EFFECT OF BALADY AND IMPORTED CHICKPEA ON BLOOD GLUCOSE AND LIPID PROFILE OF DIABETES RATS

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Abstract

Chickpea seeds were reported to have been employed for treating hypertension and diabetes mellitus for over the past 2500 years. The present study aimed to compare the effect of balady and imported chickpea available in Egyptian markets on blood glucose and lipid profile of diabetic rats. Thirty six mature male albino rats were divided into six groups and 30 of them were induced to diabetes and feed with basal diet supported with 10 and 20% of balady and imported chickpea. The results indicated that, balady chickpea had higher protein, fiber and fat content compared to imported counterpart. Phenolic components were much higher in balady samples than imported counterpart before and after cooking. The feed intake of control group fed on basal diet (control negative) tended to have the highest percentage, followed by diabetic group (control positive) and diabetic group feed on 10% of balady chickpea. Groups fed on balady chickpea tended to have blood glucose lower than its imported chickpea counterparts. Significant differences were observed between them. The TG, cholesterol, LDL, VLDL levels were significantly (P < 0.05) lower in groups fed on balady chickpea groups compared to diabetic rats fed on imported chickpea groups. It could be concluded that chickpea seeds are a relatively cheap source of dietary fiber and bioactive compounds, which may be useful for lowering the risk of diabetic rats

Key words: Chickpea seeds, blood glucose, lipid profile, nutritional diabetes rats

Introduction

Chickpea (*Cicer arietinum*) belongs to the Fabaceae family and subfamily Faboidea (Deshpande, 1992). It is an important part of diet in Asia, Central and South America (Nestares., 1996). Chickpea seeds are

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grown mainly in the Mediterranean area, the Near East, Central Asia and America. Both Kabuli Chana and Desi Chana variety is used invariably both in Pakistan and India (Zia- et al., 2007).

Cicer arietinum L is one of the oldest and most widely planted legumes in the world. Its common name (chickpea). it is an important food because it is rich in high-quality protein, carbohydrates and essential mineral elements (White et al., 2009). Chickpea is cholesterol free and is a good source of dietary fibre (DF), vitamins and minerals (and 2007).

C. arientum is known by several names throughout the world such as Bengal gram (Indian), Chickpea (English), Garbanzo (Latin American), Hommes, Hamaz (Arab world), Shimbra (Ethiopian), Nohud, Lablabi (Turkey) (Sagili., 2015).

Studies have shown that chickpea is beneficial for heart burns, skin diseases, blood disorders, biliousness, liver, spleen and bronchitis (Sastry et al, 1990).

Chickpea also possess several medicinal properties. In traditionally system of medicine, chickpea seeds were used as tonic, stimulant, aphrodisiac, anthelminthic, appetizer and for relieving burning sensation in stomach (Zia et al., 2007). In Chinese herbal medicine, chickpea seeds were reported to have been employed for treating hypertension and diabetes mellitus for over the past 2500 years (Li,., 2008).

The epidemiological prevalence of the noncommunicable metabolic disorders such as hypercholesterolemia leading to cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) and of diabetes mellitus has risen tremendously in developing countries like Pakistan due to excessive consumption of junk food (Kouris and beskl, et al., 2016).

Chickpeas have also been widely used in traditional Uighur medicine to treat and prevent hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, itchy skin, flatulence, low libido, tumor formation and osteoporosis (Liu et al., 1986).

Various substance have been tested for hypoglycemic and hypocholesterolemic effects (Abdel-Sattar *et al.*, 2011), however, there is a

need to focus on health benefits of foods such as chickpea which are consumed by the local population. Moreover, among the medicinal properties attributed to chick pea, antihyperlipidemic activity has received much attention due to the presence of phytoestrogenic isoflavones biochanin-A and formononetin (Li YH, et al., 2008).

The present study compares the effect of balady and imported chickpeaavailable in Egyptian markets on blood glucose and lipid profile of induced diabetic rats.

Material and Methods

Sample:

Egyptian and imported Chickpea were purchased from local market in Abasia government, Cairo, Egypt, during summer 2016. Both varides of chickpea were ground into flour.

Chemicals and kits:

Kits for biochemical analysis were purchased from the gamma trade company for pharmaceutical and chemicals, Dokki, Egypt. Chemicals from EL - Gomhorya company cairo ,city ,Egypt .

Chemical evaluation of Egyptian and imported Chickpea

The nutritional composition of the raw ground samples of Egyptian and imported Chickpea were determined according to (AOAC, 2007).

Determination of Total Phenolic Content

Total phenolic content was determined with the Folin-Ciocalteu reagent according to a procedure described by Singleton and Rossi **1965**. Gallic acid was used as a reference standard, and the results were expressed as milligram gallic acid equivalent (mg GAE)/g dry weight of herbal material.

Antioxidant activity (DPPH radical scavenging assay)

DPPH radical scavenging activity was done using the reported method (Yamaguchi et al., 1998) . The radical scavenging activity was measured as a decrease in the absorbance of DPPH and calculated using the

following equation: Effect of scavenging (%) = $[1-A \text{ sample } (517nm) /A \text{ control } (517nm)] \times 100$

Preparation of dried chickpea.

The chickpea was coarsely ground to separate the outer crust by sieving through sieve of 200-300 pore size. The ingredients were mixed in a room with defused light and diet pellets were made and oven dried at a very low heat. These pellets were then stored in plastic containers with air tight fitted lids in a cool and dark place until further use.

Animals:

Thirty six mature male albino rats of Sprague Dawley strain weighing $(175\pm10g)$ and (12-14 weeks old) were purchased from Laboratory of Animal Colony Helwan Egypt.

Induction of diabetes

Diabetes was induced in three groups with ALX monohydrate (Simga-Alddrich Company) after 12 h of fasting. The animals were administered an IV doze of Alloxan monohydrate dissolved (0.9% saltine solution) at 70mg/kg (Orsolic *et al.*, 2011), intravenously at the coccygeal lateral vein of the rat (Ashok-Kumar *et al.*, 2011). Immediately after ALX monohydrate injection the rats were given glucose diluted in water to prevent hypoglycemia. Blood glucose level was determined at 0 h and 10 h after ALX injection ascertain the glucose level, which should be <200mg/dl. *Animal diet*

Basal diet was prepared according to (Reeves., 1993). The basal diet were fed to both two control groups.

ExperimentalDesign:

Rats were maintained under controlled hygienic conditions. Animals were fed on basal diet and water was provided *ad libitum*. Rats were allowed to acclimatize to the laboratory environment for 7 days before starting of the experiment. The experiment was performed on thirty six adult Sprague Dawley rats weighted $(175\pm10g)$ randomly distributed into 6 groups, of 6 animals each.

Group (1) of healthyrats were fed on basal diet and served as a negative control, while, group (2) of rats was induced to diabetes and fed with basal diet and kept as a positive control. Groups (3) and (4) of rats were induced to diabetes and fed on basal diet supported with 10 and 20% of powder balady chickpea, respectively On the other hand Groups (5) and (6) of rats were induced to diabetes and fed on basal diet supported with 10 and 20% of powder imported chickpea, respectively.

Food intake was calculated daily and body weight gain was recorded weekly. At the end of the experimental period, the rats were euthanized by prolonged exposure to ether and blood samples were withdrawn for separating the serum by centrifugation at 8000 rpm for 15 min. Serum samples were kept frozen at -70 C till biochemical analyses.

Measurement of Biochemical parameters:

A- Lipid profile

Serum levels of TC, TG, and HDL-C were determined using enzymatic kits according to the manufacturer's instructions. The LDL-C was estimated by the method of (Friedwald *et al.*, 1972).

B- Determination of serum glucose:-

Serum glucose concentration was determined according to the methods described by Young, (2001) using Spectrophotometer DU7400 adjusted at 500 nm.

Statistical Analysis

All values were expressed as mean \pm S.D. The significance of differences between the means of the treated and un-treated groups had been compared by one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA), followed by Student's T test and P values less than 0.05 were considered significant.

Results and discussion

Table (1) showed the proximate analysis of balady and imported chickpea. Balady chickpea had higher protein, fiber and fat content compared to imported counterpart. Imported chickpea on the other hand had higher ash content and moisture compared to balady chickpea. From table (1) it could be concluded that both of balady and imported chickpea are rich on carbohydrate. This results are agree with several studied that reported chickpea is rich in carbohydrates; however, the chickpea variety can have up to 59% of carbohydrates (Hamidand Kalsoom, 2017).

The dietary fiber content isin higher in balady chickpea 6.5 to 6.6% as compared to 4.3 to 4.7% of imported chickpea variety. Fiber content in balady type is higher than reported by other study, whereas, fiber content for imported ones is agree with the same study (Maheri-Sis et al., 2008).

Table (1) chemical composition	of balady	and	imported	Chickpea	before
and after cooking					

	Elements	Samples			
		Before	e cooking	After cooking	
		balady	imported	Balady	Imported
	total proteins%	26.2	22.4	30.6	25.9
Fat%		6.3	6.5	6.1	6.1
Fibers%		10.6	6.3	9.5	5,7
Ash%		2.1	2.7	1.15	1.2
Moisture%		5.3	5.8	10.2	11.6
phenolics	total phenolics ((mg GAE/g)	112	61	51	32
analysis (mg/g)	Antioxidant activity (DPPH)	10.3	8.8	21.8	13.7

The protein ranges from 22-30% in both the varieties. This result is agree with (Zia-Ul-Haq et al., 2007) study whom reported that the level of protein can be vary depending on their subtype.

Phenolic components were much higher in balady samples than imported counterpart before and after cooking. Isoflavones are diphenolic secondary metabolites that may lower the incidence of heart disease due to the inhibition of LDL-C oxidation, the inhibition of proliferation of aortic smooth muscle cells and the maintenance of the physical properties of arterial walls (Panter et al. 2001).

From the data presented in table (2), it could be observed that, the feed intake of control group fed on basal diet (control negative) tended to have the highest percentage, followed by diabetic group (control positive) and diabetic group feed on 10% of balady chickpea. Other treated groups tended to have the similar feed intake, even no significant differences were observed between them. Feed intake for all diabetic rats treated with different doses or types of chickpea were lower than control positive. It may be due to chickpea contain high amount of fiber which reduce feed intake (Luis et al., 2017).

Control negative group have the highest body weight gain (BWG %), even significant difference was observed between this group and other groups. Diabetic rats feed on imported chickpea tended to have BWG% significant higher than diabetic rats feed on balady chickpea. This result was within with Albete et al., 2010 opinion whom reported that, chickpea high in fiber, low in energy density and glycemic load, and moderate in protein are thought to be particularly important for weight control (Albete et al., 2010).

Table (2): Effect of different ratio of balady and imported chickpea on feed intake, body weight gain % and Feed efficiency ratio of diabetic rat groups.

Parameters Groups	Feed intake (g/day)	(BWG%)	Feed efficiency ratio
Control negative group(-)	17.44+3.13 a	26.92+7.15 a	0.062+0.016a
Control positive group(+)	16.27+2.12 a	10.83+3.18 c	0.022+0.003c
Balady chickpea 5%	15.39+2.91 b	9.92+5.17 c	0.023+0.009d
Balady chickpea 10%	16.88+3.26 a	10.71+6.87 c	0.026+0.010c
Imported chickpea 5%	15.98+3.12 b	17.86+3.35 b	0.031+0.006b
Imported chickpea 10%	14.10+2.85 c	19.65+ 1.07b	0.035+0.008b

SD=Standard division. ***P<0.005. Values are mean±SD. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's *post-hoc* test. Mean with different superscripts are significantly different (P<0.05)

Parameters	Initial blood	Blood glucose	Final blood	
Groups	glucose	after 2 weeks	glucose	
Control negative (-)	101.44±20.11 a	99.35 ±10.12 a	98.39 ±16.91 a	
Control positive (+)	100.22 ±18.92 a	260.15±30.21 e	269.87 ±25.12 d	
Balady chickpea 5%	99.40 ±17.75 a	226.88 ±22.18 C	219.32±14.10 c	
Balady chickpea 10%	100.83 ±21.08 a	216.32 ±24.01 b	201.10±12.65 b	
Imported chickpea 5%	101.09±12.85 a	238.12 ±19.32 d	222.78±15.51 c	
Imported chickpea 10%	100.11±18.10 a	221.61 ±15.54 bc	210.03±9.89 b C	

 Table (3): Effect of different ratio of balady and imported chickpea on blood glucose of diabetic rats.

Mean with different superscripts are significantly different (*P*<0.05)

Values are mean±SD.

Table 3 shows Blood glucose level of all the four treatment groups. Control group fed on basal diet showed no significant change in the blood glucose level over the entire period of the experiment. The diabetic group fed on basal diet (control positive) showed a significant increase in the blood glucose level (from 99.35 mg/dl to260.15 mg/dl) during the first two weeks. This increase in the blood glucose level remained on the higher side almost throughout the observation period of 8 weeks.

The blood glucose level of diabetic group fed on both balady and imported chickpea after the induction of diabetes showed a great increase in the blood glucose level (from approximately 100 mg/dl to over 200 mg/dl) during 8 weeks compared to zero week. After this increase recorded during the 2nd and there was a significant decrease in blood glucose level which was maintained till the end of experiment.

It should be noted that, there was no significant difference (p<0.05) in the random blood glucose level (RBGL) of normal and all other experimental groups at week 0. The RBGL of group fed on both types of chickpea remained significantly (p<0.05) lower than that of the diabetic group (control positive) throughout the experimental period. From the above mentioned data, it could be concluded that, groups fed on balady chickpea

tended to have blood glucose lower than its imported chickpea counterparts. Even significant differences were observed between them.

The results of the present study suggest that both typesof the chickpeas have a blood glucose lowering effect in the diabetic rats. It may be due to Chickpeas have an glycemic index of 10, which is significantly lower than other beans, including black beans, navy beans, soybeans and lentils (Hamid and Kalsoom, 2017). This result was within with Tiwari et al. (2013) studyshowed thatchickpea is beneficial indiabetic rats.

A similar study conducted by Nestel et al. (2004) on the effect of a single meal of chickpea on plasma glucose, insulin and triglyceride levels showed that after the chickpea meal plasma insulin and HOMA were significantly lower (P < 0.05) as compared to the regular meal.

Effect on serum lipid profile

The mean serum total cholesterol and HDL cholesterol was significantly (P < 0.05) increased in the control positive group compared to control negative group. Whereas, both types of chickpea showed significantly(P < 0.05) lower values as compared to control positive group.

 Table (4): Effect of different ratio of balady and imported chickpea on serum lipid profile of diabetic rats (mg/dl).

Parameters Groups	T.G	Cholesterol	VLDL	LDL	HDL
Control negative (-)	86.40 ± 6.11^{d}	$83.40 \pm 0.89^{\circ}$	19.00 ± 1.22 ^b	$18.00 \text{ bc} \pm 4.06$	50.60 ± 3.21^{a}
Control positive (+)	112.80 ± 9.09^{a}	95.40 ± 4.10^{a}	24.20 ± 1.92^{a}	33.20 ± 1.30^{a}	$32.60^{e} \pm 2.30$
Balady chickpea 5%	$92.20 \pm 1.10^{\circ}$	87.22 ± 8.2^{b}	21.00 ± 2.10^{a}	21.40 ± 2.61 ^b	44.40 ± 1.52^{b}
Balady chickpea 10%	87.40 ± 4.28^{d}	$83.20 \pm 2.49^{\circ}$	19.00 ± 0.71 ^b	19.20 ± 7.43 ^b	47.40 ± 4.51^a
Imported chickpea 5%	105.20 ± 1.30^{b}	$\pmb{8}9.80\pm1.30^b$	22.60 ± 0.55^{a}	$24.20\pm9.03^{\text{ b}}$	42.00 ± 2.92^{b}
Imported chickpea 10%	101.41 ± 9.50 ^b	84.80 ± 0.84^{c}	22.00 ± 2.35^{a}	$21.80\pm4.66^{\ b}$	$39.60\pm2.97^{\text{c}}$

SD=Standard division. ***P<0.001. Values are mean±SD. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's *post-hoc* test. Mean with different superscripts are significantly different (P<0.05)

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Mean HDL cholesterol was significantly (P< 0.05) higher in groups treated with chickpea than control positive group. The mean TG, cholesterol, LDL, VLDL and LDL content was significantly (P< 0.05) higher in control positive group compared to all other groups; whereas, diabetic treated groupswith two types of chickpea had significantly (P< 0.05) lower TG, cholesterol, LDL, VLDL and LDL levels (Table 4). It may be due to both types of fiber had high amount of fiber. In general, increased consumption of soluble fibre from foods results in reduced serum total cholesterol and LDL-cholesterol (LDL-C) and has an inverse correlation with CHD mortality (James et al., 2003).

The TG, cholesterol, LDL, VLDL levels were significantly (P < 0.05) lower in groups fed on balady chickpea groups compared to diabetic rats fed on imported chickpea groups. On contrast the level of HDL were significantly (P < 0.05) higher in groups fed on balady chickpea groups compared to diabetic rats fed on imported chickpea groups at the same amount.

Chickpea has a high total dietary fibre content and a higher amount of fat. But other study confirmed that, two PUFA, LA and OA, constitute almost about 50–60% of chickpea fat. Intake of PUFA such as LA (the dominant fatty acid in chickpea; Table 4) has been shown to have a beneficial effect on serum lipids, insulin sensitivity and haemostatic factors, thereby it could be helpful in lowering the risk of CHD (Harris 2000)

CONCLUSIONS

The nutritional evaluation of balady and imported chickpea showed that balady one had higher protein, fat content, total phenols and antioxidant activity. Both types of chickpea high fiber diet decreased the blood glucose level of the STZ-induced diabetic rats during eight weeks of experiment comparedto the diabetic control positive group. Balady chickpea have higher fiber diet than imported counterpart and can reduced the blood glucose level, total cholesterol and triglyceride of the diabetic rats significantly more than the imported chickpea. It could be concluded that Chickpea seeds are a relatively cheap source of DF and bioactive compounds; coupled with its low glycaemic index (GI), chickpea may be useful for lowering the risk of CVD

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الملخص

تستخدم بذور الحمص لعلاج ارتفاع ضغط الدم وداء السكري لأكثر من ٢٥٠٠ سنة ماضية. هدفت الدراسة الحالية إلى مقارنة تأثير الحمص البلادي والمستوردة المتوفرة في الأسواق المصربية على مستوى السكر في صورة دهون الدم للفئران المصابة بالسكري. وقد تم تقسيم ستة وثلاثين من الفئران البيضاء البالغة إلى ستة مجموعات، المجموعة الأولى تضم ستة فئران اصحاء تتغذى على الغذاء الأساسي و ٣٠ منها كانت مصابة بداء السكري وتغذي بنظام غذائي أساسي يدعم ١٠ و ٢٠٪ من الحمص البلادي والمستوردة. وأشارت النتائج إلى أن الحمص البلدي كان أعلى من البروتين والألياف ومحتوى الدهون مقاربة بالنظير المستورد. وكانت المكونات الفينولية أعلى بكثير في عينات الحمص البلدي من نظيره المستوردة قبل وبعد الطهي. اما كمية الغذاء المتناولة من المجموعة الضابطة التي تغذت على الحمية الاساسية (الضابطة السلبية) فتميل الى اعلى نسبة، تليها مجموعة المصابة بالسكري (الضابطة الايجابية) و يليها المجموعة المصابة بالسكري و تغذت على الوجبة الأساسية مدعمة بنسبة ١٠٪ من الحمص البلدي. نسبة السكر في الدم للمجموعات التي تغذت على الوجبة الأساسية مدعمة بالحمص البلدى تميل إلى أن تكون أقل من نظيراتها التي تغذت على الوجبة الأساسية مدعمة بالحمص المستوردة. وقد لوحظت اختلافات كبيرة بين المجموعات. وكانت مستويات الدهون الثلاثية، الكولسترول، الدهون منخفضة الكثافة، الدهون منخفضة الكثافة جدا مستوي أقل معنويا عند مستوي دلاله ٥,٥ في المجموعات التي تغذت على الحمص البلدي مقارنة مع الفئران المصابة بالسكر التي تغذت على تغذت على الحمص المستوردة. يمكن الاستنتاج أن بذور الحمص هي مصدر رخيص نسبيا للألياف الغذائبة والمركبات النشطة بيولوجيا، والتي قد تكون مفيدة لخفض خطر الإصابة بالسكر من الفئران.

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