

## The effect of *Zataria multiflora* Boiss on $\beta_1$ -adrenoceptors of guinea pig tracheal chains

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### Abstract

The effect of aqueous-ethanolic extract of *Zataria multiflora* Boiss (Labiatae), on  $\beta$ -adrenoceptors was examined on tracheal chains of guinea pigs. The effects of three concentrations of aqueous-ethanolic extract (0.1, 1 and 10 mg/mL), 10 nM propranolol, and saline on  $\beta$ -adrenoceptors were tested (n=8). The results showed clear leftward shifts in isoprenaline curves obtained in the presence of all concentration of the extract compared with that of saline. The EC<sub>50</sub> (the effective concentration of isoprenaline, causing 50% of maximum response) obtained in the presence of all concentrations of the extract was significantly lower compared to saline (p<0.05 to p<0.001). The maximum responses obtained in the presence of all three concentrations of the extract were not significantly different compared with that of saline. All values of (CR<sub>50</sub> = (EC<sub>50</sub> obtained in the presence of active substances/EC<sub>50</sub>, obtained in the presence of saline) - 1) obtained in the presence of concentrations of extract were negative and there were significant differences in this value between propranolol and those obtained in the presence of extract (p<0.01 for all three cases). The results indicated a relatively potent stimulatory effect of the extract from *Zataria multiflora* Boiss on  $\beta$ -adrenoceptors.

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