



## HERBAL APPROACHES FOR THE TREATMENT OF DIABETES MELLITUS

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### Abstract

Many plants have been researched for their medicinal properties, especially as regards chronic disease control, such as diabetes, aimed at a more affordable form of treatment. Diabetes and its various types have been an age-old disease for physicians for decades. Some aspects of diabetes need to be discussed in regard to the biochemical activities of insulin and the different clinical characteristics of this condition, such as tissue occurrence, as this is life-style disorder, and adequate nutritional and anti-diabetic care is stressed. Plants and plant extracts had been used to treat the condition as early as 1550 B.C., and as many as 400 "prescribed" before the introduction of successful diabetes prevention drugs earlier this century. An attempt has been made in this paper to provide an outline of some Indian plants with their phytoconstituents and mechanism of action examined for their antidiabetic function. Natural plants are more economical and have fewer side effects compared with synthetic drugs, and are more successful in diabetes mellitus care.

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### Introduction

"Diabetes" was conceived by Greco-Roman scientist, Aretaeus of Cappadocia in about 30-90 Common Era (CE), referring to persistent polyuria, one of the popular characteristics of diabetes (Prabhakar and Doble, 2008; Prabhakar and Doble, 2011a). The earliest explanation of Diabetes Mellitus (DM) comes from Ebers Papyrus in which, it was mentioned by Egyptian doctor Hesi Ra about 1550 BCE. The first known DM clinic sample has been established by Indian physicians. Diabetes was accurately described around 500-600 BCE by Susruta, Lord of Ayurvedic Medicines. Charaka was the first prominent Ayurvedic expert in the following century, who understood the distinction between two forms of diabetics. The Type-1 DM (T1DM) and Type-2 DM (T2DM) forms are known as modern healthcare structures (Tan *et al.*, 2019). The principal risk of diabetes is elevated morbidity and mortality as a consequence of macrovascular (coronal, stroke and peripheral) long-term complications and microvascular (nephropathy, retinopathy and neuropathy) complications (Harding *et al.* 2019).

Diabetes is a metabolic condition in which insulin is not developed or utilized properly in the human body (Khatik *et al.*, 2019; Prabhakar and Doble, 2011b). A hormone required for the energy transformation of sugar, starches and other food. DM is distinguished by constant high blood glucose levels (Chauhan *et al.*, 2017; Vyas *et al.*, 2017; Prabhakar, 2016). The human body must maintain a very narrow level of blood glucose with insulin and glucagon. Diabetes is an important global health problem for the 21st century and continues to look for agents for its more effective treatment. The global incidence of diabetes for adults aged 20 to 69 was 7.7% in 2011, which was forecasted to rise to 9% by 2030 (Wou *et al.*, 2019; Hu *et al.*, 2018). Herbal medicine is mankind's oldest medicinal form. Diabetes is one of the major global problems, leading to higher blood glucose levels as a result of insulin deficiency, and insulin resistance in diabetics. Herbs have been used in many societies throughout the globe. The effect is primarily induced by rapid urbanisation, poor diet and progressively inactive lifestyle. The subsequent occurrence of illness, such as obesity, stroke incidence and heart failure, is causing serious problems in diabetic patients. Overall, around 422

million people with type 2 diabetes mellitus have been estimated. The predominance and complexity of diabetes has proven to be one of the greatest global health and economic burdens. There are large amounts of diabetic patients worldwide. The sharp increase in the patients has been shown in many studies. Stable and appropriate regulation of blood glucose is key in reducing complications due to diabetes. Therefore, constant efforts were made to achieve better diabetes regulation in anti-diabetic drugs, prevention approaches and nanotechnological goods.

The nanotechnology has facilitated the development of innovative glucose control in diabetes research and multiple modalities for insulin distribution maintaining capabilities to improve the personal wellbeing and quality of life for diabetic patients (Mishra *et al.*, 2019a; Sutte *et al.*, 2019; Patil *et al.*, 2019; Dwivedi *et al.*, 2019; Mishra *et al.*, 2018b; Jain *et al.*, 2018; Chaurasiya *et al.*, 2018; Mishra *et al.*, 2017; Prabhakar and Doble, 2011c). Damage caused by diabetes associated with hyperglycaemia is due to an abnormal activity of the mitochondria. Given its cytotoxicity, in an experimental diabetic animal model, PAMAM G4 dendrimers lower or suppress persistent markers and plasma glucose from diabetic hyperglycaemia (Mishra *et al.*, 2019b; Saluja *et al.*, 2019).

More than 96,000 new cases in teenagers and children (under 15 years of age) of type 1 diabetes have been reported and evaluated worldwide every year since 2017, based on projections by the International Diabetes Federation (IDF). The countries with a top 10 by %age are the UK, USA, Brasil, India, China, Germany, Russia, Nigeria, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, and around 60% of the new cases (Mishra *et al.* 2019b). About 50% of the weighted countries are the Russian Federation.

Natural products are a healthier, non-effective option for conventional medicines; this assertion is not proof-based and nature offers an extensive range of toxic substances (Singh *et al.*, 2019; Roberts *et al.*, 2019; Prabhakar and Doble, 2009; Prabhakar *et al.*, 2011d). The principal risk of diabetes is elevated morbidity and mortality as a consequence of macrovascular (coronal, stroke and peripheral) long-term complications and microvascular (nephropathy, retinopathy and neuropathy) complications (Harding *et al.* 2019).

Over 800 plants, for which there are experimental proofs of activity, have mostly been established in studies utilizing different diabetes models including conventional Asian systems such as Chinese herbal medicine, Japanese Kampo medicine, Indian ayurvedic, African traditional medicine and several more (Chukwuma *et al.*, 2019; Hamza *et al.*, 2019; Furman *et al.*, 2019). Most studies that show that plant extracts have antidiabetic effects also included review of the current ingredients (Table 1). The existence in a complex blend of the abundant ingredient does not, however, necessarily show its position in the extract's pharmacology (Prabhakar *et al.*, 2014; Prabhakar *et al.*, 2013). Very few

studies have actually taken the simple, but very challenging step to check the defined constituents in order to determine the degree to which the influence of the whole extract is imitated. In addition, the lack of synergism between substances is a possible issue in finding an active ingredient in a fraction. This topic was researched for phytochemicals in broad (Wagner, 2011) but the related literature appears to be very little in connection with antidiabetic extracts; one study showed that an aralia taibaiensis extract can not be quantitatively compared with individual extracts by in-vitro anti-lipid peroxidation action (Xi *et al.*, 2010).

**Table 1:** Shows some names of vegetable oils used in the study.

S.No	Plant extract	Identified ingredients	Model and Species
1	Ethanol extract of <i>Acacia nilotica</i>	Phenolic compounds, flavonoids	Alloxan; mouse
2	Methanol extract of <i>Zanthoxylum armatum</i>	Flavonoids, terpenoids, sterols, lignins coumarins, phenolics and alkaloids	Alloxan; mouse
3	Extract of <i>Withania</i>	Withaferin A, Steroidal lactone	Multi-dose STZ;
4	Aqueous extract of <i>Vernonia amygdalina</i>	Terpenes, glycosides, tannins, saponins, alkaloids, flavonoids	Alloxan; rat
5	Whole plant extract of <i>Urtica dioica</i>	Terpenes, polyphenols, flavonoids	STZ; rat
7	Aqueous extract of <i>Tetrastigma hemsleyanum</i>	A polysaccharide	Alloxan; mouse
9	Extract of <i>Ribes nigrum</i>	Polyphenol, Anthocyanins, particularly delphinidin 3-rutinoside	KK-Ay mice
10	Ethanol extract of <i>Quercus mongolica</i>	Phenolics including ellagic acid and kaempferol)	Alloxan; rat
11	Hot water extract of <i>Pachyrrhizus erosus</i>	Polysaccharides	STZ + high calorie diet; mouse
12	Aqueous extract of <i>Ocimum gratissimum</i>	Flavonoids, alkaloids, tannins, saponins, Glycosides, terpenes	Alloxan; rat
13	Ethanol (80%) extract of <i>Molinieria latifolia</i> (Rhizome)	Polyphenolic-rich ethyl acetate fraction	HFD-STZ-nicotinamide; rat
14	Ethanol extract of <i>Jatropha aethiopica</i> (Leaves)	Polyphenols, flavonoids	STZ; mouse

## Types of Diabetes mellitus

### Type-1 Diabetes mellitus

Type-1 diabetes mellitus (T1DM) is diabetes that relies on insulin, leading to insulin deficiency due to an autoimmune response that slowly deteriorates the pancreatic  $\beta$  cells. Many factors, such as viruses, genetic products, dairy animals' milk, reactive oxygen or free radicals, may or may be associated to the autoimmune system reaction. Histological research in the pancreatic cells of T1DM patients revealed penetration in Langerhans Islets of multiple immune cells, such as lymphocytes B and T, dendritic cells, macrophagous cells, normal executor cells, and is let reaction anticorps and T lymphocytes (Mishra *et al.*, 2019c).

### Type 2 Diabetes mellitus

The insulin resistance is generally correlated with Type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) (Bashary *et al.*, 2020; Usman *et al.*, 2019; Kaur *et al.*, 2018). There seems to be a shortage of genetic protection, which involves defects in the liable genes rather than a single "diabetic virus." The predicted intracellular errors of the post-insulin receptor contribute to hyper-insulinemia and insulin resistance. In fact, T2DM is an impaired insulin secretary of glucose response, decreased insulin output in skeletal glycosis stimulation and hepatic glucose production management (Mishra. *et al.*, 2019c). Obsessive symptoms, (mainly stomach obesity, coronal

artery disorders / affection, hypertension and dyslipidemia, are important in this hyperinsulinemia

### Gestational diabetes

Gestational diabetes (GDM) was only found during gestational cycle or pregnancy during diabetes. In 2-5 % of all pregnancies, GDM is observed. Since this kind of diabetes may be present instantly, unaware or untreated when it comes to conception, it can cause serious problems such as death, macrosomy, fetal respiratory distress and birth defects. This will also continue to develop T2DM later on with both babies and mothers. One in six live births occurs in women with DM, of whom around 87.5% of all diabetes is GDM in the pregnancy. High adiposity, birth weight and macrosomes with large gestational age (LGA) are included in offspring threats. Though extreme perinatal complications are rare (1-4%), the macrosomes (newborn baby birth weight > 4 kg) and large ones for gestational age (batt weight > 90%), impacting 10-20% of the birth of the GDM-neonates in women (Mishra *et al.*, 2019c).

## Traditional medicine systems in treatment of diabetes

### Western Herbalism

DM is considered a popular endocrine condition in Western herbalism that is due to the lack of proper blood glucose regulation in the body, which induces a disorder in which blood glucose levels persistently increase above

average. The treatment approach for the management of DM emphasizes on blood sugar control, vascular disruption avoidance and some serious complications, including renal and retinal injury. Herbs are used for strengthening and toning the function of the body. However, without scientific evidence or rigorous studies the herbal medicine can not supplement insulin or oral antidiabetics. Herbs are considered valuable additional ingredients in DM prevention and early stage, or in favor of dietary steps necessary for metabolism control. Bileberry (*Vaccinium myrtillus*), fenugreek (*Trigonella foenum-graecum*) and woltberry (*Lycium barbarium*) and bitter melon (*Monorca charant*) are the plants most commonly used in the care of DM (Li *et al.*, 2013).

### Ayurveda Herbalism

The theory of Basic Ayurvedic medicine is that all elements (earth, water, fire, air and space) are included in the cosmos and three essential forces (the doshas), are called the body's internal framework and functions. The object of ayurvedic care is to treat the person in its entirety rather than as a set of separate elements (Morrison *et al.*, 1995). Growing individual has a specific constitution decided by balancing the Doshas. These are known as constituents of the mind and body form of each individual. The main causes of DM, according to Ayurveda, are the accumulation of Kapha Doshas caused by poor nutrition, drinks, environment, weak nervous system dysfunction and the creation of physical and mental tension, a loss in environmental and immune resistance and changes of natural biological cycles. Once an unnecessary Kapha spreads through the tissues, the other 2 Doshas will be imbalanced and the xin will slowly be formed (Sharma *et al.*, 1998). Ayurvedic medicine's goal is to restore balance through illness by maintaining peace and harmony in order for wellbeing to be sustained.

### Traditional Chinese Medicine

The administration of DM requires a comprehensive diagnostic and clinical program with a significant plant approach in traditional Chinese medicine (TCM). (Yin *et al.*, 2008) The TCM theory views the body as one entity and its physical status is closely linked with its climate and issues Yins (negative energy) and Yang (positive energy). So, when Yin grows 'Yang falls,' and vice versa. The term describes the excess of 'Triple Burner,' which induces excessive appetite, hunger and Urination in the human body, named 'Upper, Middle and Lower Burner.' Such mismatch describes DM's triggers primarily hot and cold disharmony, unhealthy lifestyles and eating, including alcohol drinking, sugar addiction, Zang Fu's emotional trauma and vulnerability (internal organs) (Bensky *et al.*, 2009). In DM conditions, Xiaoke uses 'Lung' fluids which give rise to thirst and to dry mouth with a yellow tongue cover and a fast pulse as a diagnostic method. The Yin nature from the 'Kidney' slowly contributes to the deficit of 'Cinderella' Yang. "These symptoms aggravate an excess fire either in the 'stomach' or in the 'spleen' and lead to constant hunger (Li *et al.*, 2013).

### Herbal medicines in the treatment of diabetic complications

In the diagnosis of diabetes, several natural remedies were recommended. The benefits, lower side impacts and relatively low prices of herbal drugs are widely prescribed (Mishra *et al.*, 2019c; Mishra *et al.*, 2018a). Numerous pharmacopoeia have provided guidelines to maintain the quality and standardization of herbal inputs and their goods.

Accessible literature on folklore medicine for diabetes therapies leading to up-to-date herbal medicine nanoformulation has been cited. The use of bioactive compounds gives us new hope of improving people's health and their life expectancy by formulating new medicines. Several experiments have lately shown that nanotechnology has the ability to be used as a selective drug delivery method for minimizing and preventing adverse symptoms of diabetes in different biological or medical applications (Singh *et al.*, 2019; Marella *et al.*, 2018; Prabhakar and Doble, 2011e).

The essential functions of blood glucose and lipid levels in diabetes are regulated by pharmaceuticals. Nonetheless, evidence has shown that certain diabetic problems can be avoided or postponed with effective diabetes management (EDIC, 1999). The treatment of diabetic vascular problems via blood glucose alone, however, was very complicated and does not automatically guarantee successful results. (Duckworth *et al.*, 2009) Thus, the best therapeutic choice for avoiding and treating diabetic vascular problems is an agent capable of controlling vascular homeostasis directly in order to reduce vascular damage and inflammation. Herbal medicine soon becomes one of the areas of interest able to contribute to the development of medicines against diabetic vascular complications. To date, a significant amount of clinical and preclinical evidence has occurred, supporting the potential use of natural products against diabetic complications like medicinal plants. Omar *et al* examined 10 natural products including 8 medicinal plants, which revealed promising results in human complication management by highest level of scientific proof (i.e. well planned, randomized and regulated clinical trials) Diabetic complications management in humans. The plants contain capsicum, *Tinospora cordifolia*, *Pinus pinaster*, *Pinus pinaster*, and Chia seed (*Salvia hispanica*). The others are fish oil and grape (*Vitis vinifera*) (Omar *et al.*, 2010).

### Herbal medicines improving insulin sensitivity

The responsiveness of the insulin is increased by raising the amount of insulin receptors and increasing the cascade of insulin signals. This promotes the reduction of systemic circulation glucose. Metformin and thiazolidinedione (e.g. rosiglitazone) are the current treatment choices for increasing the sensitivities of insulin. Animal and human experiments have demonstrated that certain herbal medications increase the responsiveness to insulin. Bilberry, fenugreek, bitter melons, ginseng, astragalus and green tea comprise them.

### Herbal drugs in treatment of diabetes mellitus

Herbal medicines benefit from the ability to access, lower side effects and low prices, which have increased the importance of seeking traditional drugs (Bawa *et al.*, 2019; Attri *et al.*, 2019). Modern society is heading towards herbal medicines. A main marketing strategy should be the importance of any drug of herbal origin (Kumar *et al.*, 2019). Since people today think it's safe if it's herbal roots. Plants were always a rich source of medicines since ancient times. Many drugs have been derived from plants directly and indirectly (El-Tantawy *et al.*, 2018).

***Phaseolus vulgaris L.:*** It is rich variety of phytochemicals which potentially benefit for health. Regarding their hypoglycemic activity in streptozocin (STZ) mediated diabetic rats. Aqueous extract of *P. vulgaris* pods has been examined. Blood glucose reduced significantly when

aqueous pod extract from *P. vulgaris* was given to diabetic rats for 40 days (Mudi *et al.* 2017).

***G. mangostana:*** *Epicatchin*, one of the reduced natural tannins contained in *G. mangostana* prevents  $\beta$ -cell regeneration hyperglycemia (Kim *et al.* 2003). Tannins may also cause potential pathways of hypoglycemia to induce hypoglycemia, including (a) decrease in intake of food, (b) intestinal glucose uptake, and (c) direct action on adipose cells by improving the production of insulin in rat's epididymal adipocytes.

***Paliurus:*** Muscle reduction, diet and blood sugar levels were significantly reduced by the extract, and insulin output  $\beta$ -cells were improved. Paliurus making the pancreatic  $\beta$ -cell apoptose substantially disrupted by blocking caspase-8, caspase-9, and closed caspase-3 and the Bax/Bcl-2 ratios, p38-regling downs, phosphorylation downs and phosphorylation ups and downs and Akt phosphorylation disturbed (Xiao *et al.* 2017).

***Callicarpa arborea Roxb:*** It is a shrub or small evergreen tree that belongs to the *Verbenaceae* family and is often classified as beautybeery. It has been identified in India, Nepal, China, Bangladesh, Thailand, Indonesia and Vietnam (Kar *et al.* 2009, Shihan *et al.*, 2015). In the preliminary phytochemical testing, alkaloids, glycosides, saponins, tannins, flavonoids, and phenolic compounds were found. In contrast to standard rats with substantial increase in body weight, rates of serum insulin, and liver glycogen, arborea stem bark extract demonstrated high hypoglycemic behavior in diabetic rats. This extract showed considerable radical scavenging activity at tested doses in antioxidant studies (Junejo *et al.*, 2017).

***Moringa oleifera Lam:*** It is a fast-growing, drought-tolerant vine and most commonly found in tropical and subtropical regions. It belongs to the *Brassicales* group *Moringaceae*, which includes broccoli from the *Brassicaceae* family and other cruciferous vegetables. Moringa is historically renowned for its food consistency and therapeutic advantages. Its aqueous extract shows hypoglycemic features. Carbon digestion enzyme function, uptake of yeast cells, uptake of muscle glucose and ingestion of intestinal glucose have been checked for oleifera. DMT2 was induced in eight weeks through dietary induction with high-fat diet (HFD) and single streptozotocin injection (STZ, 45 mg/kg i.p.) was invoked for DMT1 induction.

***Trigonella foenum-graecum:*** The perennial herbal herb belonging to the genus *Fabaceae*. A wide range of medicinal uses, such as easing childbirth, raising milk flow, decreasing menstrual pain and coping with body deficiencies have been defined in the traditional medicine in the eastern Mediterranean. In addition, dry, mixed seeds are a part of the plant used, which includes mucilagen and a number of other secondary metabolites. Even if the outcomes of clinical trials are greatly heterogeneous, the influence of dietary intake or T supplementation remains very minimal. Fenugreek seed (5-100 g/day) can be a successful complementary alternative for clinical diabetes management, as well as recent systematic evaluation and meta research. In Type 2 DM patients this drug contribute to better glycemic control, reducing blood glucose, blood glucose, and glycemic haemoglobin 2 hours after

loading. Studies performed in vivo conclude on hypoglycemic and hypolymphatic behaviors of fenugreek: seed powder in the same animal model (fasting blood glucose rates 2 g/kg for 7 days) (fasting blood glucose levels reduced by 5 % for 21 days in a diet) in diabetic rats induced with alloxane (Governa *et al.*, 2018).

***Panax ginseng:*** Ginseng has been used for more than five thousand years in traditional Chinese medicine. Ginseng's treatments have been extended to numerous medical disorders, such as hypodynamics, anorexia, breathlessness, palpitation, anxiety, impotence, haemorrhage and diabetes due to its regenerative, tonic, nootropic and anti-aging effects. In 2014, the European Medicines Authority reaffirming the medicinal value of various conventional uses of ginseng, released a monograph validating the use in western countries of ginseng as a traditional medicine too. The analysis would address together the antidiabetic effects of *P. ginseng*, *P. quinquefolius* and its key components. *Panax Ginseng C.A. Meyer* is an herb from Korea, Cina, and Japan with distinctive radical origins in the *Araliaceae* family. The herbal product comprises of dried roots which are primarily triterpene saponins, classified as ginsenosides. Filtering panax L. is a plant from North America, an annual crop. The sections of the plant used are dried roots that produce ginsenosides and have higher protopanaxadiol concentrations than *P. ginseng* (Governa *et al.*, 2018).

***Allium cepa:*** It is the perennial herb of the *Amaryllidaceae*. The plant sources are the fresh or dried onions, commonly referred to as onions, cultivated worldwide for commercial purposes. Sweet-containing substances like L-cysteine sulfoxides and flavonoids like quercetin and its glycosides are the major chemical ingredients. *A. cepa* seems to be successful without regard to type (i.e. oils, water, freeze-dried material, essential oil), regardless of the medium in which it is given. The hypoglycemic consequences of tiny *Allium* slices orally have been measured in a preliminary study. *A. cepa* (100 g/day) in diabetic patients of type 1 and type 2 showed significant antidiabetic effects which decreased blood glucose quickly by about 89 mg/dL and 40 mg/dL. The causing hyperglycemia was also found to decrease diabetes 1 by 120 mg/dL and DMT2 by 159 mg/dL.

***Ocimum tenuiflorum L:*** A plant or shrub up to 1 meter high belonging to the botanic family *Lamiaceae* is *Ocimum Tenuiflorum L*, commonly known as tulsi. This is natural for India and northern and eastern Africa, Hainan Island, Taiwan and China, though new or dried leaves are the herbal substance. Tannins and essential oil (composed mainly of eugenol, methylugene, and  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -caryophyllene) are the major chemical ingredients. In 1996, the results of *Ocimum* were evaluated by a controlled, placebo tested crossover single blind study. The fast and postprandial blood glucose concentrations decreased significantly, urinary blood glucose appeared similarly and the mean total cholesterol concentrations decreased moderately throughout the treatment duration. In mild, glucose-feeding hyperglycemic, streptozocin-induced diabetic rats, *O. tenuiflorum* leaves were also successful at reducing blood glucoses rates and potentiated the production of exogenous insulin in normal rats. The results on the ex vivo rat pancreas and in BRIN-BD-11 rat clonal  $\beta$ -cells have been shown to be regulated by its insulin secretagogue activity (Governa *et al.*, 2018).

***Aloe succotrina*:** The hypoglycemic impact in (500 mg/kg PO) in alloxane-diabetic mice was important. However, in the same model there was substantial hypoglycemic effect, if it were single or chronic administration of the bitter concept (5 mg/kg IP). The hypoglycemic impact of the single bitter-principle dosage was stretched over 24 hours with average 8 hour hypoglycemia, while the highest drop in plasma glucose level was found in the 5<sup>th</sup> day of chronic administration. The hypoglycemic effects of aloe and their bitter concept are induced by inducing synthesis and/or insulin release in the Islets of Langerhans.

***Artemisia pallens*:** It has been observed that the anti-hyperglycemic dose based impact (100, 500 and 1000 mg/kg) is hyperglycemic and alloxanizing rats with glucose (60 mg/kg IV) (Samad *et al.* 2009).

***Allium sativum*:** Oral administration of 0.25 g/kg allicin in moderate diabetic rabbits (glucose amounts of 180 to 300 mg %) induced hypoglycemia similar to tolbutamide where such an impact in extreme diabetic animals has been reported. The fruit of this plant in the Mediterranean region of the world has historically been used as anti-diabetic. Aqueous extract from their fruits revealed that insulin release from isolated islands improved dose-dependently.

***Ipomoea batatas*:** It decreases sugar fatty rats' hyperinsulinemia by 23, 26, 60 and 50%, after 3, 4, 6 and 8 weeks, respectively. Furthermore, blood glucose levels were reduced after processing with glucose after 7 weeks of treatment and pancreas beta cell regranulated and insulin resistance decreased (Samad *et al.*, 2009).

***Citrullus colocynthis*:** Oral administration of aqueous extract of *C. colocynthis* (300 mg/kg) reduces plasma glucose slightly after 1 h in rabbits and small decrease after 2, 3 and 6 h.

**Terpenoids:** The herbal remedies with vegetable terpenoids play important roles. Abscisic acid can activate insulin-releasing pancreatic cells and modify in vitro the GLUT4-mediated absorption of glucose. Small abscisic acid doses in rats and in diabetes patients who are immune to or insulin deficient will therefore improve glucose tolerance. Andrographolide decreases sterol-binding factor (SREBP) expression levels to suppress lipid aggregation in HFD-induced mice (Wang *et al.*, 2013). Oleanolic acid can decrease glucose in the body, increase tolerances for glucose and insulin, boost insulin signalling and prevent gluconeogenesis. Genipin can reduce hyperinsulinemia, hyper-glyceridemia and hepatic steatosis, and alleviate mitochondrial and hepatic oxidative stress. By controlling the pathway PI3K / Akt in T2DM rats, pinitol can control insulin-mediated glucose uptake.

**Quinones:** Quinones derivative, Thymoquinone can decrease body weight and reduce diabetes (Xu *et al.* 2018).

**Alkaloids:** Antimalarial, antihyperglycemic, antiasthma, anti-cancer and antibacterial properties are found in alkaloids. Berberine clinically control diabetes and is a generic isoquinolin alkaloid. Many researchers have pointed out that berberine may decrease blood glycosis; increase the secretion of insulin; reduce the bodily weight and lipid

levels; and attenuate glucose tolerance; and resistance to insulin by triggering the AMPK route, raising the level of glycagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) (Xu *et al.*, 2018).

**Polyphenols:** These are also classified as polyhydroxyphenols and are widely available in chocolate, tea, coffee, cereals and vegetables that have antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, anti-fibrotic and metabolic functions. The anti-inflammatory and antioxidant activity of polyphenols derived from *Antirhea borbonica* against obesity-related metabolic disorder have effect on adipocytes. Antidiabetic behavior is one of the most intensively studied biological roles of polyphenols (Xu *et al.*, 2018).

### Conclusion and future prospective

A significant number of plants extract clearly demonstrated reduction of blood glucose in a number of experimental models, particularly in rodents. The experimental results are confirmed by a relatively small number of double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical tests. To date, the organized mechanism for transforming such plant extracts into medicine seems to have been missing nationally or globally. Thus, the question arises about how this research can be used effectively in favor of the millions of diabetes-dying patients in the world and the consequences of diabetes. Many of these patients have no traditional treatment because of accessible and affordable problems. The production of plant extracts for the treatment of diabetes includes many facets, many of them generically and some directly for illnesses. First, we need to pick which extracts for further, more detailed research to officially incorporate them into clinical practice. In designing extracts as medications, we have to discern between immediate and long-term prescribing hypoglycaemic symptoms rather than traditional medicines, which are possibly true of disease-modifying action.

A metabolic disease that is defined in both postprandial and quicking situations by high blood glucose rates, also known as hyperglycaemia, as a result of an insulin secretion compromised with or without insulin resistance. As summarized in this review we described traditional herbal therapies with various mechanisms and pathways such as enhancing insulin secretion, insulin-sensitivity, adipose-like glucose absorption and muscle tissue uptake and blocks glucose uptake and glucose output from hepatocytes. Pharmacological testing is important in the efficacy of these ethnomedicinal plants. Some antidiabetic plants can work by boosting the role or number of beta cells, thereby enhancing the release of insulin. Less than 1% of the approximate 250,000 plants were pharmacologically tested and very few were screened for DMs. It is therefore careful to find options for diabetes in herbal medicine. The theoretical foundation for the use of such plants in DM has been developed continuously. The convenient local accessibility of hypoglycemic herbs and plant products and their low cost promote their uses. This ethnomedical solution to diabetes is a realistic and economic approach that makes sense for its care.

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