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Abstract

The present study aimed to investigate the effect of different concentrations from Mulberry leaves of rats suffering from diabetes. Twenty male Albino rats Sprague Dawley strain weighing (140±10g) injected with (150mg) alloxan /Kg b.w) to induce diabetic. they divided into four groups one of them fed on basil diet as positive control group, the other group fed on basil diet and treated orally daily with different concentration from Mulberry leaves 10,15,20% for five weeks . Sensory evaluation was three food items by 10 non-dependent diabetes people, also biological evaluation and estimating the biochemical analysis for liver function, kidney function, and blood glucose, as well as blood glucose was analyzed daily to all samples throughout the experiment period. The mean value of serum glucose of rats were significant, uric acid values of all groups were also significant. the mean values of serum GOT, GPT and alkaline phosphates for all groups were lower than the control .The mean values of BWG. For all rats were significant as compared with the control group. Concluded from the above that the Mulberry leaves by the different average 10,15, 20% led to a significant decrease in blood glucose, and recommend using Mulberry leaves a remedy for patients with diabetes non-dependent.

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INTRODUCTION :

Young Mulberry leaves and Twigs are a high quality fodder, readily accepted by all classes of stock gives the following table. Composition of Moradabad, White Mulberry leaves as (%) of dry matter (Sanche Z., 2002)

Table (1) Chemical composition of Mulberry leaves in Indian

	Protein	Fiber	Ash	Fat	Ca	P
Fresh mulberry leaves	15.0	15.3	14.3	7.4	2.42	0.24

Mulberry leaves contain n-containing sugars, rutin, quercetin, volatile oil, amino acid, vitamins and microelements, which have so many pharmacological activities such as reducing blood glucose, antihyperlipidemia, hypertensive, bacteriostasis and antivirus. There are plentiful Mulberry leaves in China and there would be a bright developing and studying future of functional foods and it was found that composition of the Mulberry leaves. Chemical contains several vital material and chemical compounds have the same composition chemical to insulin, which works to burn excess sugar in the body Zou and Chen, (2003).

Mulberry leaves is one of the traditional Chinese herbs. There are various effective ingredients in Mulberry leaves. They are mineral constituents, vitamins, food fiber, amino acid, plant sterols, flavones, alkaloids, and polysaccharides; and so on Mulberry leaves have such physiological function as lowering blood glucose. Lowering blood pressure, Lowering cholesterol, resisting decrepitude, keeping digestive and excretory system healthy, preventing and resisting cancer, improving the immune ability. The research progress on chemical constituents and physiological functions of Mulberry leaves in recent years both at home and abroad is

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summarized and the exploitation and utilization of Mulberry leaves in the field of health care are reported in this paper Wang and Lijian, (2005).

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

I Materials:-

Mulberry Leaves obtained from the Fruit Garden in Damietta. Alloxan obtained from Research Institute of Ophthalmology Medical Analysis Department, Giza, Egypt. Experimental animals, mal albino rats (Sprague-Dawley white) weighing 140 ± 10 g were obtained from the Research Institute of Ophthalmology Medical Analysis Department, Giza, Egypt.

METHODS:

Mulberry leaves were cleaned thoroughly by washing and sensory evaluation. Were the Following items of tea, stuffing pies and vegetable by 10 people. Sensory evaluation has been applied by questionnaire (Watts et al., 1989).

Biological Part:

Albino rats, Sprague Dawely strain weighting 140 ± 10 g.

Basal diets:

The basal diet was prepared according to the following formula as mentioned by AIN, (1993).

Ingredients	Standard diet (%)
protein	20.0
Sunflower oil	10.0
Mineral mixture	4.0
Vitamins mixture	1.0
Puree of date palm	10.0
Corn starch	55.0
Total	100

Vitamin mixture components:

The used vitamin mixture component was that recommended by Campbell (1963).

Vitamin mixture components

Ingredients	Amounts	Ingredients	Amounts	Ingredients	Amounts
Vitamin A	300 IU	Riboflavin (B2)	1.0 mg	Inosital	5.0 mg
Vitamin D	100 IU	Pyridoxine	1.0 mg	Para-amino benzoic acid	5.0 mg
Vitamin E	10 IU	Pantothenic acid	3.0 mg	Cyano cobalamin (B12)	0.00135 mg
Vitamin K	2.25 mg	Niacin	4.5 mg	Biotin	0.02 mg
Menadion	1.0 mg	Choline chloride	-	Folic acid	0.09 mg
Thiamine (B1)				Dextrose	77.13865 mg

Mineral mixture components:

Salt mixture used was formulated to (Hegested, 1941).

Mineral mixture components

Compounds	Quantity (g / kg salt)
CaCO ₃	300
KH ₂ PO ₄	322
CaPO ₄ 2H ₂ O	75
MgSO ₄ 7 H ₂ O	102
NaCl	167
FeC ₆ H ₆ O ₇ . 6H ₂ O	27.5
KI	0.9
MnSO ₄ . 4 H ₂ O	5
Zn Cl ₂	0.25
CuSO ₄ . 5 H ₂ O	0.35
Total	1000

Preparation of diabetic rats

Diabetic rats:

Diabetes was indicted in normal healthy male albino rats by intraperitoneal injection of alloxan 150mg/kg body weight. According to the method described by (Desai and Bhide, 1985)

One week after obtained were samples blood the injection of alloxan, fasting to estimate fasting serum glucose. Rats having fast. Serum glucose more than 190mg/dl.were considered diabetics (NDDG, 1994).

Experimental design

Twenty Sprague Dawley white male albino rats, weighting about 140 ± 10 g were used. The animals were obtained from Giza. Rats (n=20 rats) were housed in wire cages under the normal laboratory condition and fed on basal diet for a week as adaptation period. Diet was given in non-scattering feeding cups to avoid loss or Contamination of food, Water was provided to the rats by means of glass tubes projecting through the wire cage from an inverted bottle supported to one side of the cage.

The rats were divided into 4 groups each of 5 rats. The groups of rats were as follows:

- Group (1) Hyperglycemic control positive group, in which alloxan injected rats fed on basal diet.
- Group (2) Hyperglycemic group fed on basal diet+10% Mulberry leaves.
- Group (3) Hyperglycemic group fed on basal diet+15% Mulberry leaves.
- Group (4) Hyperglycemic group fed on basal diet+20 % Mulberry leaves.

Biological evaluation:

During the experimental period (5weeks) the consumed feed was recorded every day, and body weight recorded weekly. The body weight gain (B.W.G %), food efficiency ratio (F.E.R.) and also organs weight were determined according to Chapman et al., (1959) using the following equations.

$$B W G \% = \frac{\text{Final weight (gm)} - \text{initial weight (gm)} \%}{\text{Initial weight}}$$

$$FER = \frac{\text{Gain in body weight (g)}}{\text{Food Intake (g)}}$$

a- Organs weight:

Heart, liver and kidneys, of the sacrificed rats were carefully removed, washed in saline solution, dried with filter paper and weighted in dependently organs weight as percentage of final body weight were calculated .

b-Blood sampling and organs :

At the end of the experimental period blood samples were collected after 12 hours fasting from the portal vein; the rats were scarified after being ether anesthetized. Blood samples were received into clean dry centrifuge tubes, and left to clot at room temperature, then centrifuged for 10 minutes at 3000 rpm to separate the serum.

Serum was carefully aspirated and transferred into clean curve t tubes and stored frozen at 20 C for analysis Malhotra, (2003)

At the same time, the organs: Heart, liver and kidneys removed, cleaned weighted and stored in formalin solution (10%) for histopathological investigation as the method mentioned by Drury and Wallington, (1980)

Biological analysis:

a-The level of sugar was measured in the blood of the all rats weekly using a measurement of sugar.

b-Determination of serum glucose:

The Principle use of glucose determination according to Trinder, (1969).

Determination of liver function:

1-Alkaline phosphatase: Enzymatic colorimetric determination of alkaline phosphatase was carried out according to Belfield and Goldberg, (1971).

2-Determination of GPT (ALT): Determination of GPT was carried out according to the method of Tietz, (1976).

3-Determination of (AST): Determination of GPT was carried out according to the method of Henry,(1974) and Yound, (1975).

Determination of kidney functions:

1-Creatinine :

Principle:

Creatinine in alkaline solution reacts with picric to form a colored complex. The amount of the complex formed is directly proportional to the Creatinine concentration according to Larsen, (1972).

2- Uric acid:

Principle:

The principle use of uric acid determination according to Carawy, (1955)

Statistical analysis:

Statistical analysis were performed by using computer program, statistical package for social science (SPSS, 1998), and compared with each other using the suitable tests.

RESULTS:

Sensory evaluation:

Table (2) showed mean values for aroma, taste, color, tenderness and Overall acceptability for all food items, results showed That tea and stuffing pies at the highest rats of acceptance, Tea from sample (18.70 ± 0.26 , 38.60 ± 0.42 , 8.80 ± 0.20 , 8.70 ± 0.21 , 19.20 ± 0.24 , respectively and stuffing pies from sample (6.20 ± 0.29 , 38.10 ± 0.45 , 8.40 ± 0.30 , 8.40 ± 0.26 , 18.60 ± 0.26 , respectively).where the results were as follows for the vegetable(17.60 ± 0.33 , 37.40 ± 0.40 , 7.70 ± 0.36 , 7.50 ± 0.34 , 17.70 ± 0.36 , respectively)and all food items from Mulberry leaves showed a highly significant($p < 0.05$).

Table (2): Sensory evaluation of the arbitrators on the food items form the Mulberry leaves

No.	Treatments	Aroma 20		Taste 40		Color 10		Tenderness 10		Overall acceptability 20	
		M±SE	Sd.	M±SE	Sd.	M±SE	Sd.	M±SE	Sd.	M±SE	Sd.
1	Tea	18.70±0.2 6	0.82	38.60± 0.42	1.34	8.80 ±0.20	0.63	8.70 ±0.21	0.67	19.20 ±0.24	0.78
2	Stuffing Pies	18.20 ±0.29	0.91	38.10 ±0.45	1.44	8.40 ±0.30	0.96	8.40 ±0.26	0.84	18.60 ±0.26	0.84
3	Vegetable	17.60 ±0.33	1.07	37.40 ±0.40	1.26	7.70 ±.36	1.15	7.50 ±0.34	1.08	17.70 ±0.36	1.15

Biological evaluation:

Table (3) showed the mean and SD value of body weight gain (BWG %) for control and different groups of rat fed on Mulberry leaves. As for the mean value of body weight gain was high significantly higher ($p < 0.05$) than the control group results were being (13.6±1.99, 14.65±2.27, 13.3±2.24, and 6.83±1.03 respectively) for all rats groups fed on Mulberry leaves. Regarding food efficiency ratio, it was high significantly higher ($p < 0.05$) than the control group results were being (0.79 ±0.09, 0.88±0.13, 0.80±0.12 and 0.51±0.07, respectively) for rats groups fed on Mulberry leaves.

The mean value of food intake (FI) for all rat group was significantly higher ($p < 0.05$) than the control group results were being (17.04±0.45, 16.46±0.27, 16.5 ±0.31, and 13.18±0.89, respectively).

Table (3): The mean and SD value of different concentration of Mulberry Leaves on Body Weight Gain of experimental rats

Treatments parameters	Control	Mulberry Leaves10%	Mulberry Leaves15%	Mulberry Leaves 20%
BWG%	-6.83	13.60	14.65	13.3
Mean± SD	± 1.05	±1.99	±2.27	±2.24
T .test		-23.01	-14.62	-20.55
Sig.		0.00	0.00	0.00
Food intake(g)	13.18	17.04	16.46	16.5
Mean± SD	±0.89	±0.45	±0.27	±0.31
T .test		-7.33	-11.03	-7.03
Sig.		0.002	0.00	0.002
F.E.R	-0.51	0.79	0.88	0.80
Mean± SD	±0.07	±0.09	±0.13	±0.12
T .test		-25.14	-14.82	-20.17
Sig.		0.00	0.00	0.00

B.W.G.: Body weight Gain

F.I : Food Intake

F.E.R. : Food efficiency ratio

Table (4) showed the mean and SD value of different concentration of Mulberry leaves on organs weight of Experimental rats. Mean weight of Kidney weight was no significant, mean value of liver weight of all group were significant ($p < 0.001$) and mean value of heart weight of Mulberry leaves 20% was significant ($p < 0.05$).

Table (4): The Mean and SD value of different concentration of Mulberry Leaves on Organs Weight of experimental rats

Treatments Organs weight	Control	Mulberry Leaves10%	Mulberry Leaves15%	Mulberry Leaves 20%
Kidney weight Mean± SD	1.28 ±0.08	1.14 ±0.15	1.26 ±0.05	1.20 ±0.10
T .test		1.51	0.343	1.63
Sig.		0.20	0.74	0.17
Liver weight Mean± SD	4.76 ±0.05	5.38 ±0.14	8.38 ±0.08	5.16 ±0.16
T .test		-9.34	-12.65	-5.16
Sig.		0.001	0.000	0.007
Heart Mean± SD	0.77 ±0.04	0.82 ±0.08	0.78 ±0.08	0.78 ±0.04
T .test		-0.89	-0.04	-1.00
Sig.		0.35	0.89	0.00

Table (5) showed the mean values blood glucose of rats fed on 10%-15%-20% Mulberry leaves was significantly ($P \leq 0.05$) as compared with the control (280.8 ± 2.77 mg/dl) results were 92.80 ± 3.34 , 80.2 ± 2.38 and 75.20 ± 4.96 mg/dl, respectively. As for creatinine values of rats fed on 10%-15%-20% Mulberry leaves was higher than the control (0.72 ± 0.10 mg/dl) was results 0.88 ± 0.05 , 0.85 ± 0.07 and 0.81 ± 0.10 mg/dl, respectively. Regarding the mean values uric acid of rats fed on 10%-15%-20% Mulberry leaves was significantly ($P \leq 0.05$) as compared with the control (3.10 ± 0.14 mg/dl) results were 4.644 ± 0.11 , 4.34 ± 0.24 and 3.78 ± 0.38 mg/dl, respectively. These results agree with that of wang and lijian (2005)

Table (5) the mean and SD value of Blood glucose and Kidney Function for control different groups of fed on Mulberry leaves with three treatments

Treatments parameters	Control	10%	15%	20%
Blood glucose mg/dl))	280.8	92.80	80.2	75.20
Mean± SD	±2.77	±3.34	±2.38	±4.96
T .test		94.0	120.7	78.4
Sig.		0.00	0.00	0.00
Creatinine mg/dl))	0.72	0.88	0.85	0.81
Mean± SD	±0.10	±0.05	±0.07	±0.10
T .test		-1.30	-6.50	-3.13
Sig.		0.26	0.00	0.03
Uric acid (mg/dl) Mean±	3.10	4.644	4.34	3.78
SD	±0.14	±0.11	±0.24	±0.38
T .test		-18.28	-14.2	-3.83
Sig.		0.00	0.00	0.01

Figure (1) showed that the rats fed on Mulberry leaves various percentage of 10%,15%,20% per day led to significant decrease in blood glucose was better and led to decline in the proportion is 20% while the percentage of blood glucose in the control group is very high. These results agree with that of Zou and Chen, (2003).

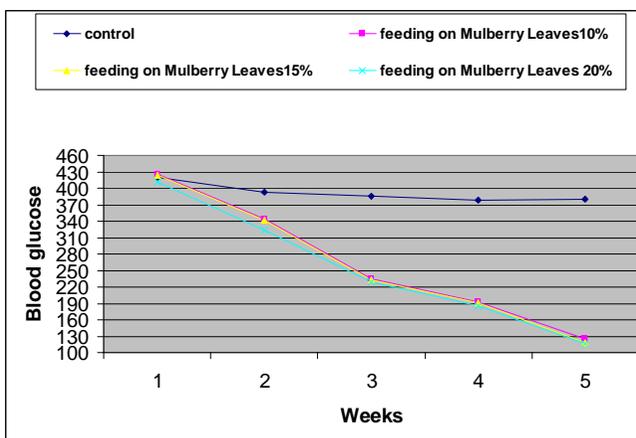


Fig. (1) The average of blood glucose for control and different groups of rats fed on Mulberry leaves various percentages

Table (6) showed the mean values of serum GOT of rats fed on 10% ,15% , 20% Mulberry leaves were lower than the control (104.8±8.9IU/I) results were 103.2±8.8, 101±4.4and 98.4±4.8IU/I respectively .The mean value of serum GPT of rats fed on 10%,15%, 20% Mulberry leaves were lower than the control (62.4±3.93IU/I) results were being 56±3.04,43.0±4.1and 39.0±9.5IU/I, respectively .As the mean value of alkaline phosphates for all groups were lower than the control group (821±38.4IU/I) results were being 550±38.7, 400±15.8,228±19.2 IU/I, were significant (p<0.05). These results agree with that of Wang and Iijian (2005)

Table (6) the mean and SD value of liver function for control and different groups of rats fed on Mulberry leaves with three treatments

parameters	Treatments			
	Control	10%	15%	20%
GOT (IU/l)	104.8	103.2	101	98.4
Mean± SD	±8.9	±8.8	±4.4	±4.8
T .test		-1.09	-0.40	-3.36
Sig.		0.33	0.33	0.02
GPT (IU/l)	62.4	56	43.0	39.0
Mean± SD	±3.93	±3.04	±4.1	±9.5
T .test		3.93	-2.08	1.85
Sig.		0.01	0.01	0.13
Alkaline phosphates (IU/l)	821	550	400	228
Mean± SD	±38.4	±38.7	±15.8	±19.2
T .test		12.83	39.08	32.69
Sig.		0.00	0.00	0.00

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تأثير تركيزات مختلفة من ورق التوت على الفئران المصابة بمرض السكر

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الملخص

تهدف هذه الدراسة إلى بحث تأثير تركيزات مختلفة من ورق التوت على الفئران المصابة بمرض السكر. وقد أجريت هذه الدراسة على ٢٠ فأر من ذكور الالبينو من سلالة Sprague Dawley و تتراوح أوزانهم ما بين (١٤٠±١٠ جم). تم إصابتهم بمرض السكر عن طريق الحقن تحت الجلد بمادة الألوكسان ١٥٠ ملجم/كجم من وزن الجسم وتم تقسيمهم إلى أربع مجموعات، إحدى هذه المجموعات تم تغذيتها على الغذاء الأساسي فقط واستخدمت كمجموعة ضابطة موجبة (مصابة)، باقي المجموعات تم تغذيتهم على غذاء أساسي يوميا عن طريق الفم بتركيزات مختلفة من ورق التوت وهي بنسب ١٠، ١٥، ٢٠٪ من العليقة المستخدمة واستمرت التجربة لمدة خمسة أسابيع، كما تم عمل تقييم حسي لثلاثة من الأصناف الغذائية من ورق التوت عن طريق ١٠ أشخاص من مرضى السكر غير المعتمدين على الأنسولين. وتم إجراء التقييم البيولوجي والتحليل البيوكيميائية (وظائف كبد - وظائف كلى - جلوكوز الدم) وكذلك تم تحليل السكر يوميا للفئران بواسطة جهاز السكر طوال مدة التجربة. وأوضحت النتائج وجود فروق ذات دلالة معنوية هامة في متوسط جلوكوز الدم في سيرم الفئران كما وجد أن حمض اليورك في جميع الفئران ذات دلالة معنوية هامة، وكان متوسط GPT- GOT واللاكتلين فوسفات لكل الفئران منخفض بالمقارنة بالمجموعة الضابطة، ومتوسط BWG لكل الفئران مرتفع بالمقارنة بالمجموعة الضابطة. ونستخلص مما سبق أن ورق التوت بنسبه المختلفه ١٠، ١٥، ٢٠٪ أدى إلى انخفاض ملحوظ في مستوى سكر الدم ولذا يوصي باستخدام ورق التوت كعلاج لمرضى السكر غير المعتمدين على الأنسولين.