IN VITRO AND IN VIVO STUDY ON TINOSPORA CORDIFOLIA EXTRACT AS AN ANTIDIABETIC AGENT IN RAT

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ABSTRACT – Clinical trials have shown that some plants are useful as antidiabetic agents. One such plant is *Tinospora cordifolia*. Oral administration of the organic extract of *T. cordifolia* roots for 6 weeks resulted in a significant reduction in blood and urine glucose in alloxan diabetic rats. *Tinospora cordifolia* extract interferes with cellular metabolic oxidative mechanisms. In all diabetic patients, treatment should aim to lower blood glucose to near normal level. The present investigation fulfills this statement by producing a significant fall in blood glucose levels in organic extract administered STZ diabetic rats.

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