

Table S1a. Efficacy

No.	Formulation	PP	Dose	Methodology				Antiviral	Anti-inflammatory (AI) / Immunomodulatory (IM)/ Immunostimulant (IS)		Quality		Ref.	
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A. <i>Gymnanthemum amygdalinum</i> (Delile) Sch. Bip.														
1	50% aqueous ethanol	Leaf	300 mg/kg	Post-menopausal osteoarthritis model of female Sprague Dawley (OVX-OA) rat	8	Untreated group	Yes			AI: ↓ PG E2, NFκβ, IL-1β, ADAMTS-5, collagen type 10α1, caspase3. ↑ anti-inflammatory cytokine IL-10 mRNA expressions.	PC (in vivo)	No	Yes	(Madzunki et al., 2019)
2	Ethanol extract	Leaf	50 to 200 mg/kg	Sprague Dawley rat	5	Normal saline	Yes			AI: ↓paw oedema, antipyretic, and antinociceptive comparable to diclofenac 10mg/kg (DD).	PC (in vivo)	Yes	Yes	(Asante et al., 2019)
3	Methanol extract	Leaf	50 to 200 mg/kg	Wistar rat	6	1% Tween 80	NM			AI: ↓ oedema, infiltrating leukocytes protein concentration,	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Onasanwo et al., 2017)

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3										malondialdehyde levels (DD).				
4	Ethanol extract	Leaf	100 mg/kg to 1,000 mg/kg	Swiss mouse	6	Untreated group	Yes			AI: ↓ pro-inflammatory cytokines, IFN- γ , TNF- α . (DD)	PC (in vivo)	Yes	Yes	(Omoregie et al., 2016)
5	Isolated vernoniosides A, B, C, D (four new Delta-7, 9(11)-stigmastane-type steroid saponins)	Leaf	50 μ M	Murine macrophage cells RAW264.7 cells	NA	N-monomethyl-L-arginine	NA			AI: ↓ nitric oxide production.	PC (in vitro)	Yes	Yes	(Quasie et al., 2016)
6	Acetone extract	Leaf	100 mg/kg to 200 mg/kg	Wistar rat	5	Indomethacin	UC			AI: ↓ oedema, comparable to indomethacin 10mg/kg.	PC (in vivo)	Yes	UC	(Adedapo et al., 2014)
7	Ethanol extract	Leaf	200 mg/kg	Wistar rat	6	Carboxymethyl cellulose Na 2% (w/v)	NM			AI: ↓ pro-inflammatory IL-6. ↑ anti-inflammatory IL-10.	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Setiawan et al., 2019)

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8	Aqueous extract	Leaf	50 mg/kg to 800 mg/kg	Rat	6	Distilled water	UC			IS: ↑ CD4+ and white blood cells count.	PC (in vivo)	No	No	(Im et al., 2016)
9	Aqueous extract	Leaf	250 mg/kg to 1,000 mg/kg	Swiss mouse	5	Distilled water	NM			IM: ↑ antibody and cell-mediated immune response (total white blood cell, neutrophil and lymphocyte counts) as adjuvant to hepatitis B vaccine.	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Onah et al., 2019)
10	Aqueous extract	Leaf	200 mg/kg to 800 mg/kg	Wistar rat	5	Untreated group	NM			IS: ↑ CD4+ count.	PC (in vivo)	No	Yes	(Momo h et al., 2010)
11	80% ethanol extract	Leaf	200 mg/kg	Wistar rat	6	Saline (non-diabetic group)	NM			IM: ↓ CD4+ count.	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Eyong et al., 2011)
12	Ethanol extract	Leaf	UC	Swiss rat	8	Normal saline	NM			No significant changes in white cell counts.	PC (in vivo)	No	No	(Kola, 2007)

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13	Aqueous extract	Leaf	UC (Two handfuls in 200 mL water, no quantitative analysis)	HIV-infected patients who took the first line antiretroviral drugs	40	Antiretroviral drugs	NM			IM: ↑ CD4+ count when given in combination with multivitamin (compared to either multivitamin or herb alone)	C (RCT)	No	No	(Momo h et al., 2012)
B. <i>Azadirachta indica</i> A. Juss.														
1	NA	NA	NA	Molecular modelling	NA	NA	NA	No effects on Hepatitis C virus NS3/4A protease	PC (in silico)			No	No	(Ashfaq et al., 2016)
2	Isolated Chemical sulfated derivatives (P1S and P2S)	Leaf	25 µg/mL to 200 µg/mL	HEp-2 cells	NA	Human alpha-2B interferon	NA	No effects. on Polio virus type1	PC (in vitro)			Yes	No	(Faccin-Galhardi et al., 2012)
3	Aqueous and ethanolic extract	Seed	0.38096 g/kg	Bal/b C mouse	20	Extract-prednisolone treated group	NM			IM: ↑ interferon-γ levels and titer of anti-Brucella antibodies	PC (in vivo)	No	No	(Faal, 2012)

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4	Aqueous extract	UC	UC	Human pathogenic bacteria <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	NA	Untreated bacteria	NA			IM: Phagocytic activity against <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	PC (in vitro)	No	No	(Saeed et al., 2017)
5	Aqueous extract	Leaf	8.8 mg/kg to 26.7 mg/kg	Swiss Wistar mouse	10	Phosphate buffer saline	UC			IM: ↑ IL-2 and T-lymphocytes	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Venugopalan et al., 2011)
6	NA	NA	NA	Molecular modelling	NA	Quercetin	NA	In vitro: No effects on dengue virus In silico: Kaempferol -3-O-rutinoside, rutin, hyperoside, epicatechin (predicted negative binding affinity as better viral	PC (in silico)			No	No	(Dwivedi et al., 2020)

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6								protease inhibitors compared to reference compound)						
7	Gelation capsule containing acetone-water extract of <i>A. indica</i>	Leaf	1,000 mg of daily for 30 days	HIV patients	10	Before-after	Yes	No effects on HIV.	C (quasi-experimental)			No	No	(Udeinya et al., 2004)
<i>C. Nigella sativa</i> L.														
1	Soft gelatin capsule containing 500 mg of dried ethanol (96%) extract of <i>N. sativa</i>	Seed	500 mg twice daily	Hepatitis C patients	60	Untreated group	Yes	↓ Hepatitis C viral load, alpha fetoprotein , abnormal liver enzymes.	C (single-arm pilot)			No	No	(Abdel-Moneim et al., 2013)
2	Concoction of <i>N. sativa</i>	NM	10 mL twice daily for 6 months	HIV male patient	1	NA	NA	↓ CD4 count, HIV viral load, signs & symptoms associated with HIV.	C (case report)			No	No	(Onifade et al., 2013)

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3	Mixture of dried powder of <i>N. sativa</i> and liquid honey (60: 40 respectively)	Seed	10 mL thrice daily for a year	HIV female patient	1	NA	NA	↓ HIV viral load. ↑ CD4 count.	C (case report)			No	No	(Onifade et al., 2015)
4	Oil of <i>N. sativa</i>	Seed	5 mg/kg	Bal/b C mouse	5	Phosphate buffer saline	NM	↓ murine cytomegalovirus load.	PC (in vivo)	IM: ↑ CD4, CD3, IFN-γ, macrophage levels.	PC (in vivo)	No*	No*	(Salem et al., 2000)
5	Ethanol extract	Seed	1/50 diluted concentration	HeLa cells	NA	Uninfected cells	NA	↓ murine coronavirus mouse hepatitis virus strain A59 load.	PC (in vitro)	AI: ↑ IL-8, TRPA1, TRPC4, TRPM6, TRPM7, TRPM8, TRPV4 expression levels	PC (in vitro)	No	No	(Ulasli et al., 2014)
6	90% ethanol extract	Seed	0.2 mg / 0.2 mL	Chicken embryonated egg	12	Untreated control	NA			IM: ↑ aggregation of lymphocytes, lymphoblasts and macrophages	PC (in ovo)	No	No	(Khan et al., 2018)

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D. <i>Eurycoma longifolia</i> Jack														
1	Hard gelatin capsule containing 200 mg of standardised aqueous extract of <i>E. longifolia</i> and 30 mg of fatty acid sucrose esters	Root	200 mg daily for 4 weeks	Middle aged female and male subjects	84	Rice powder (placebo)	Yes			IS: ↑ scoring of immunological vigor, immunological grade, number of total, naïve, CD4+ T cells	C (RCT)	No*	Yes*	(George et al., 2016)
2	Capsule containing 75 mg of standardised aqueous extract	Root	150 mg daily for 7 days	Healthy athletes	9	Flour (placebo)	Yes			IS: ↑ NK cell counts	C (RCT)	No	No	(Muhammad et al., 2015)
3	Purified polysaccharide fraction	Root	125 µg/mL to 2,000 µg/mL	RAW264.7 cells	NA	Untreated cells	NA			IM: ↑ phagocytic ability, NO, TNF-α, IL-6 secretion	PC (in vitro)	Yes	Yes	(He et al., 2019)

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4	Isolated compounds (quassinoids, alkaloids, chromone derivative, triterpenoid, flavonoid) from methanol extract	Root	0.5 μmol/L and 0.7 μmol/L	HEK293/NF-κB-luc cells	NA	Parthenolide	NA			AI: Inhibited NF-κB	PC (in vitro)	Yes	Yes	(Tran et al., 2014)
5	Isolated alkaloid (9-methoxycanthin-6-one) isolated from hairy roots from hairy root culture	Root	3.5 μmol/L to 11.6 μmol/L	RAW264.7 cells Murine peritoneal macrophages Human THP-1 macrophages	NA	Lipopolysaccharide	NA			AI: Inhibited IL-6, TNF-α	PC (in vitro)	Yes	Yes	(Tran et al., 2018)

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6	Isolated phenolic compounds (piscidinol A, 24-epi-piscidinol A, bourjotinolone A, scopoletin) from 70% ethanol extract	Root	40 μmol/L	RAW264.7 cells	NA	Lipopolysaccharide	NA			AI: Inhibited iNOS, IL-6, NF-κB	PC (in vitro)	Yes	Yes	(Ruan et al., 2019)
7	Alkaloid fraction from methanol extract	Root	28.18 μg/mL to 150 μg/mL	RAW264.7 cells	NA	Alpha-tubulin Cardamonin	NA			AI: Inhibited NO, iNOS, COX-2	PC (in vitro)	Yes	Yes	(Hien et al., 2019)
8	Isolated alkaloid (7-methoxy-(9H-b-carbolin-1-yl)-(E)-1-propenoic acid) from hairy root culture	Root	In vitro: 3 μg/mL to 30 μg/mL In vivo: 30 mg/kg	RAW264.7 cells	NA	Lipopolysaccharide	NA			AI: Inhibited NO, PGE2, IL-6	PC (in vitro)	No	No	(Nguyen et al., 2016)

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9	Standardised aqueous extract	Root	In vitro: 33.84 µg/L to 119 µg/L In vivo: 100 mg/kg twice daily	AG129 mouse	6	Phosphate buffer saline	Yes	In vitro: ↓ viral yield In vivo: ↓ body weight, ↓ viral load, ↑ platelet counts in dengue virus infected mice	PC (in vitro, in vivo)			No*	No*	(George et al., 2019)

Table S1b. Safety

No.	Formulation	PP	Dose	Methodology					Safety		Quality		Ref.
				Study model	Sample size (per group)	Comparator	Guideline used	Ethics approval	Outcome	Study Type	PI	PA	
A. <i>Gymnanthemum amygdalinum</i> (Delile) Sch. Bip.													
1	Acetone extract	Leaf	100 mg/kg to 200 mg/kg	Mice	5	Normal saline	NM	NM	No acute toxicity.	PC (in vivo)	Yes	UC	(Adedapo et al., 2014)
2	Aqueous extract	Leaf	250 mg/kg to 1,000 mg/kg	Young female Swiss albino mice	3	Distilled water	NM	NM	Dose dependent weight changes. No acute toxicity and mortality. No changes in organ weight	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Onah et al., 2019)
3	Aqueous extract	Leaf	5,000 mg/kg	Male albino rats	8	NM	NM	NM	No acute toxicity and mortality	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Oguwike et al., 2013)
4	Aqueous extract	Leaf	5,000 mg/kg	Nulliparous and non-pregnant female Sprague Dawley rats	1	NM	OECD 425	Yes	No acute toxicity and mortality	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Zakaria et al., 2016)
5	Aqueous extract	Leaf	200 mg/kg to 600 mg/kg	Wistar white albino rats	10	Goodwin's physiological solution	OECD test guidelines	NM	Kidney congestion after 28 days administration	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Nabukanya et al., 2014).
6	Ethanol extract	Leaf	100 mg/kg to 600 mg/kg	Male Sprague-Dawley rats	10	Distilled water	NM	Yes	Testicular toxicity at higher doses (300 and 600 mg/kg)	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Saalu et al., 2013)

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B. <i>Azadirachta indica</i> A. Juss.													
1	Aqueous extract	Leaf	8.8 mg/kg to 26.7 mg/kg	Swiss Wistar mice	6	NM	OECD 423	UC	No acute toxicity. No histopathological changes in liver or renal	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Venugopalan et al., 2011)
2	In vitro (potential bioflavanoids): 1) kaempferol-3-O-β-rutinoside (0.01-100 μM) 2) epicatechin (0.001-1 mM) In silico: Bioflavanoids	NA	In vitro: UC	Baby hamster kidney cell-21	NA	Quercetin	NA	NA	No significant cell toxicity	PC (in silico and in vitro)	No	No	(Dwivedi et al., 2020)
3	Acetone-water extract	Leaf	UC	Ambulatory HIV-positive volunteers	10	NA	NA	Yes	No adverse/side effects related to the extract during the treatment and follow-up period	C (Quasi)	No	No	(Udeinya et al., 2004)

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C. Nigella sativa L.													
1	Ethanol extract	Seed	1/50 diluted concentration	HeLa-epithelial carcinoembryonic antigen-related cell adhesion molecule 1a)	NA	NA	NA	NA	Cytotoxicity: Toxicity resolved after 24 hr	PC (in vitro)	No	No	(Ulasli et al., 2014)
2	Thymoquinone	NA	6 µmol/L to 25 µmol/L	EBV-infected B cell lines	NA	NA	NA	NA	Cytotoxicity: Reduced survivability and growth of Epstein Barr Virus (EBV)-infected B cell lines, including inhibited EBV gene expression. Low toxicity effect on normal human PBMC and PLF cells	PC (in vitro)	NA	NA	(Zihlif et al., 2013)
3	Capsule containing 750 mg of N. sativa	NM	1,500 mg twice daily for 3 months	30-45 year old men	19-20	NA	NM	NM	Reduced body weight, waist circumference, systolic blood pressure. Improved clinical symptoms among central obesity in men	C (RCT)	No	No	(Datau et al., 2010)

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4	Capsule containing 100 - 200 mg of standardised aqueous extract of <i>N. sativa</i>	Seed	200 mg to 400 mg for 8 weeks	Healthy male volunteers	33-39	NA	NM	Yes	No observable complications in patients with mild hypertension	C (RCT)	Yes	Yes	(Dehkor di et al., 2008)
5	Capsule containing 500 mg powdered <i>N. sativa</i>	Seed	1,000mg daily for 9 weeks	Healthy elderly male volunteers	20	NA	NM	UC	No significant changes in biochemical markers of cardiac, liver, kidney function on healthy elderly volunteers	C (RCT)	Yes	No	(Bin Sayeed et al., 2013)
6	Capsule containing 500 mg crushed powdered <i>N. sativa</i>	Seed	1,000 mg twice daily for 6 weeks	Adult men and women of Pakistani origin	59-64	NA	NM	Yes	No effect on lipid levels, blood sugar, blood pressure, and body weight in hypercholesterolaemic patients	C (RCT)	No	No	(Qidwai et al., 2009)
7	Mixture of <i>N. sativa</i> oil, honey and water (5:5:5)	Seed	15 mL once daily for 8 weeks	Patients diagnosed as with functional dyspepsia	35	NA	NM	Yes	Caused mild gastrointestinal effects (nausea, bloating, and burning sensation) on patients with functional dyspepsia	C (RCT)	No	No	(Mohtas hami et al., 2015)

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8	<i>N. sativa oil</i>	Seed	2.5 mL twice daily for 2 months	Type II diabetic patients	35	NA	NM	Yes	Caused mild gastrointestinal effects (nausea) on diabetic patients	C (RCT)	No	No	(Hosseini et al., 2013).
9	<i>N. sativa oil</i>	Seed	2.5 mL twice daily for 2 months	Healthy volunteers	35	NA	NM	Yes	Caused mild gastrointestinal effects (nausea) on healthy volunteers	C (RCT)	No	No	(Fallah Huseini et al., 2013)
10	Soft gelatin capsule containing 450 mg of <i>N. sativa oil</i>	Seed	450 mg capsule thrice daily for 3 months	Patients with hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection	30	NA	NM	Yes	Caused epigastric pain and hypoglycemia among Hepatitis C patients	C (single-arm pilot)	No	No	(Barakat et al., 2013)
11	96% ethanol extract	Seed	2.5 g twice daily for 7 days	Healthy volunteers	4	NA	NM	Yes	Inhibited activities of CYP3A4 and CYP2D6	C (pilot)	No	No	(Al-Jenoobi et al., 2010)
12	Hexane extract	Seed	Acute (single dose) Oral: 5 - 50 mL/kg i.p.: 0.25 - 4.0 mL/kg Chronic Oral: 2 mL/kg once daily for 12 weeks	lopos ofa mice	Acute: 1 Chronic: 12	Distilled water	NM	NM	Acute Oral: LD50 = 28.8 mL/kg i.p.: LD50 = 2.06 mL/kg Chronic No effect on liver enzymes	PC (in vivo)	No	No	(Zaoui et al., 2002)

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13	Dried powder mixed into rat chow pellet	Seed	1.0 g/kg daily for 28 days	Male Sprague Dawley rats	6	Normal diet	NM	NM	No effect on liver enzymes	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Dollah et al., 2013)
14	Aqueous extract	Seed	6 g/kg	Male mice	8	Distilled water, sesame oil	NM	NM	Observable degenerative changes on liver	PC (in vivo)	No	No	(Vahdati - Mashhadian et al., 2005)
15	Aqueous extract	Seed	6.4 g/kg to 60 g/kg	Mus musculus mice	5	Distilled water	UC	NM	Mortality was observed after 2 to 5 weeks of treatment with 6.4, 21, 60 g/kg doses Observable hepatotoxicity effect at dose of 21 and 60 g/kg	PC (in vivo)	Yes	No	(Bensia meur-Touati et al., 2017)
16	Thymoquinone	NA	Acute (single dose) 2000 and 3000 g/kg Subchronic (90 days) 30 mg/kg to 90 mg/kg	Male Swiss albino mice	8	Corn oil	NM	NM	Acute LD50 = 2.4 g/kg Some animals showed hypoactivity and marked difficulty in respiration before death within the first 3 hr of dosing Reduced GSH level	PC (in vivo)	NA	NA	(Badary et al., 1998)

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16									in the liver, kidneys, heart. Increased level of plasma urea, creatinine, ALT, LDH, CPK				
17	Thymoquinone	NA	i.p.: 20 mg/kg to 40 mg/kg Oral: 200 mg/kg to 500 mg/kg	Male and female Wistar rats	8	0.5% DMSO, olive oil	NM	UC	i.p. Showed signs of toxicity related to acute pancreatitis Oral Showed transient toxicity signs. Bowel obstruction complications lead to 2 deaths among the 8 animals at dose 500 mg/kg	PC (in vivo)	NA	NA	(Abukhaider, 2012)

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1	Purified polysaccharide fraction	Root	125 µg/mL to 2,000 µg/mL	RAW264.7 cells	NA	NA	NA	NA	Cytotoxicity: No toxic effect on RAW264.7 cells	PC (in vitro)	Yes	Yes	(He et al., 2019)
2	Isolated alkaloid (7-methoxy-(9H-b-carbolin-1-yl)-(E)-1-propenoic acid) from hairy root culture	Root	In vitro: 3 µg/mL to 30 µg/mL In vivo: 30 mg/kg	Male C57BL/6 mice	8	NA	NA	Yes	Increased the survival rate of C57BL/6 mice	PC (in vivo)	No	No	(Nguyen et al., 2016)
3	Standardised aqueous extract	Root	In vitro: 33.84 µg/L to 119 µg/L	Vero cell	NA	NA	NA	NA	Cytotoxicity: No observable toxic effect on Vero cells	PC (in vitro)	No*	No*	(George et al., 2019)
4	Powder resuspended in sterile water	Root	In vitro: 0.3125 mg/plate to 5 mg/plate In vivo: Ames test: 0.6 g/kg to 2 g/kg	Male and female Wistar rats	Acute: 8 Sub-acute: 10	Sterile water	OECD 407 and 408	NM	In vitro: No observable mutagenic or clastogenic effect In vivo: Ames test: No observable mutagenic effect	PC (in vitro, in vivo)	No	No	(Li et al., 2013)

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4			Acute toxicity: 1 g/kg to 6 g/kg Subacute (4 weeks), subchronic (13 weeks) toxicity: 0.6 g/kg to 2 g/kg		Sub-chronic: 10 males and 20 females				Acute: LD ₅₀ > 6 g/kg Subacute, subchronic: Observable changes in few serum biochemical parameters				
5	Methanol: chloroform (1:1) extract	Root	0.005 mL	Two human cell lines, Hep2 and HFL1	NA	NA	NA	NA	Mutagenicity: No observable toxic effect	PC (in vitro)	Yes	No	(Mohd-Fuat et al., 2007)
6	Methanol extract	Root	Acute toxicity: 2,000 mg/kg Reproductive toxicity, teratogenicity: 10 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg	Sprague–Dawley rats	Acute: 10 Reproductive: 30	Distilled water	OECD 425	Yes	Acute: LD ₅₀ for female rats = 1293 mg/kg, LD ₅₀ for male rats > 2,000 mg/kg. Reproductive, teratogenicity: NOAEL = 100 mg/kg	PC (in vivo)	Yes	Yes	(Low et al., 2014)
7	Aqueous extract	Root	250 mg/kg to 1,000 mg/kg once daily for 5 weeks	Male Sprague Dawley rats	8	Distilled water	NM	NM	No observable toxic effect on pancreas.	PC (in vivo)	No	No	(Hamoud et al., 2013)

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8	Standardised aqueous extract	Root	Acute toxicity: 5,000 mg/kg Subacute toxicity (28 days): 600 mg/kg to 2,400 mg/kg	Male Sprague Dawley rats	Acute: 5 Subacute : 8	NM	OECD 407	Yes	Acute: LD ₅₀ = 5,000 mg/kg Subacute: Observable hepatotoxic effect	PC (in vivo)	No*	No*	(Shuid et al., 2011)
9	Capsule containing 100 mg of a proprietary standardised aqueous extract	Root	200 mg capsules twice daily for 9 months	Patients suffering from late-onset hypogonadism	76	NA	NM	Yes	Improved semen & sperm quality in patients.	C	No*	No*	(Tambi et al., 2010)
10	Dried powder of standardised aqueous extract	Root	In vitro: 5 mg/plate In vivo: 100 mg/kg to 500 mg/kg	Male and female NMRI mice	10	Cyclophosphamide	OECD 474	UC	No observable mutagenic or clastogenic effect	PC (in vitro, in vivo)	No*	No*	(Yee et al., 2014)

* Marketed and registered natural products in Malaysia

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Table content abbreviations: C= Clinical; DD= Dose dependent; NA = Not applicable (i.e., data not applicable due to study methodology/type); NM = Not mentioned (i.e., data not reported); PC = Preclinical; RCT = Randomised controlled trial; UC = Unclear (i.e., ambiguity in data reported)

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