

Antinociceptive effect of *Rosa damascena* in mice

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Abstract

In this study, analgesic effects of the aqueous, ethanolic and chloroformic extracts of this plant were investigated. Mice were treated with IP injection of 100, 200 and 400 mg kg⁻¹ aqueous, ethanolic and chloroformic extracts of the plant and analgesic effects were assessed using hot plate and tail flick methods. The results showed that ethanolic extract had significant analgesic effect comparable to morphine. As, pretreatment of animals with naloxone significantly reduced analgesic effect of the extract, the analgesic effect of ethanolic extract seems to be at least, in part through opioid system. No analgesic effects have been observed with aqueous or chloroformic extracts of the plant. © 2008 Asian Network for Scientific Information.

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