

IN-VITRO CYTOTOXICITY ACTIVITY OF SOLANUM XANTHOCARPUM AGAINST MCF7, HELA, A549 AND CACO2 CELL LINES BY MTT ASSAY

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Abstract

The present investigation aims to evaluate anticancer activity of methanolic extract of Solanum xanthocarpum fruits. The extract is investigated for its inhibitory effect on MCF7, HeLa, A549, CaCo2 cell lines. Percentage viabilities of cell lines are assessed by adopting the MTT method. The extract has significant cytotoxicity on MCF 7, HeLa, A549, CaCo2 cell lines in the concentration range between 10 to 100 µg/ml. as per MTT assay. IC50 values of Solanum xanthocarpum on MCF7, HeLa, A549, CaCo2 cell lines are 27.99, 75.55, 54.66 and 156.36 respectively. From the performed assay, methanolic extract has more cytotoxic effect on MCF 7 and least activity on CaCo2 cell line. Thus the extract of Solanum xanthocarpum fruits has identified to have anticancer activity

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Introduction

Cells viability and proliferation rates are good indicators of cells health. Cell health and metabolism are affected by physical and chemical agent's .Viability of Cells and proliferation rates reflect health of the cells. Cell health and metabolism are affected by physical and chemical agents these reagents hinder the growth of cancer cells by various mechanisms viz., obliteration of cell-membranes, retarding the protein synthesis by binding over to receptors. Further, inhibition of the growth of cancer cells may also be caused due to elongation of oligodeoxynucleotide and prevention of enzymatic reactions

The reagents employed for this purpose must be bio-compatible and do not because side reactions. Many of the synthetic drugs have ill-effects and causing other disorders. In this context, the chemicals derived from the plant materials are interesting researcher in the recent

past. Plants constitute one of the major sources of drugs in modern as well as traditional medicine throughout the world². The bioactive substances in plants are mainly produced as secondary metabolites. **Methods have been developed** to cure various diseases like gonorrhoea, rheumatism, cough, asthma, catarrhal fever and sore throat by using extracts from the biomaterials. In fact our research group has investigated Cytogenetic properties of some mangroves belong to Krishna-Godavari estuary³.

Solanum xanthocarpum (SX) plant is medicinal herb ¹¹and is known for its medicinal values. The plant belongs to the Solanaceae family. It is commonly known as Indian night shade or Yellow berried nightshade. Alcoholic or aqueous extracts of *Solanum xanthocarpum* (SX) plant have shown hypotensive effect, antiviral activity (against Ranikhet disease virus) and against sarcoma-180 in mice⁵. In the present study, the cells viability and proliferation in the alcoholic extract of *Solanum xanthocarpum* furt has been investigated¹²⁻¹⁹.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Plant Collection

Fruits of the '*Solanum xanthocarpum*' were collected from the Kuragallu rural area of district Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, India. The voucher -specimen was preserved in the chemistry lab of K L university.

Preparation of Extract

The collected fruits of the *Solanum xanthocarpum* were cleaned and dried under shade for a period of one month. The dried fruits were ground to fine powder. Powders of the fruits were successively extracted with Methyl alcohol (60- 80 C) using a Sock let extractor. Extractions of

the solvent were collected, filtered and vacuum dried in a rotary evaporator at $40 \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$. The dried product obtained is analyzed for its Cytotoxic activity.

Cytotoxicity bioassays by MTT method

The various Cell lines tested by MTT methods were presented in Table 1. The chemical used in this investigation were of Analytical Grade quality. DMEM (Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium), MTT [3-(4, 5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2, 5-diphenyl, tetrazolium bromide, EDTA Phosphate Buffered Saline (PBS) and trypsin, were procured from Sigma Chemicals. Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS) was purchased from Gibco. 25 cm² and 75 cm² flask and 96 well plates were purchased from Eppendorf India.

Table 1: Different Cell lines tested MTT method

S. No	Compound Name	Cell Line tested
		MCF7
1	Solanumxanthocarpum (SX) extract	HeLa
		A549
		CaCo2

The Cancer cell lines were purchased from NCCS, Pune. Cells were maintained in MEM supplemented with 10% FBS and antibiotics penicillin/streptomycin (0.5 mL^{-1}), in an atmosphere of 5% CO₂/95% air at 37^o C.

Preparation of Testing Extract

The required quantity of the extra was correctly weighed and dissolved in DMSO so as to obtain the concentration of 1mg/ml. This solution was subsequently diluted to a series of concentrations ranging from 10 to 100 µg/ ml.

MTT ASSAY

This method is based on colorimetric estimation. In this method, the reduction of yellow 3-(4, 5-dimethylthiazol- 2-yl)-2, 5-diphenyl tetrazolium bromide (MTT) caused by 'mitochondrial *succinate dehydrogenase*' present in live cells, was used as a basis. In live cells, the presence of enzyme causes the reduction while in dead cell (or their compounds), the reduction is not

affected. Thus, the reduction is based on number of live cells and not on dead cells. In live cells the MTT penetrates into 'mitochondria' and get reduced to form insoluble deep purple coloured formazan crystals. On treating the crystals with DMSO, the cell were dissolved in the solvent and thereby releasing the Formosan. The Formosan is assayed spectrophotmetriacilly as max at 570 nm.

The IC₅₀ values obtained for the extract wires pet to different cell lines were presented in Table 2. Cell viability was evaluated by the MTT Assay with three independent experiments with six concentrations of compounds in triplicates.

Cells were trypsinized and performed the trypan blue assay to know viable cells in cell suspension. Cells were counted by haemocytometer and seeded at density of 5.0×10^3 cells well in 100 μ l media in 96 well plate culture medium and incubated overnight at 37 ° C. After incubation, take off the old media and add fresh media 100 μ l with different concentrations of test compound in represented wells in 96 plates. After 48 hrs Discarded the drug solution and added the fresh medic with MTT solution ($0.5 \text{ mg} / \text{mL}^{-1}$) was added to each and the plates were incubated at 37 ° C for 3 hrs. At the end of incubation time, precipitates are formed as a result of the reduction of the MTT salt to chromophore formazan crystals by the cells with metabolically active mitochondria. The optical density of solubilized crystals in DMSO was measured at 570 nm on a microplate reader. The percentage growth inhibition was calculated using the following formula.

$$\% \text{ Inhibition} = \frac{100 (\text{Control} - \text{Treatment})}{\text{Control}}$$

The Ic₅₀ value was determined by using linear regression equation i.e. $Y = Mx + C$. Here, Y = 50, M and C values were derived from the viability graph.

Results and Conclusion

The IC₅₀ values are tabulated in table2. The present study describes *in vitro* anti cancer activity of Solanum xanthocarpum alcoholic extract. From the result of the cytotoxicity evolution of the extract, it displayed a potent activity against MCF7 and A549 cell lines with the IC₅₀ values 27.99 and 54.66. The cytotoxic effects also plotted in graph concentration versus viability percentage.

Table 2: Cytotoxicity by MTT assay of Solanum Xanthocarpum Methanolic extract

S.NO	Sample Name	Cell Line	IC ₅₀ (µg)
1	SX methanolic extract	MCF 7	27.99
2	SX methanolic extract	HeLa	75.55
3	SX methanolic extract	A549	54.66
4	SX methanolic extract	CaCo2	156.37

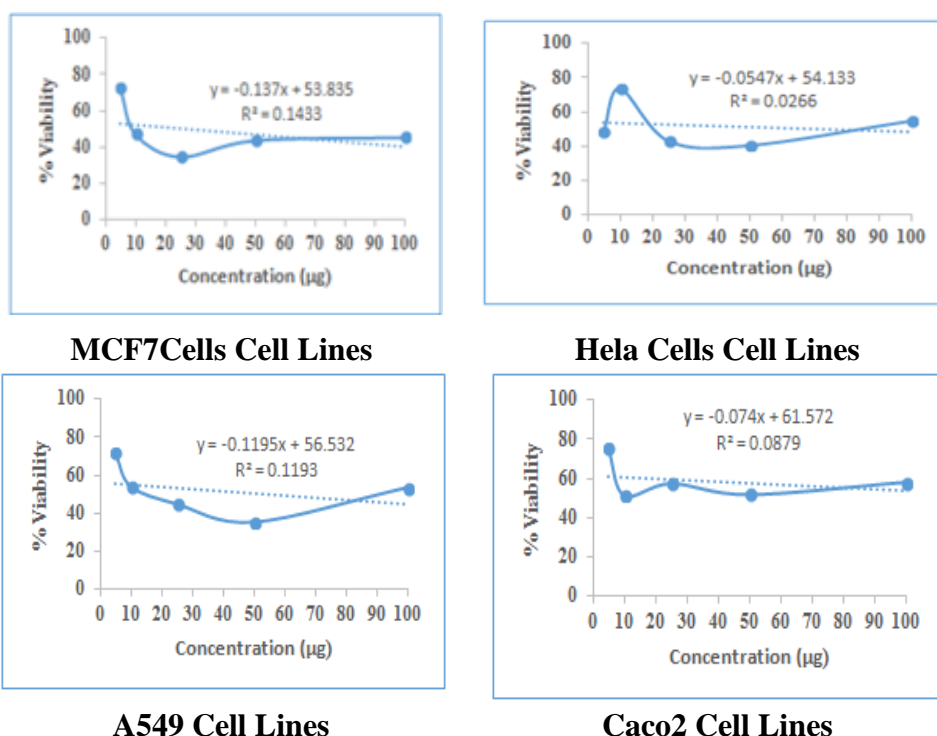


Figure 1: Results of cell viability assay of different concentrations of Solanum xanthocarpum extracts on MCF7, HeLa, A549 AND CaCo2 are shown in the graphs.

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