EFFECTS OF SALVADORA PERSICA EXTRACTS ON MICE EXPLORATORY LOCOMOTION ACTIVITIES

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Summary

The effects of Salvadora persica extracts on mice exploratory locomotor activities and stereotype movements have been determined. Mice injected with Salvadora persica extracts showed significantly low exploratory locomotor activity. The total distance travelled by naive mice injected with saline, during the first 5 min of introduction into an activity cage (Session 1) was 1007 + 105 cm/5 min, in contrast to 800 + 75, 540 + 100 and 330 ± 55 cm/5 min for naive mice injected i.p. with 5.7, 14.3 and 28.6 ml/kg *Salvadora persica extract. The exploratory locomotion of Salvadora persica* treated mice declined faster than that of the controls. Mice injected with Salvadora persica extract also showed a significantly lower number of stereotype movements (P < 0.05). The stereotype movements of the control was 175 ± 5 movements/5 min and 90 ± 10, 118 ± 15 and 35 ± 11 for mice injected with 5.7, 14.3 and 28.6 ml/kg, Salvadora persica extract, respectively.