Resveratrol And Its Derivative Improves Oxidative Stress and Protects Against Alloxan-Induced Diabetics

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Abstract: Resveratrol is a non flavonoid polyphenol and it has three phenolic hydroxyl groups and shown to have its biological effects. Reactive oxygen species play a crucial role in the pathogenesis of diabetes and its complication, this study aims to examine the effects of resveratrol and its derivative on alloxan induced diabetes. Statistical analysis showed a significant decrease in SOD, GSH, Gpx, Zn and Cu concentration and significant increase in MDA level on diabetic rabbits p<0.05 , however diet supplemented with resveratrol derivative induced a significant increase of copper and zinc 1.43±0.01 ppm, 0.79 ± 0.02 ppm respectively after sixth weeks of treatment as compared with control 1.13 ± 0.03ppm, 0.66 ± 0.01ppm respectively. The administration of resveratrol derivative to rabbits resulted in the significant decrease of MDA levels after three weeks to 2.42±0.08 nanomole /ml and 1.56±0.02 nanomole/ml after sixth weeks as compared with control group 2.43 ± 0.2778 nanomole /ml. The diabetic rabbits presented a significant increase in the SOD activity after treatment by resveratrol derivative after sixth weeks 4.24 ± 0.02 U/ml as compared with control during the experimental period, glibicine treated group show a significant decrease in SOD activity after sixth weeks. In addition, there was a significant increase in Gpx activity119.77±0.01 U/L in resveratrol derivative treated group after sixth weeks. In infected animals was a decrease level of GSH when drug and purified resveratrol treated rabbits, while resveratrol derivative has normal value after three weeks of treatment 11.17 ± 0.03 μ mole/L and 19.82 ±0.01 μ mole/L after sixth weeks. The results suggest that resveratrol derivative may be helpful in preventing diabetic complications in rabbits.

Keywords: antioxidant enzymes, diabetic disease, oxidative stress, resveratrol.

I. Introduction

Resveratrol (RSV, 3,5, 4-trihydroxy stilbenes) is reported to be beneficial in diabetic Disease [1,2]. The beneficial effects are thought to be due to its antioxidative properties because it is known as a robust scavenger of superoxide (O2^-), hydrogen radicals and peroxynitrite [3,4]. Oxidative stress, which is associated with the formation of lipid peroxides, is suggested to contribute to pathological processes in many diseases such as diabetes[5,6]. Diabetes is one of the pathological processes known to be related to an unbalanced production of ROS (Reactive Oxygen Species), such as hydroxyl radicals (HO), superoxide anions (O2-) and H2O2, therefore, cells must be protected from this oxidative injury by oxidative enzymes [7,8]. Antioxidant enzymes form the first line of defense against free radicals in organisms[9]. Erythrocytes contain a complex system of production against the action of ROS, its includes various enzymatic mechanisms, the most important anti oxidative enzymes of the Red blood cells are superoxide dismutase (Cu Zn –SOD ,EC 1-15-1-1), catalase (CAT,EC 1-11-1-6) and glutathione peroxidase (GSH-Px EC 1-11-1-9) [10]. Cu Zn- catalyzes the disruption of O2 to hydrogen peroxid (H2O2).GSH –Px can reduce lipid peroxides, under normal condition an equilibrium exists between the formation and removal ROS [11]. ROS are constantly formed in the human body and are removed by an antioxidant defense system, in healthy individuals the generation of ROS appears to be in approximate balance with antioxidant defense[12]. ROS are generally components, however at low concentration, ROS may function as physiological mediator of cellular response[13]. The aims of this study to examine the effects of resveratrol and its derivative on alloxan induced diabetes.

II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

Plant material: local black grapes were obtained from local market (Baghdad) and classified as Vitis vinifera L belongs to the family Vitaceae by the herbarium of the Biology Department, College of Science. Baghdad university, the method of Harborne [14] modified by[15], was used for the extraction of resveratrol.
Preparation of resveratrol derivative: 5-(4-(4-(2-benzo [d] +hiozol-2-4L)hydra zinyl butanoyloxyl styryl ) -1,3-phenylene bis (4-(2-benzo [d]thiozol -2-4L hydrazinyl ) butanoate. 1.6gm (0.003 mole ) of compound 2 was dissolved in 50 ml of absolute ethanol then added 1.58g (0.0096 moles) of 2-mercaptobenzothiazole and reflux for 8 hr. The solvent was removed and the precipitates was filtrated and dried [16].

Experimental design: Female rabbits (aged 10 week, weighing 1.80 Kg), they were maintained under standard aboratory condition ( 25°C, 12hr. light / dark cycle ) with pelletted food and tap water and libitum during 45 days of experimental period.

Induction of diabetes: After 2 weeks of acclimatization, diabetes was induced in female rabbits with a freshly prepared solution of alloxan monohydrate in normal saline at a dose 70 mg kg⁻¹ body weight injected through the marginal vein of ear, because alloxan is capable of producing fatal hypoglycemia as a result of massive pancreatic insulin release, rabbits were orally treated with 20% glucose solution (5-10 ml) after 6 hr., rabbits with moderate diabetes that exhibited glucosuria and hyperglycemia ( blood glucose con. 200-300 mg dl⁻¹ ) were taken for the experimental tests. After the successful induction of experimental diabetes the rabbits were divided into five groups comprising a minimum of six rabbits and treated as follow for six weeks: Animals in first group were received regular standard diet, tap water and severed as control (C). Rabbits in the 2nd group were received alloxan, induced diabetic rabbits. A rabbit was considered to be diabetic (D).

Rabbits in the 3rd group were received glbcimaid (0.05mg) orally, thus they formed the abbits of group 3 (D G). Rabbits in the 4th group were received resveratrol 1mg/ml orally, thus they formed the rabbits of DR. While animals in the 5 group were received resveratrol derivatives 1mg / ml orally, thus they formed the rabbits of DRD. The experimental protocol was approved by the institutional animal ethics committee of NRI Medical College and General Hospital in accordance with CPCSEA (Committee for purpose and control and supervision on Experiments on Animals guidelines).

Biochemical Assay: Estimation the concentration of copper and zinc in the serum

The concentration of copper and zinc was analyzed in Optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES)-a common used analyzing method for trace elements.

Measurement of Malonaldehyde (MDA) in plasma: Malonaldehyde levels were measured using the thioborbitic acid method[17], calculation were performed from the standard curve with 1,1,3,3-tetramethoxypropene (5-20 /L) for calibration.

Antioxidant enzyme and glutathione assay in plasma

SOD determination in serum: One unite of SOD was defined as the 50% inhibition activity of SOD can be determined by calorimetric method, absorbance can be measured at 440nm. Calculation:

% inhibition =A control – A sample / A control x 100

Estimation of glutathione peroxidase Gpx

The GPx enzyme catalyzes the reduction of H2O2 to water and organic peroxides (R-O-H) to the corresponding stable alcohols using glutathione as a source of reducing equivalents. One unite will catalyze the oxidation by H2O2 of 1.0Mole of reduced glutathione to oxidized glutathione per minute at pH7.0 at 25°C [18].

Estimation of Glutathione (GSH) in serum: GSH in serum was determined according to the modified by [19]. Which depends on using[5.5 dithio bis (2-nitrobenzoic acid)] which reduced by sulhydryl (SH group ) to yellow compound. The absorbance of the reduced chromogen was detected at λ=412nm and is directly proportional to the GSH concentration in serum. The concentration of GSH was then calculated by using:

\[ \text{GSH conc. (µ mol/L) = } \frac{A_T}{\varepsilon_o \times L} \times 10^6 \]

Where: \( A_T \) =test absorbance ; \( \varepsilon_o \) =extinction coefficient = (13600 M⁻¹.cm⁻¹) L = light path = 1cm
Statistical analysis:
Completely randomized design (CRC) program [20] was used to test the effect of the treatment on traits involved in this study. The least significant difference (LSD) test was also used to compare significance between the means [21].

III. Results And Discussion
Diabetes mellitus, the most common endocrine disease, is not a single disease but a group of disorders of varying etiology and pathogenesis current approaches of diabetes therapy involve mainly drugs enhancing insulin secretion while the role of antioxidants as the important agents restore the redox balance of the organism [22], while other studies have suggested that medical herbs may offer a similar degree of efficacy without so many troubles some side effects [23,24]. Figure (1) there were significant decreased in zinc concentration in the drug treated group (0.52±0.026 ppm) in comparison to the normoglycemic group (0.66±0.02ppm), the administration of resveratrol derivative to rabbits resulted in the significant increase of zinc (0.79±0.02 ppm) after sixth weeks of treatment in comparison with control (0.66±0.02ppm). Other studies have suggested that the trace elements copper, zinc are linked together in cytosolic defense against reactive oxygen and nitrogen species, copper, zinc-superoxidedismutase catalyzes the dismutation of superoxide to oxygen and hydrogen peroxide [25,26].

Figure (1): Bar chart of mean values of the Effect of Resveratrol derivative on serum Zinc Concentration (ppm) of treatment groups.

C=Control  D=Diabetic  DG=Diabetic after treated with glbeimide  DR=Diabetic after treated with resveratrol  DRD=Diabetic after treated with derivative .
WK0=Pretreatment  WK1=First week  WK2=Second week  WK3=Third week  WK4=Fourth week  WK5=Fsifth week  WK6=Sixth week.
While copper concentration in the resveratrol derivative treat group significantly increased 1.31 ±0.03 ppm after three weeks and 1.43±0.01ppm after sixth weeks in comparison to the control group 1.13±0.03 ppm and the results was presented in figure (2). The role of copper ions are involved in both the generation of and the defense against reactive oxygen species (ROS) in cells [27].

Figure (2): Bar chart of mean values of the Effect of Resveratrol derivative on Serum Copper Concentration (ppm) of treatment groups.

C=Control  D=Diabetic  DG=Diabetic after treated with glbeimide  DR=Diabetic after treated with resveratrol  DRD=Diabetic after treated with derivative .
In this study, there was significant increase in lipid peroxidation in diabetic group which was in agreement with others [22] and [28], resveratrol derivative shows significant value after three weeks of treatment 2.42±0.08 nanomole/ml in comparison with control (2.43±0.2778 nanomole/ml). The concentration of serum MDA in drug (glucimide) and purified resveratrol treated rabbits was clarified in Figure (3), the results showed decrease in the MDA level in diabetic rabbits treated with glucimide and purified resveratrol to 0.44±0.1229 nanomole/ml and 2.90±0.05 nanomole/ml respectively after sixth weeks.. Moreover, following intraperitoneal injection of resveratrol, the concentration of MDA in acu-treated rabbits was significantly decreased both in purified resveratrol and resveratrol derivative, which mediates a powerful anti peroxidation effect of resveratrol[28,29]. The results indicate the increased lipid peroxidation under diabetic condition can be due to increased oxidative stress in the cell as a result of depletion of antioxidant protective systems[30,31]. The lipid peroxide mediated tissue damage has been observed in the development of all types of diabetes mellitus [27].

![Figure (3): Bar chart of mean values of the Effect of Resveratrol derivative on Serum Malonyldialdehyde Concentration (nanomole/ml) of treatment groups. C=Control D=Diabetic DG=Diabetic after treated with glucimide DR=Diabetic after treated with resveratrol DRD=Diabetic after treated with derivative.](image1)

In the present study there was a significant increase in SOD activity in resveratrol derivative treated group (4.24±0.02)U/ml as compared with control during the experimental period, glucimide treated group show a significant decrease in SOD activity 2.83±0.09 U/ml after sixth weeks of treatments as compared with the control 3.88±0.06U/ml. Figure(4), which shows that the derivative qualities have contributed to improving the effectiveness of the enzyme and that people with diabetes suffer from a high reduction in the level of antioxidant enzyme. From our results we concluded that resveratrol increases the activities of antioxidant enzyme in alloxan treated rabbits implying that resveratrol reactivates the antioxidant defense system, thereby increasing anti-diabetic activity [27].

![Figure (4): Bar chart of mean values of the Effect of Resveratrol derivative on Serum Superoxide dismutase activity (unit/ml) of treatment groups. C=Control D=Diabetic DG=Diabetic after treated with glucimide DR=Diabetic after treated with resveratrol DRD=Diabetic after treated with derivative.](image2)

Data on the effect of resveratrol derivative on Gpx activity are present in Figure(5). The increased activity of Gpx in resveratrol treated rabbits 93.96±0.07 U/L after three weeks as compared with control group100.6±0.06U/ml and 119.77±0.01U/L after sixth weeks, suggest that resveratrol has free radical scavenging , which may exert a beneficial effect against pathological alteration caused by reaction oxygen species .Ajith and Janaradhana
(2001) mentioned in diabetes, non-enzymatic glycation due to persistent hyperglycemia may also inactivate the antioxidant enzyme, this results was in agreement with [32]. Regarding non-enzymic antioxidants, GSH is a critical determination to tissue susceptibility to oxidative damage and depletion of GSH has been shown to be associated with an enhanced toxicity to chemicals including diabetic status.

Figure (5): Bar chart of mean values of the Effect of Resveratrol derivative on Serum Glutathione Peroxidase activity (unit/L) of treatment groups.

C=Control  D=Diabetic  DG=Diabetic after treated with glbcimide  DR=Diabetic after treated with resveratrol  DRD=Diabetic after treated with derivative.

Figure (6) it can be noticed that the infected animals was a decrease level of GSH when drug and purified treated rabbits 5.7467±0.02µ mole/L and 5.746±0.02 µmole/L respectively in comparison with control 10.66±0.05µ mole/L, while resveratrol derivative has normal value after three weeks of treatment 11.17±0.03µ mole/L and 19.82±0.01µ mole/L after sixth weeks, the increase in plasma GSH level in the DRD rabbits may be due to the novo GSH synthesis or GSH regeneration. The reducted glutathione, is required for activity of glutathione peroxidase and its quantity in case of oxidative stress is rather limited, that reduces the importance of this enzyme for the medical purposes [32]. The present finding strongly suggests that the use of resveratrol derivative helpful in preventing Diabetic complication in rabbits. These results are in accordance with other studies that the number of medical plant extracts possess as radical scavenging[33].

Figure (6): Bar chart of mean values of the Effect of Resveratrol and their derivatives on Serum Glutathione Concentration (µ mole/L) of treatment groups.

C=Control  D=Diabetic  DG=Diabetic after treated with glbcimide  DR=Diabetic after treated with resveratrol  DRD=Diabetic after treated with derivative.

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