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In present study an important Unani formulation i.e. Majoon Aarad Khurma has been modified into granules using *Stevia rebaudiana* as a sweetener and the safety and toxicity of the granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma has also been evaluated. Majoon Aarad Khurma and Granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma were prepared and subjected to Physico-Chemical evaluation with reference to the standards mentioned in Physicochemical Standards of Unani formulations by CCRUM.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

According to the Unani system of medicine, the health is a state of body in which there is equilibrium in humors and functions of the body. To maintain the correct humoral balance there is a power of self preservation called "Quwwate Mudabbirahe Badan" (Immunity of body) in the body.

Therefore the aim of the Unani physician is to find out the cause of the underlying disruption of humors, so that it can be corrected and disease can be cured. The temperament of the person is identified and

diet/medicine/other recommendations are made that are most suitable for achieving and maintaining health of the particular person.

Sexual function is an important component of quality of life and subjective well being of humans. Human sexuality is a multidimensional phenomenon having biological, psychological, behavioral, clinical, moral and cultural aspects. It has been integral part of all cultures since time immemorial. But no single dimension of sexuality is universally dominant. Every person has sexual feelings, attitude and believes, but everyone's experience is unique because it proceeds through an intentionally personal prospective. The cardinal phases in sexual act in male are desire, erection, penetration and orgasm. The phases of sexual act in females are quite different from male. Usually in medicine and also in cultural aspects, sexuality has been mainly concerned with male sexual desire which increase in proportion to the level of secretion of the sex hormones. Sexual response is triggered by both psychological and physical stimuli. Sexual problems are widespread and adversely effects mood, well being, and inter-personal functioning.

Unani medicine treats sexual debility in its own way and proposes different methods of treatment Ilaj bil Ghiza (Ditotherapy), Ilaj bil Dawa (Pharmacotherapy) and Ilaj bit Tadbeer (Regimental therapy). Therapeutic use of the drugs is based on certain principles. The sexual problems are taken up in individualized way taking into account the entire personality of the patient <sup>1</sup>. Unani medicine has holistic approach towards diagnosis and treatment of sexual dysfunction that is not just confined to inability to perform the sex rather includes loss of libido, erectile dysfunction, ejaculatory insufficiency, an orgasmic state, excessive nocturnal emissions and even infertility in males, which may be due to Zoofe Bah (sexual dysfunction) or Nuqse Mani (seminal defects). It also distinguishes between sexual inadequacy and seminal inadequacy <sup>2-4</sup>.

In present study an important Unani compound formulation Majoon Aarad Khurma has been modified into granular form using natural sweetening agent *Stevia rebaudiana* which has sweetening property as well as hypoglycemic activity, the granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma become palatable and will not cause any harm to diabetic patients who are suffering from sexual

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dysfunction. This study also includes evaluation of physicochemical standards of Majoon Aarad Khurma and granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma and their safety and toxicity study.

## II. MATERIAL AND METHODS

According to the protocol of the study "Studies on Majoon Aarad Khurma and its Granules prepared with Stevia, with reference to the Standardization and Toxicity Evaluation" Majoon Aarad Khurma and Granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma was prepared in the laboratory of Dept. of Ilmul Saidla, NIUM.

## III. PREPARATION OF MAJOON AARAD KHURMA

All the required ingredients of Majoon Aarad Khurma and Granules of Majoone Aarad Khurma were

Table 1: Ingredients of Majoon Aarad Khurma

SI. No.	UNANI NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	PART USED	QUANTITY
1	Khurma	<i>Phoenix dactylifera</i>	Fruit	200gm
2	Samagh arbi	<i>Acacia arabica</i>	Gum	200gm
3	Singhara khushk	<i>Trapa bispinosa</i>	Fruit	200gm
4	Satawar	<i>Asparagus rasemosus</i>	Root	50gm
5	Jaiphah	<i>Myristica fragrans</i>	Nutmeg	1.25gm
6	Javitri	<i>Myristica fragrans</i>	Mace	1.25gm
7	Qaranfal	<i>Myrtus caryophyllus</i>	Flower Buds	2.5gm
8	Maghaze Badam	<i>Prunus amygdalus</i>	Fruit	25gm
9	Maghaze Chilghoza	<i>Pinus gerardiana</i>	Fruit	25gm
10	Maghaze Fundaq	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Fruit	25gm
11	Maghaze Pambadana	<i>Gossypium herbaceum</i>	Fruit	5gm
12	Qand safaid	Sugar	Sugarcane	1kg

The dried raw drugs from 2-7 mentioned in table were powdered in mixer and sieved in (sieve number 80), raw drugs from 8-11 were powdered separately and sieved in (sieve number 40), and dates were separately dried in a hot air oven at 100°C for 4 hours then powdered and passed through (sieve number 60). Qiwan was prepared according to method mentioned in Formulary with 1 kilo sugar and 600 ml water; the dried drugs were mixed one by one in the Qiwan and stirred slowly. Finally all the Maghaziyat (Kernels) 8-11 were mixed gradually in the Qiwan. And

procured from the raw drug dealers under the supervision of the Guide, and all the raw drugs were identified and authenticated by the expert Dept. of Ilmul Advia, NIUM Bangalore, (Karnataka).

The Majoon Aarad Khurma was prepared as per the formulation mentioned in the National Formulary of Unani Medicine, Part-1, Govt. of India. The composition of Majoone Aarad Khurma is as given below:

stored in a container at room temperature for further study<sup>5</sup>.

## IV. PREPARATION OF GRANULES OF MAJOON AARAD KHURMA

The granule of Majoon Aarad Khurma was prepared as per the formulation mentioned in the National Formulary of Unani Medicine, Part-1, Govt. of India, the composition of granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma is as given below:

Table 2: Ingredients of granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma

SI. No.	UNANI NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	PART USED	QUANTITY
1	Khurma	<i>Phoenix dactylifera</i>	Fruit	200gm
2	Kamagh arbi	<i>Acacia arabica</i>	Gum	200gm
3	Singhara khushk	<i>Trapa bispinosa</i>	Fruit	200gm
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5	Jaiphah	<i>Myristica fragrans</i>	Nutmeg	1.25gm
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7	Qaranfal	<i>Myrtus caryophyllus</i>	Fruit	2.5gm
8	Maghaze Badam	<i>Prunus amygdalus</i>	Fruit	25gm
9	Maghaze Chilghoza	<i>Pinus gerardiana</i>	Fruit	25gm
10	Maghaze Fundaq	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Fruit	25gm
11	Maghaze Pambadana	<i>Gossypium herbaceum</i>	Fruit	5gm
12	Stevia plant powder	<i>Stevia rebaudiana</i>	leaves	3.50gm

All the dried ingredients were powdered and sieved in (sieve number 80). All the Maghaziyat (kernels) were powdered separately and sieved in (sieve number 40), and dates were separately dried in a hot air oven at 100 °C for 4 hours and then powdered and passed through sieve number 60. *Stevia* plant extract was prepared with 120 ml water at low temperature for 15 minutes, and sieved through muslin cloth, the total quantity of this extract obtained was 80 ml. All the dried drugs were mixed one by one in *Stevia* extract, and subjected into the granulator (sieve number 20) for formation of granules and then stored in container at room temperature for further study <sup>5</sup>.

## V. ACUTE TOXICITY STUDY

### a) Experimental Animal

Swiss mice of both sexes, weighing 25-35 gm were used. The animals were procured from the, Sri Raghvendra Enterprises, Vijayanagar, Bangalore, Karnataka (India).

Prior to the experiment the animals were allowed to acclimatized for at least one week. They were maintained under standard laboratory conditions throughout the experimental period and were provided with standard diet and water *ad libitum* unless stated otherwise. They were housed in clean polypropylene cages at room temperature 25±2°C, humidity at 45-55% with 12 hours light: 12 hours dark cycle. The animal care procedures and experimental protocol were in according with the guidelines of CPCSEA.

### b) Extractive Values <sup>6</sup>

For the determination of extractive values in non-successive of GMAK was carried out in Soxhlet apparatus, with hydro-alcoholic solvents i.e. 50% distilled water and 50% ethanol (1:1) ratio.

### c) Methodology for Acute Toxicity Study <sup>7, 8 - 15</sup>

Acute toxicity test was performed according to the World Health Organization (WHO) guideline (WHO 2000) and the Organization of Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) guideline for testing of chemicals 420 (OECD 2001). Swiss mice of either sex

weighing 25-35 gram were randomly assigned to four groups (I, II, III, & IV,) of 7 mice each. Mice were fasted overnight (12 hrs) with free access to water prior to administration of single doses (0.398, 5.73, 9.73, & 16.69 g/kg b.wt.). The extract dissolved in distilled water and administered orally once a day. After the administration of the test drug all the animals were kept in polypropylene cages singly and were observed for Gross behaviour and mortality at 0 min, 30 min, 60 min, 120 min, 240 min and 24 hrs. The Gross behavioural changes such as piloerection, grooming, trembling, wriggling, diarrhoea, breathing difficulty, constant changing position, immobility, asthenia, anorexia, ataxia, urination and syncope were monitored continuously for any above abnormal changes.

## VI. PHYSICO-CHEMICAL EVALUATION

The Physico-Chemical studies were carried out on Majoon Aarad Khurma and Granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma in the laboratory of Dept of Ilmu Saidla, NIUM, Bangalore. Majoon Aarad Khurma and Granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma were prepared and subjected to Physico-Chemical evaluation under the following parameters:

(1) Organoleptic properties such as the appearance, colour, smell, and taste (2) Alcohol soluble matter and Water soluble matter (3) Successive extractive values (4) PH value (5) Bulk density and Tapped density (6) Ash value (7) Volatile oil (8) Saponification value (9) Iodine value (10) Acid value (11) Estimation of total Alkaloids (12) Resin (13) Reducing and non-Reducing sugars (14) Crude fibers (15) Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was also conducted for identification of compounds.

## VII. RESULTS AND OBSERVATION

Both the test drugs sample Majoon Aarad Khurma and granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma were evaluated for physico-chemical parameters as recommended and almost all the values of both the test drugs were found within the standard limits.

Table 3: Physico-Chemical comparative data of MAK and GMAK

Sl. No	Physico Chemical Properties	MAK	GMAK
1.	Organoleptic Properties		
	Appearance	Semi Solid	Granules
	Odour	Brownish	Brownish
	Smell	Pleasant	Pleasant
2.	Alcohol Soluble Matter	65.5%	24.6%
		3.	Water Soluble Matter
4.	Successive Extractives		
	Petroleum Ether	2.4%	4.2%
	Chloroform	0.4%	0.6%
	Ethyl Alcohol	41.7%	19.13%
	Aqueous	35%	37.2

5.	PH Value		
	1%	4.90	5.82
	10%	4.32	5.27
	Ash Value		
6.	Total Ash	0.66%	2.5%
	Acid Insoluble Ash	0.66%	0.66%
	Water Soluble Ash	1.33%	1.16%
7.	Bulk Density		0.6gm/ml
	Tapped Density		0.68gm/ml
	Carr's Index		12%
	Hausner Ratio		1.13
8.	Volatile oils	Traces	0.1%
9.	Saponification Value	680.13	77.07
10.	Iodine Value	4.29	1.14
11.	Acid Value	4.21	2.80
12.	Alkaloids Total	0.13%	3.52%
13.	Resin Estimation	15.1%	37.2%
14.	Determination of Resin	15.2%	37.2%
15.	Reducing sugar	9.2%	15.6%
16.	Non-Reducing sugar	32.11%	24.2%
17.	Crude Fibers	1.13%	2.62%
18.	TLC	0.27	0.31
	Rf Values	0.31	0.36
		0.50	0.50
			0.68
			0.75

### VIII. CHEMICAL EVALUATION

#### a) Thin Layer Chromatography: <sup>16-29</sup>

Thin layer chromatography was carried out on T.L.C. pre coated aluminium plates, silica gel 60 F 254 (layer thickness 0.25 mm) for ethanolic extract of both the test drug samples MAK and GMAK in various mobile phases, later sprayed by different spraying

reagents to visualise the spots. The R<sub>F</sub> values of the spots were calculated for both the drugs by the following formula.

$$R_f \text{ Value} = \frac{\text{Distance travelled by Spot}}{\text{Distance travelled by Solvent}}$$

Table 4: TLC of Majoon Aarad Khurma and granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma

Extract	Solvent System	No. of Spots	R <sub>f</sub> Value	Colours
MAK Ethanol	Toluene: Ethyl acetate (7:3, with 2 drop Sulphuric acid)	3	0.27	Green
			0.31	Yellow
			0.50	Pink
GMAK Ethanol	Toluene: Ethyl acetate(7:3, with 2 drop Sulphuric acid)	5	0.31	Green
			0.36	Brown
			0.50	Light Pink
			0.68	Pink
			0.75	Yellow





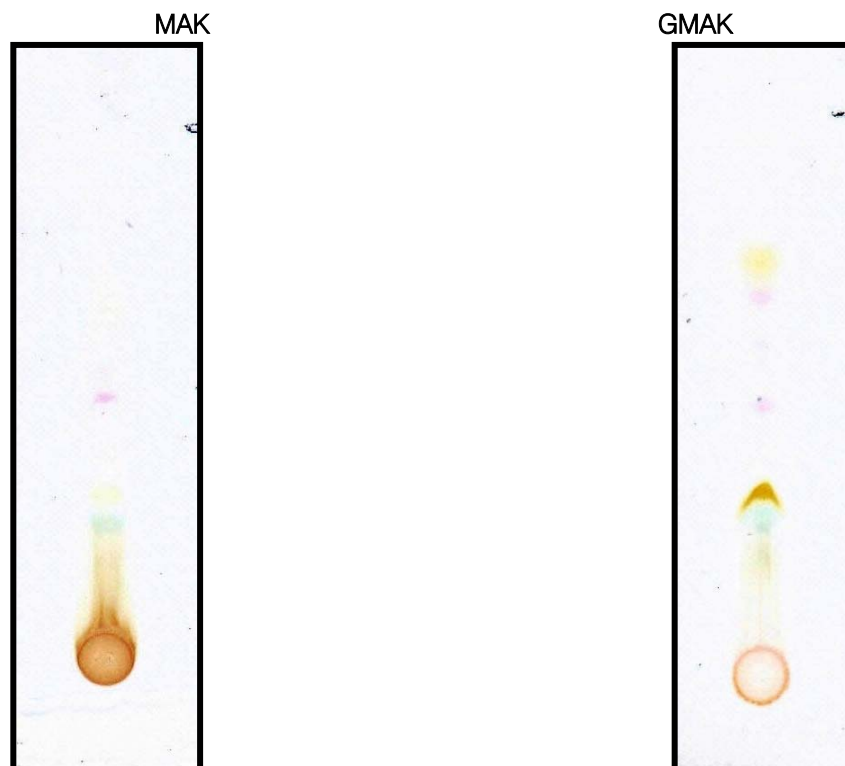


Fig. 1: TLC plates high lighting the spots in MAK and GMAK

#### b) Acute Toxicity Study

The acute toxicity study was done on Swiss mice of either sex using Hydro-Alcoholic extract of granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma orally, no behavioural changes and mortality was found during 24 hours observation period.

### IX. DISCUSSION

Majoon Aarad Khurma is one such popular drug which is widely used as an effective aphrodisiac, which is prepared with sugar as base but as we know that the intake of sugar is not advisable in diabetic patients because the presence of sugar in large amount in blood may develop the complications of diabetes more rapidly so any preparation having sugar as a base or content may create such risk. So even after gaining such popularity as an aphrodisiac, Majoon Aarad Khurma cannot be given to diabetic patients who are suffering from erectile dysfunction. Hence sugar free an alternate formulation should be innovated or designed to meet the demand of the diabetic patients.

### X. CONCLUSION

The Physicochemical standards for scientific evaluation of Majoon Aarad Khurma and granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma were estimated and the standards were evaluated as recommended by CCRUM.

Based on the finding it is concluded that

- Granules possessed the same principles and maintained same characteristics as traditional dosage form Majoon Aarad Khurma.
- The granules of Majoon Aarad Khurma were found to be more stable, convenient and comfortable in usage and dispensing, and also safe, light, efficacious, cost effective and quality controlled.
- Stevia a natural sweetening agent which was used as base for granules was evaluated for its toxicity in animal models and no toxicity was found, hence Stevia can be used as safe and efficacious sweetening agent in preparation of granules as well as in other Unani formulations.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Huntington's disease is a genetic, progressive, neurodegenerative disorder characterized by the gradual development of involuntary muscle movements affecting the hands, feet, face, and trunk and progressive deterioration of cognitive processes and memory (dementia). Neurologic movement abnormalities may include uncontrolled, irregular, rapid, jerky movements (chorea) and athetosis, a condition characterized by relatively slow, writhing involuntary movements (Novak MJ, *et al.*, Huntington's disease. BMJ.2010). Dementia is typically associated with progressive disorientation and confusion, personality disintegration, impairment of memory control, restlessness and

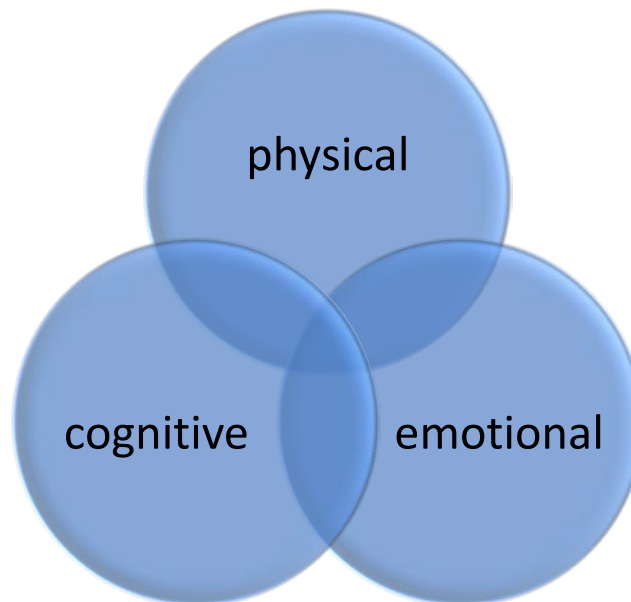


Fig. 1: Difficult Behaviors In Huntington's Disease

## II. EPIDEMIOLOGY

Huntington's disease is currently found in many different countries and ethnic groups around the world. There are varying rates of prevalence in different racial

groups 2. HD has a worldwide prevalence of five to 288 eight per 100,000 people with no gender preponderance. The highest frequencies of HD are found in Europe and countries of European origin. The lowest frequencies are documented in Africa, China, Japan, and Finland.

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a) *Symptoms*

The symptoms of HD vary widely from person to person, even within the same family. For some, involuntary movements may be prominent even in the early stages. For others, these may be less evident and emotional and behavioral symptoms may be more obvious. The following are common features of HD:

b) *Motor Symptoms*

Motor Symptoms Physical symptoms may initially consist of "nervous" activity, fidgeting, twitching, or excessive restlessness. Handwriting may change and facial grimaces may appear. Day-to-day skills involving coordination and concentration, such as driving, become more difficult. These initial symptoms will gradually develop into more marked involuntary movements of the head, trunk and limbs – which often lead to problems in walking and balance. Speech and swallowing can become impaired. Movements generally tend to increase during voluntary effort, stress or excitement, and decrease during rest and sleep.

c) *Cognitive Symptoms/ Intellectual Symptoms*

Slight intellectual changes are often the first signs of cognitive disturbance. Short-term memory loss may occur while long-term memory generally stays intact. Disorganisation as a result of difficulties with planning, initiating, and organising thoughts, activities, and communication; perseveration; impulsivity; perceptual distortions; lack of insight; distractibility; difficulty in learning new information (Rothlind J *et al.*; 1993).

d) *Psychiatric//Behavioral Symptoms*

Depression, obsessive-compulsive disorders, anxiety, irritability, apathy, hyper sexuality (uncommon),

psychosis (uncommon), Some people can experience depression for a period of months or even years before it is recognized to be an early symptom of Huntington's. Behavioral changes may include aggressive outbursts, impulsiveness, mood swings, and social withdrawal. Often, existing personality traits will be exacerbated by HD, e.g., a person who had a tendency to be irritable. Schizophrenia and other serious psychiatric problems are uncommon in HD but do occur.

e) *Metabolic*

Weight loss, sleep disturbance

III. NEUROPATHOLOGY OF HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE

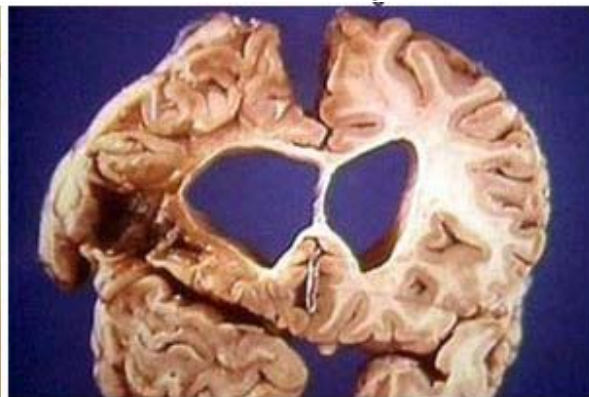
The specific symptoms and progression of HD can be related to its pathology, which is characterized by the loss of specific neuronal populations in many brain regions. Motor dysfunction in HD results from the disruption of basal ganglia-thalamocortical pathways regulating movement control (Garrett EA, *et al.*, 1990 and Graybiel AM. 1990). The primary site of neuronal loss and atrophy in HD brain is in the caudate-putamen (Browne SE, 1999) Vulnerability in HD. The striatum is composed of a variety of medium to large neurons that differ in their size and dendritic profile as well as neurochemical content and output. Severe loss of medium sized striatal neurons was seen in the HD brain. They have large dendritic tree and use GABA as their neurotransmitter (Hassel B, *et al.*, 1995).

Normal Basal Ganglia



VS.

HD Basal Ganglia



The basal ganglia of the human brain, showing the impact of HD on brain structure in this region. Note especially that the brain of a person with HD has bigger openings due to the death of nerve cells in that region

a) *Effect of HD on Basal Ganglia*

As these neurons degenerate in HD, the neurochemical they contain, including glutamic acid decarboxylase (GAD), substance-P, enkephalin, calcineurin, calbindin, adenosine receptors and

dopamine receptors, also decrease. Number of theories has been presented, to determine the exact events involved in the progression of cell deaths caused by HD. One theory proposes that neurons die in HD because of an over-accumulation of normal excitatory chemicals

involved in nerve impulses. Excitatory neurotransmitters (mainly glutamate) are normally present in the brain, but, if they are released in excessive amounts or if brain cells are weak, these excitatory chemicals can cause cell damage and become chemicals known as "excitotoxins." Studies show that when glutamate is injected into the basal ganglion region of brains of living rats, the rats exhibit symptoms of HD (Reddy HP, *et al.*, 1999). This first theory had to be modified when high levels of glutamate were not found in the brains of all HD patients. The mitochondrial dysfunction plays a role in pathogenesis of HD. The mitochondria of striatal cells may be damaged with the onset of HD. Scientists today believe that the damaged mitochondria of people with HD make striatal cells unable to produce as much energy as they need, which then makes the cells more susceptible to normal levels of glutamate (Beal MF, 2000). Another theory to explain the death of nerve cells postulates that the cells actually kill themselves in response to chemical changes caused by HD. HD triggers the early death of neurons by accelerating a normal process called apoptosis (Gutekunst AC, *et al.*, 2000). 3-Nitropropionic acid and malonate also induce apoptotic profiles and induce pro-apoptotic proteins (Hickey MA, *et al.*, 2003). To sum up, the neurobiological effects of HD appear to be the result of a number of different changes that ultimately go out of control. Many studies have shown that neurodegeneration is not confined to the basal ganglia but also occurs widely in cortical and other sub cortical regions.

#### b) Pathogenesis of Huntington's Disease and Huntingtin Protein

Huntington's disease is caused by the abnormal expansion of a CAG-trinucleotide repeat in the N-terminal exon 1 of the huntingtin gene, which is located on the short arm of chromosome 4 (4p16.3) (The Huntington's Disease Collaborative Research Group, 1993; Brouillet, E. *et al.*, 1999; Brennan, W.A. *et al.*, 1985). In the translated protein, huntingtin, this repeat encodes an expanded polyglutamine repeat sequence. Asymptomatic individuals have the wild type huntingtin gene with 29 or fewer CAG repeats, while HD is caused by expansions of 36 or more repeats (Rubinsztein, D C, *et al.*, 2002; Rubinsztein, D.C. *et al.*, 1996). There is an inverse relationship between the genomic CAG repeat size of the mutant huntingtin gene and the age of onset of signs. The larger the number of CAG repeats, the earlier the age of disease onset. Most adult-onset cases have CAG repeat sizes ranging from 40-50, whereas expansions of more than 55 repeats frequently cause the juvenile form of the disease (Vonsattel, J.P. *et al.*, 1998). Since the discovery of the huntingtin gene, an explosion of research has led to many insights into the normal function of huntingtin and the molecular basis of the disease. The normal or wild

type huntingtin protein is found mainly in the cellular cytoplasm. This cytoplasmic protein is ubiquitously and widely expressed in many different tissues but its expression is highest in neurons. Huntingtin protein has been found in vesicle membranes, the cytosol, the nucleus, mitochondria, and microtubules. It appears to be associated with clathrin through huntingtin-interacting protein (HIP-1) (DiFiglia, M. *et al.*, 1995; Panov, A.V. *et al.*, 2002; Trottier, Y. *et al.*, 1995). These intracellular locations suggest that huntingtin may act as a molecular scaffold regulating several cellular processes including clathrin-mediated endocytosis, vesicle transport, synaptic transmission, transcriptional events and mitochondrial function (Rubinsztein, D.C. 2002; Young, A.B. 2003; Harjes, P. *et al.*, 2003; Metzler, M. *et al.*, 2001; Waelter, S. *et al.*, 2001; Sugars, K.L. 2003). Furthermore, huntingtin can protect neuronal cells from apoptotic stress and therefore may have a pro-survival role as well (Rigamonti, D. *et al.*, 2000; Leavitt, B.R. *et al.*, 2001). The number of huntingtin interacting proteins identified up to now exceeds 25 (Li, S.H. *et al.*, 2004). Collectively, the role of huntingtin is complex and it appears to be involved in various cellular functions both in the cytoplasm and nucleus (reviewed in (Li, S.H. *et al.*, 2004). The precise function of normal huntingtin is not yet fully understood and how mutant huntingtin exerts harmful effects remains unclear (Young, A.B. 2003). Various hypotheses have been proposed. For example, the mutant huntingtin protein may be neurotoxic through transcriptional dysregulation or it may make neurons susceptible to excitotoxicity, associated with an increase in cytosolic calcium (Harjes, P. *et al.*, 2003; Bossy-Wetzler, E. *et al.*, 2004). Moreover, mutant huntingtin also dysregulates mitochondrial homeostasis early in the disease (Panov, A.V. *et al.*, (2002) that may cause the release of cytochrome c and the activation of caspases. These proteins are involved in apoptosis (Rangone, H. *et al.*, (2004). Evidence is accumulating of both a toxic effect of mutant huntingtin fragments and a depletion of wild type huntingtin as part of the pathogenesis in HD (Friedlander, R. 2003; Rigamonti, D. *et al.*, 2000; Chen, M. *et al.*, 2000; Ona, V. *et al.*, 1999; Sanchez, I. *et al.*, 1999; Zuccato, C. *et al.*, 2001; Landles, C. *et al.*, 2004). Neurons of HD patients contain one copy of the wild type huntingtin allele and one copy of the mutant huntingtin allele. Possibly as part of normal proteolysis of huntingtin, a N-terminal fragment containing the expanded polyglutamine repeat is released. This expanded polyglutamine-containing fragment then undergoes a conformational change and this ultimately, through as yet unknown steps and structures, results in toxic protein aggregates that also recruit other proteins (Gutekunst, C.A. *et al.*, 2002; Ona, V. *et al.*, 1999; Wellington, C.L. *et al.*, 2000; Hackam, A.S. *et al.*, 1998; Li, S.H. *et al.*, 2000; Mende-Mueller, *et al.*, 2001). These huntingtin aggregates can be found in any part of a neuron, but primarily in the nucleus



(Harjes, P. *et al.*, 2003; Li, S.H. *et al.*, 2004). Huntingtin protein aggregates become ubiquitinated, presumably because they are recognized as misfolded proteins that become targeted for proteasomal degradation. The process of toxic aggregate formation may thus be critical for the development of neuronal dysfunction and degeneration in HD (Gutekunst, C.A. *et al.*, 2002). However, a direct causative pathway from the huntingtin gene mutation to the neostriatal degeneration has not yet been established. For example, it is not clear whether the formation of cytoplasmic aggregates and nuclear inclusions, the presence of soluble aberrant mutant huntingtin fragments, or an intermediary structure is the crucial determinant of neuronal cell death and disease initiation and progression. Several other mechanisms that may contribute to neuronal dysfunction and cell death in HD, which are not directly related to mutant huntingtin, have been proposed to play a role in the disease process. These include impaired energy metabolism by mitochondrial dysfunction, glutamate-mediated excitotoxicity, oxidative stress, altered gene transcription abnormal protein interactions and inappropriate apoptosis (Landles, C. *et al.*, 2004; Ho, L.W. *et al.*, 2001). In neurons with compromised energy metabolism, the threshold for glutamate toxicity is reduced. This leads to activation of glutamate-mediated excitotoxicity, whereas induced oxidative stress increases the production of damaging and free oxygen and nitrogen radicals. Mitochondrial dysfunction also causes the release of cytochrome c and activates caspases, and thus, could be a central phenomenon in HD pathogenesis as it would explain the oxidative stress, excitotoxic processes and energy metabolism dysfunction observed in HD patients (Rangone, H. *et al.*, 2004). How cells die in HD is not clear and whether the dying cells have been dysfunctional for a considerable time before cell death is also unknown. The problem that investigators face is to distinguish primary from secondary events in elucidating the pathogenesis of HD. For now it is not clear whether mitochondrial dysfunction is a primary change or a consequence of the early neuropathological changes in HD (Rubinsztein, D.C. 2002; Landles, C. *et al.*, 2004; Bates, G.P. *et al.*, 2002; Bates, G.2003; Jones, L., 2002). The pathogenesis of HD could well be multifactorial as is the huntingtin protein, which may have many functions.

### c) *Apoptosis and Huntington's Disease*

HD is caused by an abnormal expansion of a CAG-trinucleotide repeat in the huntingtin gene but the precise mechanism of the selective neurodegeneration in HD neostriatum remains unclear. It has been suggested that aberrant apoptosis is involved in the pathogenesis of Huntington's disease (HD) (Wellington, C.L. *et al.*, 1997; Petersén, Å. *et al.*, 1999). Initial studies demonstrated an increase in DNA degradation and

(Thomas, L.B. *et al.*, 1995; Dragunow, M. *et al.*, 1995; Portera-Cailliau, C. *et al.*, 1995). In vitro studies have shown substantial evidence connecting apoptotic pathways and apoptosis with mutant huntingtin (Hickey, M. *et al.*, 2003). Although it is not known how mutant huntingtin promotes cell death, a self-amplification cascade of progressive caspase activation that leads to neuronal dysfunction and eventually cell death has been proposed (Goldberg, Y. *et al.*, 1996; Hickey, M. *et al.*, 2003). Huntingtin is proteolysed by caspase-1 and caspase-3 (Wellington, C.L. *et al.*, 2000; Goldberg, Y. *et al.*, 1996). In HD mouse models and in presymptomatic and early symptomatic stages of HD patients caspase-1 and caspase-3 gene expression is transcriptionally up-regulated (Chen, M. *et al.*, 2000). This leads to an increase of caspase-mediated cleavage of huntingtin and increases the generation of N-terminal huntingtin fragments that are prone to form toxic aggregates in neurons (Ona, V. *et al.*, 1999; Wellington, C.L. *et al.*, 2000; Goldberg, Y. *et al.*, 1996; Hackam, A.S. *et al.*, 1998), while depleting wild type huntingtin (Ona, V. *et al.*, 1999; Sanchez, I. *et al.*, 1999; Kiechle, T. *et al.*, 2002). It appears that some features of HD result from the depletion of huntingtin protein function, whereas recent data have shown that the consequent N-terminal toxic fragments themselves may exert toxic effects on the cell by transcriptional disrupting of other genes (Landles, C. *et al.*, 2004; Hickey, M. *et al.*, 2003; Nucifora, F.C., Jr. *et al.*, 2001). This evidence suggests that caspases are not only mediators of cell death but also of cell dysfunction, possibly more important for HD pathogenesis than for apoptotic cell death alone. Moreover, in human HD striatal brain tissue, activation of several pro- apoptotic proteins, such as Bax, caspases 1, 3, 8, and 9 and release of cytochrome c have been demonstrated (Ona, V. *et al.*, 1999; Sanchez, I. *et al.*, 1999; Kiechle, T. *et al.*, 2002; Vis, J.C. *et al.*, 2005). Despite this, morphological evidence of apoptotic neuronal death in human HD is scarce. Which pathways are involved in apoptosis remains unclear. In this thesis, we studied apoptotic cell death and the expression of apoptotic markers in animal models of HD and in human HD brains that may contribute to the slowly developing death of medium-sized spiny GABAergic projection neurons in the striatum.

## IV. NEUROCHEMISTRY OF HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE

Neurochemical alterations in HD have long attention from researchers. The pathological changes in HD are caused by neurochemical. Neurochemical alterations are the essential mediators of Huntington's disease pathogenesis which not only produce the characteristic clinical symptoms of HD but also accelerate the process of cell death (Browne SE, *et al.*, 1999).

## V. GENETICS OF HD

The disease gene for HD, huntingtin, was identified in 1993 and it encodes a large protein (348kDa) with a polyglutamine stretch named huntingtin (Htt) (Sawa A, *et al.*, 2003 and The Huntington's Disease Collaborative Research Group: 1993). Genetic defect in HD is an expansion of an unstable CAG repeats encoding polyglutamines at the 5' end of a huntingtin [also termed "interesting transcript 15" (IT15)] gene on chromosome (Hickey MA, *et al.*, 2003). The biological function of the huntingtin protein is still unknown; it is known that the alteration of this protein ultimately results in HD (Bao J, *et al.*, 1996 and Reddy, 1999).

Estimates of the prevalence of HD range from 4.1-8.4 per 100,000 people. In the United States, it is estimated that 25000 individuals have HD with another 125,000 individuals at risk (Harper PS.1986). In India: A recent study on the distribution of C-A-G repeats in the normal population suggests a higher prevalence of HD in India closer to that seen in Western Europe. Based on the results, haplotype analysis suggested the presence of a founder mutation in a subset of families and provide evidences for multiple and geographically distinct origins for HD mutation in India. One of the studies conducted on 124 (94 male and 30 female) elderly patients (aged more than 60 years) in a teaching hospital in India reported that there were 2.4% cases of HD, Parkinson's disease in India (Jha S, *et al.*, 2004).

## VI. NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL AND NEUROPSYCHIATRIC ASPECTS OF HD

HD, an inherited neurodegenerative disease, damages specific areas of the brain resulting in movement difficulties as well as cognitive and behavioral changes. The cognitive changes in HD have traditionally been referred to as dementia. People with HD have specific and characteristic cognitive difficulties, with other aspects of cognitive function remaining well preserved. Behavioral changes are a characteristic feature of HD and are often the most distressing aspect of the condition for individuals and families dealing with HD (Harper PS.1986). Behavioral changes associated with HD Psychomotor function - Early motor signs of HD typically include the gradual onset of clumsiness, balance trouble, tremor and brief random, fidgeting movements. The primary involuntary movement abnormality and often the earliest symptom, is chorea or choreoathetosis, continuous and irregular writhing and jerking movements (Van Raamsdonk JK, *et al.*, 2005). Many HD patients develop a distinctive manner of walking (gait) that may be unsteady, disjointed, or lurching as disease progresses (Delval A, 2006 and Naarding *et al.*, 2001). Frustration, Irritability, Aggression & Anxiety- People suffering from HD may remain even-tempered; others may lose the ability to control their

emotions. Emotional volatility may evident in increased irritability or episodes of explosiveness (Van Raamsdonk *et al.*, 2005). These individuals may become irritable, frustrated or aggressive if demands are not met. Anxiety, a behavioral symptom of HD, is characterized by nervousness, restlessness, fidgeting, shallow breathing, sweating, fear, and panic rapid heart rate (Klivenyi P, *et al.*, 2006). For individuals with HD, continual life changes as HD progresses can be a source of anxiety. Depression is often dismissed as an understandable reaction being diagnosed with HD (Paulsen JS, *et al.*, 2005). Altered Sexuality - A very common behavioral symptom of HD is altered sexuality. Possible cause is that the delicate balance of hormones in the brain is disrupted by the progression of HD causing changes in behaviors regulated by hormone levels. Most commonly, people with HD suffer from a decreased sex drive. Increased sex drive and inappropriate sexual behavior are less common alterations of sexuality resulting from HD (Cummings JL. 1995). Cognitive changes in HD, The term "cognitive" refers to tasks of the brain that involve knowing, thinking, remembering, organizing and judging. Cognitive changes in the HD may be due to the disruption of striatal -frontal circuits (Baudic S, *et al.*, 2006) Memory and Visual spatial ability an individual suffering from the cognitive symptoms of HD may have memory difficulties. Several investigators have shown that memory recall is generally affected more than memory storage in HD (Baudic S, *et al.*, 2006). It is important to note that the memory problems that can occur in people with HD are different from the memory difficulties that can occur in people with Alzheimer's disease (AD) (Lundervold AJ, *et al.*, 1994). Most commonly, the individual suffering from cognitive symptoms of HD is aware of his or her visual spatial impairment. Reading difficulties may also be the result of visual spatial impairment; however, the inability to maintain attention may be a contributing factor as well (Anderson KE, *et al.*, 2005).

## VII. MANAGEMENT OF HD

Huntington's disease is a devastating neurological disorder without effective treatment. There is an urgent need for developing effective therapies for HD.

## VIII. TREATMENT OF CHOREA

Dopamine blocking or dopamine depleting medications Increase dopamine level plays a major role in the pathogenesis of HD. On the basis of these reports dopamine-depleting drug like Tetrabenzine was also used for the treatment of chorea in clinical trial (Hannan JA. 2004). But due to lot of side effects the FDA did not approve this drug. Glutamate antagonism Excitotoxicity is the major cause of death of neurons in the HD. Increase in glutamate release activate the NMDA

receptors and increase the level of Ca<sup>2+</sup> and cause neurotoxicity. The drugs, which block the NMDA receptors, may be useful to decrease the symptoms of HD (Verhagen ML, et al., 2002). GABAergic modulation GABA an inhibitory neurotransmitter is decreased in the HD brain and cerebrospinal fluid. Indeed the GABA mimetic drugs and GABA transaminase inhibitors are also be used in the clinical trial for the treatment of HD (Bonelli MR, et al., 2004). Cannabinoids receptor agonists In the brain the cannabinoids and their receptors behave as neurotransmitters or neuromodulators in a variety of processes, such as the regulation of motor behaviour, cognition, learning, memory and antinociception. It is also reported that the cannabinoid receptors are destroyed in the basal ganglia (Becker LI, et al., 2003). Therefore the treatment with cannabinoids could be beneficial for HD. Antioxidants One component of excitotoxicity in HD is oxidative stress and antioxidants may therefore have therapeutic utility. A novel antioxidant, BN-82451 improved motor ability and survival and ameliorated neurodegeneration in R6/2 HD mice (The Huntington's

Disease Collaborative Research Group: 1993 and Hannan JA. 2004).

a) *Neurodegeneration and Huntington's Disease*

Neurodegeneration diseases have been characterized by progressive dysfunction and death of cells that affect specific neural systems. Neuronal loss is associated with misfolding and aggregation of proteins leading to accumulation of abnormal extracellular and intracellular filamentous deposits in specific cells types, mainly neurons and glia, representing the features of many neurodegeneration disorder (Mattson, 2006). Common pathogenic mechanism which cause neurodegeneration disorders are:

1. Oxidative stress and formation of free radicals / reactive oxygen species (ROS).
2. Mitochondrial dysfunction.
3. Neuroinflammatory dysfunction / neuro-immune response.
4. Abnormal protein dynamics with protein misfolding, defective protein degradation and aggregation.

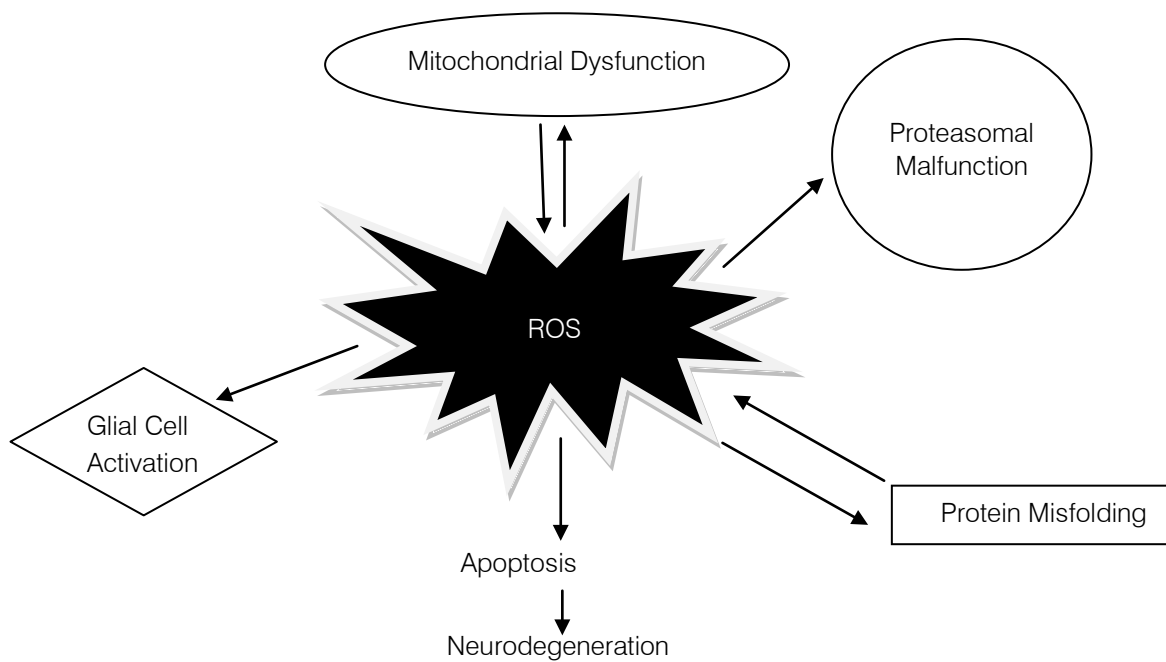


Fig. 2: Different mechanism leading to neurodegeneration

Dysfunction of mitochondrial energy metabolism leads to reduced ATP production, impaired calcium puffering, and generation of reactive oxygen species (ROS). Generation of reactive oxidants, including ROS is increased in damaged mitochondrial and in cells with compromised mitochondrial function.



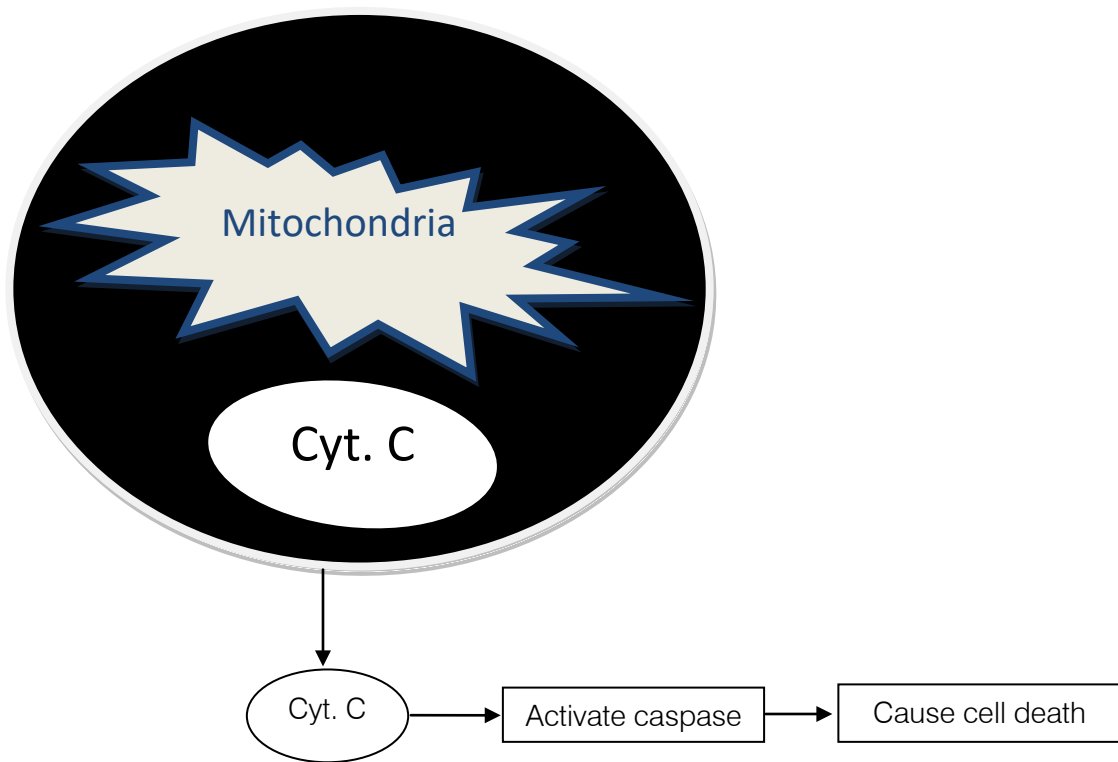


Fig. 3: Cascade leading to neuronal death related to mitochondria defects

Acute exposure of high levels of oxidant can induce the mitochondrial permeability transition (MPT), uncouple oxidative phosphorylation with catastrophic effect on mitochondrial energetics and contribute to cytotoxicity via necrosis or apoptosis through release of cytochrome c etc (Kwong JQ,2006).

On the other hand proteasomal inhibition reduced mitochondrial complex 1 and 11 activities, increased mitochondrial reactive oxygen species (ROS) production and increased the presence of damage production in autophagosomes (Sullivan P,2004).

## IX. INFLAMMATION AND HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE

Inflammation in the brain and the rest of the central nervous system (CNS) is a key factor in neurodegenerative diseases. Inflammation plays a significant role in the progression of HD. The previous Studies of the HD brain indicate that long-term inflammation plays a significant role in the progression of HD. It is suggested that excitotoxic amino acids such as glutamate induce a direct activation and proliferation of cells involved in inflammation. Since glutamate activity is also implicated in the progression of HD, it is possible that the glutamate molecules in the HD brain induce an inflammatory response (Arzberger T, et al., 1997). One of the first steps in excitotoxic neuronal damage involves the hyperstimulation of N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptors leading to a massive calcium influx that activates, among other processes, the calcium dependent phospholipase A2 (PLA2). Further, PLA2

cleaves membrane phospholipids to yield arachidonic acid (AA), a free fatty acid, which is converted by cyclooxygenases (COX) into prostaglandins (PGs). The inflammatory response results in the activation of various types of cells and the production of different molecules that can lead to cell death (Kukreja RC, et al., 1986).

An example of cells activated by the inflammatory response is the microglia (a type of immune cell), which have been found to be highly activated in the HD brain. Research has shown that there is an activated microglia is found along the vicinity of nerve cells that contain neuronal inclusions (NIs) – accumulation of the huntingtin protein. This finding suggests that the huntingtin protein accumulation influences the activation of reactive microglia. Nerve cell injury due to excitotoxins such as glutamate also induces long-term microglial activation in the brain (Arzberger T, et al., 1997 and Kukreja RC, et al., 1986).

Neuro-inflammation is mediated by soluble pro-inflammatory molecules such as cytokines, prostaglandins and nitric oxide (N.O) (Silvestroni *et al.*, 2009). While some mediators such as IL, TNF- $\alpha$  were increased in striatum and some mediators such as IL-6, IL-8 were also upregulated in cortex. Microglia, the resident immune cells of the CNS, play a critical role in inflammation-mediated neurodegeneration. An example of cells activated by the inflammatory response is the microglia, which has been found to be activated in the HD brain. Normally, microglia cells in their resting state vigilantly monitor the health of neurons. In brain damage

or infection, microglia cells become activated and may secrete a variety of inflammatory mediators and neurotoxic factors. Activated microglia cells trigger and maintain an inflammatory response, deluging neurons with a whole host of inflammatory mediators that may ultimately lead to neuronal cell death. Neurodegenerative CNS diseases, including Alzheimer's disease (AD), Parkinson's disease (PD), Huntington's disease (HD), amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), and age-related macular degeneration (ARMD), are all associated with chronic neuro-inflammation and elevated levels of several cytokines. Microglial activation and chronic inflammation thereafter is the starting point for elevated levels of a wide array of potentially neurotoxic molecules including pro-inflammatory cytokines, proteinases, and reactive oxygen species (ROS) (Boje, K *et al.*, 1992, Chao *et al.*, 1995, Chao *et al.*, 1992, Jeohn *et al.*, 1998 and Xie *et al.*, 2002). Suppression of microglial production of neurotoxic mediators will result in neuroprotection (Glass *et al.*, 2010 and Ransohoff, R *et al.*, 2009).

#### a) Oxidative Stress in HD

HD is an autosomal dominantly inherited progressive neurodegenerative disorder, affecting people in middle age. HD is characterized by the progressive development of involuntary choreiform movements, cognitive impairment, neuropsychiatric symptoms, and premature death. The etiology of HD is unknown, but increasing evidence suggests important roles of altered gene transcription, mitochondrial dysfunction, excitotoxicity, and oxidative stress (Gardian, G, *et al.*, 2004). Oxidative stress has been implicated in the neural dysfunction and death observed in neurodegenerative conditions such as Alzheimer's disease (AD) (Butterfield *et al.*, 2002a; Buterfield *et al.*, 2002b), Parkinson's disease (PD) (Blum *et al.*, 1997), as well as HD (Browne *et al.*, 1999; Goswami *et al.*, 2006; Chen *et al.*, 2007). Cells normally produce free radicals as by products of aerobic respiration and other metabolic processes (Grunewald *et al.*, 1999). These free radicals include reactive oxygen species (ROS). ROS are highly reactive oxidant and can have deleterious effects on cellular lipids, proteins, and DNA. Cells normally have enzymes and coenzymes that act as antioxidant. These are able to neutralize ROS and prevent them from causing damage (Heales *et al.*, 2002). ROS include the superoxide anion ( $O_2^-$ ), hydrogen peroxide ( $H_2O_2$ ), nitric acid (NO) and hydroxyl radicals (OH) (Keller *et al.*, 2001). The primary site of the production of these free radicals is the mitochondrion (Fleury *et al.*, 2002). Superoxide is produced within the mitochondrion at complexes 1, 11, 111 and 1V of the electron transport chain. A single electron is transferred from the electron transport chain at these sites to molecular oxygen. The reaction of superoxide with  $H^+$  catalyzed by superoxide dismutase (SOD) produces

$H_2O_2$  (Keller *et al.*, 2001; Klein *et al.*, 2003).  $H_2O_2$  reacts with the transition metals  $cu^+$  or  $Fe^{2+}$  via the Fenton reaction to produce the hydroxyl radical. NO is produced by nitric oxide synthase (NOS), which catalyzes the conversion of arginine to citrulline and NO. NO can react with superoxide to produce the Peroxynitrite free radicals (Deckel *et al.*, 2001).

Oxidative stress is defined as the imbalance between biochemical processes which are responsible for the production of reactive oxygen species (ROS) and those responsible for removal of ROS (Browne S *et al.*, 1997). Oxidative Stress is the common denominator of the disease. HD is widely distributed in both neurons and extraneuronal tissues. Oxidative Stress plays an important role in HD pathogenesis. In Huntington's disease, the damage caused by oxidative stress includes lipid peroxidation, protein oxidation and DNA oxidation. 8-hydroxydeoxyguanase (8-OHdn), an oxidized DNA marker which increased in the caudate of the HD patients (Browne S *et al.*, 1997). The increased level of 8-OHdn in mitochondrial DNA of the parietal cortex was found in late stage of HD (Polidori M, *et al.*, 1999). Several studies have documented increased oxidative damage to DNA outside the brain of Huntington's disease patients by demonstrating increased 8- OHdn in HD peripheral blood (Chen C, *et al.*, 2007 and Hersch S *et al.*, 2006). Oxidative stress caused by N-terminal fragments of mutant htt which can be suppressed by over-expression of heatshock proteins in a HD cellular model. Oxidative stress could promote htt aggregation and mutant htt induced cell death by impairing proteosomal function. Oxidative damage has been associated with neuronal loss in HD (Goswami A *et al.*, 2006). These data indicate a role for oxidative stress in mediating HD and this may be alleviated by antioxidant therapy.

## X. DEVELOPMENT OF NOVEL THERAPEUTICS FOR HD

HD is a progressive disorder with fatal outcome. At present there are no effective treatments. Since the identification of the HD gene in 1993, great advancement in the understanding of the molecular biology and pathophysiology of the disorder has been occurred. The advances have suggested a new therapeutics strategy aimed at slowing disease progression or forestalling the onset of this devastating neurodegenerative disease. The treatment option available for HD are symptomatic which focus on neurological and psychiatric symptoms and aim to improve quality of life (Boneli and Hoffman, 2007). Agents that inhibit mutant huntingtin aggregation and Transglutaminase inhibitors. The huntingtin aggregates and inclusions play a major role in the pathogenesis of HD. Inhibit mutant huntingtin from aggregation would provide a way to prevent the progression of the disease

(Aiken CT, *et al.*, 2004). Transglutaminase (TGase) can use huntingtin as a substrate to cross-link huntingtin molecules. TGase activity was found to have increased in HD postmortem brains (Karpuj MV, *et al.*, 2002). Cystamine is an inhibitor of TGase and showed a small but significant neuroprotective effect with improvement of motor function, survival and loss of bodyweight. Protease inhibitors Recent findings showed that huntingtin could be cleaved by proteases, including caspases, calpain, and aspartyl protease. Caspase and calpain-mediated partial cleavage of mutant huntingtin promotes huntingtin aggregation and cellular toxicity, inhibitors of huntingtin partial cleavage might have therapeutic values. Caspase inhibitors, z-VAD-fmk and z-DEVD-fmk, can prevent cleavage of huntingtin by caspases and reduce cytotoxicity caused by expanded polyglutamine tract (Chen M, *et al.*, 2000). Caspase inhibitor minocycline was able to inhibit huntingtin aggregation, retard disease progress and prolong the lifespan of HD mice. Protease inhibitors could reduce N-htt fragments and in turn, prevent or delay disease progression (Wang X, *et al.*, 2003). Histone deacetylase (HDAC) inhibitors Inhibitors of histone deacetylase (HDAC) can increase gene transcription and have been examined as a potential therapy in both HD Drosophila and transgenic R6/2 HD mice. Suberoylanilide hydroxamic acid (SAHA), a selective HDAC inhibitor, reduced neurodegeneration in HD Drosophila (Steffan JS, *et al.*, 2001).

#### a) Other Neuroprotective Approaches Gene Therapy

Intracellular antibodies (intrabodies) and RNA interference (RNAi) are two potential methods that could be used for gene therapy of HD. Mitochondria dysfunction has been implicated in HD pathogenesis. Therefore, compounds enhancing energy metabolism have been evaluated for treatment of HD. Coenzyme Q10 and creatine are neuroprotective, putatively via enhancing cerebral energy metabolism (Browne SE, *et al.*, 1999; Qin ZH, *et al.*, 2004). Neural cell transplantation is also under development for the treatment of HD. Brain derived Neurotrophic factors: Brain derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) expression is reduced in the caudate and putamen of patients with HD. That enhanced expression of neurotrophic factors may mitigate the effects of neurotoxins and thus be a potential therapeutic strategy was explored in animal and cell models (Bemelmans AP, *et al.*, 1999 and Davis JD, *et al.*, 2001).

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Opioid analgesics play a vital role in pain management. Post-operative analgesia involves a cocktail of drugs like NSAIDS, Anaesthetic blocks, Opioids and non- Opioids. Post-operative analgesia is also administered through various routes of oral, Intra-muscular, Intravenous, Epidural catheters, Anaesthetic blocks, infiltrations and latest one being the transdermal drug formulations [1]. Transdermal drug formulations provide a stable plasma drug concentration ensuring long lasting and adequate pain relief. These formulations are long acting, non-invasive, reduce morbidity and increased quality of life in patients [2].

Buprenorphine is a semi-synthetic derivative of the baine with a reactive alkaloid of morphine in it. It has a molecular weight of 467 and chemically an opioid because of the inclusion of a C-7 side chain containing a t-butyl group.

Pharmacological effects of buprenorphine are brought about by the binding of the molecule with  $\mu$  (Mu),  $\kappa$  (Kappa) and  $\delta$  (Delta) receptors. It is a partial agonist at Mu receptor and antagonist at Kappa and Delta receptors. Analgesia is brought about through  $\mu$  receptor action. It has a high affinity and low intrinsic activity towards Mu receptor. Buprenorphine

demonstrates slow binding and delayed dissociation compared to morphine. The analgesic effects are sustained because of its activity on Mu receptor and doesn't cause abstinence syndrome on withdrawal of drug because of antagonistic action on Kappa and Delta receptor. Analgesic effects are also postulated because of agonistic activity on opioid receptor like receptor [ORL1] but has low affinity compared to other receptors [3]. Antagonist action on  $\kappa$  and delta receptors shows less sedation, spinal analgesia and psychomimetic effects than morphine or fentanyl [4].

Pharmacokinetic profile of buprenorphine is lipophilic and exhibits multiphasic clearance. It is highly protein bound mostly to alpha-globulin and beta-globulin fractions. Since most drugs bind to albumin there is no competition for binding proteins with less drug interactions. Oral Buprenorphine has low bio-availability of 15%. Buprenorphine has extensive first pass metabolism in GI mucosa and liver, it is conjugated with glucuronic acid and metabolised by CYP3A4 into buprenorphine and nor-buprenorphine. Nor-Buprenorphine which exerts a week analgesic action of minimal significance. End stage renal failure doesn't affect the excretion of drug [5].

Transdermal delivery systems which comes in various dosages and company brands. They have many advantages which primarily includes non-invasive administration and rate controlled delivery of drug[6]. They maintain a steady state of plasma concentration of drug. They have good patient tolerability and efficacy, commonly used in chronic pain states as cancer, non-cancerous conditions, chronic musculoskeletal pain conditions like osteoarthritis knee and low back ache. Clinical studies suggest that transdermal patch has increased the odds of more than 10 in functional improvement after buprenorphine patch in chronic musculoskeletal pain scenario. These transdermal systems have been designed to overcome the pharmacokinetic dis-advantages of oral and parenteral administration of drug which include poor gastrointestinal absorption, first pass metabolism and low bio-availability.

The increased analgesic potency of buprenorphine, lipophilic nature, low molecular weight and low addictive potential makes it an ideal drug of choice through transdermal route in management of

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post-operative analgesia [7]. Transdermal buprenorphine doesn't have immunosuppressant effect at therapeutic analgesic doses unlike morphine and fentanyl.

Transdermal buprenorphine patches are advocated in the elderly population by the American Geriatric society for chronic pain conditions [8]. Society suggests buprenorphine patches as a first line management in chronic pain conditions followed by NSAIDS only when acute exacerbations are present. Buprenorphine can be used in renal failure and dose adjustment is not needed [9].

Transdermal patches use matrix technology which homogenously incorporates the drug in a solid matrix patch when applied to the skin and remained effective for a minimum duration of 72 hours to seven days [10].

Common side effects of transdermal buprenorphine are nausea, vomiting and less incidence of constipation compared to other opioids [11]. Respiratory depression is a potential complication of opioids which commonly includes Morphine, Methadone, hydromorphone, oxycodone and transdermal fentanyl [12]. Buprenorphine since having partial Mu receptor agonist activity, respiratory depression can occur. Respiratory depression due to buprenorphine is a rare complication which will have a slow onset and a longer duration compared to full Mu agonists like morphine, hence reversal with naloxone is difficult and also requires higher doses of naloxone for reversal. Buprenorphine has a ceiling effect or a bell shaped curve with regards to respiratory depression and analgesia at doses >1mg/kg and 0.1mg/kg. Ceiling effect on respiratory depression is not dependent doses used for analgesic action and recent literature suggests a linear dose response without any evidence of a ceiling effect in the therapeutic drug window. Ceiling effect provides safety profile for the drug which is not present with morphine or fentanyl. Reports of fatal respiratory depression have been rarely reported in literature mostly occurring in drug addicts [13].

In case of respiratory depression, management is to discontinue the drug delivery of buprenorphine, give oxygen mask, IV naloxone 2 mg stat over 90sec, commence naloxone 4mg/hour intravenously, continue

monitoring till 90 min, monitor patient for next 24 hour and restart dose when the patient condition is satisfactory at a reduced dose[14].

Pharmacokinetics - buprenorphine is metabolised in liver and its metabolism is not affected in patients with renal failure. The major metabolite being nor-buprenorphine which has low potency and low affinity of this metabolite to receptors and is less likely to cause toxicity in renal failure [15].

## II. CASE REPORT

We describe a case of a 78 year old female with a weight of 72 kg and 146 cm in height. The patient was posted for elective right total knee replacement. Pre-operative her blood parameters were Hb- 12.3 g/dl, urea-32 and creatinine-1.1. She was a known hypertensive on Tab. Calcigard 10 mg OD with ASA grade 2. Her spirometry report was in normal range.

She was operated for right total knee replacement and intra-operative period was uneventful. On post-operative day-1, she was shifted to general wing from surgical ICU and was put on buprenorphine patch of strength 10 µg/h for pain management near the incision site after dressing the wound. On POD-2, she became drowsy and was talking irrelevantly. Her saturation in room air was 84%. Her blood parameters showed sodium-138mmol/l and potassium-4.6mmol/l. Arterial Blood gas analysis from the femoral artery showed elevated P<sub>CO2</sub> suggesting respiratory acidosis due to sedation effect and her respiratory inhalation wasn't strong. Patient was started on oxygen mask with 4L of oxygen and serial values of Arterial blood gas analysis were measured. The buprenorphine patch also was removed in view of suspicion of buprenorphine induced respiratory depression and respiratory acidosis.

The patient had a back ground of chronic renal failure with elevated creatinine with a value of 1.1-1.3 which could have added a metabolic component to the respiratory acidosis. Patient improved after the removal of patch. After two days, patient was mobilised and started on chest physiotherapy with deep breathing exercises. She was shifted to ward and discharged on day 5. The serial blood gas analysis values are showed in Table 1.

Table 1: Arterial Blood Gas Analysis Values

Parameter	Arterial Blood gas values at Admission(ICU)	Arterial Blood Gas Values at discharge(Ward)	Normal Values
PH	7.19	7.30	7.350-7.450
PCO2	55	40	32.0-48.0 mmHg
PO2	88	95	83.0-108 mmHg
HCO3-	20.9	24.3	21.0-28.0mmol/L
SPO2	84%	98%	98%

### III. DISCUSSION

Transdermal buprenorphine patches are commonly used in the post-operative period for pain management along with other analgesics [8]. In our patient, in view of her pre-operative elevated borderline creatinine values, she was only put on paracetamol injection through intra-venous route for pain. Her pain wasn't relieved and started on Buprenorphine patch. Buprenorphine being a semi-synthetic analogue of morphine have a partial mu receptor action causing analgesia with a ceiling effect for respiratory depression [9]. Transdermal buprenorphine patch causing respiratory depression in an adult is rarely reported in English literature.

We report a probable case of buprenorphine patch induced sedation and mild respiratory depression with a background of underlying chronic renal pathology. Old age with pain adding as a catalyst to the base line situation leading to respiratory acidosis and falling oxygen saturation values. The patient returned back to her physiological state after starting on oxygen, IV fluids, Input-output monitoring and removal of buprenorphine patch.

Awareness of such a pharmacological side effect of buprenorphine patch when used as a modality of pain management in elderly population. Buprenorphine patch induced respiratory depression has been reported in paediatric age but not in adults. We want to emphasize in our report, the careful use of morphine or buprenorphine patches in elderly population to avoid complications.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Nausea and vomiting are common digestive problems that affect the quality of life. They also are common problems in patient with chronic disease conditions (40-70%) such as cancer. Nausea and vomiting can be disease or adverse effect of drugs. It can be due to various reasons such as: motion sickness, pregnancy, stomach irritation, chemotherapy, and post-operative factors [1-3].

Nausea is an unpleasant subjective sensation and a feeling close to vomiting. Vomiting includes two stages; retching stomach and exit of the material through the mouth [4, 5].

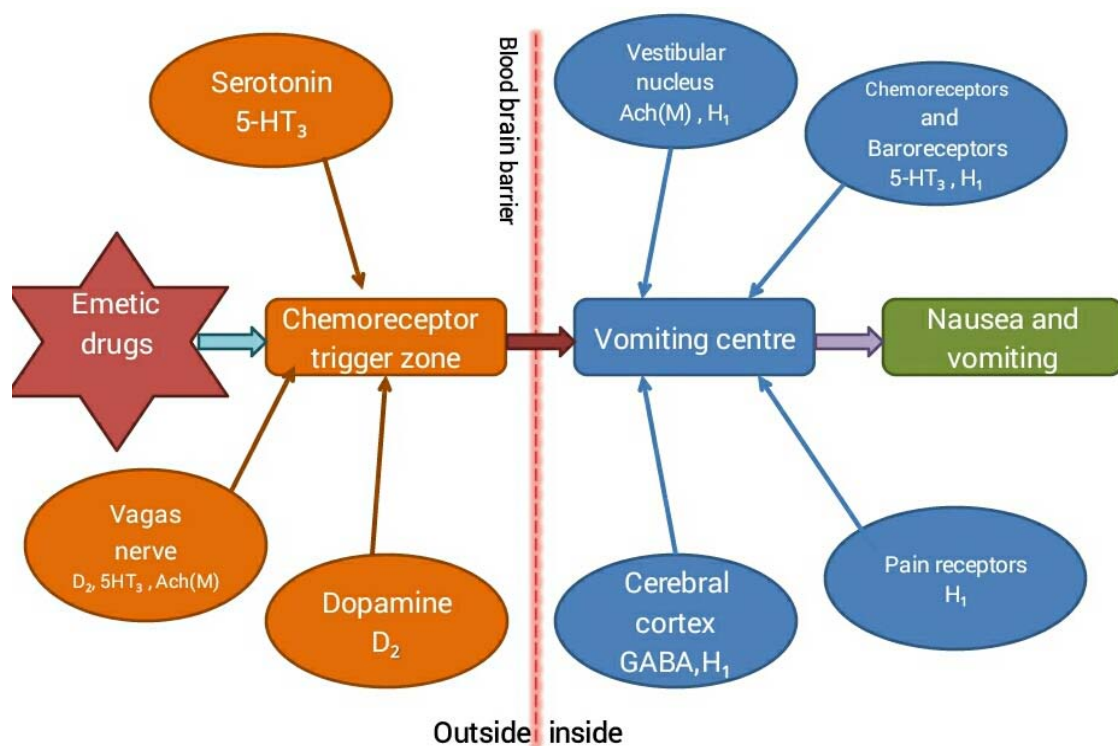


Fig. 1: This figure shows some of the factors that initiate vomiting and the neurotransmitter that involved in nausea and vomiting and where the antiemetic drugs involve to preventing nausea and vomiting

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Nausea and vomiting mechanism is complex. Excessive secretion of saliva occurs while nausea that shows the involvement of autonomic nervous system, so nausea is an event that involves a wide range of central nervous system and gastrointestinal tract [6].

There are two areas of the brain that are important in vomiting; the vomiting centre (VC) and the chemoreceptor trigger zone (CTZ) (Fig. 1). The VC makes network in parts of the brain stem and coordinates the actions of smooth muscles and skeletal functions involved in the vomiting [7, 8].

Persian medicine (PM) is a set of knowledge and practices used for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases [9]. This knowledge has been transferred from generation to generation since ancient times. World Health Organization (WHO) to implement the slogan "Health for all" is intended to develop traditional medicine, this decision was based on two fundamental: first, lack of people (up to 80% in some areas) to access primary health care and second, the lack of satisfaction with the treatment of modern medicine [10-13].

## II. FACTORS THAT INITIATE VOMITING

There are number of medicines to control of nausea and vomiting (Table 1) that with these antiemetic drugs, vomiting can be prevented in up to 70–80 % of patients [14]. Table 1 shows the modern drugs that use to treatment of nausea and vomiting.

## III. METHODS

In this article we used "comprehensive library of Islamic and traditional medicine software" and from

about one thousands book we choose six important Persian Medicine (PM) book such as: Canon of medicine, Al-Abnieah, Tohfeh, Ekhtiarat, Al-shamel and Makhzan-ol-advieh. These books are written between 9-19 centuries. In other hand we searched Scopus, Pubmed, Google scholar and Science Direct for some of these plants that are effective in treatment of nausea and vomiting.

There are several terms that associated with nausea and vomiting in PM such as: "Ghe'y", "Ghesyan", "Tahavo", and "Taghalobenaphs" refers to "vomiting", "nausea", "retching", and "permanent nausea", respectively. Herbal medicines specifications include: scientific, PM and common names, also their part(s) of used, some notifications and references that can use as drug to control of nausea and vomiting in PM were presented in this article.

## IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this paper, we investigated six important books of Persian medicine and the result was about 126 plants that use for treatment of nausea and vomiting and in this paper 94 plants were presented.

Table 2 shows the plants that used for curing nausea and vomiting. This table sort by family name of plants and including data on the subject of: scientific name, PM name, and common name, part used, notice and the collection source.

Table 1: Modern drugs that use for treatment of nausea and vomiting

Line	Chemical class	Antiemetic drugs	Root	Neurotransmitters	Rider	References
1	5-Hydroxy-tryptamine (5-HT <sub>3</sub> ) antagonists	Ondansetron	Oral ,**IV	5-HT	Common side effect includes headaches, flushing, constipation/ diarrhea, malaise/ fatigue and bradycardias.	[15-17]
		Granisetron	Oral, IV, patch			
		Dolasetron	Oral, IV			
2	Steroids	Dexamethasone	IV	-	As Anti-nausea drug that is effective in *PONV and chemotherapy	[18, 19]
3	Antihistamines	Cyclizine	Oral	Histamine	Pain while injecting and tachycardia limited it use. It often use in motion sickness. IV administration can cause tissue injury including: gangrene, burning.	[20-22]
		Promethazine	Oral, IV , ***IM			
4	Phenothiazines	Prochlorperizine	IV ,IM	Dopamine	Extra-pyramidal effect and sedation limited it use. Avoiding using in Parkinson's patient.	[22-24]
		Perphenazine	IV			
5	Butyrophenones	Droperidol	IV, IM	Dopamine	It has the risk of sudden deaths because of long QT syndrome and torsades de pointes. 0.625-1.25 mg may be more effective for PONV	[25]



6	Benzamides	Metoclopramide	IV, IM , oral	Dopamine	Following in a single dose Extra-pyramidal side effects may occur up to 72 hours	[26]
7	Artimuscarinics	Hyoscine	IM, IV , SC, patch	Acetylcholine	-	[27]
8	NK <sub>1</sub>	Aprepitant	Oral ,IV ,	Substance P	It use for nausea and vomiting induced by chemotherapy. It is effective for POVN	[28]
9	Cannabinoids	Nabilone	Oral	-	The effect of these two drugs are currently being investigated -they use in control of emetic induce by chemotherapy. They are not effective in PONV	[29-31]
		Tetrahydrocannabinol	IM, IV			

\*PONV: Postoperative nausea and vomiting \*\*IV: intravenous \*\*\*IM: intramuscular

Table 2: The plants that used in Persian medicine to treatment of nausea and vomiting

Family	Scientific name	Persian Medicine name	Common name	Part(s) Used	Notice	References
Acanthaceae	<i>Justicia adhatoda</i>	Ajhose	Tentacle	Root	Its root can use for treatment of nausea	[32-34]
Alliaceae	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Bassal	Onion	Bulb	Cooking or fostering it with vinegar prevents nausea.	[32, 33, 35]
Anacardiaceae	<i>Mangifera indica</i>	Anbaj (anbeh)	Mango	Peduncle	Peduncle near the leaf with black pepper can stop vomiting.	[32, 33, 36]
	<i>Pistacia intigerrima</i>	Kakera	Crab's claw, Kakkar	Gall	It is more effective in vomiting.	[32, 33, 37]
	<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>	Mastaci	Mastic	Resin	Drinking of it with appropriate spices use for treatment of vomiting.2.5 g of it with 450 g of water boil in a new pitcher until 1/3 of it remain, then drink it, if to be finished use a new pitcher, it use for treatment of emesis.	[32, 33, 38]
	<i>Pistacia vera</i>	Fastagh	Pistachio	Peel and kernel	Macerate external Green peel in water and drink it can prevent vomiting. It can prevent nausea and lock vomiting.	[32, 33, 39]
	<i>Rhus coriria</i>	Sumac	Sumac	Seed and leaf	Seed that be crushed with caraway-seed can calm emetic by drinking with cold water, in a person that always have emesis. (12.5 g of the syrup.) It remove/calm emetic.	[1, 32, 33]
Apiaceae (Umbelliferae)	<i>Anethum graveolens</i>	Shabat (shivid)	Dill	Leaf and seed	Eating its cooked leaves and seed remove nausea	[32, 33, 40]
	<i>Apium graveolens</i>	Karafs	Celery	Leaf, seed and root	Drinking 37.5 g of extract/7.5 g of it/ 12.5 g of cooked root, use for remove emesis. Drinking of leaf and root that mixed with honey can calm emesis.	[32, 33, 41]

	<i>Carum carvi</i>	Cumon	Caraway- seed	Seed	It can be effective in emesis.	[32, 33, 42]
	<i>Carum copiticum</i>	Nankhah	Aniseed, Bishop's weed	Seed	Up to 7.5 g to improve and calming of emesis.	[32, 33]
	<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>	Kazbareh	Coriander	Fruit	37.5 g of juice and 75-112.5 g of it can lock and remove emesis. When it combines with sumac can be more effective in preventing of vomiting. 5 g of it with 7.5 g of plantain water prevent vomiting.	[32, 33, 43]
	<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>	Keroya	Cumin	Seed	-up to 12.5 g of syrup to prevent vomiting.	[32, 33, 44]
	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Razianj	Fennel	Seed, root	Alone or with appropriate spice use for treatment of nausea. With cold water is effective for nausea with fever.	[32, 33, 45]
Asphodelaceae	<i>Aloe barbadensis, A. Littoralis</i>	Sabar	Aloe	Gel of outer leaf	It can prevent permanent nausea.	[32, 33, 46]
Asteraceae (compositae)	<i>Artemisia dracunculus</i>	Tarkhon	Tarragon	Aerial parts	It is gastrotonic and can prevents nausea and vomiting	[32, 33, 47]
	<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>	Dehamasa	Artichoke	Leaves, Root	It can calm vomiting	[32, 33, 48]
	<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	Handba	Chicory (Endive)	Leaf	Drinking of its extract use for treatment of vomiting. 225 g of juice use to calming emesis.	[32, 33, 49]
Berberidaceae	<i>Berberis asiatica</i>	Hazaz hendi	Chutro, Rasanjan	Fruit	It can calm vomiting.	[32, 33, 50]
	<i>Berberis vulgaris</i>	Emberbaris	Barberry	Fruit	75 g of Barberry juice prevent nausea.	[32, 33, 51]
Urticaceae	<i>Parietaria officinalis</i>	Azanofar	Wall palitory	Whole plant	Drinking of 5 g of syrup can calm nausea	[32, 33, 52]
Brassicaceae (Cruciferae)	<i>Descurainia sophia</i>	Khobbe	Hedge-mustard/ Garlic hedge-mustard	Seed	Decoction of its seed with water or rose water that drink 0.5 g of it warmly, can calm vomiting and if vomiting continue use it again until it stop	[32, 33, 53]

Burseraceae	<i>Boswellia sacra</i>	Condor	Frankincense (Oliban)	Oleogum resin	It use with Mastic for treatment of emesis. 1.25 g of syrup can lock vomiting. It can remove/prevent emesis.	[32, 33, 54]
Cannabaceae	<i>Cannabis sativa</i>	Ghanab	Hemo-seed	Seed	The seed of it can calm nausea.	[32, 33, 55]
	<i>Humulus lupulus</i>	Ashne	Bruon	Whole of plant	7.5 g of cooked plant lock/ remove emesis. It also can calm nausea It can lock and cut vomiting	[32, 33, 56]
Caricaceae	<i>Carica papaya</i>	Pepite	Papaw (papaya)	Fruit and latex	Drinking of it alone or with combination of appropriate spices, for vomiting that don't stop.	[32, 33, 57]
Cistaceae	<i>Cistus ladaniferus</i>	Lazan	Labdanum	oleo-resin	It use for preventing of nausea.	[32, 33, 58]
Combretaceae	<i>Terminalia chebula</i>	Ahlije-kaboli	Myrobalan/ chebulic myrobalan	whole of plant	Whole of plant use for treatment of nausea.	[32, 33, 59]
Curcubitaceae	<i>Cucurbita maxima, C.pepo</i>	Gharae	Winter quash	Fruit	It can prevent vomiting	[32, 33, 60]
Cycadaceae	<i>Cycas revoluta</i>	Jemar	Sago palm	Fruit	It can remove vomiting	[32, 33, 61]
Cyperaceae	<i>Cyperus longus</i>	Saed	Sedge/ Galingale	Roots and bark	2.5-10 g of syrup to cut vomiting. If chafed it, then put it a ceramic on the fire until dried, so eat some of it every morning, it in combination of <i>Pistacia atlantica</i> oil can cut vomiting. Poultice or drinkable of it cut vomiting.	[32, 33, 62]
Elaeagnaceae	<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>	Ghabira	Oleaster/ Russian olive	Fruit	It can calm and lock vomiting. It is also effective in nausea.	[32, 33, 63]
Fagaceae	<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Ballot	Holm oak	fruit	It use for treatment of nausea.	[32, 33, 64]



Fumariaceae	<i>Fumaria parviflora</i>	Shahtaraj	Fumitory	Aerial parts	Fumitory with vinegar to treatment of emesis. 7.5-12.5 g of it/ 150-300 g of juice in combination of yellow myrobalan water that cooked with sugar, and in cooked 12.5-25 g of it/12.5 g of seed can be effective in emesis. If it mixed with vinegar, can calm emesis.	[32, 33, 65]
Hypericaceae	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Naksir	St john's wort	Flower	It removes vomiting.	[32, 33, 66]
Labiatae (Lamiaceae)	<i>Thymus serpyllum</i>	Sisanber-nemam	Wild thyme	Seed, Aerial part	Drinking seed with wine can prevent emesis. Drinking it with vinegar use for treatment of bloody vomiting. 5 g of syrup can use for treatment of vomiting.	[32, 33, 67]
	<i>Mentha aquatica</i>	Fodanj	Pennyroyal	Aerial parts	Up to 5 g of syrup use for remove of emesis. If it used with vinegar, can calm nausea and vomiting. Its combination with syrup of pomegranate use for remove of emesis.	[32, 33, 68]
	<i>Mentha piperita</i>	Na'na	Mint	Leaf and peduncle	Drinking 2-3 peduncles with sour pomegranate juice for treatment of emesis. It is effective in the vomiting.	[32, 33, 69]
	<i>Ocimum basilicum</i>	Franjmeshk	Common calamint	Aerial parts	It can prevent nausea.	[32, 33, 70]
	<i>Teucrium montanum</i>	Marmahooz	Marram/ marum	Leaf, flower and seed	5 g of leaf, seed and flower syrup and 37.5 g of juice calm and prevent emesis.	[32, 33, 71]
	<i>Satureja hortensis</i>	Satar	Summer savory	Leaves	Eating it is more effective in nausea. Drinking cooked juice of it with purgative spices for treatment of nausea	[32, 33, 72]
Lauraceae	<i>Sassafras albidum</i>	Sasaferas	Sassafras	Root bark	It can remove emesis.	[32, 33, 73]
Leguminosae (Fabaceae)	<i>Acacia arabica</i>	aghaghia	Locust/acacia	Gum	It is effective in nausea and it also can lock vomiting	[32, 33, 74]
	<i>Alhagi camelorum, A. maurorum</i>	Taranjebin	Hedysarum	Manna	It use for treatment of nausea.	[32, 33, 75]

	<i>Tamarindus indica</i>	Tamr hendi	Tamarind	Fruit	35- 150 g of syrup can calm nausea. It is effective in vomiting and prevents vomiting with astringent effect. Note: do not macerate tamarind for a long time, because it can cause emetic.	[32, 33, 76]
	<i>Trigonella corniculata</i>	Handeghogh i bostani	Cultivated fenugreek	Fruit	It can effective in nausea	[32, 33, 77]
	<i>Vicia faba</i>	Baghala	Faba bean/Broad bean	Fruit	It removed vomiting	[32, 33, 78]
Lythraceae	<i>Punica granatum</i>	Romane hamez	Pomegranate	Flowers and fruit	Juice and wine of fruit can prevent vomiting. Crushed sour pomegranate with currant and cumin can exterminate vomiting. It can cut vomiting.	[32, 33, 79]
Malvaceae	<i>Adansonia digitata</i>	Habhabo	Baobab	Fruit	2.5 g of syrup cut emesis	[32, 33, 80]
Meliaceae	<i>Melia azedarach</i>	Azad derakht	Bead tree/ Persian lilac/ china berry/Azedarach	Leaf, flower, root	Drinking of extract can prevent nausea. Poultice of leaf on stomach can calm nausea.	[32, 33, 81]
Moraceae	<i>Morus alba, M. nigra</i>	Toot hamez	Mulberry	Fruit	It can lock vomiting.	[32, 33, 82]
Moringaceae	<i>Moringa arabica/ M. pterygosperma</i>	Habo roman	Horseradish Tree	Seed	Oil of seeds with Mastic use for vomiting. 5 g of syrup of it can be effective in emesis.	[32, 33, 83]
Myristicaceae	<i>Myristica fragrans</i>	Jozeboa	Mace	Fruit	Up to 10 g of syrup prevent/remove emesis. Note: great use of it can cause immorality	[32, 33, 84]
Myrtaceae	<i>Eugenia caryophyllata</i>	Gharanfol	Clove	Flower	Up to 5 g of syrup can be effective in remove/ calm of emesis. It is more effective in emesis.	[32, 33, 85]
	<i>Myrtus Communis</i>	Ase	Common Myrtle	Seed	Juice of seed can calm vomiting. Drinking of seeds syrup and its extract is effective in prevent vomiting.	[32, 33, 86]
Oxalidaceae	<i>Oxalis acetosella</i>	Hemaz	Clover	Flower, Leaf	45 g of syrup calming, curing and remove emesis. Note: the kind of it that grows near water is effective in nausea.	[32, 33, 87]





Papilionaceae	<i>Lupinus termis</i> , <i>L. angustifolia</i>	Tarmas	Lupine	Seed, Leaves	It can calm nausea and prevent vomiting.	[32, 33, 88]
Phyllanthaceae	<i>Phyllanthus emblica</i>	Amlaj/ Shiramlaj	Emblic	Fruit	7.5-12.5 g of plant and 25 g of it cooked can prevent vomiting. Macerate Emblic in milk can prevent vomiting. It can calm vomiting and cut it.	[32, 33, 89]
Piperaceae	<i>Piper longum</i>	Pipal/ darolfelfel	Pepper	Leaf	Burn the dried leaf (7 pieces) that felt of tree, transfer it rapidly to cold water; then drink the water, this can prevent emesis 5 g of syrup remove vomiting. Its water macerate extract can prevent emesis.	[32, 33, 90]
Poaceae (Gramineae)	<i>Agropyron repens</i>	Dop/ Bidgiahe	Couch grass	Leaf and peduncle	Drinking of leaf extract and thin peduncle that washed with white rice and chafe with each other in combination of crystallised sugar, can remove vomiting.	[32, 33, 91]
	<i>Andropogon schoenanthus</i>	Azkhar	Lemon grass	Root, Flower bloom	5g of it alone or combination with pepper use for treatment and calming of nausea. It use for calming vomiting.	[32, 33, 92]
	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	Sile/ Margh/ Bidgiahe	Bermuda grass	Seed and root	Its seed extract cut vomiting.	[32, 33, 93]
	<i>Hordeum vulgare</i>	Shaeer	Barley	Seed	Flour of the barley with juice of pomegranate use for treatment of vomiting. Give time (one night) to dough of the barley to turn acid then eat 37.5-45.0 g of it can use for treatment of vomiting. Flour of it is effective in treatment of vomiting	[32, 33, 94]
	<i>Panicum miliaceum</i>	Dakhan/ Arzan	Broomcorn/hog millet red/broom tail/ millet	Seed	Flour of it can cut vomiting.	[32, 33, 95]
	<i>Saccharum spontaneum</i>	Tabashir	Tabasheer	Stem	5 g of syrup cut vomiting	[32, 33, 96]
	<i>Oryza sativa</i>	Orz / brenj	Rice	seed	It combination with fresh yogurt diluted with water and sumac can calm nausea. 75 g of grilled rice that macerate in water (200-250 g) at night then drink the filtrate of it, this can remove nausea.	[32, 33, 97]

Polygonaceae	<i>Polygonum bistorta</i>	Anjbar	Bistort	Leaf/whole of plant	5 g of distillates (syrup)/ 2.5 g of extract / 12.5 g of leaf is effective in treatment of emesis. 5 g of half-bruised of it that boiling with sugar can cut vomiting. It can calm vomiting.	[32, 33, 98]
	<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	Asioraei	Knotgrass	Aerial part	350 g of syrup lock /cut vomiting.	[32, 33, 99]
	<i>Rheum ribes</i>	Ribas	Syrian Rhubarb	Whole plant	Up to 75 g of syrup remove/lock vomiting. It can calm nausea). Note: Inspissated juice is much stronger than juice of it.	[32, 33, 100]
Portulacaceae	<i>Portulaca oleracea</i>	Baghlat ol hamgha	Portulaca	Leaf, seeds and peduncle	It can calm and prevent vomiting.	[32, 33, 94]
Ranunculaceae	<i>Nigella sativa</i>	Shoniz	Negella seeds/ ergot of rye	seed	It use for treatment of nausea.	[32, 33, 101]
	<i>Thalictrum foliolosum</i>	Piaranga	Meadow-rue	Root, Aerial part	1/3 of it with 2/3 of black pepper that bruised with each other, then tablet it of the required size of pea and use one of it in the morning and the other at night	[32, 33, 102]
Rhamnaceae	<i>Zizyphus sativa</i>	Onabe	Jujube	Leaf	Chew the leave can use for treatment of emesis.	[32, 33, 94]
Rosaceae	<i>Amygdalus communis var. amara</i>	Lozolmare/ Lose bari and lose jabali	Almond	Flower and fruit	Up to 7.5 g of syrup and up to 5 g of flower remove vomiting. 10 g of flower syrup and 15 g of fruit syrup can remove vomiting	[32, 33, 94]
	<i>Crataegus azarolus</i>	Zaeror	Hawthorn	Fruit	62.5 g of juice and 30 g of fruit calm and lock vomiting.	[32, 33, 103]
	<i>Cerasus vulgaris</i>	Gharasia (Albalo)	Cherry	Fruit	It can cut emesis and remove vomiting.	[32, 33, 104]
	<i>cydonia vulgaris</i>	Safar jal	Quince	Fruit	Inspissated juice (up to 20 g) of sour fruit remove and cut vomiting. Smell of it can prevent emesis With leaf of spearmint use for prevention of emesis. Use up to 75 g of juice of it cut vomiting. It and its extract prevent vomiting. Also it can prevent nausea.	[32, 33, 105]

	<i>Malus domestica</i>	Toffah	Apple	Fruit	35 g of Inspissated juice of fruit without sweetening can prevalence nausea. Dried/flour fruit with pomegranate juice and other appropriate spices can reduce vomiting. Flour of apple prevented emesis. Chew it with honey calm vomiting. It also can prevent nausea. Sour of apple can calm vomiting.	[32, 33, 106]
	<i>Pyrus communis</i>	Kamsari	Pear	Whole of plant	Inspissated juice locks vomiting. It can prevent emesis. It can lock vomiting.	[32, 33, 107]
	<i>Prunus cerasifera</i>	Ejas/ Adrak/ Shamloj	Damson	Fruit	225 g of syrup is effective/calm and prevent vomiting. The sour of it can be effective in nausea. 5 g of it in combination with 5 g pepper can remove nausea. Green damson can cut vomiting.	[32, 33, 108]
	<i>Rosa canina</i>	Nasrin	Jonquil	Petal	It use for treatment of vomiting.	[32, 33, 109]
Rutaceae	<i>citrus aurantium var. amara</i>	Naranj	Sour orange	Fruit	Drinking 3.75 g of dried fruit with warm water use for treatment of emesis. Sour of it can calm vomiting.	[32, 33, 110]
	<i>Citrus limonum var. dulcis</i>	Lemon	Lemon	Fruit	Sour of lemon use for treatment of vomiting.	[32, 33, 111]
	<i>Citrus medica var. cedrata</i>	Otroj	Citron	Fruit and peel	12.5 g of dried /25 g of jam can reduce vomiting. Peel that cooked can be effective in vomiting, and the yellow peel can cure nausea. Sour water of it can calm and reduce vomiting. Inspissated juice of citron is much effective than Inspissated juice of unripe grapes in cutting vomiting.	[32, 33, 112]
	<i>Citrus sinensis</i>	Konle	Orange	Peel, seed and Fruit	Its syrup is very useful in nausea and vomiting	[32, 33, 113]
	<i>Aegle marmelos</i>	Bal	Golden/ stone/ wood apple, Bengal quince	Seed/ fruit	It is effective and prevent vomiting	[32, 33, 114]
Sapindaceae	<i>Sapindus trifoliatus</i>	Ratte	Soapnut	Fruit	It can useful in nausea	[32, 33, 115]
Solanaceae	<i>Solanum melongena</i>	Badamjan	Egg-plant	Fruit	Eating grill fruit can remove vomiting in person who had nausea after eating food.	[32, 33, 116]

Thymelaeaceae	<i>Agallochum malaccense</i>	Ood	Aloes-wood/ Lute	Stem	It's burned and combination with milk can calm vomiting. It also can prevent nausea	[32, 33, 117]
Valerianaceae	<i>Valeriana dioscorides</i>	Sonbol kohi	valerian	Rhizome	Up to 5 g of syrup lock/prevent vomiting. With cold water use for treatment/prevent of nausea.	[32, 33, 118]
	<i>Valeriana jatamansi</i>	Sonbol tibe	Valerian	Roots	Up to 5 g of syrup lock vomiting.	[32, 33, 119]
Vitaceae	<i>Vitis vinifera</i>	Feghaho kerm/ kerm	Grapevine	Fruit	-it cut vomiting and bloody vomiting. -syrup of it that Inspissated with sugar can calm nausea -drinking its syrup can prevent nausea and lock vomiting. Note: it's juice is more effective that it	[32, 33, 120]
Zingiberaceae	<i>Zingiber zerumbet</i>	Zaranbad	Coriande	root	5 g of syrup lock emesis. Keeping it in mouth can cut vomiting.	[32, 33, 121]
	<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i>	Ghaghale/ Abale	Cardamom	seed	2.5-5 g of syrup can lock vomiting. It can be calming, remove and effective in nausea. (it also can prevent vomiting) If drink its extract with it' bark in combination of vinegar can calm emesis. Use it with mastic juice and pomegranate juice for treatment of emesis. Boiling half-bruised with peel in water or rose-water use for treatment of emesis. It is more effective in treatment of emesis especially while eat with peel.	[32, 33, 122]

## V. HERBAL REMEDIES HAVE BEEN USED IN THE LITERATURE FOR THE TREATMENT OF NAUSEA AND VOMITING

### a) Lemon (*Citrus Lemon*)

Rutaceae are a great family that has about 1800 species in 160 genera. Essential oil of *C. lemon* that was extracted with hydro-distillation includes volatile (%85-99) and non-volatile (%1-15). Chemical constituents that identified in *C. lemon* essential oils are: Limonene (it is the major compound in citrus peels), limonene oxide,  $\alpha$ -terpineol, carvone, carveol, eugenol, spathulenol, caryophyllene oxide,  $\alpha$ -terpineol, 3-cyclohexane-1-methanol. A study was conducted to evaluate the effect of aromatherapy essential oils in the control of nausea and vomiting associated with pregnancy. The study was

conducted on 100 pregnant women showed that inhaling lemon can be effective in reducing nausea and vomiting in pregnancy.

A study on 180 people in three groups: control group, treated with intramuscular inject of metoclopramide and was treated with lemon peel; results showed that the group who were treated with lemon peel their symptoms were better control.

In a study of 50 women who had undergone caesarean section and vaginal deliveries has been shown that nausea and vomiting in group that used Lemon peel is significantly lower than the control group.

In addition, nasal spray formulation of lemon essential oil (that extracted from peel of *Citrus sinensis*) has been showed significant effects on the control of nausea and vomiting [123-126].

b) *Berberis (Berberis Vulgaris)*

Barberry has about 500 species around the world. Berberine and berbamine are the main constituents that found in different species of Barberry. There are several pharmacological and biological effect for *B. vulgaris* such as: antihistaminic and anticholinergic. These two effects can be helping the improvement of nausea and vomiting [127, 128].

c) *Apple (Malus Domestica)*

There are about 100 varieties of apples commercially. Apples contain flavonoids, fibre, pectin, high potassium, low sodium, zero of fat. In a study on 19 patients treated by cisplatin showed that eating three times a day from a diet that includes: vanilla ice cream, cheese and apple sauce can be effective to control nausea and vomiting in this category of people [129, 130].

d) *Peppermint (Mentha Piperita)*

The result of GC-MS analysis of essential oils from hydro-distillation extract of *Mentha piperita* showed that there are many compounds in the essential oil, such as: camphene, sabinene,  $\beta$ -pinene,  $\alpha$ -terpinene, limonene, terpinolene, p- cymene, menthone, menthol,  $\gamma$ -terpineole, trans-carveol, carvone, pipertitone oxide, and  $\beta$ -caryophyllene. Peppermint oil can be effective in controlling nausea and vomiting that caused by chemotherapy. In a study in patients with gynecologic surgery, was shown that peppermint is very effective in reducing nausea and vomiting after surgery.

In another study in 123 patients who is undergoing cardiac surgery, shown that the use of nasal inhaler of peppermint oil can be useful in controlling nausea and vomiting after cardiac surgery [131-133].

e) *Valerian (Valeriana Jatamansi)*

Valerian is scattered around worldwide with about 250 species. Valerian contains more than 150 chemical compounds such as; pyridine alkaloids, organic acids and terpenes, in particular valepotriates and esterifies iridoid-monoterpenes, but the main three chemicals that are active are the essential oils, valerenic acid and valenol, valepotriates, and a few alkaloids.

A study about antiemetic effects of *V. officinalis* in chickens has been studied against nausea and vomiting that induced by copper sulphate. The results indicate that valerian has significant effect on the control of nausea and vomiting [134-136].

f) *Ginger (Zingiber Officinale)*

Ginger liquid and capsules preparations are a herbal medications used to control nausea and vomiting due to chemotherapy, postoperative and pregnancy. Ginger extract because of gingerols and shogaol, effects on stimulate gastric contractions. These effects mainly occur by involving serotonergic 5-HT and 5-HT receptors and cholinergic M receptors [122, 137, 138].

## VI. CONCLUSION

Since nausea and vomiting affect the quality of life and in many patients despite the use of antiemetic agent. We also seen these symptoms, so need for further investigation of the discovery of new drugs is felt, therefore, use the traditional medicine can help us do towards to this goal.

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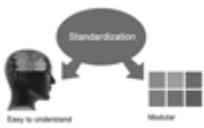
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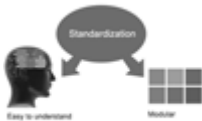
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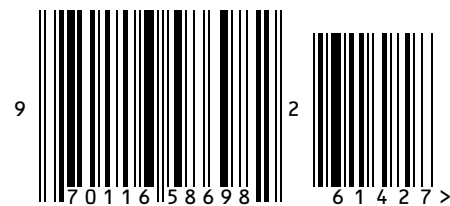
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