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List of Abbreviations

AAP : 4-aminophenazone.

AGE : Advanced glycation end-products.

ANOVA: Analysis of variance.

AR : Analytical reagent.

AS : Allium Sativum

B.W. : Body weight.

BMI : Body mass index.

CAT : Catalase.

CCK: Cholecystokinin.

CHO: Carbohydrates.

Chol. : Cholesterol.

CNS : Central nervous system.

DADS: Diallyl disulfide.

DAN : Diabetic autonomic neuropathy.

DHBS: Dichloro -2-hydroxybenzene sulfonic acid.

DM : Diabetes mellitus.

DTT : Dithio DL-threitol.

EDTA: ethylene-diamine-tetraacetic acid.

ELISA: enzyme immunoassay.

FBG : Fasting blood glucose.

GIP : Glucose-dependent insulinotropic polypeptide.

GIT : Gastrointestinal tract.

GLPs: Glucagon-like-peptides.

GSH: Glutathione.

GSH-Px: Glutathione peroxidase.

HERPES: N-2 Hydroxyethyl piperzine N-2 ethan sulfonic acid.

HO-1 : Hemeoxygenase-1.

HOMA-IR: homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance.

Hr : Hours.

i.p. : intraperitoneal.

K-Cal: Kilocalorie.
LI: Lee Index

LSD : least significant difference.

M : Arithmatic mean.MDA : Malondialdehyde.

MMCs: Migrating motor complexes.

MUF : Monosaturated fatty acids.

NO: Nitric oxide.

NS: Non significant. O.D.: Optical density.

PBS : phosphate buffered saline.

PMSF: Phenyl methane sulfonyl fluoride.

PUF : Polunsaturated fatty acids.

ROS : reactive oxygen species.

Sat FA: Saturated fatty acid.
SD: Standard deviation.

SEM : Standard error of the mean.

SOD : Superoxide dismutase.

SPSS: Statistical Program for Social Science.

STZ : Streptozotocin.

TBA: Thiobarbituric acid reagent.

TCAA: Trichloroacetic acid.

TMB: Tetramethylbenzidine.

VIP : Vasoactive intestinal peptide.

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Introduction

Diabetes mellitus (DM) is a metabolic disorder resulting from deficient secretion or action of insulin and is considered as a worldwide problem, still rising and has no definite cure (Ashour et al., 2011).

Tiwari and Rao (2002) stated that an estimated 143 million people worldwide were suffering from DM, almost five times more than the estimates before ten years. They, also, reported that patient number might probably be doubled by the year 2030. According to **Younas and Hussain** (2014), five to ten percent had type-1 DM, which was formerly known as insulin-dependent, and 90% to 95% had type-2 (non-insulin-dependent) DM.

DM could lead to many complications, affecting multiple organs particularly if it persists for a long time independent of its types (*Rodrigues and Motta*, 2012).

Gastrointestinal motility disorders are often present in diabetic patients and were attributed to autonomic neuropathy (*Ojetti et al.*, 2009). Moussa (2008) reported that persistent hyperglycemia in diabetes caused increased production of free radicals especially reactive oxygen species (ROS). The increased ROS production in diabetic patients could cause injury to the nerves directly, in

addition to disrupted blood supply to the nerves in the gastrointestinal tract (Kashyap and Farrugia, 2010).

Because of rising popularity of natural products consumption, there are many studies to combat various physiological threats, including oxidative stress, cardiovascular complexities, cancer insurgence, and immune dysfunction, using natural products. One of the most historically famous natural products is garlic (Allium sativum, AS) and it was recognized for its possible therapeutic potential. Researches performed on the health promoting properties of garlic often referred to its sulfur containing metabolites such as allicin and its derivatives which could be used as dietary supplements to promote health (*Chang et al.*, 2011).

This ability of garlic and its oil to scavenge free radicals raises the possibility of its beneficial effects in protecting the membranes from damage and maintaining cell integrity (*Butt et al.*, 2009). Therefore, garlic, particularly AS, could be used to protect against free radical-induced cell damage in diabetic subjects. In addition, the garlic major dynamic component, Alliin, could have hypoglycemic activities (*Flora et al.*, 2009; *Omar et al.*, 2010; *Nasim et al.*, 2011). Thus, *Chang et al.* (2011) reported that garlic could improve hyperglycemia in diabetic patients.

Aim of the Work

This study was carried out to evaluate the possible therapeutic effect(s) and mechanism(s) of garlic oil supplementation on the small intestinal motility changes in experimentally induced DM, using Streptozotocin, a model of type II diabetic rats.