

Immunomodulatory Potential of Ingredient of PHYTOCEE® : *Ocimum sanctum*

OBJECTIVE

To investigate the effect of *Ocimum sanctum* on immune response in myelosuppressed Swiss albino mice.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Twenty-four female Swiss albino mice were sensitized with 0.5 mL of 20% of fresh SRBC suspension on day 0. The animals then were divided into four groups of six animals each. Animals in Group I received the vehicle (2% Gum acacia) and were treated as a control group. Animals in Group II received prednisolone (5 mg/Kg/b.wt.). Group III animals received *Ocimum sanctum* methanolic extract (850 mg/Kg/b.wt.) and Group IV animals received prednisolone (5 mg/Kg/b.wt.) along with *Ocimum sanctum* methanolic extract (850 mg/Kg/b.wt.), orally, for a period of 15 days. Blood sample was collected on 16th day of the experiment and haematological and immunological tests were performed.

RESULTS

Effect of *Ocimum sanctum* on haematological parameters.

Parameters	Control (n = 06)	Prednisolone (n = 06)	<i>O. sanctum</i> (n = 06)	Prednisolone + <i>O. sanctum</i> (n = 06)
WBC (10E ³ /mm ³)	3.81±0.3* ^a (2.82, 4.81)	2.7±0.19 ^a (2.1, 3.3)	7.9±1.08 ^b (3.26, 12.53)	5.01±0.95 ^a (2.58, 7.45)
RBC (10E ⁶ /mm ³)	8.92±0.14* ^a (8.33, 9.51)	6.78±0.2 ^c (6.15, 7.42)	9.71±0.1 ^b (9.28, 10.14)	8.94±0.18 ^a (8.49, 9.39)
Hb (g/dl)	14.17±0.18* ^a (13.41, 14.93)	11.18±0.43 ^c (9.8, 12.55)	15.27±0.13 ^b (14.69, 15.84)	14.05±0.28 ^a (13.32, 14.78)
Lymphocytes (%)	73.07±3.78* ^a (56.79, 89.34)	58.65±1.72 ^b (53.19, 64.11)	80.13±0.66 ^a (77.31, 82.96)	40.54±3.33 ^c (31.28, 49.8)

All values are Mean±SE; 95% CIs in parentheses; p<0.01. Means bearing similar superscripts in each row do not differ significantly.

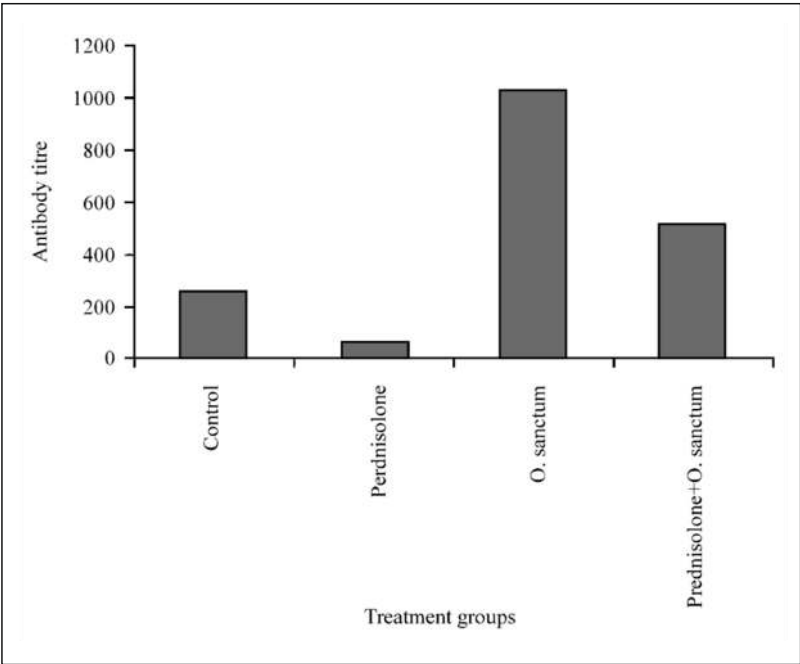


Figure. Effect of *Ocimum sanctum* on haemagglutinin antibody response

CONCLUSIONS

Treatment with *Ocimum sanctum* showed significant increase in (i) Blood hemoglobin concentration, and (ii) SRBC antibody titer (1:1024) compared to the control group (1:256).

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