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**THE ROLE OF OXIDATIVE STRESS AND
THE EFFECT OF ANTIOXIDANT (VITAMIN
E & MELATONIN) IN THE DEVELOPMENT
OF HYPERTENSION IN SPONTANEOUSLY
HYPERTENSIVE RATS**

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RESEARCH TITLE : The role of oxidative stress and the effect of antioxidant (Vitamin E & Melatonin) in the development of hypertension in spontaneously hypertensive rats
Tajuk Penyelidikan

PROJECT LEADER : Assoc. Prof.Dr.K.N.S.Sirajudeen
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PROJECT MEMBERS : 1. Professor Harbindar Jeet Singh
 (including GRA) 2.
Ahli Projek

PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT (Prestasi Projek)

ACHIEVEMENT PERCENTAGE

Project progress according to milestones achieved up to this period	0 - 50%	51 - 75%	76 - 100%
Percentage			100%

RESEARCH FINDINGS

Number of articles/ manuscripts/ books	Indexed Journal	Non-Indexed Journal
	1 (under review)	
Paper presentations	International	National
	2	4
Others (Please specify)		

HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

Human Capital	Number		Others (Please specify): Mr. Arunkumar A/L Sundaram Pillay (M.Sc)* on the project entitled " Antioxidant status and the effect of tocotrienol rich fraction (TRF) supplementation on the antioxidant enzymes and development of hypertension in spontaneously hypertensive rats (SHR)". (*Thesis submitted in December 2009 & waiting for viva)
	On-going	Graduated	
PhD Student			
Masters Student	1		
Undergraduate Students			
Temporary Research Officer			
Temporary Research Assistant			
Total		1	

EXPENDITURE (Perbelanjaan)

C Budget Approved (Peruntukan diluluskan) : RM 159,000.00
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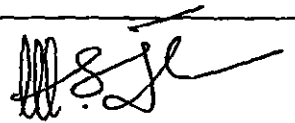
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Hypertension has been increasingly linked with oxidative stress but its precise relationship remains unclear, particularly at the onset of hypertension in SHR. To examine the link between oxidative stress and hypertension, this study determined the levels of markers of oxidative stress, activities of antioxidant enzymes and mRNA expressions of primary antioxidant enzymes in the kidneys of spontaneously hypertensive rats (SHR) and Wistar-Kyoto rats (WKY) from the age of 4 weeks (prehypertensive) to 16 weeks (established hypertension in SHR). In addition, it also examined the effects of Vitamin E-Tocotrienol Rich Fraction (TRF-SHR), and melatonin (Mel-SHR) supplementation on these parameters from the prehypertensive age in SHR. After the measurement of systolic blood pressure (SBP) rats, aged 4-16 weeks, were sacrificed and the kidneys were collected and used for the estimation of oxidative stress markers. Systolic blood pressure was significantly higher from the age of 6 weeks in SHR. When compared with age matched WKY rats, renal Catalase (CAT) activity and mRNA levels were significantly higher and glutathione peroxidase (GPx) activity and mRNA levels were significantly lower in SHR from the age of 4 weeks onwards, and no differences were observed in other parameters studied. The reason for these is unclear and since they become evident before the actual rise in blood pressure it might be inferred that these alterations in some way (possibly with increased substrate availability) contribute to the development and maintenance of hypertension in SHR. Although TRF has been known for its antioxidant properties, compared with age matched non-supplemented SHR, SBP was only significantly lower at 6 weeks, but higher at 12 & 16 weeks in TRF-SHR and this despite decreases in the levels of Malnodialdehyde (MDA) and increased Total Antioxidant Status (TAS). Melatonin supplementation delayed the rate of rise in blood pressure in SHR, but the systolic pressure continued to be significantly higher in Mel-SHR when compared to normotensive rats. The effect of melatonin in increasing GPx and Glutathione-S-Transferase (GST) activities, and their relation in high blood pressure amelioration in SHR needs to be further investigated. Perhaps with the application of GPx or GST knock out normontensive mice or infusion of GPx or GST substances in hypertensive rats might better provide information.

Date : 16th March 2010
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Project Leader's Signature:
Tandatangan Ketua Projek



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Peruntukan 2006 (Tahun 1)	RM8,300.00	Tajuk Projek	THE ROLE OF OXIDATIVE STRESS AND THE EFFECT OF ANTIOXIDANT (VITAMIN E & MELATONIN IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF HYPERTENSION IN SPONTANEOUSLY HYPERTENSIVE RATS
Peruntukan 2007 (Tahun 2)	RM77,450.00	Tempoh	39 BULAN (NOV 2006 - 31 JAN 2010)
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203	35000 PPSP		6170021	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
				159,000.00	145,781.58	13,218.42	4,336.00	8,096.88	12,432.88	785.54

APPENDIX

International		
Activity	Date (Month, Year)	Organizer
1. 4 th International qPCR Symposium Industrial Exhibition and Application Workshops, Germany.	9-13 th March 2009	Technical University Munchen, Freising-Weiherstephan, Germany
2. International Conference on Advances in Free radicals, Natural products, antioxidants and radioprotection in Health & 9 th Annual Meeting of the Society of Free radical Research, India ^o at Hyderabad, India	11 -13 th Jan 2010	Nizam's Institute of Medical sciences, Hyderabad, Davis Heart & Lung Research Institute, Ohio Sta
National		
Activity	Date (Month, Year)	Organizer
1. 22 nd Malaysian Society of Pharmacology & Physiology Scientific Meeting 2008 ^o .	5-6 th April 2008	University Malaya, Kuala Lumpur
2. 13 th national conference on Medical sciences	22 nd -23 rd May 2008	PPSP, Health Campus, USM
3. 7 th Asian-Pacific Congress of Hypertension, Kuala Lumpur	19 th -22 nd Feb 2009 .	Malaysian Society of Hypertension
4. Glutathione Peroxidase Activity, Protein Abundance and mRNA Expression in the Kidney of Spontaneously Hypertensive Rats and Normotensive Wistar Kyoto Rats Ranging in Age from 4-16 Weeks. Symposium of USM Fellowship Holders 2009.	14-15 th Nov 2009	USM, Penang, Malaysia

Conference presentations:

1. Age-related changes in antioxidant enzyme status in the kidneys of spontaneously hypertensive rats and normotensive rats. Arunkumar S, Lee Siew Keah, KNS Sirajudeen, HJ Singh. Presented in 22nd Malaysian Society for physiology and Pharmacology (MSPP) Meeting, Universiti Malaya, Malaysia, 2008 M
2. Age-related changes in superoxide dismutase in the kidney of spontaneously hypertensive rats and normotensive rats. Arunkumar S, Lee SK, Sirajudeen KNS, Singh HJ. Presented in 13th National Conference on Medical Sciences, USM, Malaysia, 2008. M
3. Effect of Melatonin supplementation on blood pressure and renal oxidant/antioxidant status in spontaneously hypertensive rats. Lee Siew Keah, Arun Kumar, Rahimah Zakaria, KNS Sirajudeen, HJ Singh. "7th Asian-Pacific congress of Hypertension 2009" at Kuala Lumpur convention centre, Malaysia on 19th-22nd February 2009. p48 M
4. Comparison of AOE activities and expression levels in the kidney during the development of hypertension in SHR. Arunkumar S, Lee, SK, Sirajudeen, KNS, Singh, HJ. "4th International qPCR Symposium & Industrial Exhibition & Application Workshop" ,In Technical University of Munich, Physiology-Weihenstephan, Germany on 9 - 13th March 2009. Jut
5. SK Lee, Arunkumar Sundaram, KNS Sirajudeen, HJ Singh. Glutathione Peroxidase Activity, Protein Abundance and mRNA Expression in the Kidney of Spontaneously Hypertensive Rats and Normotensive Wistar Kyoto Rats Ranging in Age from 4-16 Weeks. Symposium of USM Fellowship Holders 2009, USM, Penang, Malaysia 14-15 Nov 2009. M
6. Siraludeen KNS, Arunkumar S, Lee SK, Singh HJ Oxidative stress markers and the effect of tocotrienol rich fraction supplementation in spontaneously hypertensive rats as an invited lecture in "International Conference on Advances in Free radicals, Natural products, antioxidants and radio protection In Health & 9th Annual Meeting of the Society of Free radical Research, India" held on 11th -13th January 2010 at Hyderabad, India Jut

Publication (International):

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Abstract: The glutathione (GSH) system plays a vital role in preventing oxidative stress, and an imbalance of oxidant/antioxidant system has been linked to the pathogenesis of hypertension. The aim of this study was to investigate the status of the GSH system in the kidney of spontaneously hypertensive rats (SHR). Components of the GSH system, including glutathione peroxidase (GPx), glutathione reductase (GR), glutathione-S-transferase (GST) and total GSH content, were measured in the kidneys of 4, 6, 8, 12 and 16 weeks old SHR and WKY rats. Systolic blood pressure of SHR was significantly higher from the age of 6 weeks onwards compared to age-matched WKY rats. GPx activity in the SHR was significantly lower from the age of 8 weeks onwards when compared to that in age-matched WKY rats. No significant differences were evident in the GPx-1 protein abundance and its relative mRNA levels, GR, GST activity and total GSH content between SHR and age-matched WKY rats. The lower GPx activity suggests of an impairment of the GSH system in the SHR, which might be due to an abnormality in its protein rather than non-availability of a cofactor. Its role in the development of hypertension in SHR however remains unclear.

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