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Effects of Citrus Peel Biotransformed by Viscozyme and Aspergillus oryzae on Serum Lipids Level in Mice

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The purpose of this study was to investigate the effects of citruspeel biotransformed by viscozyme and Aspergillus oryzae on lipid level in serum of mice. Female ICR mouse were fed with high fat diet containing 40% beef tallow for 5 weeks. Simultaneously, thirty five mice were divided into seven groups, normal diet group, high fat diet group, group I (citrus), group II (citrus + A. oryzae), group III (citrus + viscozyme), group IV (citrus + A. oryzae + viscozyme), group V (naringin + heperidin). The body weight gain tended to decrease when the group IV was compared with high fat diet group. The serum triglyceride (TG) of group V was lower than the other treatment group and normal diet group. The serum total cholesterol of group IV and group V showed the lowest levels in all groups, and there was a significant difference between the mouse fed with the gigh fat diet and normal diet. The serum HDL cholesterol of group III was showed the highest levels in the treatment group. These results suggest that biotransformed citrus by viscozyme and A. oryzae decreases level of TG, total cholesterol and atherogenic indices and increases level of HDL cholesterol. The biotransformed citrus peel showed strong activity in antiobesity and similar effects to the major compound in citrus, such as naringin, hesperidin. Therefore we suggest that citrus peel biotransformed by viscozyme and A. oryzae might help a treatment of obesity and hyperlipidemia.

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Regulation of Deoxyphdophyllotoxin in Human Prostate Cancer Cell Lines PC-3

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Prostate cancer is one of the leading causes of cancer-related morality in men worldwide. In the united states, prostate cancer is liable to modern man and is increasing risk. Molecular mechanism of prostate cancer is not fully defined, but age, race, diet, and androgen secretion and metabolism are the identifiable risk factors associated with this malignancy. The aim of present study was to examine the anti-proliferation effects of methanol-extracted various crude plant on PC-3 cells. Among them, *Anthriscuc sylvestis* with strong activity was selected and then chromatographed on a silica gel, a reverse phase-18 (RP-18) silica gel and a sephadex LH-20 gel column chromatography, in turn. Pure compound from methanol extracted *Anthriscuc sylvestis* was analyzed by instrumental spectroscopy and identified as deoxyphdophyllotoxin. Purified deoxyphdophyllotoxin showed significantly inhibition of cell proliferation in a dose-dependent and time-dependent manner by MTT. Taken together, deoxyphdophyllotoxin can be used in the clinic for the treatment of Prostate cancer.

Key words: Anthriscuc sylvestis, HPLC, MTT, deoxyphdophyllotoxin