn.) after 30 days of treatment

Kesari et.al. (2007) who have reported increase in the level of creatinine on administration of aqueous extract of *Murrayakoenigi* in albino rats. **Brown et.al. (2007)** reported significant changes of serum creatinine level on administration of aqueous and alcoholic stem extract of *Tinospora cordifolia* in diabetic rats. **Mohagheghi et.al. (2011)** reported no changes in serum creatinine level caused due to *Hibiscus sabdariffa* in diabetic rats. These observations also contradict with the observations of **Singh et.al. (2007)** who reported a significant increase in the activity of serum creatinine level on administration of **Dimethyl Mercury** in rats. **Alwakeel (2009)** who have reported the **Mytotoxins** fungal extract cause high creatinine level in the blood of albino mice. **Bulbul et.al. (2009)** reported increase in the level of creatinine on administration of “**Garbha Gintamani Rasa**” (GGM) in rats. In the renal tissue, the Blood Urea level was no change in animal treated with 20 mg/rat/day after 15 days. The changes was in significant after 15 days. As well as after 30 days the Blood Urea level of treated rats showed insignificant. These findings are in agreement with the findings of **Garg et.al. (1992)** who have reported similar results with the aqueous extract of **Silken styles of corn zea maize** Linn. cause no significant toxic effect on Blood Urea level on administration of aqueous extract of *Prunus africana* stem bark in rats. These observations are similar to the observations of **Sharma (2005)**, who have reported no cute changes in Blood Urea level were on administration of *Abrus precatorious* (Linn.) seeds extract in albino rats. Similarly, **Adedapo et.al. (2007a)** who have reported Blood Urea were unchanged on Administration on *allota nigra* in

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		Bilirubin	Creatinine	SGOT	SGPT	Blood Urea	Acid Phos.	Alkaline Phos.
Control	Mean	0.73	0.86	43.8	25	16.8	12.7	24.5
	±SD	±0.73	±0.01	±3.88	±6.55	±0.23	±0.54	±2.33
Treated	Mean	0.73	0.86	43.1	25.6	16.7	12.9	23.9
	±SD	±0.01	±0.02	±1.64	±3.20	±0.4	±0.41	±1.25



significant changes in blood urea level in rats. **Sahoo et.al. (2008)** reported no changes of in Blood Urea level caused due to *Abrus precatorious* in albino rats.

These findings are also similar to the findings of **Jaykaran et.al. (2009)** who have reported no effect on Blood Urea level on administration of aqueous extract of *Ficus racemosa* Linn. bark in albino rats. However, the findings are contradictory to findings of **Kheifat et.al. (2002)** who have reported increase in Blood Urea level on administration *Teucrium polium* ethanolic extract in rats. **Akdogan et.al. (2003)** reported increase in the plasma Blood Urea level on administration of *Mentha spicata* and *Mentha piperita* Linn. in rats. **Sharma (2008)** who reported significant toxic changes on administration of **Malathion** in male albino rats. **Jimoh et.al. (2008)** who have reported the aqueous extract from the shoots of *Arctotis arctotoides* causes decrease Blood Urea level in rats.

These findings are contradictory to the findings of **Alwakeel (2009)** reported high Blood Urea level in the blood of albino mice caused on administration of **Mytotoxins** fungal extract. **Bulbul et.al. (2009)** who have reported increase in the level of Blood Urea on administration of “**Garbha Gintamani Rasa**” (GGM) in rats.

In the renal tissue, the SGOT and SGPT level was no change in animal treated with 20 mg/rat/day after 15 days. The changes was insignificant after 15 days. As well as after 30 days the SGOT and SGPT level of treated rats showed insignificant. These findings are in agreement with the findings of **Garg et.al. (1992)** who have reported no significant toxic effect on SGOT and SGPT level on administration of aqueous extract of **Silken styles of cornzea maize** Linn. Dubey et.al.(1994) who reported no significance changes in SGOT and SGPT level on administration of Liv-52 in albino rats. The se observation are also in agreement with the observations of **Gathumbi et.al.(2000)** who have reported the aqueous extract of *Prunsafricana* stem bark on administration of no significance changes in SGOT and SGPT level caused due to some indigenous plants in male albin orats.

Baskaran et.al. (2001) showed that lactulose up to 5% level in the dietdonotcauseany toxicity in rats as evidenced by Serum Glutanic Oxaloacetic Acid (SGOT) and Serum Glutanic Pyruvate Transminase (SGPT) levels. Gosh and Suryawanshi (2001) reported no significant extracts of *Vinca rosea* leaf and flower (VRL & VRF) in male albino rats.

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