

지방세포 분화 및 지방축적 억제 활성 약용식물의 탐색

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**Investigation on Medicinal Plants as a Source of New Preadipocyte
Differentiation and Adipogenesis Suppression**

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실험목적(Objectives)

Obesity is a direct health risk, moreover it unquestionably increases the risk of other diseases including coronary artery disease, diabetes, hypertension, certain cancers and premature mortality. 3T3-L1 preadipocyte has a property of differentiation in selected condition and is used for anti-obesity screening model. Therefore, we carried out screening on medicinal plants inhibit the differentiation into adipocyte and the adipogenesis using this 3T3-L1 preadipocyte.

재료 및 방법 (Materials and Methods)

○ 실험재료

A total of 181 medicinal plants (50% EtOH extracts) were purchased from Plant Extract Bank of Korea (DaeJeon, Korea) and 3T3-L1 (preadipocyte) cell line was obtained from American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, USA).

○ 실험방법

Total 181 kinds of medicinal plant extracts were screened at single dose of 50 μ g/ml and the 8 kinds of extracts were selected because of their high activities. The 8 kinds of extracts were investigated by various concentrations and the 6 kinds of extracts were re-selected. These medicinal plant (*Curcuma aromatica*, *Curcuma longa*, *Diospyros kaki*, *Hedyotis diffusa*, *Quercus serrata* and *Saussurea lappa*) were extracted with 50% EtOH and fractionated by polarity in sequence of hexane, chloroform, ethyl acetate, butanol and water. These fraction were evaluated the suppression level of adipocyte differentiation and adipogenesis.

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실험결과 (Results)

As a result, ethyl acetate fraction from *D. kaki* showed high suppression level of adipocyte differentiation and adipogenesis, respectively ($EC_{50} = 17.23 \mu\text{g/ml}$ and $38.65 \mu\text{g/ml}$). In conclusion, we suggest that these selected medicinal plant have a anit-obesity activity and might offer a possibility of drug development.

Table 1. Inhibitory effects of solvent layers of screened medicinal plants on the preadipocyte differentiation.

Scientific Name (Part)	Hexane	Chloroform	EtOAc	BuOH	Water
<i>Curcuma aromatica</i> (Rhizoma)	32.39 [†]	79.28	>100	>100	>100
<i>Curcuma longga</i> L.(Rhizoma)	27.22	81.05	>100	>100	>100
<i>Diospyros kaki</i> (Folium)	>100	>100	17.23	>100	>100
<i>Hedyotis diffusa</i> (Herba)	28.63	48.11	>100	94.24	>100
<i>Quercus serrata</i> (Folium)	>100	>100	83.56	>100	>100
<i>Saussurea lappa</i> (Radix)	>100	88.64	19.15	>100	>100

[†] EC_{50} ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)

Table 2. Inhibitory effects of solvent layers of screened medicinal plants on the adipogenesis.

Scientific Name (Part)	Hexane	Chloroform	EtOAc	BuOH	Water
<i>Curcuma aromatica</i> (Rhizoma)	87.88 [†]	>100	>100	>100	>100
<i>Curcuma longga</i> L.(Rhizoma)	82.43	>100	>100	>100	>100
<i>Diospyros kaki</i> (Folium)	>100	>100	38.65	>100	>100
<i>Hedyotis diffusa</i> (Herba)	>100	>100	>100	>100	>100
<i>Quercus serrata</i> (Folium)	>100	>100	>100	>100	>100
<i>Saussurea lappa</i> (Radix)	>100	>100	61.31	>100	>100

[†] EC_{50} ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)

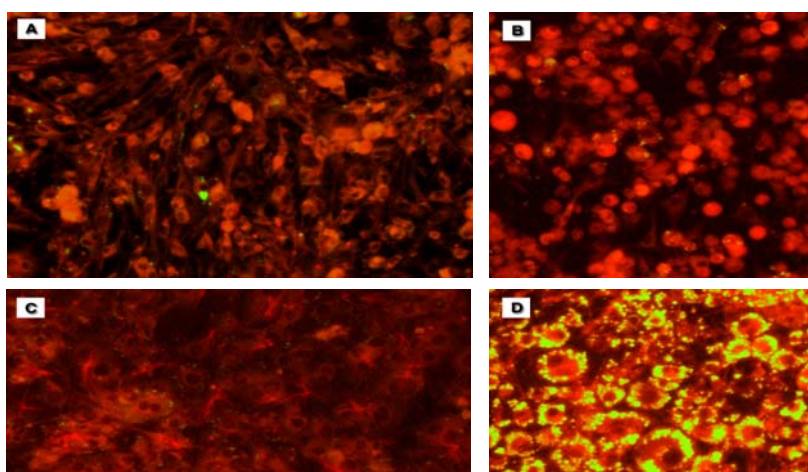


Fig 1. Inhibitory effect of *Diospyros kaki* on the preadipocyte differentiation and adipogenesis. A, Inhibition of differentiation; B, Inhibition of adipogenesis; C, Undifferentiated; D, Differentiated.