

# Methoxychlor 투여 흰쥐에 있어서 복분자 술이 Testosterone에 미치는 효과

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## Effect of Black Raspberry Wine to Testosterone in Sprague-Dawley Rats Administrated with Methoxychlor

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The study was conducted to investigate per oral (PO) effects of Black raspberry wine on testosterone levels in Sprague-Dawley rats oral administrated with Methoxychlor in order to establish the experimental clinical model for evaluating the influences on the sexual hormones of SD-Rat administrated with Methoxychlor(MET), it was dissolved in acetone and olive oil (1:19), which was administrated orally at doses of 200mg/kg body weight/ day for 7days. Black raspberry wine of 13% alcohol concentration, was prepared from ripe fruits of Rubus coreanus fermented with *Saccharomyces cervisiae*. PO administration of Black raspberry wine for 15 week produced dramatic increases of serum testosterone levels. Increase in the testosterone level was observed, using gamma counter with  $^{125}\text{I}$  testosterone, starting from 1 week post administration. Maximum increase in testosterone level was observed at 4 week post administration,  $5.18 \pm 0.76\text{ng/mL}$ , which was 10.1 times higher than before and at 15 weeks post administration it was recorded as  $1.67 \pm 0.19\text{ng/mL}$  indicating Black raspberry wine as an effective phyto-testeronic beverage of the future.

**Key words :** Black raspberry wine, rat, testosterone, *Rubus coreanus* wine, Methoxychlor

## 서 론

한의학에서는 복분자는 수혈성 강정 효능하여 부인 다임, 치성선쇄약 불임, 치여자무자로<sup>1)</sup> 열매를 채취, 건조시켜 강정제로 사용되어 왔으며<sup>2)</sup>, 복분자에는 성기능<sup>3,4)</sup>과 항산화<sup>5)</sup>, 항암<sup>6)</sup>, 항염증<sup>7)</sup>, 항 과민반응제(anaphylaxis)<sup>8)</sup>, 혈당 저하<sup>9)</sup>, 항 균<sup>10,11)</sup>, 항원충<sup>12)</sup> 그리고 항 바이러스<sup>13)</sup>등의 작용에 대하여 연구되고 있다. 수컷에서 혈중 testosterone과 시상하부의 LHRH 호르몬 분비에 영향을 미치며<sup>4)</sup> 복분자술은 수컷 흰쥐 혈청 내 testosterone량을 14.6배 상승<sup>14)</sup>과 암컷 가토 난포 발달에 직접적으로 영향을 미치는 것<sup>3)</sup>으로 보고 된 바 있다.

산업의 발달은 여러 종류의 환경오염 물질들이 생성되었으며, 농·식물 내에 축적되어, 먹이 사슬을 통하여 사람에게 유입되어 건강을 해치고 있다<sup>15,16)</sup>. 특히, 농산물의 생산성 향상을 위한 제초제나 살충제와 같은 농약은 환경에 잔류하여 동물의 번식기계에 악영향을 끼치는 항호르몬제로서 염소제제에 대한 관심은 지대하다<sup>17)</sup>. 환경의 오염을 막기 위한 DDT나 DDVP와 같은 제재의 활용을 규제하면서 MET와 같은 유기염소제가 개발, 사용되고 있으나<sup>18)</sup>, estrogen과 유사한 작용으로 생식기의 발육 이상, 발암작용이 보고 되고 있다<sup>19,20)</sup>. 한편 이 물질은 phytoestrogen으로서 섭취되어 항호르몬 작용을 하는 것으로 알려져 있다<sup>21)</sup>.

복분자가 남성의 성기능 증진 효과로 구전되어 오고 있어 실험동물을 이용하여 복분자 술을 투여하면서 정자 형성, 부고환의 발달 그리고 발기 등에 직접적인 작용을 하는 testosterone량의 측정은 복분자 열매에 작용물질의 함유 여부를 알 수 있을 것

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