

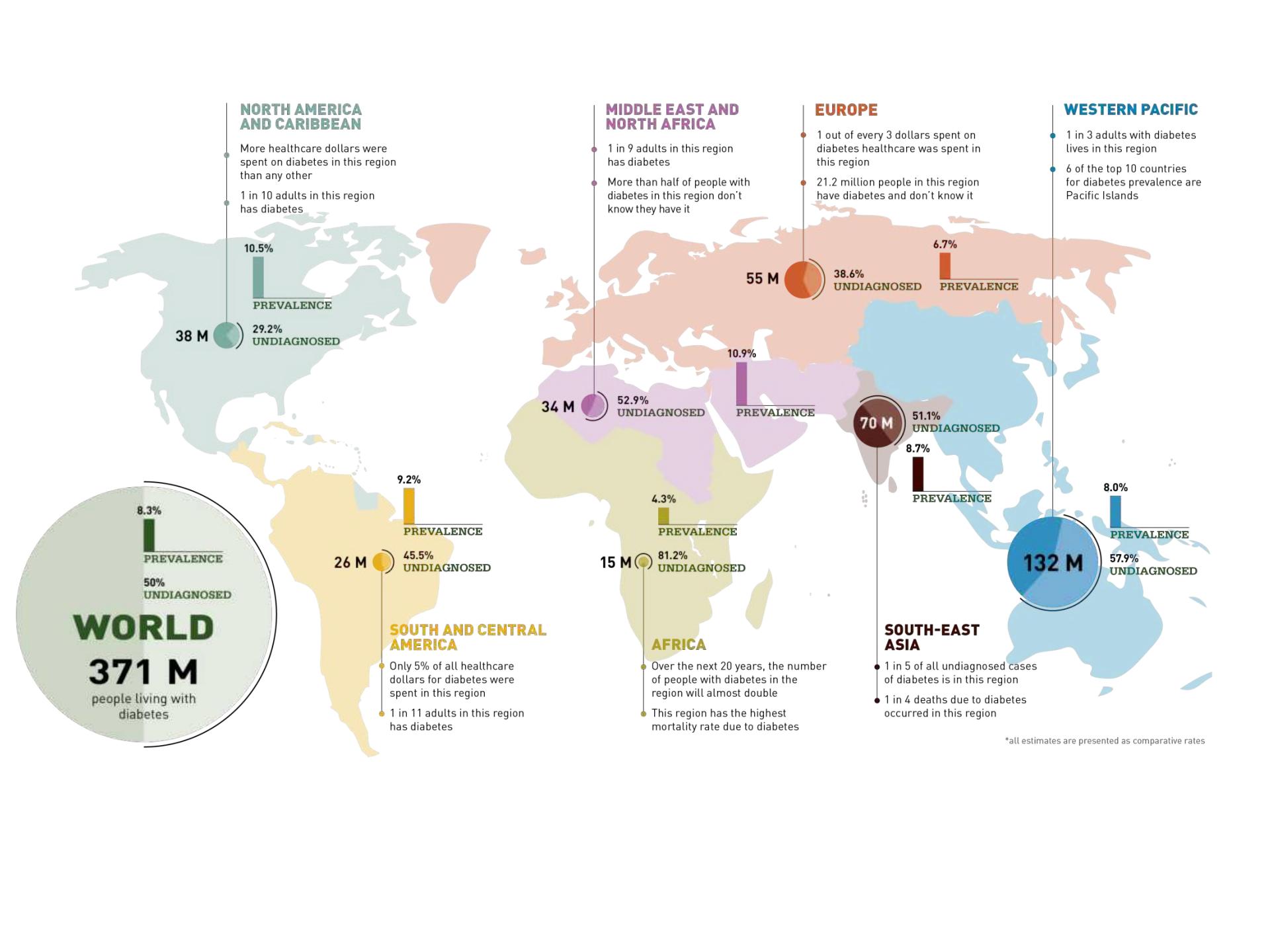
# **Apiproduct propolis and diabetes: Antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties of propolis protect against diabetes and diabetes-induced pathologies**

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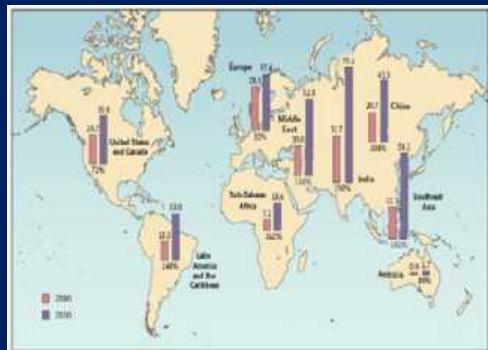
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# **Diabetes: worldwide prevalence and morbidity**

- ★ Presently there are 371 million (8.3% of population aged 20-79 yr.) diabetics and estimated to be 438 million by year 2030 (International Diabetic Federation); about 97% have type 2 diabetes mellitus (T<sub>2</sub>DM)
- ★ 80-85% of T<sub>2</sub>DM patients have insulin resistance. Impaired β-cell function occurs in 50% of newly diagnosed T<sub>2</sub>DM, and after that, there is a linear reduction in β-cells with time caused by apoptosis
- ★ Diabetes account for 60% of lower limb amputations, 44% of new cases of kidney disease, and is the leading cause of blindness among adults; 65% of deaths occur from cardiovascular disease and strokes in diabetics



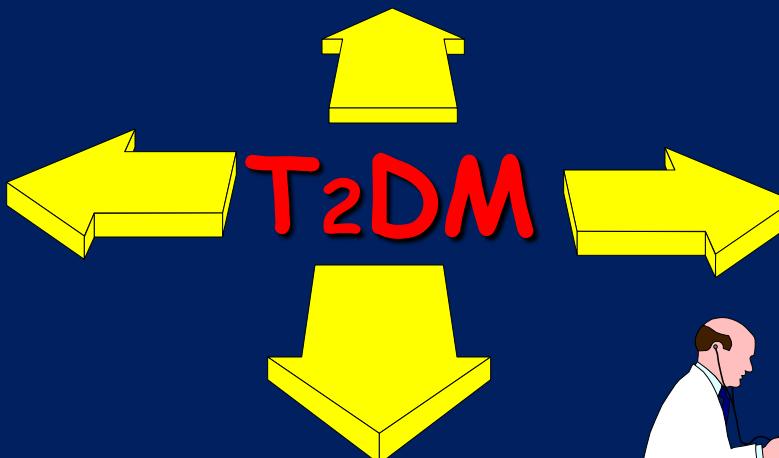
# T<sub>2</sub>DM - Major public health problem



**Significant cost**

+ \$200 billion

(ADA)



**Treatments**

**Not curative**

Oral antidiabetics, insulin, Diet ...



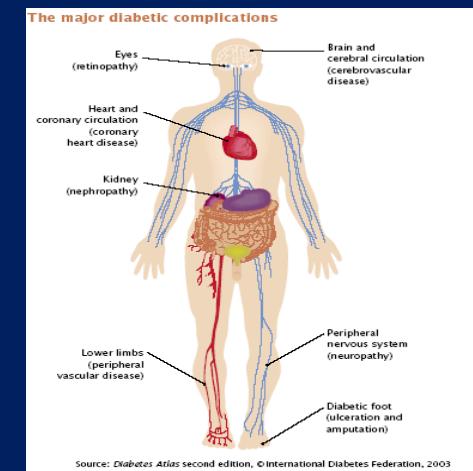
**Prevalent and increasing**

171 millions in 2000

366 millions in 2030 ?

6.6 % adult population in Morocco

6.7 % adult population in Europe

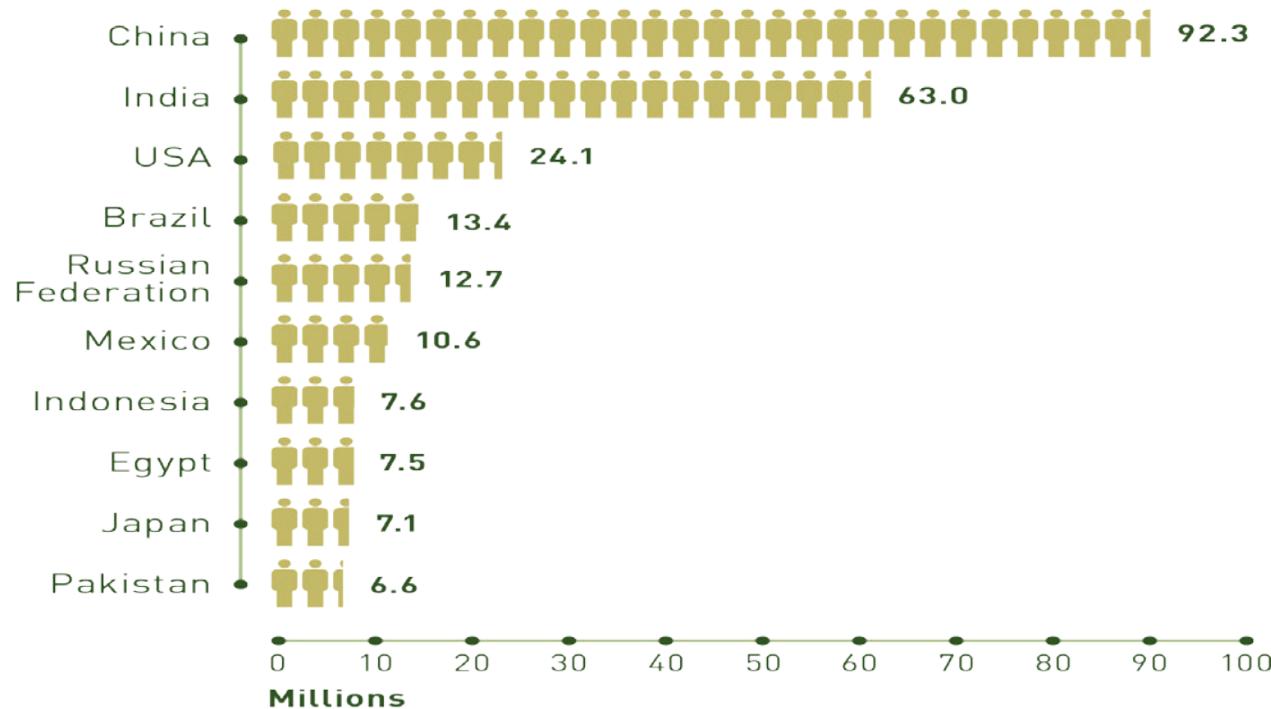


**Complications**  
**micro- and macro-vascular**

Blindness, kidney failure,  
Lower limb amputations  
cardiovascular disease ...

# More than **371 million** people have diabetes.

## TOP 10 COUNTRIES/TERRITORIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DIABETES (20-79 YEARS)

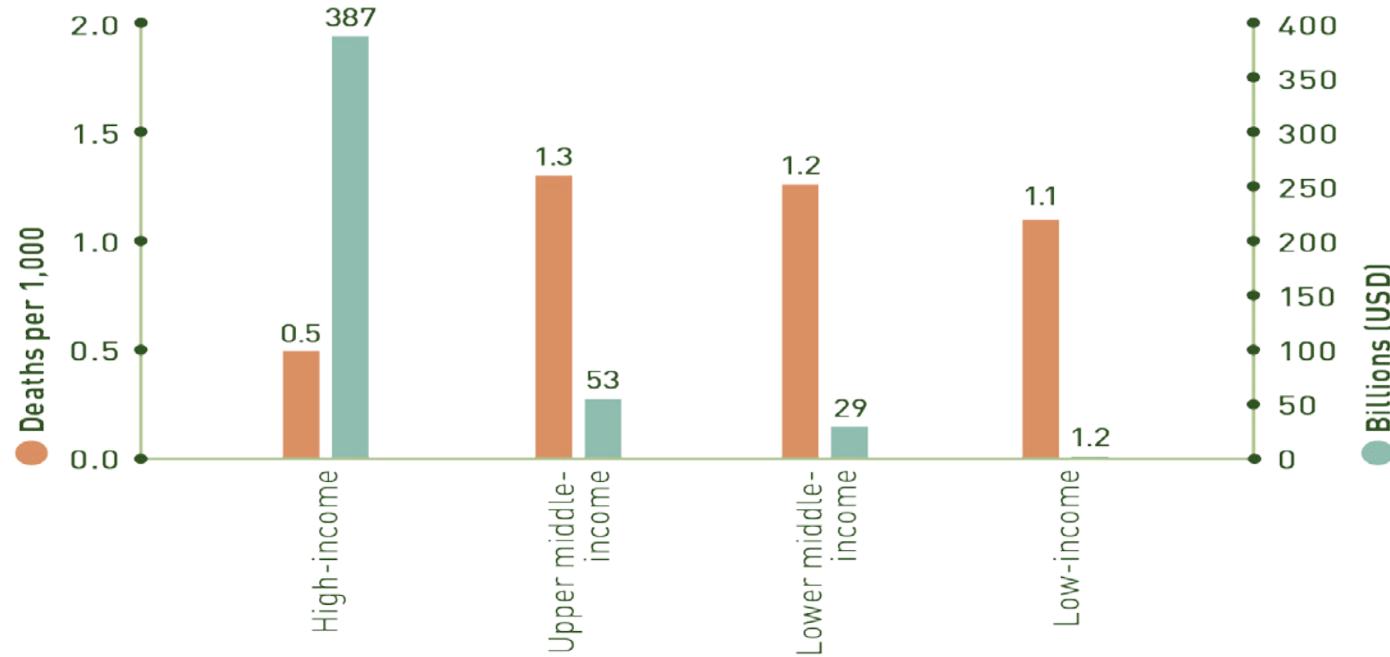


**4.8 million people died and  
471 billion USD were spent**  
due to diabetes in 2012.

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HEALTHCARE EXPENDITURES AND DEATHS PER 1,000 DUE  
TO DIABETES BY INCOME GROUP

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# Risk factors

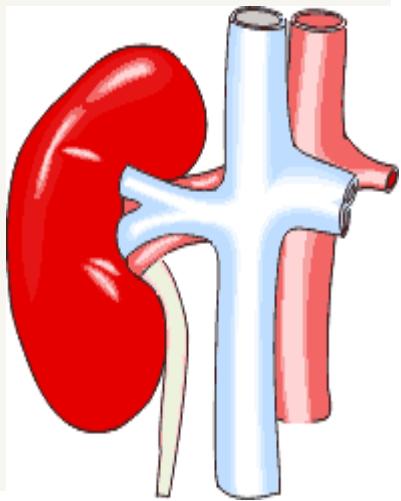


Risk factors associated with type 2 diabetes include:

- Obesity
- Improper diet and physical inactivity
- Increasing age
- Insulin resistance
- Family history of diabetes
- Ethnicity



# Microvascular complications of diabetes



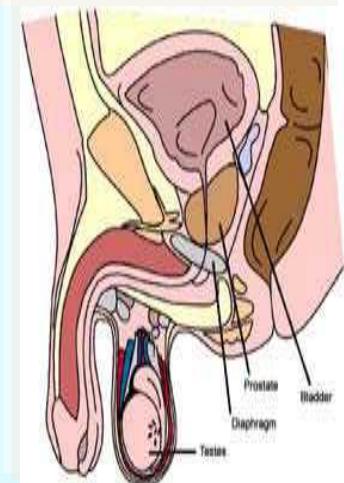
Nephropathy



Retinopathy



Neuropathy

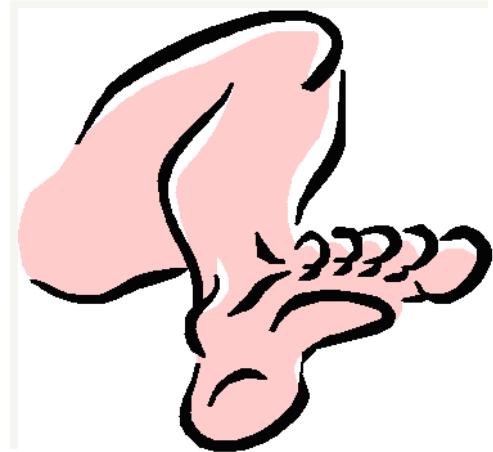


# **Macro-vascular complications of diabetes**



**Coronary artery disease  
Myocardial infarction**

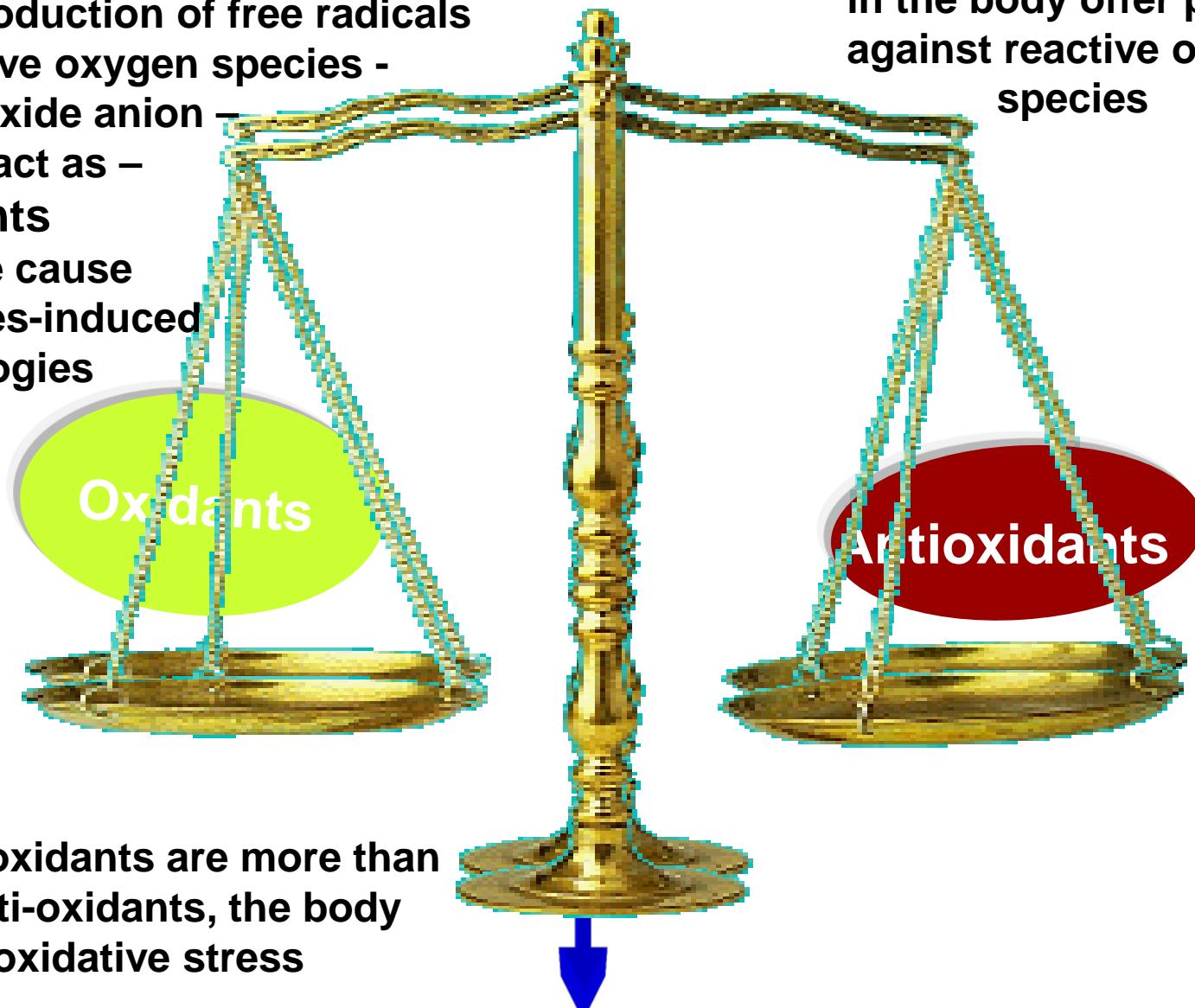
**Cerebrovascular  
accidents**



**Arteriopathy**

**Diabetes mellitus** promotes overproduction of free radicals  
- reactive oxygen species -  
superoxide anion -  
which act as -  
**oxidants**  
– these cause diabetes-induced pathologies

The anti-oxidants present in the body offer protection against reactive oxygen species



# Endogenous Pro-Oxidants and Antioxidants

## Oxidants

ROS: •O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, •OH, ONOO-

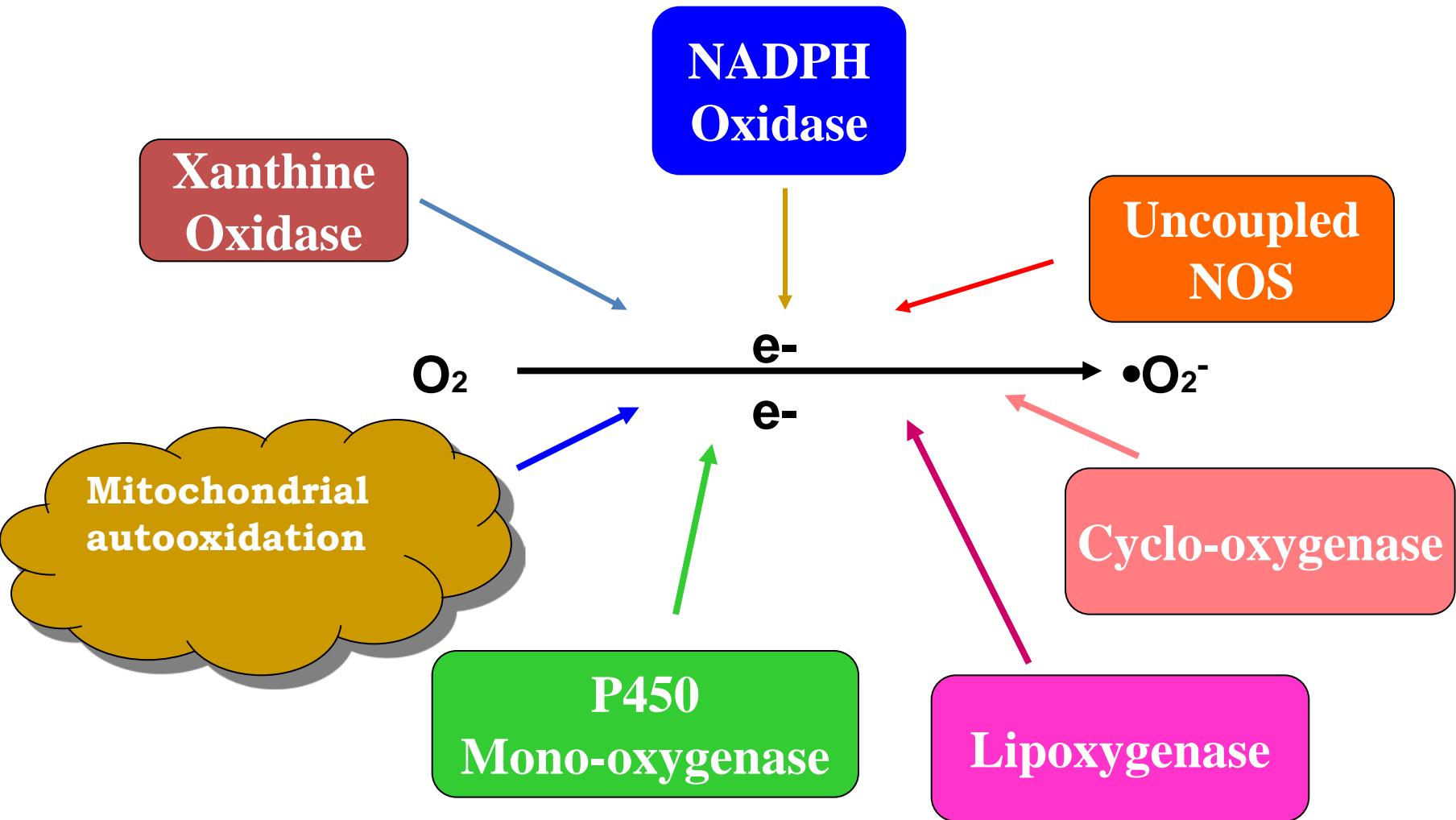
NADPH oxidase  
Xanthine oxidase  
Myeloperoxidase  
Uncoupled NOS  
Mitochondrial electron transport  
Heme oxygenase  
Cytochrome P450  
Lipoxygenase  
Cyclooxygenase

## Antioxidants

Enzymes  
Superoxide dismutase (SOD)  
Glutathione peroxidase  
Catalase  
Thioredoxin Reductase

Non-enzymes  
Vitamins A, C and E  
Thiols  
Flavonoids  
Other polyphenols

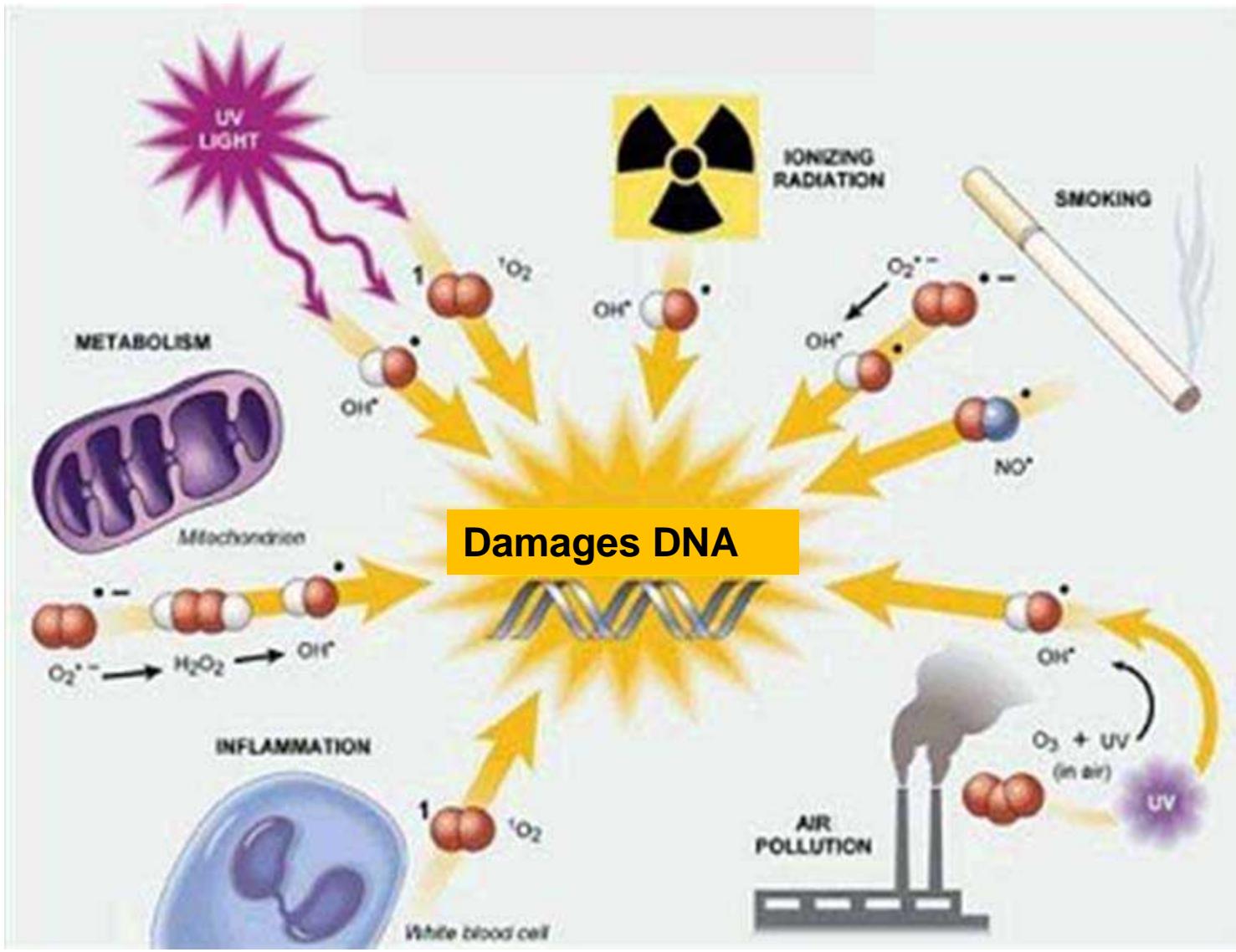
# Many Cellular Enzymes Catalyze the Generation of Superoxide anion from Molecular Oxygen



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# Free radical sources



# Formation of Propolis

Propolis is formed from plant resins secreted by the buds and bark of certain trees

It is collected by bees, thanks to its antenna (location) and mandible. These substances are brought back to the hive in the form of drops.

They are partially modified by bee secretions (mainly wax and salivary secretions)

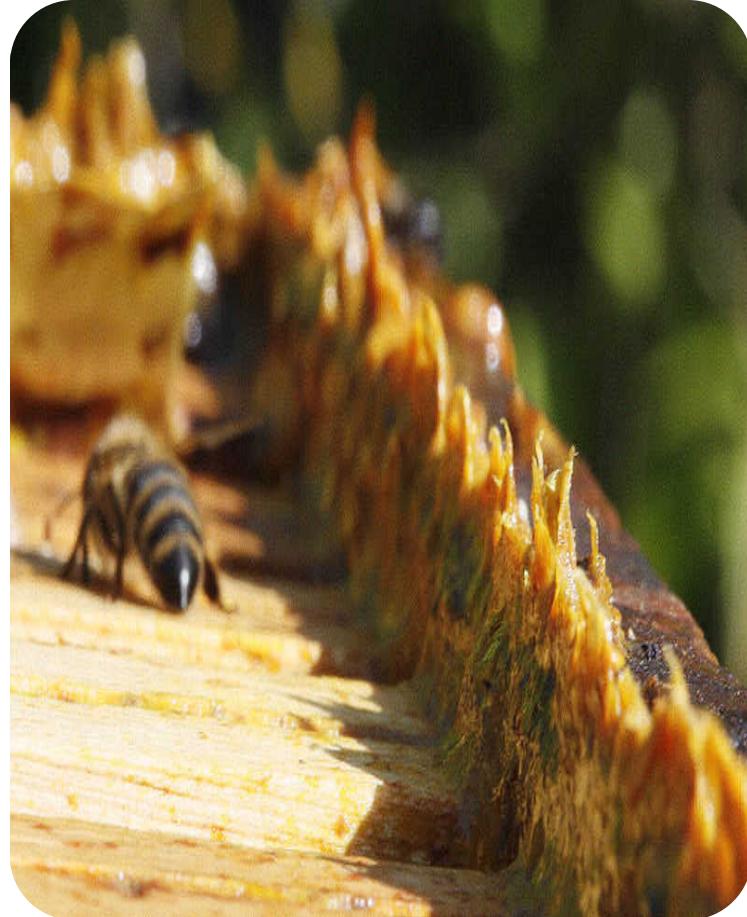


**300 grams per hive per year**

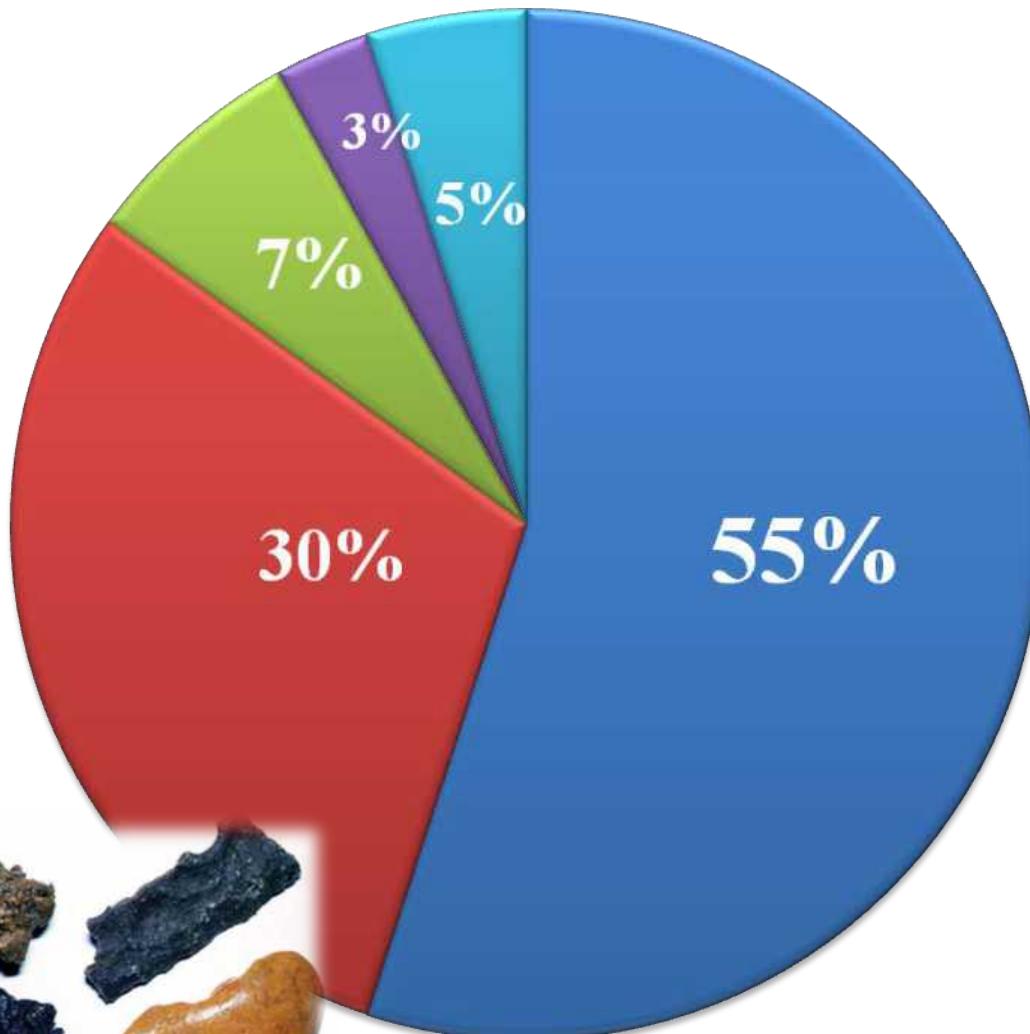
Propolis, an apiproduct used by the honeybees as a sealant, has been rediscovered as a medicinal agent, reported to be of benefit in the treatment of allergies, bruises, burns, ulcers, sunburn, wounds, tumors, fatigue, sore throat, nasal congestion, respiratory ailments, flu, colds, acne, skin disorders, and shingles. Propolis consists of plant resins, balsams, wax, bee pollen and essential oils. The composition of propolis (of different colors) depends on the phytogeographical location, seasonal collection time, and botanical source. It is reported to contain more than 300 natural compounds such as polyphenols, phenolic aldehydes, stilbenes, sesquiterpene-quinones, coumarins, chalcones, flavones, flavonols, flavonoids (galangin, chrysin, caffeic acid phenethyl ester, pinocembrin), amino acids, steroids, and inorganic compounds



Propolis is reported to have anti-angiogenic, antihypercholesterolemic, antihypertensive, anti-inflammatory, antimicrobial, antioxidant, anti-parasitic, anti-septic, anti-tumor, antiulcer, anti-viral, immune-stimulatory properties, and hepato-, cardio-, and neuro-protective activity. Diabetes and pathologies associated with it are mainly due to inflammation and oxidative stress, as a result of elevated levels of reactive oxygen species (ROS), which cause lipid peroxidation and protein oxidation.



# Chemical Composition of propolis



- Resins and balms  
مركبات صمغية وبلسم
- Wax شمع النحل
- Essential Oils الزيوت الأساسية
- Pollen حبوب اللقاح
- Others أخرى

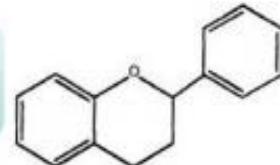


The anti-oxidant, oxygen radical scavenging activity of propolis (and its extracts) is mainly due to the presence of phenolics and flavonoids



Flavones,  
Flavanones

Flavonoids



Flavonols

Flavanols\*

Other  
Anthocyanins



Proanthocyanidins  
(oligomers)

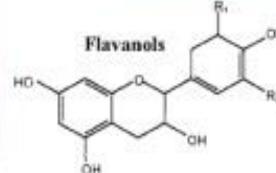
Catechins,  
Epicatechins  
(monomers)



Procyanidins



Prodelphinidins





Artichoke  
(Silymarin)



Oleander  
(Oleanderin)



Tomato  
(Lycopene)



Garlic  
(Diallyl sulfide, ajoene,  
6-allyl cysteine, allicin)



Carrots  
(β-carotenes)



Tea  
(Catechins)



Red grapes  
(Resveratrol)



Red chilli  
(Capsaicin)



Turmeric  
(Curcumin)



Cloves  
(Eugenol &  
isoeugenol)



Honey-bee propolis  
**CAPE**



Cruciferous  
vegetables  
(Sulforaphane)



Pomegranate  
(Ellagic acid)



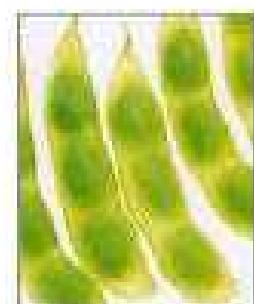
Ginger  
(6-Gingerol)



Basil  
(Ursolic acid)



Fennel,  
(Anethol)



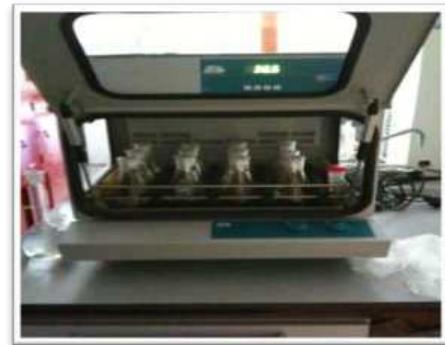
Soybean  
(Genistein)

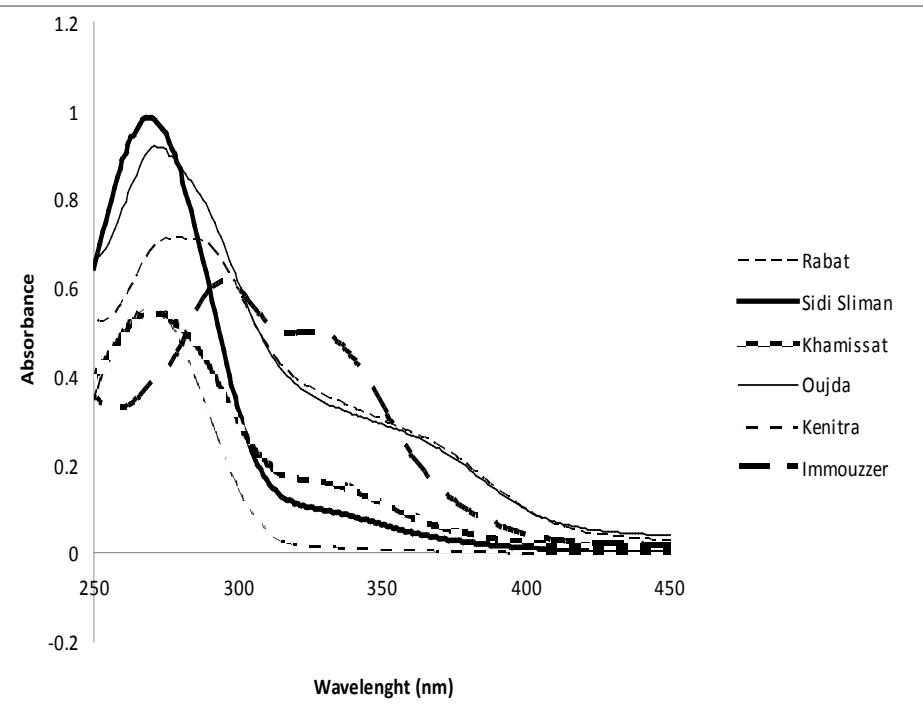


Aloe  
(Emodin)

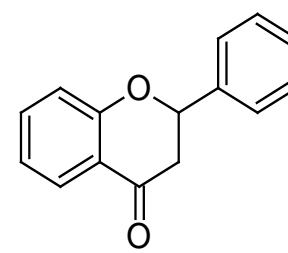
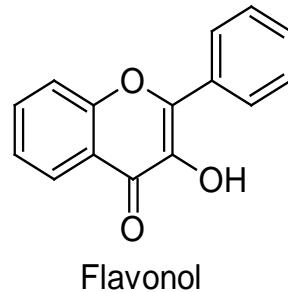
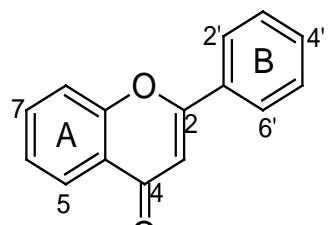
# RESINS, BALMS AND WAX FROM PROPOLIS SAMPLES

PROPOLIS	% WAX	% RESINS	% BALMS
Moulay Bouslham	87.70	3.25	0.86
Sidi Ifni	57.15	2.09	0.09
Bhalil	16.69	20.80	0.21
Zawiyat Chikh	46.34	19.70	0.79
Rabat	2.79	51.77	0.46
Sidi Sliman	75.55	5.17	1.69
Khamissat	16.24	41.12	1.80
Araich	68.08	20.42	0.27
Oujda	1.80	47.89	0.43
Kenitra	67.77	20.15	9.66
Imouzar	16.34	38.98	1.94





Absorption spectra of the ethanolic propolis extracts from diverse locations of Morocco. Different dilutions are made: Sidi sliman (40), Kenitra (160), Immouzzer, Oujda and Rabat (320), Khamissat (640).



## General structure of some subgroups of flavonoids

# Phenol and flavonoid content in samples of propolis from diverse regions of Morocco obtained by maceration

Sample	Phenol (mg/g)	Flavonoid (mg/g)
Moulay Bouslham	5.98±1.12 <sup>f</sup>	1.75±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Sidi ifni	6.82±1.12 <sup>f</sup>	1.80±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Bhalil	12.86±1.12 <sup>e</sup>	3.25±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Zawiat chikh	5.34±1.12 <sup>fg</sup>	1.87±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Rabat	53.51±1.12 <sup>c</sup>	33.31±1.39 <sup>a</sup>
Sidi sliman	1.45±1.12 <sup>gh</sup>	0.30±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Khamissat	65.67±1.12 <sup>b</sup>	12.78±1.39 <sup>c</sup>
Larache	6.00±1.12 <sup>f</sup>	2.05±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Kenitra	0.74±1.12 <sup>i</sup>	0.20±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Oujda	44.73±1.12 <sup>d</sup>	34.27±1.39 <sup>a</sup>
Immouzzer	91.22±1.12 <sup>a</sup>	26.30±1.39 <sup>b</sup>
Taza	7.83±1.12 <sup>f</sup>	1.68±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Taounat	5.89±1.12 <sup>f</sup>	0.93±1.39 <sup>d</sup>
Sefrou	6.211±1.120 <sup>f</sup>	1.05±1.39 <sup>d</sup>

Results are shown as the mean ± SD ( $n=3$ ). In the same column, values with the same letter are not significantly different ( $P<0.05$ ).

**IC<sub>50</sub>** values (mg/ml) found for the extracts of propolis from diverse locations of Morocco and obtained by maceration. For ORAC method, IC<sub>50</sub> values are given as Trolox Equivalent (TE)

Sample	ABTS (mg/ml) <sup>1</sup>	DPPH (mg/ml) <sup>1</sup>	Hydroxyl (mg/ml) <sup>1</sup>	ORAC µmol TE/g <sup>1</sup>
Moulay Bousham	0.279±0.016 <sup>c</sup>	0.523±0.031 <sup>cd</sup>	1.398±0.008 <sup>b</sup>	1106.423±78.151 <sup>e</sup>
Sidi ifni	0.236±0.016 <sup>cd</sup>	0.384±0.031 <sup>e</sup>	0.719±0.008 <sup>e</sup>	1570.866±78.151 <sup>c</sup>
Bhalil	0.297±0.016 <sup>e</sup>	0.239±0.031 <sup>f</sup>	1.111±0.008 <sup>d</sup>	1404.360±78.151 <sup>bcd</sup>
Zawiat chikh	0.366±0.016 <sup>b</sup>	0.409±0.031 <sup>e</sup>	1.441±0.008 <sup>a</sup>	1198.169±78.151 <sup>cde</sup>
Rabat	0.136±0.016 <sup>e</sup>	0.008±0.031 <sup>g</sup>	0.104±0.008 <sup>k</sup>	1455.039±78.151 <sup>bc</sup>
Sidi sliman	1.009±0.016 <sup>a</sup>	1.125±0.031 <sup>b</sup>	-	1353.256±78.151 <sup>abcd</sup>
Khamissat	0.0126±0.016 <sup>f</sup>	0.025±0.031 <sup>g</sup>	0.059±0.008 <sup>l</sup>	2012.152±78.151 <sup>a</sup>
Larache	0.408±0.016 <sup>b</sup>	0.559±0.031 <sup>c</sup>	1.191±0.008 <sup>c</sup>	1278.603±78.151 <sup>cde</sup>
Kenitra	-	1.813±0.031 <sup>a</sup>	0.540±0.008 <sup>i</sup>	1291.157±78.151 <sup>cde</sup>
Oujda	0.022±0.016 <sup>f</sup>	0.025±0.031 <sup>g</sup>	0.398±0.008 <sup>j</sup>	1143.483±78.151 <sup>de</sup>
Immouzzer	0.009±0.016 <sup>f</sup>	0.019±0.031 <sup>g</sup>	0.078±0.008 <sup>l</sup>	1865.506±78.151 <sup>b</sup>
Taza	0.209±0.016 <sup>d</sup>	0.294±0.031 <sup>f</sup>	0.577±0.008 <sup>h</sup>	ND
Taounat	0.297±0.016 <sup>c</sup>	0.459±0.031 <sup>e</sup>	0.651±0.008 <sup>g</sup>	ND
Sefrou	0.296±0.016 <sup>c</sup>	1.086±0.031 <sup>b</sup>	0.677±0.008 <sup>f</sup>	ND

# Pearson correlation coefficients among compounds/antioxidant activities,compounds/acetylcholinesterase inhibition, compounds/lipoxygenase inhibition

	Phenols	Flavonoids
DPPH	-0.623**	-0.592**
ABTS	-0.609**	-0.535**
Hydroxyl	-0.743**	-0.647**
TBARS	-0.640**	-0.774**
ORAC	+0.676**	+0.218NS
Lipoxygenase	-0.752**	-0.743**
Acetylcholinesterase	-0.873**	-0.866**

Pearson Correlation significance levels: NS: not significant.

-: Assay not performed

\*\* significant at  $P < 0.01$ .

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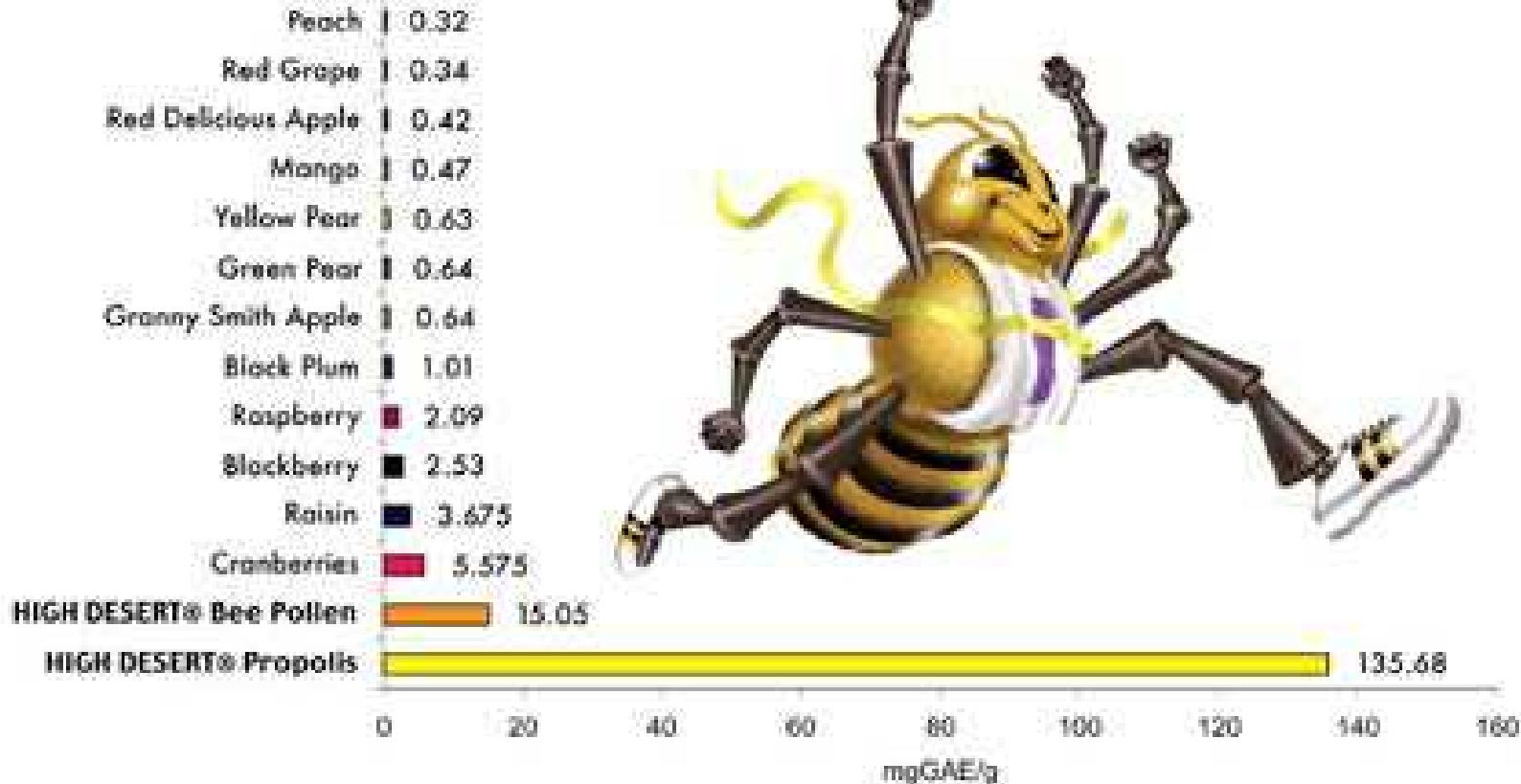
<b>Sample</b>	<b>TBARS</b>	<b>Lipoxygenase</b>	<b>Acetylcholinesterase</b>
Moulay Bouslham	0.685±0.023 <sup>ab</sup>	1.968±0.016 <sup>e</sup>	-
Sidi ifni	0.572±0.023 <sup>d</sup>	1.206±0.016 <sup>f</sup>	-
Bhalil	0.144±0.023 <sup>e</sup>	0.217±0.016 <sup>h</sup>	0.569±0.006 <sup>b</sup>
Zawiat chikh	0.312±0.023 <sup>d</sup>	2.182±0.016 <sup>c</sup>	0.743±0.006 <sup>a</sup>
	0.014±0.023 <sup>f</sup>	0.149±0.016 <sup>i</sup>	0.089±0.006 <sup>c</sup>
Sidi sliman	-	-	-
Khamissat	0.249±0.023 <sup>d</sup>	0.248±0.016 <sup>h</sup>	0.087±0.006 <sup>c</sup>
Larache	0.609±0.023 <sup>bc</sup>	1.995±0.016 <sup>e</sup>	0.559±0.006 <sup>b</sup>
Kenitra	-	-	-
	0.051±0.023 <sup>f</sup>	0.272±0.016 <sup>h</sup>	0.043±0.006 <sup>d</sup>
Immouzzer	0.241±0.023 <sup>d</sup>	0.380±0.016 <sup>g</sup>	0.085±0.006 <sup>c</sup>
Taza	-	2.092±0.016 <sup>d</sup>	-
Taounat	0.699±0.023 <sup>a</sup>	2.521±0.016 <sup>a</sup>	-
Sefrou	0.657±0.023 <sup>ab</sup>	2.461±0.016 <sup>b</sup>	-
BHT	0.097±0.023 <sup>ef</sup>	ND	ND
NDGA	ND	0.020±0.016 <sup>i</sup>	ND
Galantamine	ND	ND	0.003±0.006 <sup>e</sup>

Results are shown as the mean ± SD (*n*=3). In the same column, values with the same letter are not significantly different (*P*<0.05).

-: the concentrations assayed did not permit to determine IC<sub>50</sub> values

ND: Not determined

# Total Polyphenol Content



# Oxygen Radical Absorbance Capacity (ORAC)

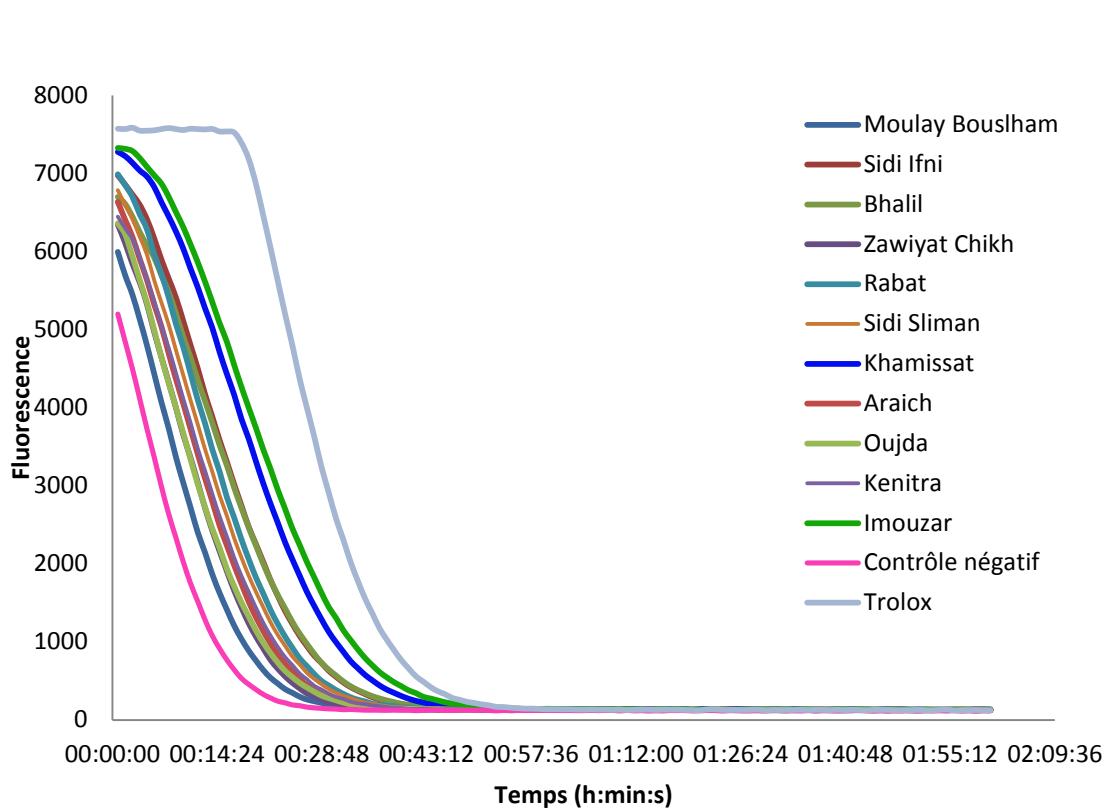


Figure : Graphes de l'ORAC des échantillons de propolis.

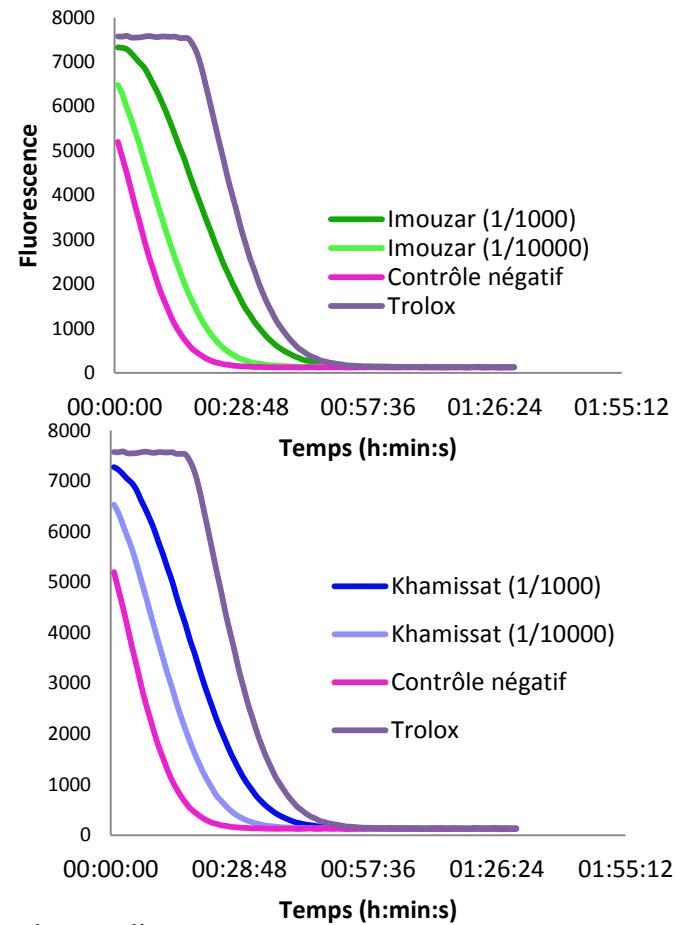
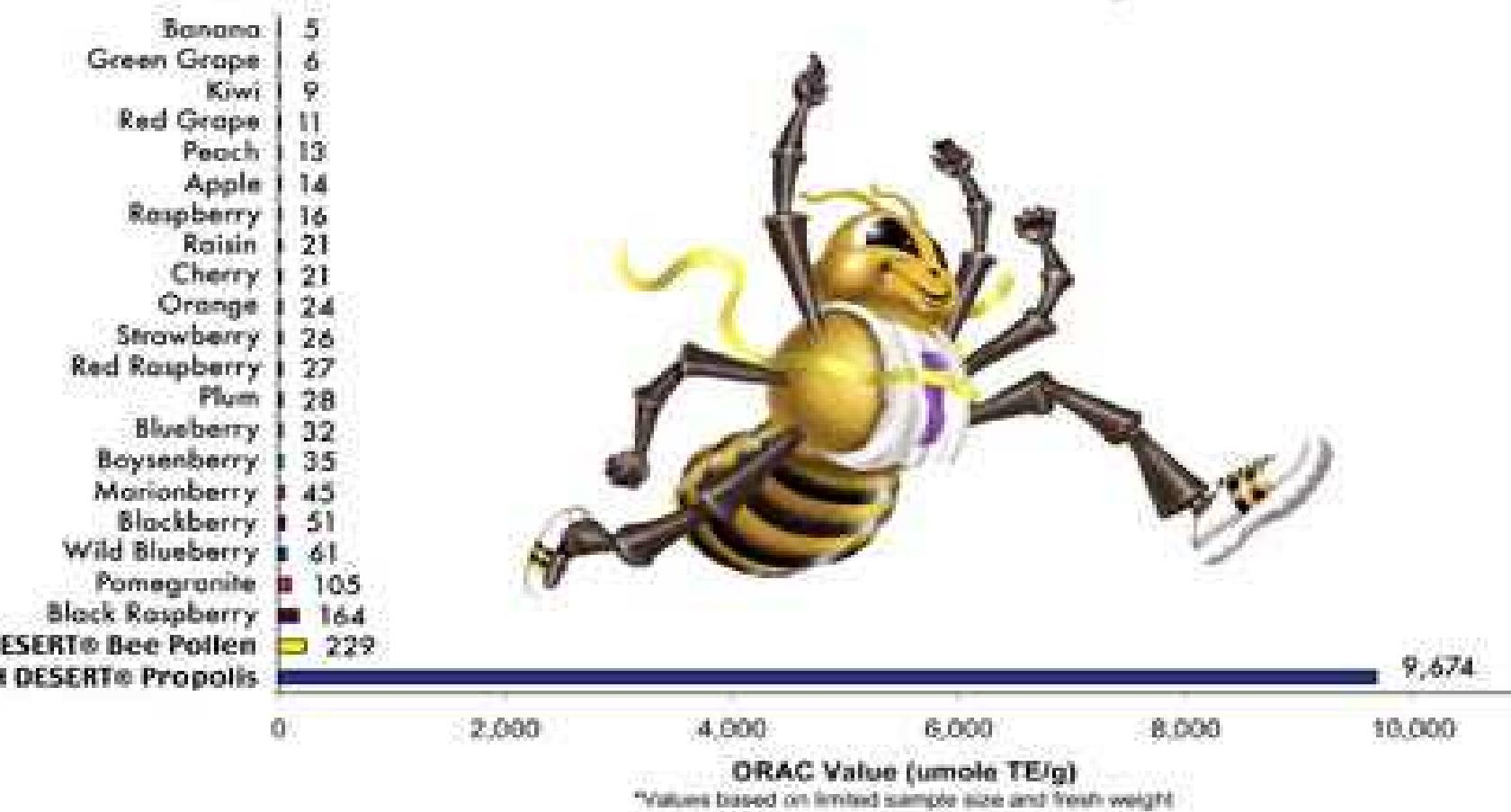


Tableau :  $\mu\text{Eq}$  Trolox/mg de l'ORAC des échantillons de propolis.

Propolis	Moulay Bouslham	Sidi ifni	Bhalil	Zawiat chikh	Rabat	Sidi sliman	Khamissat	Araich	Oujda	Kenitra	Imouzar mermoucha
$\mu\text{Eq}$ Trolox/mg propolis $\pm$ SD	1,106 $\pm$ 0,004	1,374 $\pm$ 0,032	1,436 $\pm$ 0,259	1,198 $\pm$ 0,009	1,459 $\pm$ 0,025	1,277 $\pm$ 0,021	2,014 $\pm$ 0,008	1,279 $\pm$ 0,003	1,182 $\pm$ 0,097	1,202 $\pm$ 0,035	2,052 $\pm$ 0,008

## ORAC (Oxygen Radical Absorbance Capacity) Chart

### Whole Food Antioxidant Activity



# ANTI-INFLAMMATORY ACTIVITY

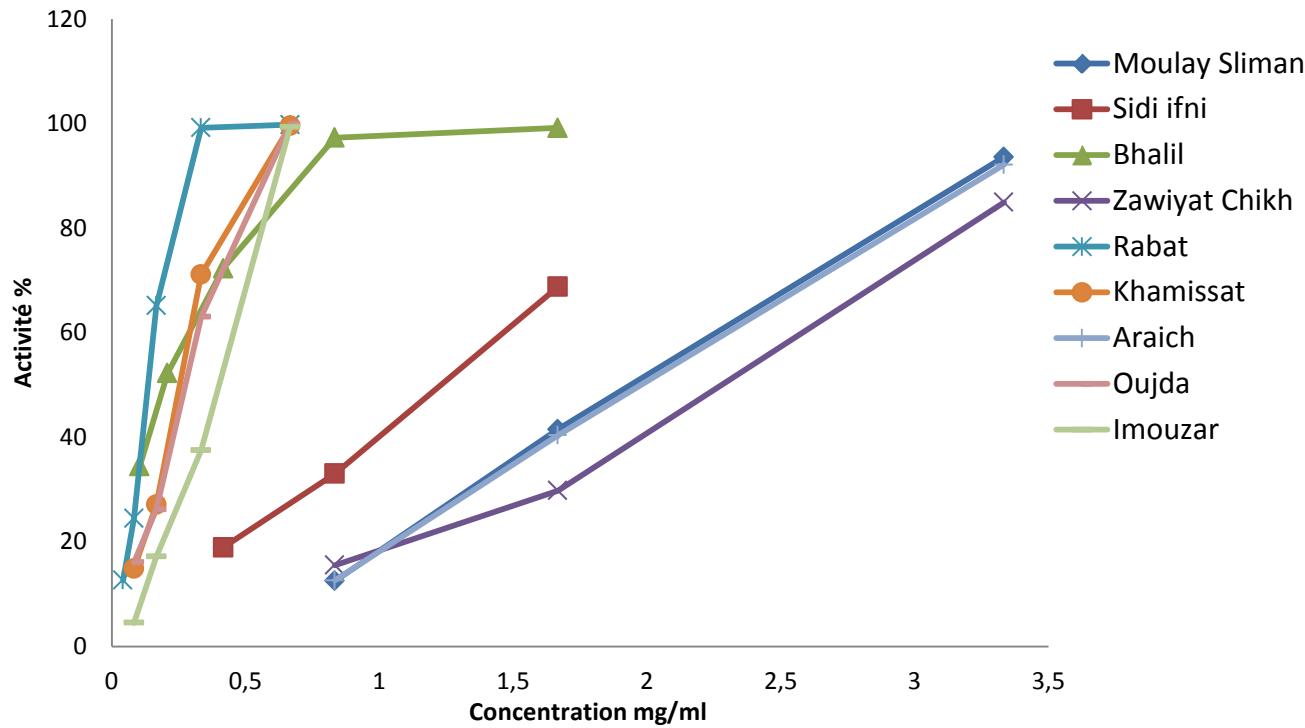
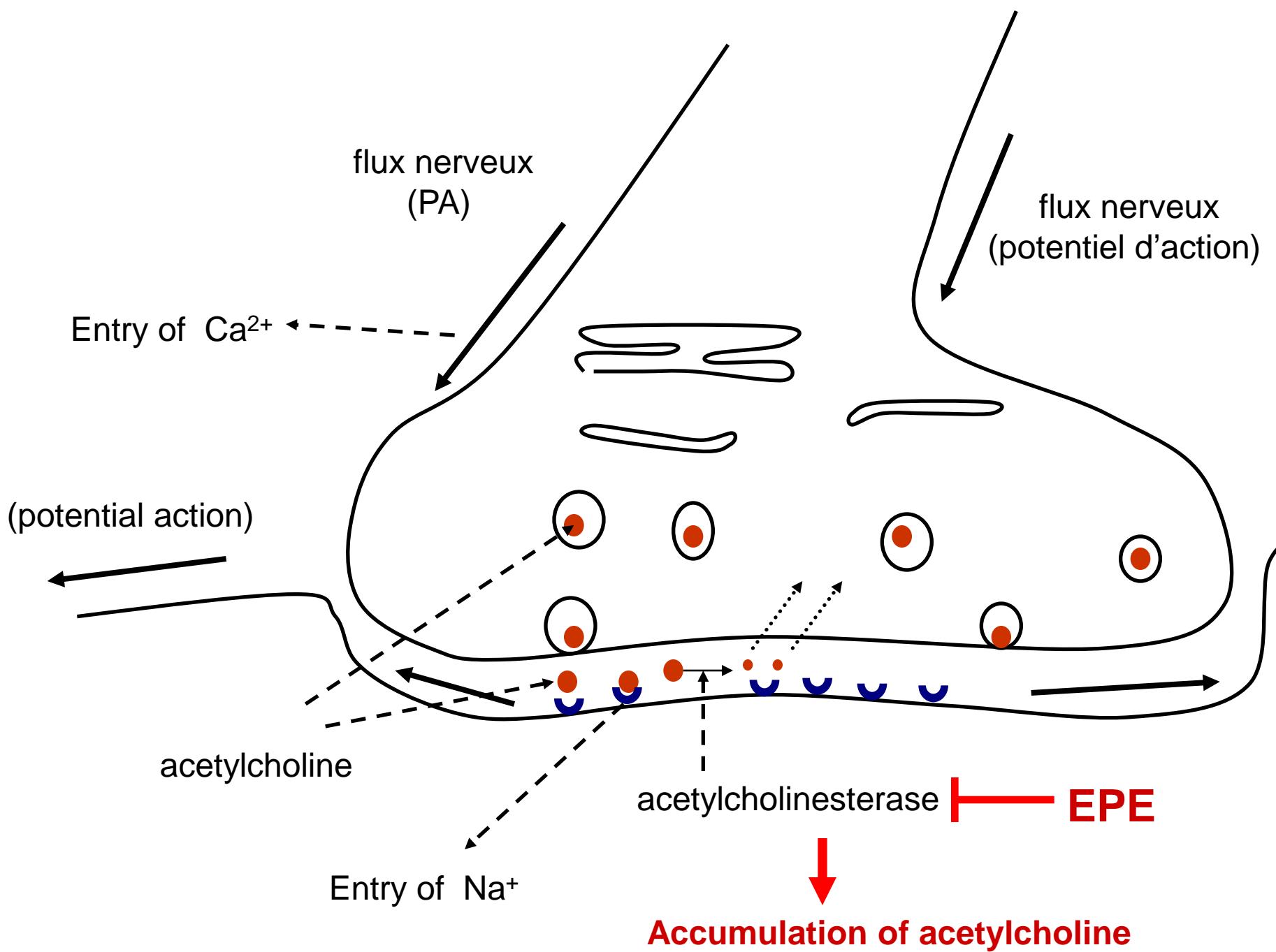


Figure : Inhibitory activity of lipoxygenase from propolis samples

Propolis	Moulay Bouslham	Sidi ifni	Bhalil	Zawiat chikh	Rabat	Sidi sliman	Khamissat	Araich	Oujda	Kenitra	Imouzar mermoucha
$IC_{50}$ (mg/ml $\pm$ SD)	1,968 $\pm$ 0,025	1,213 $\pm$ 0,016	0,217 $\pm$ 0,008	2,174 $\pm$ 0,011	0,134 $\pm$ 0,005	-	0,247 $\pm$ 0,003	1,994 $\pm$ 0,008	0,271 $\pm$ 0,003	-	0,380 $\pm$ 0,009



# ANTI-ACETYLCHOLINESTERASE ACTIVITY

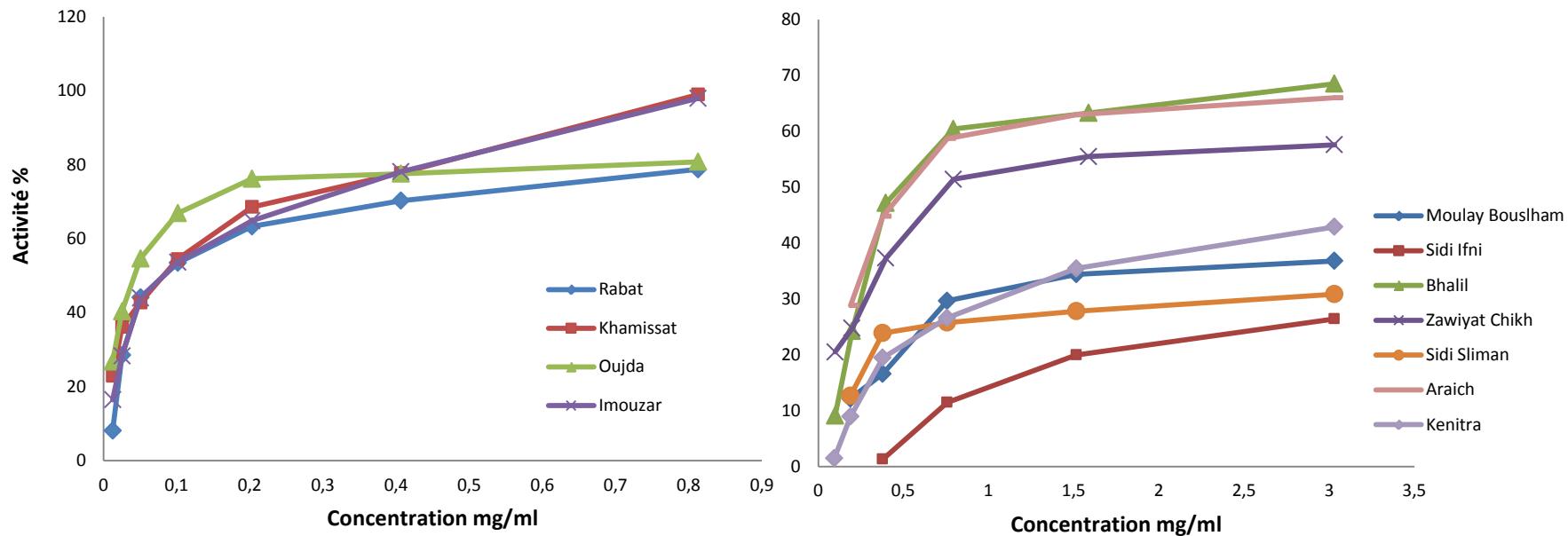
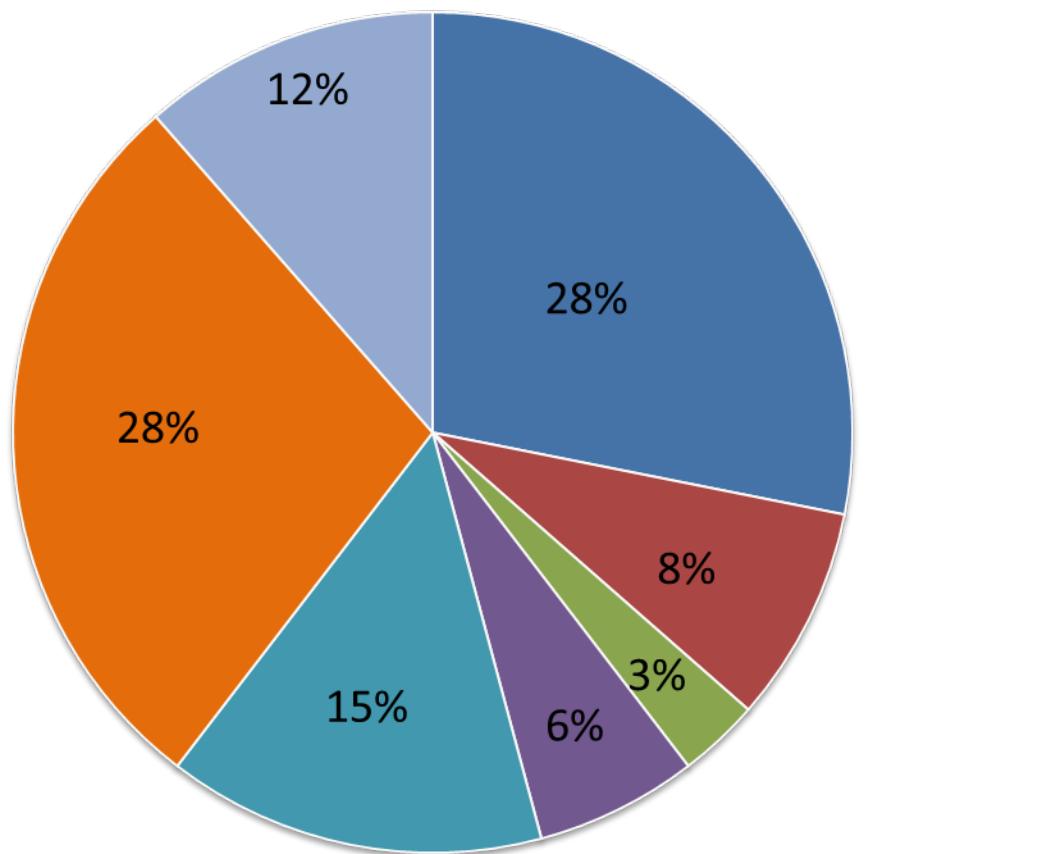


Tableau : IC<sub>50</sub> de l'activité anti-AChE des échantillons de propolis.

Propolis	Moulay Bousham	Sidi ifni	Bhalil	Zawiat chikh	Rabat	Sidi sliman	Khamissat	Araich	Oujda	Kenitra	Imouzar
IC <sub>50</sub> (mg/ml ± SD)	-	-	0,569 ± 0,002	0,743 ± 0,021	0,088 ± 0,009	-	0,082 ± 0,005	0,559 ± 0,015	0,042 ± 0,0001	-	0,087 ± 0,008

# Propolis and Pathologies

- Skin diseases
- Kidney
- Diabetes
- Cardiovascular
- Digestive
- Cancer
- Inflammation



# **Propolis - A Novel Antidiabetic Agent**



## **Effect of propolis on glycemic control (glucose, fructosamine and glycosylated hemoglobin)**

The measurements of blood glucose, fructosamine and glycosylated hemoglobin are commonly employed to assess the extent of glycemic control in diabetes mellitus. Unlike fasting blood glucose, fructosamine and glycosylated hemoglobin measure glycemic control over a period of two to three weeks and eight to twelve weeks, respectively.

# Therapeutic Uses of Propolis



## Effect of propolis on glucose-regulating hormones and pancreas

The antidiabetic effect of propolis was via inhibition of gene expression and enzyme activity of glucose-6-phosphatase (Kang LJ, et al., Phytother Res 2010;24:1554)



## Therapeutic Uses of Propolis



### Antidiabetic effect of propolis: Potential mechanisms of action based on the free radical scavenging constituents and anti-oxidant effect of propolis

An ethanol extract of propolis – contained phenolic acids and flavonoids (caffeic acid, ferulic acid, and luteolin) – able to have reducing power and ability to scavenge free radicals and metal ions – and block intracellular oxidation in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

Mavri A, et al. Chemistry & Biodiversity 2012;9:1545-1558

Antioxidant activity was proportional to amount of phenols, flavones and flavonols in aqueous extracts of propolis ( Isla MI et al., J Med Food 2009; 12:1334; Gregoris E et al., Food Chem Toxicol 2010;48:76; Miguel MG et al., Food Chem Toxicol 2010;48:3418)

# **Anti-oxidants/free-radical scavengers, anti-apoptotics in propolis**



- ❖ **Antioxidants and free-radical scavengers [flavones, flavonols, flavanones and dihydroflavonols, and total phenolics (caffeic acid, p-coumaric acid, ferulic acid, and caffeic acid phenethyl ester)]**
  
- ❖ **Anti-oxidants and anti-apoptotics [pinocembrin]**

## Propolis and Diabetes



- ✿ Water extract of propolis prevented streptozotocin-induced  $\beta$ -cell destruction by inhibiting IL-1 $\beta$  generation and NO synthase activity (Matsushige K et al., Phytomedicine 1996;3:203)
- ✿ Water and ethanol extract of propolis controlled glycemia and reversed lipid abnormalities in streptozotocin-induced diabetic rats (by inhibition of lipid peroxidation and free radical scavenging) (Fuliang HU et al., Pharmacol Res 2005;51:147)
- ✿ It was suggested that the antioxidant effect of propolis might ameliorate oxidative stress and delay the development of nephropathy in diabetes mellitus (Abo-Salem OM et al., Pakistan J Pharm Sci 2009;22:205)
- ✿ Ethanol extract of propolis improved the biochemical and histopathological findings in a rat model of experimental pancreatitis (by inhibiting inflammatory cytokines and oxidative stress) (Buyukberber M et al., Turkish J Gastroenterol 2009;20:122)

# Propolis and Diabetes



- ✿ Propolis-treatment reduced HbA1c in streptozotocin-diabetic rats, and increased serum superoxide dismutase and hepatorenal glutathione peroxidase, decreased malonaldehyde and NO synthetase (NOS), as well as serum alanine transaminase, aspartate transaminase and microalbuminuria - demonstrating hepatorenal protection (Zhu W et al., Human & Exp Toxicol 2011;30:1246)
- ✿ The antidiabetic effect of propolis was shown as it inhibited the expression and enzyme activity of glucose-6-phosphatase by a non-antioxidative mechanism (Kang LJ et al., Phytother Res 2010;24:1554)
- ✿ Propolis decreased plasma insulin and insulin resistance (HOMA index) in Otsuka Long-Evans Tokushima Fatty rats, a non-insulin-dependent type 2 diabetic model (Zamami Y et al., Yakugaku Zasshi 2010;130:833)

# Propolis and Diabetes



- ✿ Ethanol extract of propolis prevented streptozotocin-induced alteration in body weight, serum glucose, lipids, lipoproteins, NO, reduced, catalase and pancreatic MDA & superoxide dismutase in rats (El-Sayed el-SM et al., Pakistan J Pharm Sci 2009;22:168)  
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# Propolis and Diabetes type 2



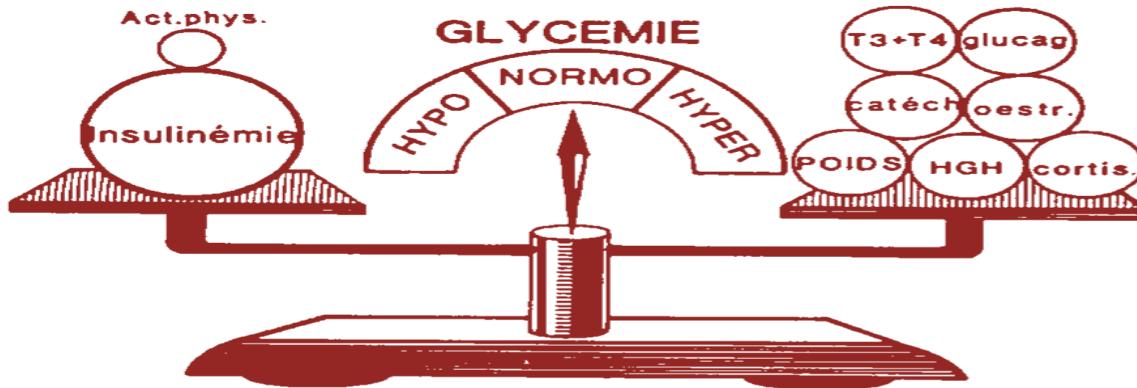
## Diabetes type 2

- Zamami Y, Fujiwara H, Hosoda M, Hino H, Hirai K, Okamoto K, Jin X, Takatori S, Doi-Takaki S, Kawasaki H. Ameliorative effect of propolis on insulin resistance in Otsuka Long-Evans Tokushima Fatty (OLETF) rats. *Yakugaku Zasshi* 2010;130:833-840.
  
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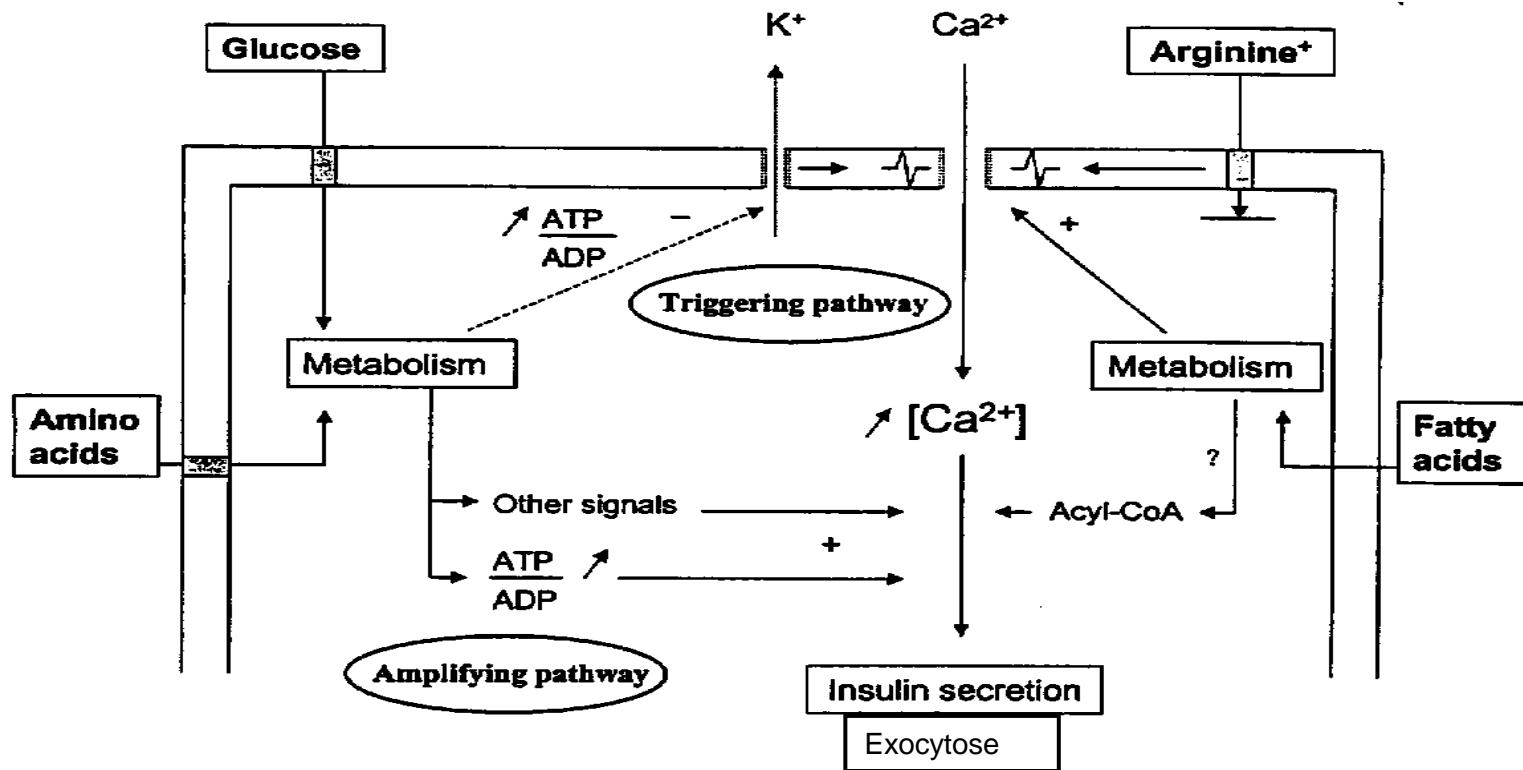
# Propolis components and Diabetes



- ✿ Caffeic acid phenethyl ester (present in propolis) reduced the oxidative stress in streptozotocin-induced diabetic rats (Okutan H et al., Clin Biochem 2005;38:191)
- ✿ Chrysin (present in propolis) significantly inhibited the release of nitric oxide and proinflammatory cytokines such as tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$  and interleukin-1, as well as expressions of inducible NO synthase and cyclooxygenase-2, and induction of nuclear factor-kB, the signaling molecules involved in inflammation (Ha SK et al., Neurosci Lett 2010;485:143)



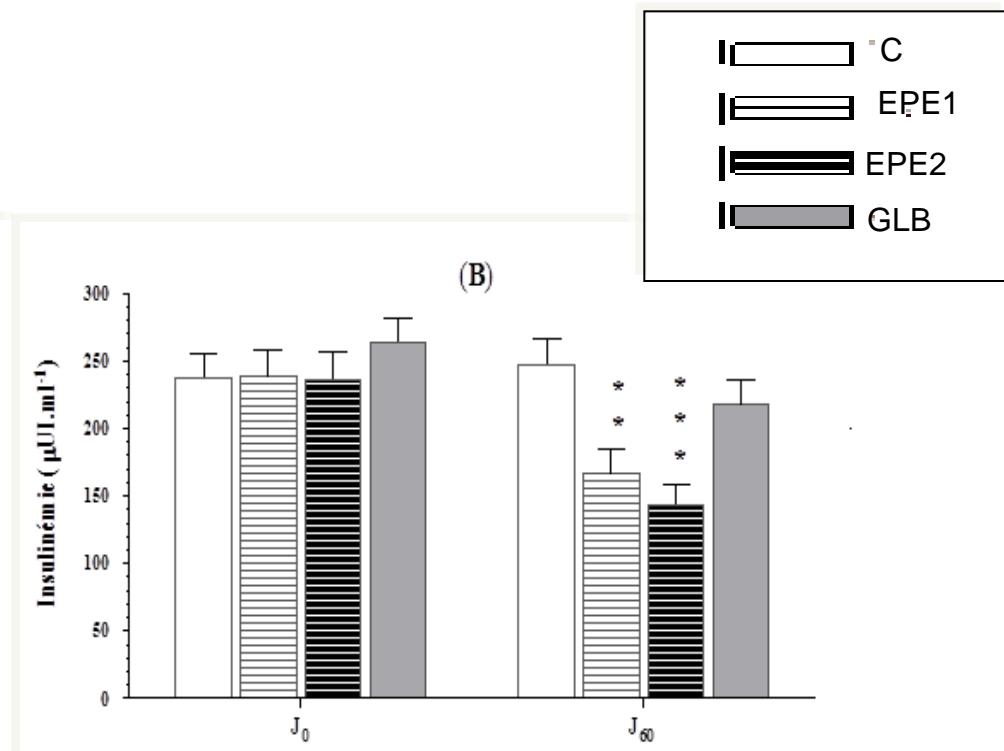
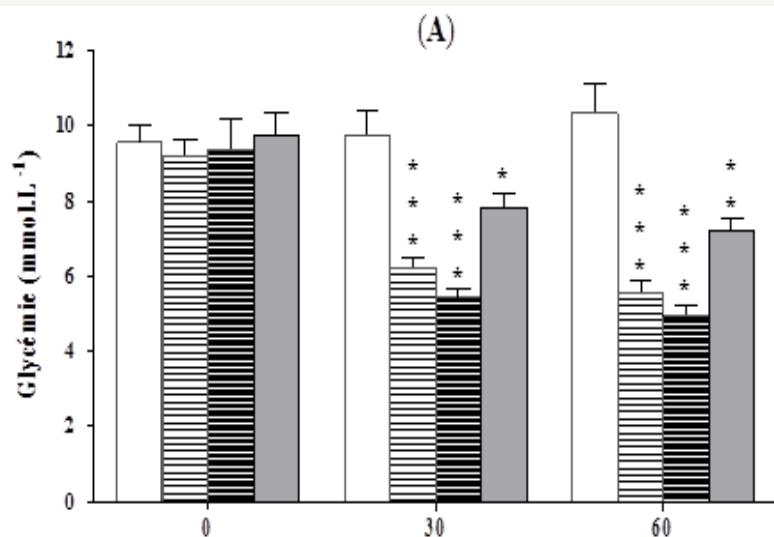
## Glucose as physiological regulator of insulin secretion

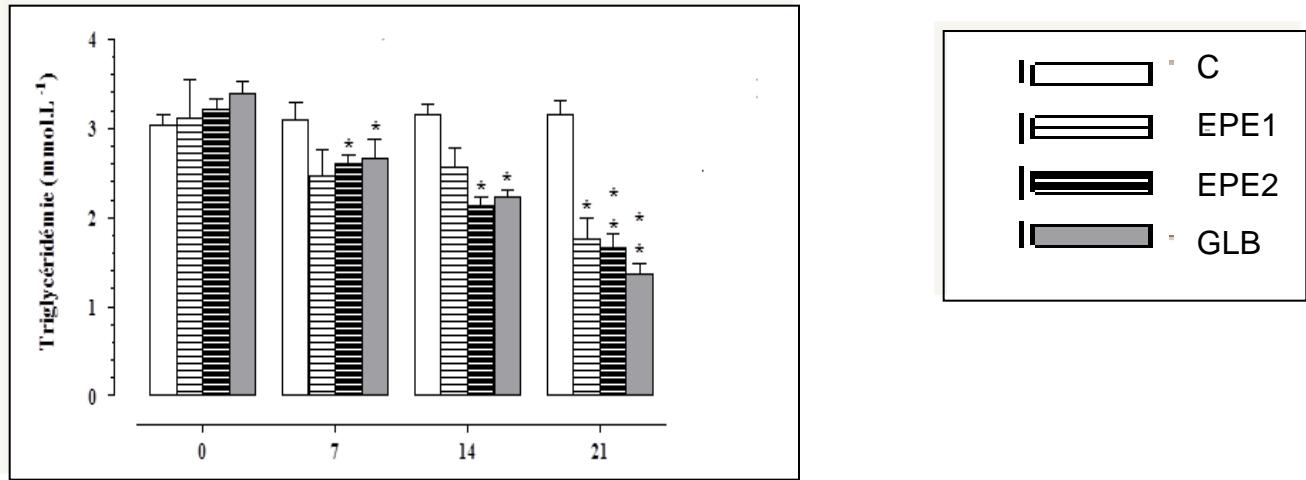
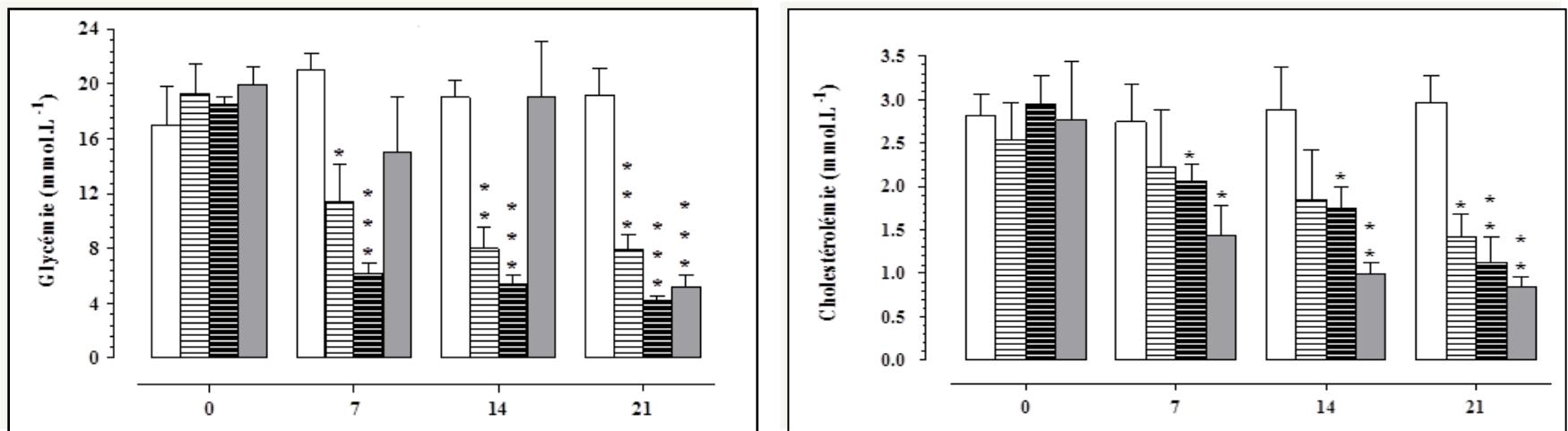




## Antidiabetic activity of Moroccan propolis

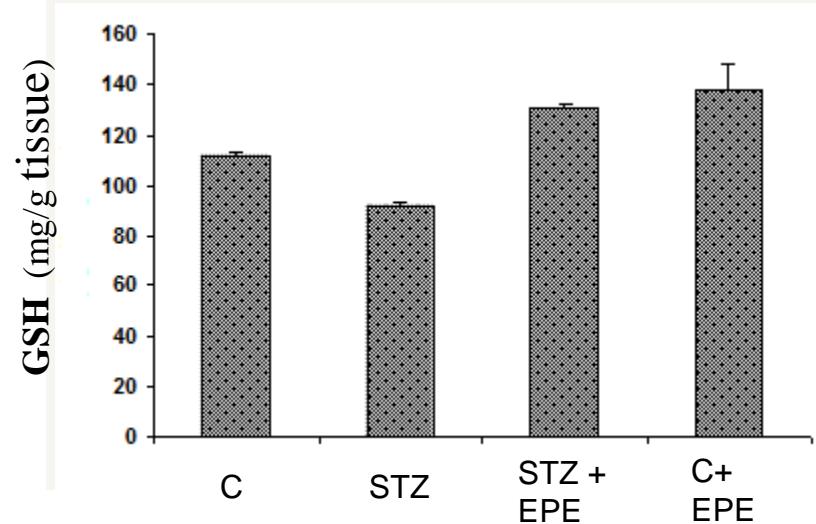
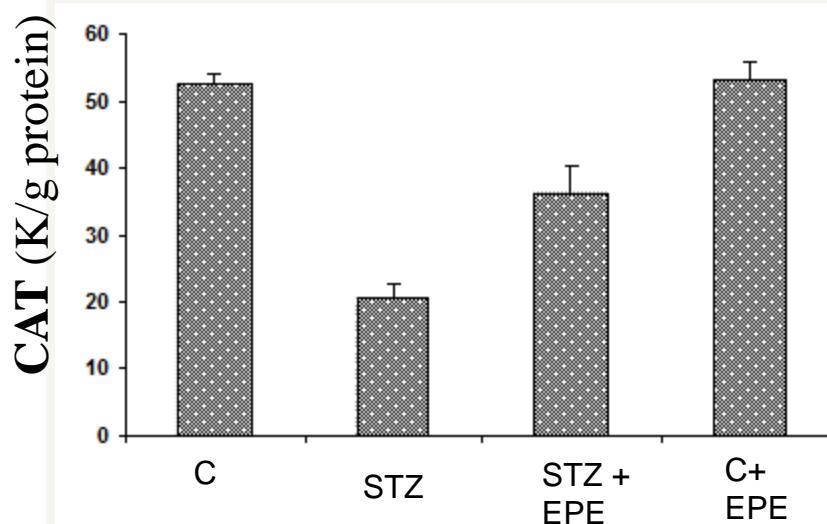
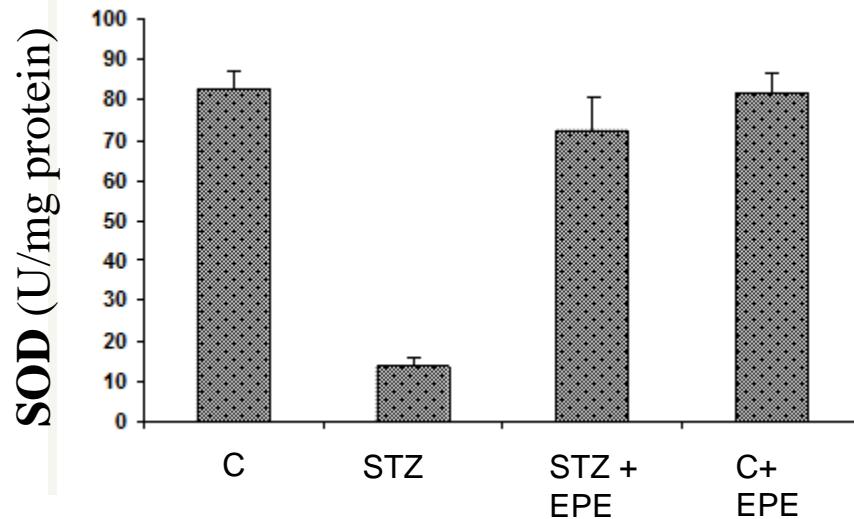
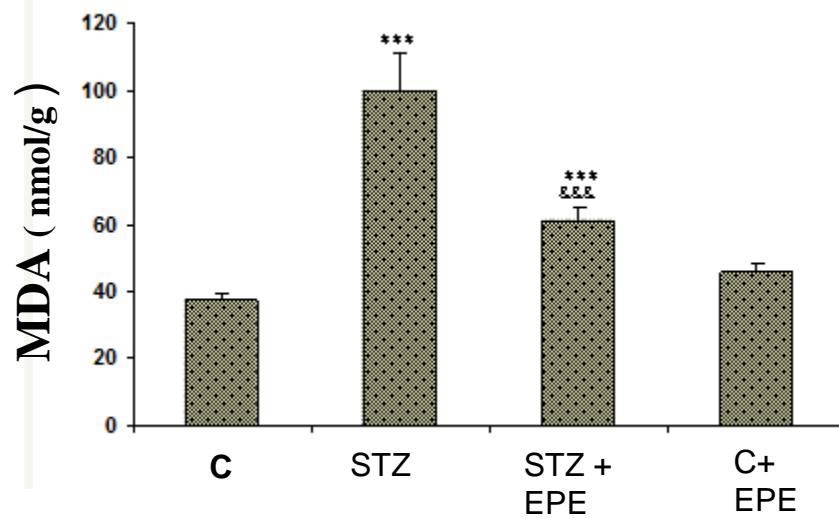
When given orally at a dose of 10 mg/100 g BW, to streptozotocin (STZ)-induced type 1 diabetic rats, it significantly decreased glycemia and plasma insulin





Moroccan Propolis given orally to streptozotocin (STZ)-induced type 1 diabetic rats significantly decreased glycemia, total cholesterol and triglyceride levels

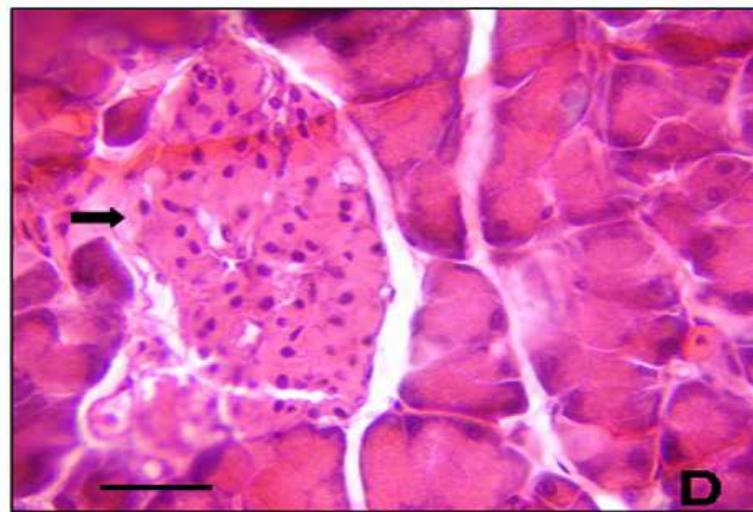
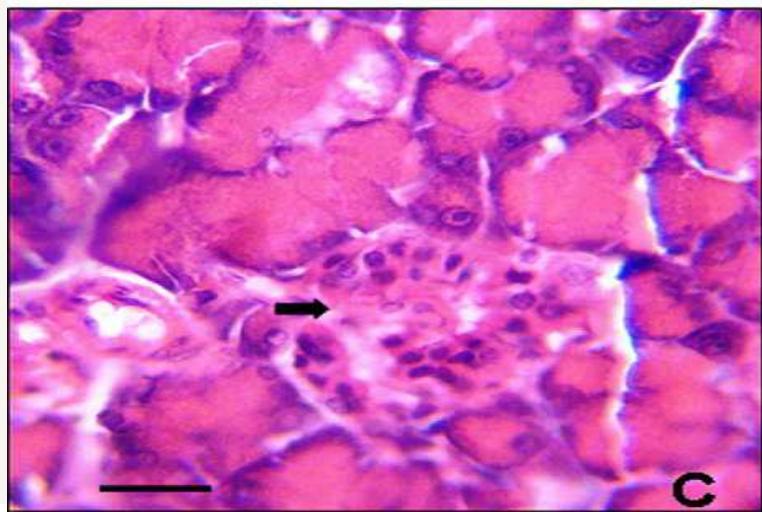
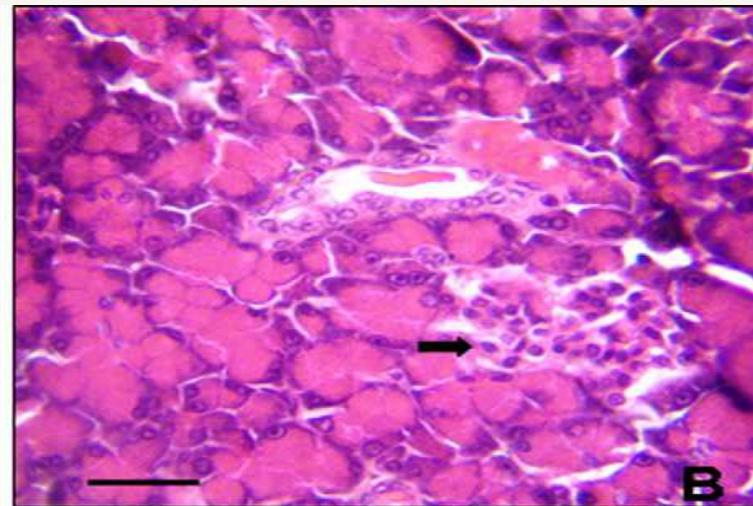
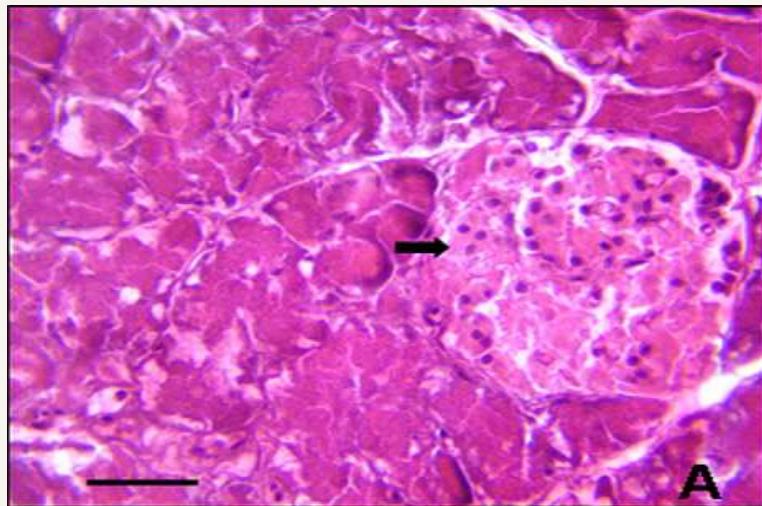
The protective role of propolis against the reactive oxygen species-induced damages in diabetic rats and nephrotoxicity models gives hope that it may have a similar protective action in humans. Experimental diabetes study in rodents suggests that propolis (or compounds isolated from propolis) may be useful in human diabetes



# MDA, GSH levels and antioxidant enzymes activities (SOD, CAT) in the pancreas tissue of adult rats : Controls and Diabetic Groups)

	C	C + EPE	STZ	STZ + EPE
<b>MDA</b> ( nmol/g tissue)	$37.2 \pm 1.9$	$45.6 \pm 2.5$	$100.03 \pm 10.7^*$	$60.9 \pm 4.2^*$
<b>GSH</b> (mg/g tissue)	$111.8 \pm 1.6$	$137.81 \pm 10.1^*$	$91.97 \pm 1.29^*$	$130.7 \pm 1.9^*$
<b>SOD</b> (U/mg prot)	$82.6 \pm 4.4$	$81.76 \pm 5.10$	$13.7 \pm 2.3^*$	$72.2 \pm 8.3$
<b>CAT</b> ( $\mu$ mol/min/mg prot)	$52.6 \pm 1.4$	$53.06 \pm 2.82$	$20.3 \pm 2.3^*$	$36.2 \pm 4.1^*$

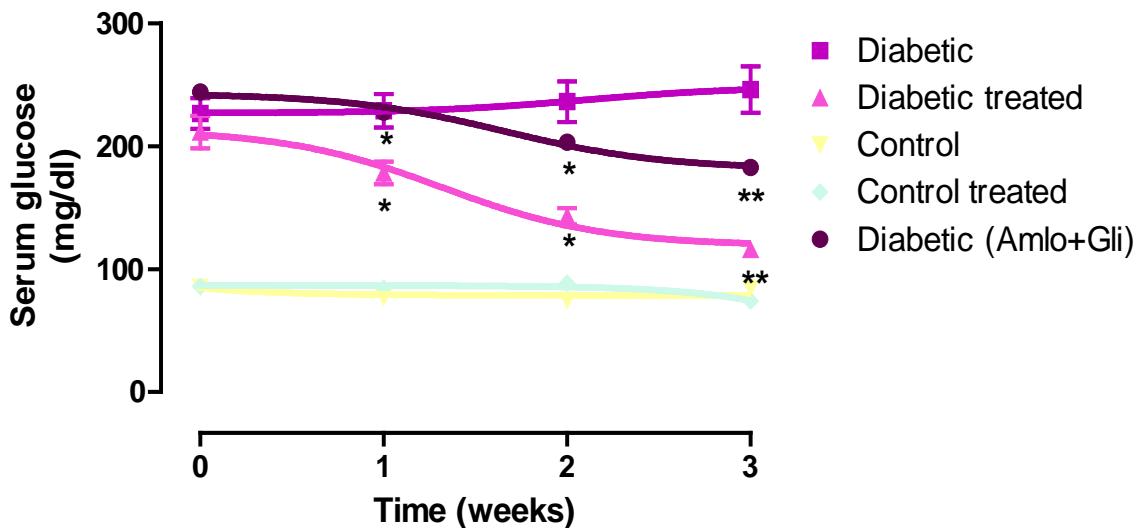
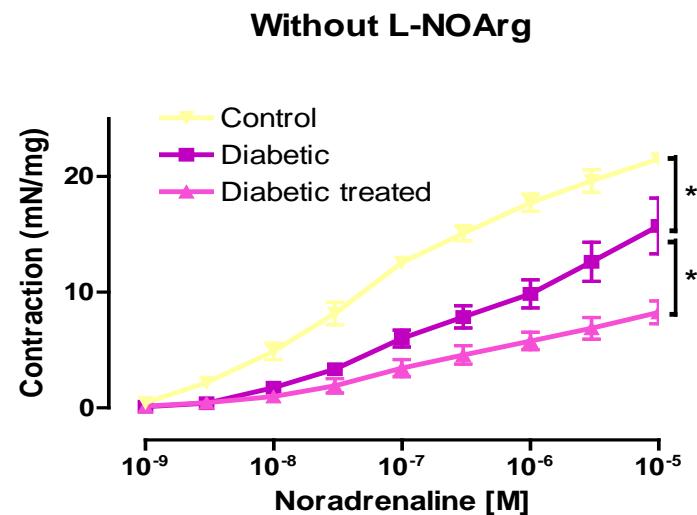
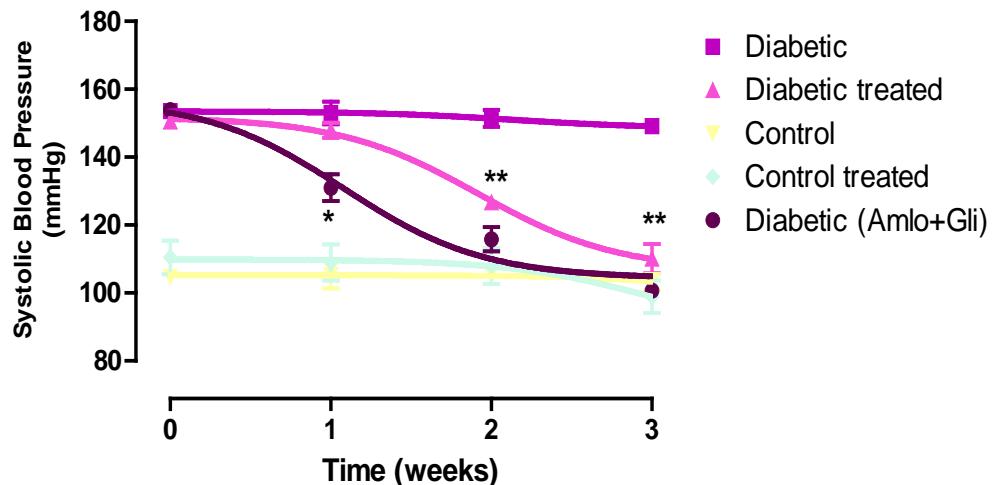
**EPE alleviates streptozotocin –induced oxidative stress and cell damage in rat pancreas**



## Histological section of pancreas in adult rats

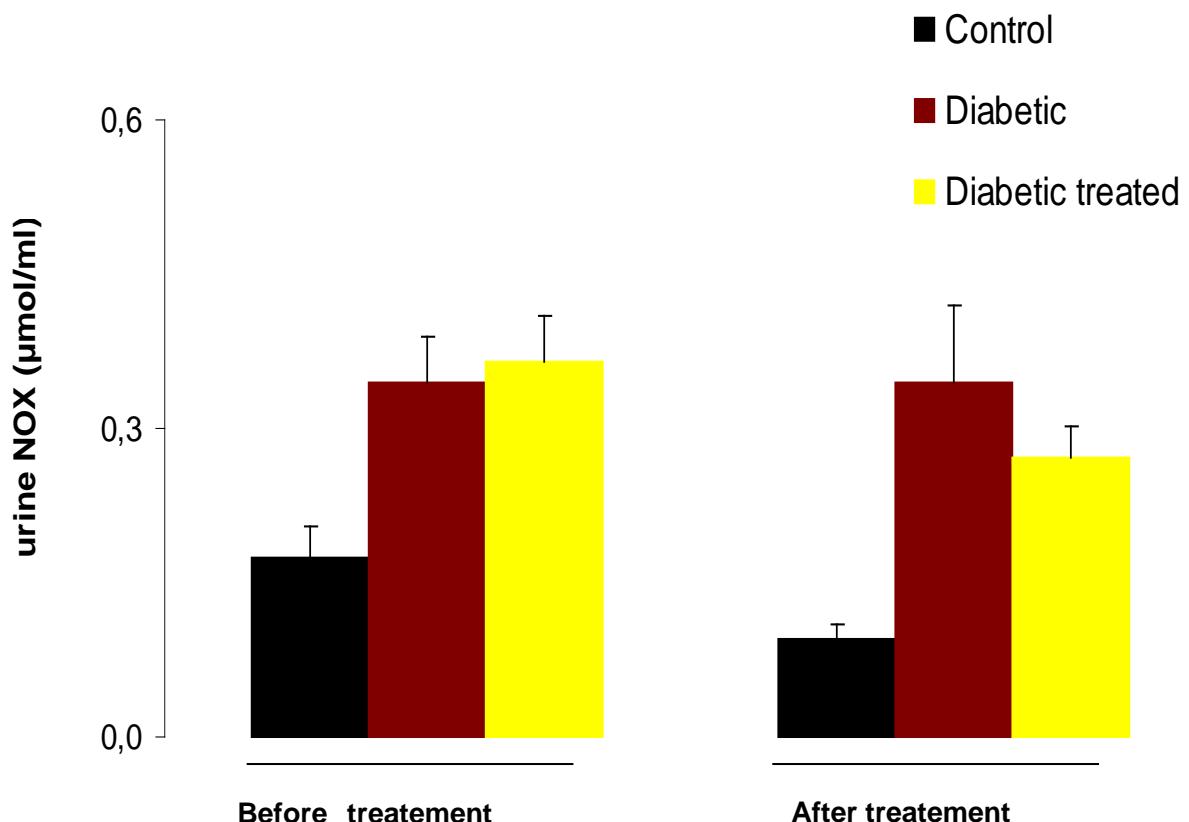
A : Control, B: Diabetic, C: Diabetic + EPE, D: Control + EPE

# Antidiabetic & Hypotensive effects of EPE in *Meriones Shawi* rats : animal model of diabetes type 2





# NOX ( $\text{NO}_2^- + \text{NO}_3^-$ ) Effect of EPE

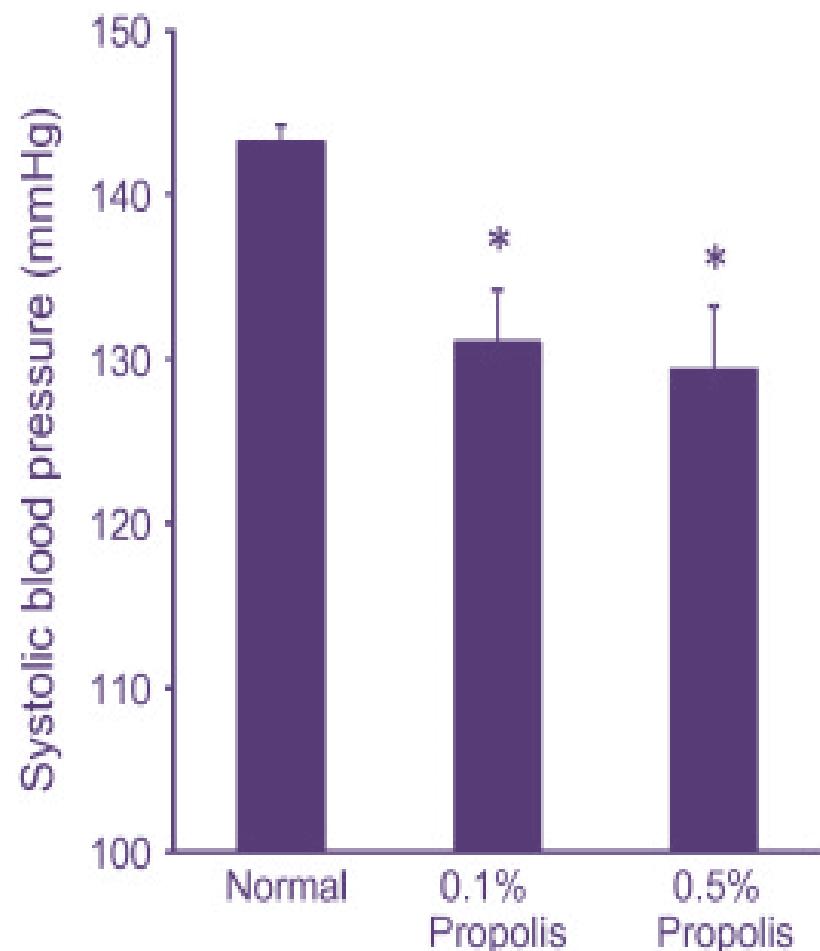


# Improvement of Insulin Resistance, Blood Pressure and Interstitial pH in Early Developmental Stage of Insulin Resistance in OLETF Rats by Intake of Propolis Extracts

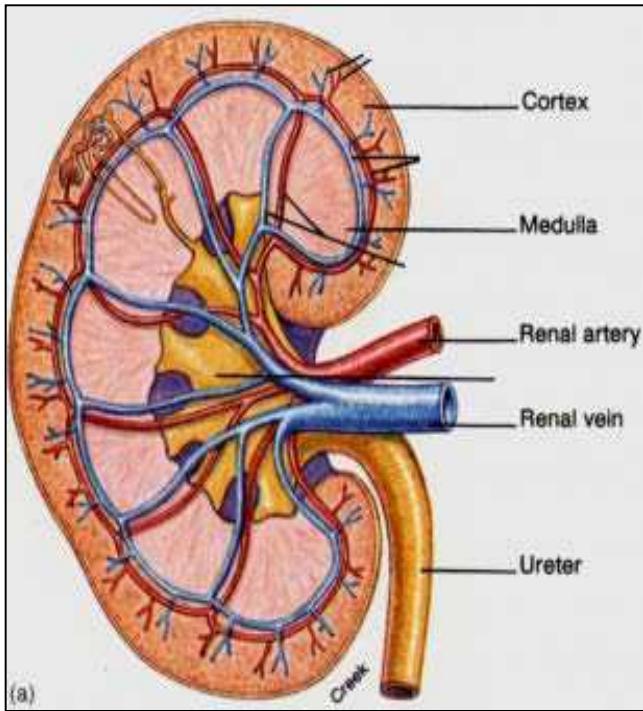
These data suggests that dietary propolis improves insulin sensitivity and blood pressures in the early stage of the process in development of insulin resistance, which may be mediated by suppression of metabolic acidosis.

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# Propolis - Detoxifying Effect



**Kidney: a vital organ but vulnerable to toxicants**

## Nephrotoxic chemicals

- ✿ Drugs (antibiotics, analgesics) -  
Solvents (halogenated  
hydrocarbons, ethylene glycol)
  
- ✿ Pesticides (paraquat) - Mycotoxins  
(ochratoxin A) - Metals (Pb, Cd, Hg,  
Al, Cr, U, As, etc.)

# Hemodynamic and renal parameters in control and nephrotoxic (NTOX) rats

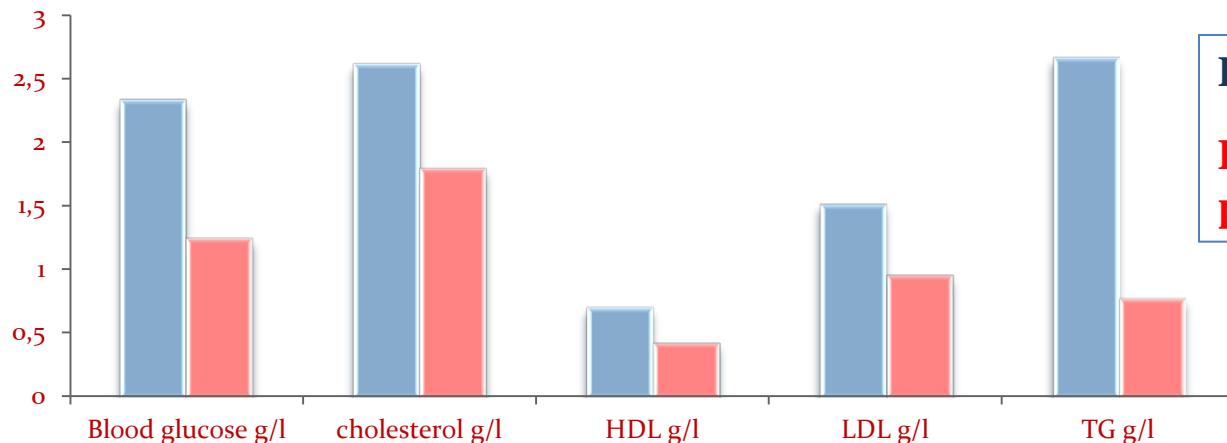
	CONT ( n = 8)	NTOX ( n = 8)	NTOX + EPE ( n = 8)
Hct ( %)	44.5 ± 0.5	39.1 ± 1*	42.5 ± 0.3
PAM ( mmHg)	116 ± 3	145 ± 6*	118 ± 5
DFG ( ml/min)	3.62 ± 0.26	2.14 ± 0.36*	3.35 ± 0.37
UV ( µl/min)	23 ± 4	12 ± 2*	20 ± 6
$U_{Na}^+V$ (µEq/min)	3.89 ± 0.08	1.88 ± 0.01	2.90 ± 0.05
$U_K^+V$ ( µEq/min/min)	2.56 ± 0.2	1.29 ± 0.12	2.36 ± 0.4
Osm (mOsm/Kg H <sub>2</sub> O)	1451 ± 81	1012 ± 131	1247 ± 75

# **Thiobarbituric acid reactive substances levels (MDA= malondialdehyde) and antioxidant enzyme activity in control and nephrotoxic (NTOX) rats**

	<b>CONT</b>	<b>NTOX</b>	<b>NTOX + AEP</b>
MDA (nM/mg protein)	$0.32 \pm 0.05$	$0.48 \pm 0.07^*$	$0.35 \pm 0.04$
SOD (U/mg protein)	$9.7 \pm 0.03$	$2.7 \pm 0.08^*$	$9.9 \pm 0.05$
GSH-Px (nM NADPH/min/mg protein)	$14.2 \pm 0.2$	$20.1 \pm 1.3^*$	$15.2 \pm 0.4$
CAT (K/g protein)	$85.2 \pm 1.8$	$112 \pm 2^*$	$93.2 \pm 1.5$

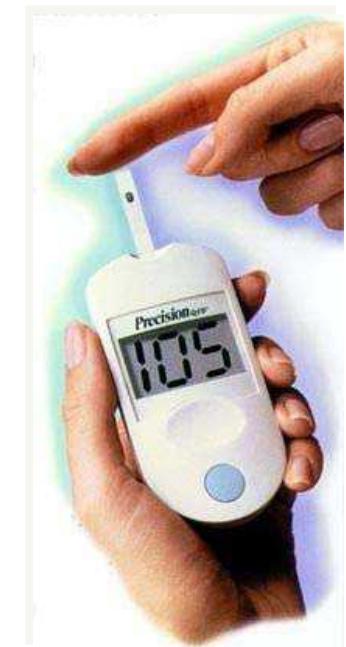
# Effects of oral administration of PE extract on plasma concentration of sodium, potassium (mmol/L), and glomerular filtration rate (ml/min) in samples before (Ti) and after (Tf) treatment

Treatment	Sodium		Potassium		Glomerular filtration rate	
	T <sub>i</sub>	T <sub>f</sub>	T <sub>i</sub>	T <sub>f</sub>	T <sub>i</sub>	T <sub>f</sub>
Control (NaCl 0.9%)	<b>142±2.1</b>	<b>143±1.9</b>	<b>4.3±0.5</b>	<b>4.4±0.4</b>	<b>0.19±0.07</b>	<b>0.24±0.1</b>
PE extract (200 mg/kg)	<b>145±1.4</b>	<b>143±2.9</b>	<b>4.2±0.3</b>	<b>4.1±0.8</b>	<b>0.24±0.05</b>	<b>1.31±0.2*</b>
Furosemide (0.5mg/kg)	<b>146±1.9</b>	<b>144±2.5</b>	<b>4.1±0.4</b>	<b>2.9±0.4 *</b>	<b>0.22±0.02</b>	<b>1.56±0.2*</b>



**Diabetics**

**Diabetics treated with propolis**

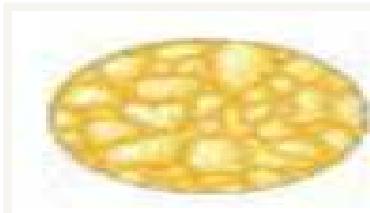


Parameter	Diabetics	Treated Diabetics
<b>HbA1C</b>	<b>8.7 %</b>	<b>6.5%</b>

Preliminary data in diabetic subjects, demonstrating beneficial effects of propolis to control and prevent diabetes, and suggesting that propolis (or compounds isolated from propolis) may be useful in human diabetes

Artepillin C, a constituent of propolis and a PPAR ligand, enhances adipocyte differentiation, improves insulin sensitivity in type 2 diabetes

### Direct effects on Adipose tissue



↓ Lipolysis  
↑ Fat synthesis

↓ FFA

### Cytokines



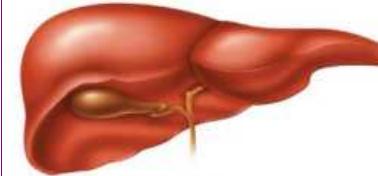
— ↑ Adiponectin  
— ↓ TNF  $\alpha$ , IL-6

# Thiazolidinedines



## PPAR – $\gamma$ activation

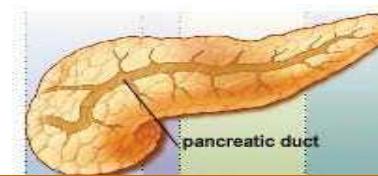
### ? Direct effects



Liver



Skeletal muscle

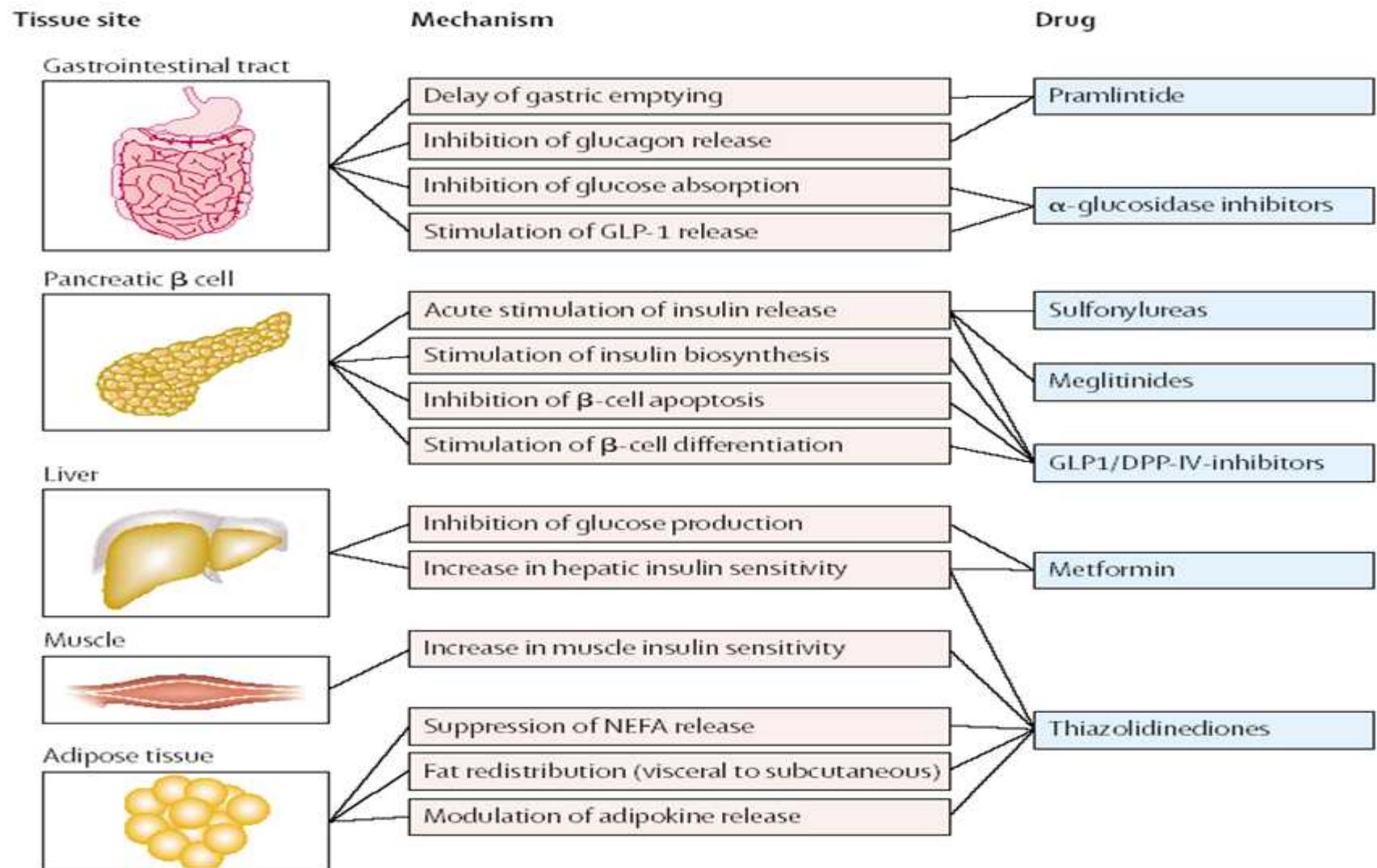


Pancreas

- ↓ Blood glucose  
- improved lipids  
- Anti-inflammatory Effects  
↓ Endothelial function



# Pharmacological treatment of hyperglycemia according to target



# Hypothetical mechanism(s) of hypoglycemic action of propolis

- Insulin –like / insulin – mimetic activity
- Insulinotropic effect
- Decrease in insulin resistance/insulin sensitization / enhancement of peripheral glucose utilization
- Induction of insulin-like glucose transport into adipocytes
- PPAR- $\gamma$  agonist (glitazone-like) activity:
- Dual-PPAR- $\alpha/\gamma$ agonist activity
- Increase in binding of GLP-1 to its receptor





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