Isolation of Atropine from Datura stramonium By Noor Hamed Aldhif



Datura

Datura is a member of the most important family Solanaceae . It consist of about more than 10 common species distributed worldwide.

Datura is a herbaceous species widely distributed in the warm regions .

The most important species of Datura distributed in Iraq are :

- D.innoxia
- D.metel
- D.stramonium

Scientific classification

Family :Solanaceae

Scientific name :

Datura stramonium L.

Common names:

Arabic : datura; tatoora

English: angel's trumpet and thorn-apple;



Datura stramonium L.

Phytochemical composition

Phytochemical analysis confirmed that the extract of the *Datura* Contained tropane alkaloids.

Tropan alkaloids are specific class of alkaloids,. They characterize by bicyclic tropane ring system.

Tropane alkaloids subdivided into three major groups of medical importance : hyoscyamine / scopolamine , cocaine and calystegines.

Tropane alkaloids (atropine and scopolamine) are found in all parts of the plant, particular in the seeds , they contain about **0.25%–0.7% alkaloids**.

Atropine

The chemical formula of atropine (C17H23NO3) molecular weight of about: (289.38).

Atropine is colorless crystal or white crystalline powder, odorless when dried at $120C^{0}$.



pharmacological action

Atropine is a "classic" anticholinergic compound represented by the antimuscarinic (which block acetylcholine action competitively non selective).

	Iris	Ciliary Body	Secretion:saliva sweat,Bronchial	Bronchial muscle	GI muscle	Heart	CNS
Atropine	+	+	+	++	++	++	+

Atropine is the initial drug of choice in acute Organ phosphorus poisoning.

Solubility

Atropine is soluble in organic solvents. 1g soluble in..... 2 ml alcohol 2.5ml alcohol at 60°C 27 ml of glycerol 25ml ether 1 ml chloroform

Atropine has low solubility in water (approximately 1g atropine in 455ml water and 1g atropine in 90ml water at 80 °C). Appear in long orthorhombic prisms from acetone, and rhombic needles from dilute alcohol.

Procedure

- A 20 g of dried powdered plant extracted in 620 ml of solvent system consist from (chloroform, methanol and 25% ammonia 15:15:1(v/v/v)) at room temperature for one hour.
- Filtration and washing with water, Transfer the mixture to separatory funnel and treated with 20 ml CHCl_{3.}

 After that ,collect organic fraction to be evaporated the solvent .Till to dryness. The residue was dissolved in 100 ml CHCl3 and 20 ml of 1N sulfuric acid and mix thoroughly, then re-separate using separator funnel.

• The organic layer was removed and the aqueous one (pH 10-12) with 25% ammonium hydroxide on ice .

 Furthermore extracted and treated with 10-20 ml CHCI3. The solvent was evaporated to dryness at room temperature over two nights.



Identification

Draggendroff reagent :

1 ml of extract + 1ml of reagent

reddish- brown



Determination of yield of extract

The net yield of extracted (20g) of dried powdered of *Datura* stramonium explained in (w/w) is about 1.25.

