



FORMULATION DEVELOPMENT AND PHARMACOLOGICAL EVALUATION OF POLYHERBAL FORMULATIONS FOR THE TREATMENT OF OVARIAN CANCER

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Abstract

An endocrine disorder called PCOS causes larger ovaries with little cysts on the borders. The purpose of the current investigation is to determine whether a polyherbal formulation can treat female Albino Wistar rats with PCOS that have been brought on by letrozole. Keeping OECD rule 423, a solitary portion (2000 mg/kg) of the polyherbal plan was managed to female Pale skinned person Wistar rodents (20 weeks, 250 g) for an intense poisonousness examination. Six gatherings of six female Pale skinned person Wistar rodents were utilized in the PCOS-actuated examination. Group I received a daily vehicle control of a 0.5% carboxymethylcellulose (CMC) suspension. In order to induce PCOS, women in Groups II–VI were given oral letrozole (1 mg/kg) for 21 days. Collection III: 1 mg/kg clomiphene citrate; Collection IV: 500 mg/kg; Collection V: 750 mg/kg; Collection VI: 1000 mg/kg were given to the animal up to 50 days following PCOS administration. The eighth most common type of deadly cancer of the

reproductive system is ovarian cancer. After menopause, it affects the ovary and results in aberrant cell development. Every year, more than one million cases are treated or diagnosed throughout the world.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The most common types of cancer on the planet are those of the upper gastrointestinal tract, especially stomach and esophagus. As per gauges from the World Health Organization(WHO), stomach cancer guaranteed 754000 lives in 2015, making it the fourth most normal cancer mortality cause universally. Along these lines, esophageal cancer, whose frequency rate is expected to increase across major league salary countries, is one of the quickly extending reasons for cancer-related mortality (Njei et al., 2016). Despite extensive chemotherapy, radiation, and surgical procedures, the quality of life for many patients with stomach and esophageal cancers remains dismal.

There has never been a better place to start when formulating new prescriptions for various ailments than with natural mixes. Both preliminary and clinical formulations of medicinal plants have shown promise as cancer chemoprevention and chemotherapy treatments. Vinca alkaloids, taxol analogues, and podophyllotoxin analogues are only some of the spice-derived chemicals that have been used to treat cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, but they have not been shown to alleviate symptoms in a formal research. To enhance, we chose four plants that naturally contain polyherbal compounds (PHC). Boost cancer sufferers' standard of living. These four plants have been demonstrated to have significant anti-cancer benefits in clinical trials. Plants like turmeric (*Curcuma longa*), garlic (*Allium sativum*), Asian ginseng (*Panax ginseng*), and green tea (*Camellia sinensis*) are used for their medicinal properties. *A. sativum* decreases the size and quantity of adenomas in individuals with stomach cancer, according to a research on the treatment of colorectal adenoma. *P. ginseng* increments postoperative endurance and hinders cancer repeat Moreover, ginseng utilization has been connected well to QOL and endurance in a companion of bosom cancer patients Comparative discoveries have been made in regards with the impacts of green tea and curcuminoids, which are the dynamic part of turmeric, on patients with strong growths Starting from the beginning of mankind, people have been reliant upon plants. A person's essential necessities incorporate a spot to live, dress, and food.

Food, flavors, scents, and last but not least, medications. Common sources of medicine include plants. Plants have influenced the development of sophisticated traditional medical frameworks, among which Ayurvedic, Unani, and Chinese medicine are popular. Plants were the cornerstone of the healthcare systems in Indian, Egyptian, Chinese, Roman, and Greek civilizations. They were also thought to have divine and supernatural healing powers.¹⁻² 1700 BC's Edwin Smith Papyrus has a medical book on the treatment of wounds.³Herbs have been utilized as all-natural treatments for a variety of physiological ailments since the dawn of time. Customary clinical writing perceived their value as a gift from nature to humankind for the treatment of diseases.

2. REVIEW OF LITERATURE

In a work done in 2013 by Wu et al., salvianolic acid B, caffeic acid, and rosmarinic acid were all simultaneously determined in Lamiaceae plants using CE and electrochemical detection. They used CE to analyze plant extracts from the Lamiaceae family, and their research showed how well it could separate and quantify these phenolic acids.

In a study by Yang et al. (2017), phenolic compounds in Lamiaceae plants were separated and identified using HPLC. A variety of phenolic chemicals were successfully identified and quantified by the researchers, revealing information on their chemical makeup and possible uses in the food and health industries.

Wang et al. (2018) concentrated on the application of HPLC with diode array detection to analyze flavonoids in Lamiaceae plants. Their research demonstrated the applicability of this technique for locating and measuring flavonoids in Lamiaceae plants, highlighting the variety of flavonoids present in this plant family.

The simultaneous measurement of phenolic components in Lamiaceae plants using HPLC was studied by Khakdan and Shafaghat (2018). Their work demonstrated how to accurately determine phenolic chemicals using an HPLC approach, enabling their quantification and potential usage in pharmaceutical applications.

Using capillary electrophoresis, Khatib et al. (2020) examined how to identify phenolic chemicals in Lamiaceae plants. Their study investigated the use of CE in the separation and quantification of phenolic chemicals, revealing the viability and benefits of this method for Lamiaceae plant investigation.

3. MATERIALS AND METHODS

3.1 Preparation and evaluation of polyherbal tablet

Half water, half booze Alcohol concentrations of TFG (31 mg), CL (62 mg), and CM (250 mg), as well as SA (62 mg), CL (62 mg), and BA (31 mg) concentrates. Preliminary tests of powder combinations and post-printing assessment of tablets were conducted using a variety of parameters, including weight variability, friability, hardness, thickness, spacing, disintegration time, in vitro disintegration, and accelerated strength experiments.

3.2 Acute toxicity study

Adhering to OECD rules 423, an intense harmfulness examination of the polyherbal definition was done.

3.2.1 Experimental animals

Animal experiments were okayed by the Paruru pharmacy and research center's Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC). the use of animals in the intense harmfulness study with endorsement number 984/2019-09. For the examination, six female Pale skinned person Wistar rodents, 20 weeks old, weighing 200-250 g, were utilized.

3.2.2 Experimental design

Five days before the experiment, the rats were given separate cages and separated from the other animals to help them get used to their new environment. The rats were provided with a plentiful supply of rat food and water, as well as unique color tags to keep track of them. The rats were

weighed before dosage. The 500 mg polyherbal pill was broken into smaller pieces and dissolved in CMC (0.5%) solution. The polyherbal definition was given in a solitary portion (1.5 ml/creature; 2000 mg/kg). Animals were examined for clinical symptoms after ingesting a single 30-minute dose of polyherbal tablets and then hourly for 24 hours for a total of 14 days. Creatures were examined for signs of trembling, convulsions, environment, enthusiasm, misery, and mortality.

From day 14, the creatures were kept in darkness while their blood and vital organs were extracted from fat and stored in formalin. These included the heart, liver, kidneys, ovaries, lungs, and spirit. After fixation with paraffin wax, histological examination of each organ was performed.

3.3 Letrozole induced PCOS study

3.3.1 Experimental animals

For the examination, grown-up female Pale skinned person Wistar rodents weighing 200-250 g were utilized. Creatures were given fourteen days to adjust. The creatures were all kept in polypropylene confines for the span of the review and were kept in a controlled climate with temperature and moistness levels of (22 3 °C), (55 5%), and a 12-hour light/dull cycle. Creatures were given customary food and limitless admittance to water. The Council with the end goal of Control and Management of Examinations on Creatures (CPCSEA) supported the review for the utilization of creatures, and the consideration of the creatures was furnished as per their convention number, 984/2019-09.

3.3.2 Drugs and Reagents

Ltd., Vapi, Gujarat, India by Triveni Interchem Ltd. Buy Letrozole. Shimoga Chemicals in Maharashtra provided a complimentary sample of clomiphene citrate. The compounds were all of analytic quality.

3.3.3 PCOS induction

With the exception of the control group, all individuals took letrozole (at a dosage of 1 mg/kg resolved to 0.5% CMC) orally once day for 21 days. There was just one car allotted to the control group (0.5 percent CMC). In order to develop PCOS, daily vaginal swabs were collected and inspected under a Gem Violet microscope. The abnormality of the estrous cycle provided evidence of the illness.

3.3.4 Study design

36 female Pale skinned person Wistar rodents were utilized in the examination, and they were similarly partitioned into six gatherings: Gathering I filled in as the benchmark group, Gathering II as the PCOS-actuated bunch, Gathering III as the standard gathering, and Gatherings IV, V, and VI as the treatment gatherings.

Letrozole was then followed by the addition of 1 mg/kg of clomiphene citrate in 0.5% CMC for dynamic fixation. For treatment bundles IV, V, and VI, polyherb is defined as 500 mg/kg (low dosage), 750 mg/kg (intermediate dose), or 1000 mg/kg (high dose) for 28 days at 0.5% CMC. The work was broken up into sections.

Letrozole was regulated for 21 days as per the review worldview. Drug treatment was started following 21 days to follow changes in the estrous stage. One of the most important metrics for gauging the thoroughness of PCOS assessment is whether or not the cycle has been regularized. In humans, 3-4 months or 3-4 cycles of treatment are required before the period normalizes. In the rodent, one cycle lasted his five days, so the study ensured that four cycles were completed, resulting in a treatment duration of 28 days for him. 40

All creatures' body loads were recorded toward the beginning of the preliminary and consistently from there on. Each day, a vaginal swab was obtained to determine where in the estrous cycle the subject was. On days 0 and 21, and again on day 50, serum glucose, total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, lipids, LH, and FSH levels were calculated. Hormone levels were assessed on the last day of pre-examination and ovaries were removed for histopathological examination.

3.3.5 Parameters evaluated

- Physical characteristics: All through the examination, the body weight of every creature was noted toward the beginning and consistently after that.
- Vaginal swabs were used to collect vaginal smear samples for the vaginal smear test (optional). The smears of the rat's vagina were taken using a cotton-tipped swab that had been dipped in physiological saline at room temperature. The swab was withdrawn after being softly rolled and twisted against the vaginal wall. Brush strokes transferred the cells from the sorting region to a dry glass slide. The slides were air-dried before being properly stained with 0.1% gem violet and examined at 10x and 45x magnification using an optical loupe.
- Serum Glucose, Fixed Oil, Absolute Cholesterol, HDL, Fixed Oil, Progesterone, Testosterone and FSH: The LH portion was definitely worth it.
- Ovary histopathology: On day 50 of the experiment, both of every animal's ovaries were surgically removed. It was taken out, dusted off, and weighed. The ovaries were embedded in paraffin blocks after being treated in a 10% formalin solution. Sliced and dyed tissue sections were examined histopathologic ally. The microscope was used to see the slides. Atretic follicles, cystic follicles, and corpus luteum, among other ovarian changes, were assessed.
- Statistical analysis: Each result is represented by its mean and standard deviation. Utilizing the diagram cushion crystal program 9.1.2, the information were measurably assessed utilizing a two-way examination of difference (ANOVA) and the Bonferroni correlation test.

4. RESULTS

4.1 Preparation and evaluation of polyherbal tablet

A post-pressure limit was used to evaluate the polyherbal tablets. The friability of streamlined polyherbal tablets was established to be 0.58 0.02%, the hardness to be 1.5 0.06 kg/m³, and the disintegration time to be 30.1. A two-hour prescription delivery preliminary led in vitro uncovered a 90% medication discharge rate. The consequences of the sped up steadiness research showed that the marker content in the tablet didn't vary from the underlying substance by over 10%, exhibiting the dependability of the tablet.

4.2 Acute toxicity study

In the subsequent oral composition of a single measurement of multi-herb definition (2000 mg/kg) for an intense harmfulness study, the rodents were checked for 30 minutes, hourly for the accompanying 24 hours, and afterwards two times every day (morning and night) for the accompanying 14 days. For 14 days, the body weight was noted every day. There was no mortality, yet ataxia, convulsions, lacrimation, nasal/oral discharge, and polyuria were all noted clinically. The body weight did not differ noticeably in any way. All of the animals behaved normally throughout the experiment. Animals' blood, biochemical, and hormonal characteristics were assessed (Table 1). Basal organs such as the heart, liver, kidney, cerebrum, lung and ovary were exposed to histopathological concentrates without obvious obsessive changes (Fig. 1).

Table 1: Blood, Biochemical, and Hormone Parameters in an Acute Toxicity Study

Parameters	Control group	Test Group
Body weight (gm)	250 ±2	312 ±01
Hemoglobin (gm%)	16.2 ±0.2	241 ±2.6
Total RBC (millions/ml)	8.15 ±0.03	144 ±0.6
Total WBC (/cmm)	4120 ±79.56	147 ±0.9
Platelet (/cmm)	161 ±2	178 ±11
Glucose (mg/dl)	133 ±2	231 ±0.16
Total cholesterol (mg/dl)	66.12 ±0.71	157 ±0.20
HDL (mg/dl)	16.44 ±6.61	451 ±0.63
Triglycerides (mg/dl)	4.29 ±0.61	312 ±12.1
Testosterone (ng/ml)	30.41 ±0.12	411 ±0.23
Progesterone (ng/ml)	14.2 ±11	361 ±3.2
Estradiol (ng/ml)	22.31 ±0.11	412 ±5.3
LH: FSH	14.36 ±0.12	514 ±6.2

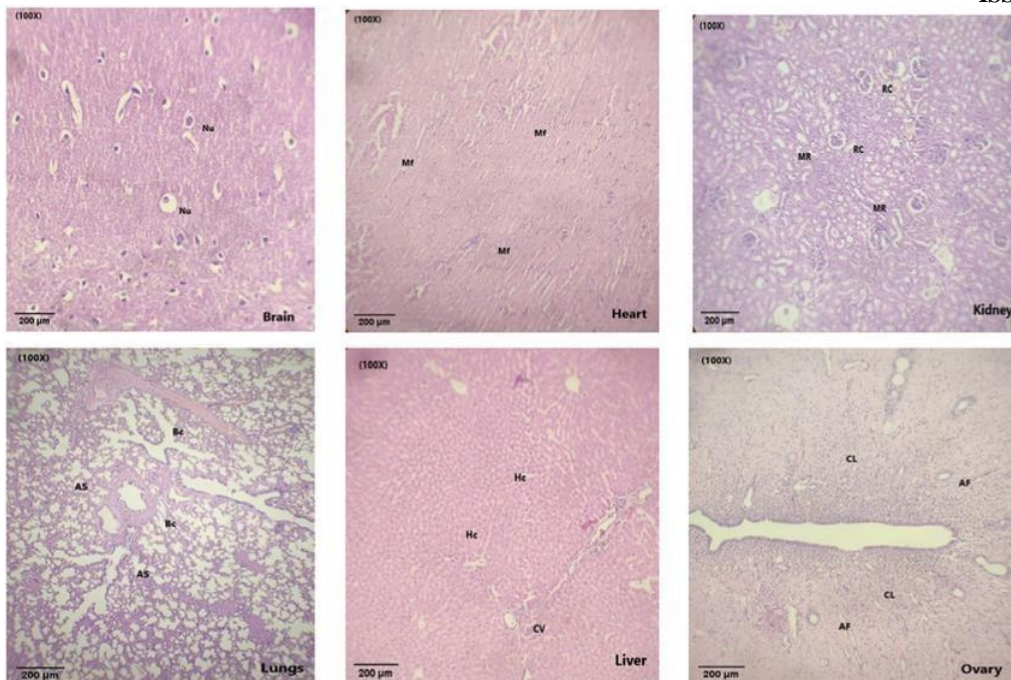


Figure 1:Analysis of acute toxicity (organ histopathology and physiology).

4.3 Letrozole induced PCOS study

4.3.1 Body weight

In contrast to the robust benchmark group, body weight in all groups increased significantly over the course of 21 days of letrozole treatment. Significant weight loss was observed after treatment with the usual regimen and the polyherbal mixture. The polyherbal defined therapy group continuously lost more weight than the infection prevention group by day 50, at 500, 750, and 1000 mg/kg ($P < 0.0001$). (Fig. 2).

Table 2:The effects of a polyherbal formulation on weight gain in rats with letrozole-induced polycystic ovary syndrome.

Change body weight (%)	Groups	
	Day 21	Day 50
NC	2.3	1.9
DC	2.6	1.8
SC	3.2	2.2
TG1-500	3.9	2.6
TG2-750	4.2	3.2
TG3-1000	4.9	3.8

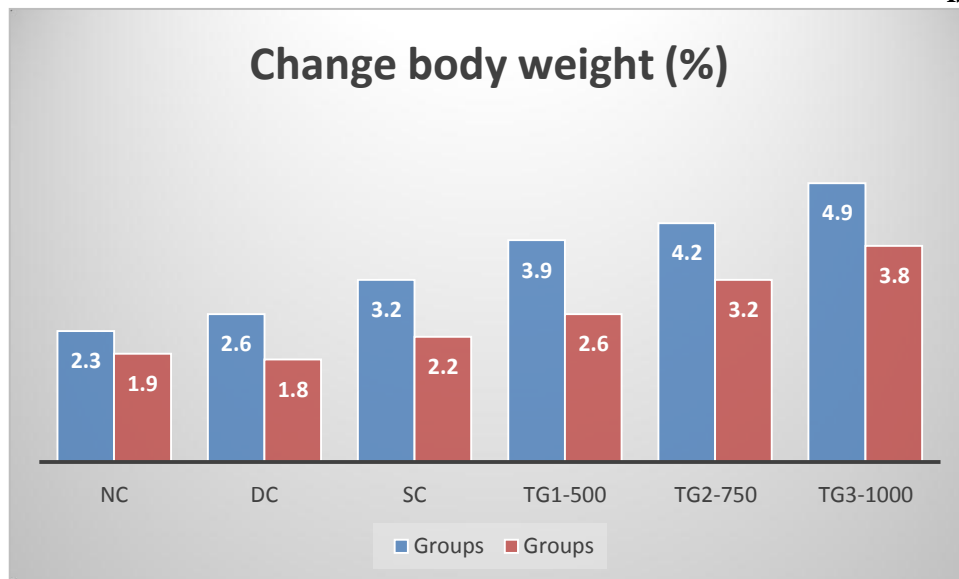


Figure 2: Letrozole-induced PCOS in rats effect of a polyherbal formulation on body weight. (NC = Normal Control; DC = Disease Control; SC = Standard Control; TG1-500 = Polyherbal Formulation 500 mg/kg; TG2-750 = Polyherbal Formulation 750 mg/kg; TG3-1000 = Polyherbal Formulation 1000 mg/kg).

4.3.2 Vaginal smear test

Proestrus, estrus, estrus, and estrus in the rodent fertility cycle could be identified using vaginal swabs. Letrozole should be utilized for 21 days before the conceptive cycle becomes untrustworthy. The benchmark group encountered a commonplace estrous cycle over the course of that time. Estrous cycle abnormalities are an indication that PCOS has been prompted in rodents. The infectious prevention bunch showed a conflicting estrous cycle and a reliable diestrus stage from 21 to 50 days. When contrasted with the sickness bunch, the polyherbal plan treatment bunch and the conventional benchmark group both exhibited upgrades in the estrous cycle's anomaly and a shortening of the diestrus stage (Fig. 3).

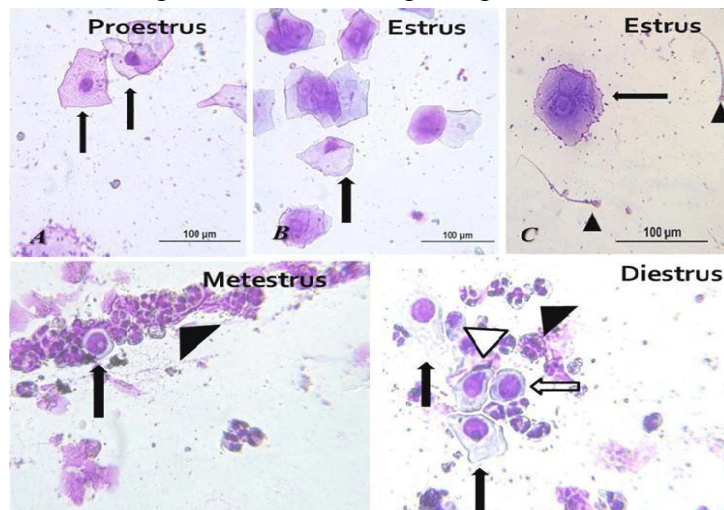


Figure 3: Rats' estrous cycle at phase

4.3.2 Serum hormonal assay

Subsequent to getting letrozole for 21 days, the creatures' serum levels of testosterone decisively expanded while those of progesterone and estradiol altogether decreased when contrasted with the solid benchmark group. When contrasted with the infectious prevention bunch, treatment with a standard drug and a polyherbal plan fundamentally diminished testosterone levels while further developing degrees of estradiol and progesterone (Table 2).

Table 3: Polyherbal formulation's hormonal impact on letrozole-induced polycystic ovary syndrome rats.

	NC	DC	SC	TG1-500	TG2-750	TG3-1000
Estradiol						
0 day	47.16±0.44	49.03±0.49	46.53±0.81	46.47±0.91	46.49±0.90	44.43±0.10
21 day	46.73±0.86	26.51±0.11* ***	26.51±0.11	25.39±0.86	25.89±0.41	25.49±0.89
50 day	45.91±0.50	50.04±0.50* ***	41.04±0.51* ***	38.19±2.39* ***	50.72±0.52* ***	46.77±0.43* ***
Progesterone						
0 day	40.97±3.78	41.26±0.91	41.26±0.86	41.17±0.83	41.17±0.89	40.86±0.53
21 day	41.04±0.44	45.31±0.12	39.11±0.14	45.12±0.11	40.11±0.15	46.33±0.17
50 day	30.11±0.14	45.11±0.36	49.11±0.12	51.22±0.39	49.12±0.15	51.12±0.19
Testosterone						
0 day	36.12±0.11	36.55±0.12	41.11±0.12	39.12±0.13	40.13±0.15	51.12±0.19
21 day	29.12±0.41	40.12±0.36	44.06±0.41	33.12±0.11	32.11±0.06	45.11±0.10
50 day	31.00±1.0	21.11±0.14	26.11±0.10	45.11±0.14	46.33±0.16	42.11±0.18

4.3.3 Ovary weight

When contrasted with the benchmark group (41 0.82), letrozole-prompted PCOS creatures had fundamentally heavier ovaries (82.67 2.05). As a result of this modification, SC (54 0.82), TG1-

500 (55 0.82), TG2-750 (51 0.82), and TG3-1000 (51 0.82) following treatment with polyherbal detailing and traditional medicine (Fig. 4).

Table 4: Rat ovary weight changes in response to a polyherbal formulation

Wight of ovary (mg)	Groups
NC	12
DC	15
SC	25
TG1-500	34
TG2-750	39
TG3-1000	41

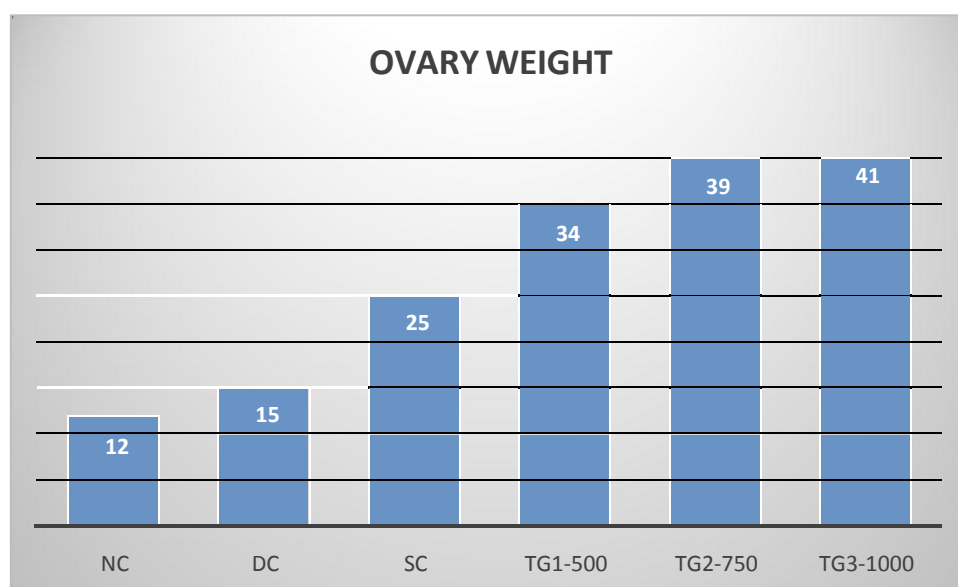


Figure: Rat ovary weight changes in response to a polyherbal formulation w Comparative analysis of variance (ANOVA).

4.3.4 Ovarian morphology

The group receiving letrozole displayed an abundance of tiny, numerous ovarian follicles and cysts along with fewer corpus luteum. In the control group, there were no noticeable histopathological deviations. As opposed to the infectious prevention bunch, which showed a decrease in blister arrangement, the treatment bunch showed typical follicular turn of events (Fig. 6).

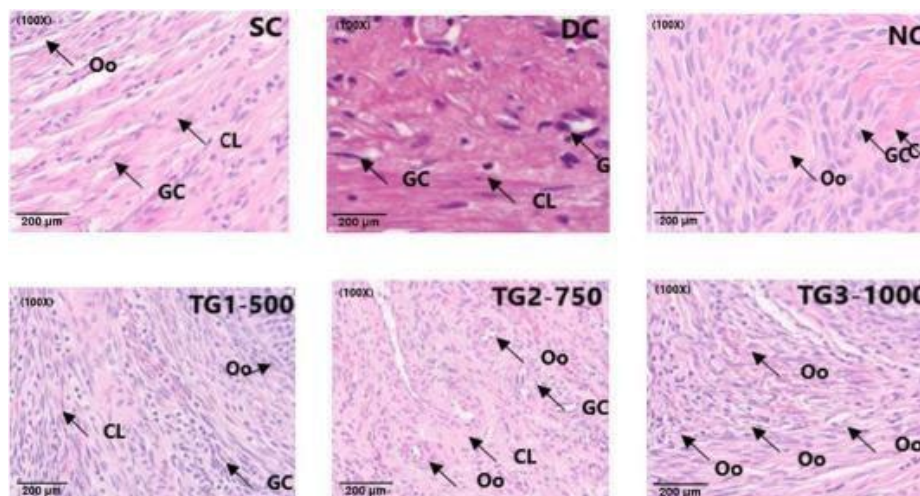


Figure:Ovarian structure is affected by a polyherbal composition.

5. DISCUSSION

Letrozole is being used in ongoing research to cause PCOS. A nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitor is a letrozole. In prepubertal or postpubertal female rodents, letrozole (1 mg/kg once daily for 21–28 days) can cause her PCOS-like side effects. In rodents, letrozole causes a reduction in progesterone and estrogen chemicals while expanding free testosterone, FSH, and LH. In rodents given letrozole, weight gain and an expansion in insulin opposition have additionally been noted.⁴⁶ Follicular atresia and unusual follicular improvement are welcomed on by the raised measures of androgens in the ovary.

Hormone activity becomes erratic in PCOS because ovulation is not taking place as it should. As a result, the body sends conflicting signals, which disrupts the menstrual cycle. It might transform from heavy to infrequent or irregular periods (amenorrhea) to irregular, infrequent periods (oligomenorrhea). According to our research, increased intraovarian androgen and circulating hyperandrogenism all contribute to letrozole's production of estrous irregularity. The diestrus deliberately work endured longer in the infectious prevention bunch and different gatherings after letrozole organization for 21 days. In contrast to the infection-prophylaxis group, both the treatment and standard groups showed improved estrus cycle control and shortened estrous phase after separate administration of polyherbal treatment and clomiphene citrate. In addition, polyherbal plans include SA, which has estrogenic effects and is used to treat menorrhagia.²⁶ By diminishing the degrees of COX-2 chemicals produced by lipopolysaccharides in the rodent uterus, the methanolic concentrate of SA further brings down the thickening of endometrial expansion. Through its enemy of estrogenic and mitigating characteristics, it affects the uterus that are antiproliferative and against keratinizing.

A key biochemical component of PCOS that increases women's risk for diabetes is insulin resistance with compensatory hyperinsulinemia. The findings of our investigation demonstrated that letrozole therapy for 21 days increased the rats' blood glucose levels. In contrast with the infectious prevention bunch, we found that the polyherbal definition treatment impressively (P 0.0001) decreased the glucose level in rodents. The presence of TFG, an insulin sensitizer and

notable diabetes preventive, in the polyherbal detailing, might be liable for its viability.^{22,44} The menstrual cycle was also significantly controlled in 94% of individuals who took TFG seed extract. Additionally, it greatly reduces both cyst size and ovary volume.

6. CONCLUSION

Similar to Clomiphene citrate, a polyherbal formulation showed promise in treating PCOS symptoms and triggering ovulation. In mice with PCOS created by letrozole, it remedied the chemical and lipid profile, glucose levels, and ovarian shape. This activity may be attributed to the polyherbal formulation's numerous phytoconstituents, which have estrogenic, antihyperlipidemic, hypoglycemic, and antioxidant activities that may be supportive in the successful administration of PCOS, forestalling ovarian cell brokenness, and improving richness. The current study demonstrates significant improvements in all PCOS symptoms, including menstrual discomfort, oligomenorrhea, follicular size, and PCO reduction. It also aids in weight loss.

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