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Abstrak

Background: The purpose of this study was to provide a reference of chronic diabetes complications by investigating the prolonged hyperglycemia effects on hematological, biochemical and histopathological changes (liver, kidney,

spleen, cardiac muscle, adrenal gland, and endocrine pancreas) in diabetic rats induced by streptozotocin.

Methods:

Ten adult female Sprague-Dawley of uniform age were divided into two Groups. Group 1 was made diabetic by single

intraperitoneal injection of streptozotocin (60 mg/kg/bw) whereas Group 2 served as control. After six months, the rats

were anesthetized using pentobarbital. Cardiac puncture was performed to get 3 ml of the blood sample; following 12

hours of an overnight fast. Serum chemistry test and complete blood analysis for lipid profile and blood glucose test;

liver and renal functions were performed. Tissue specimens of liver, kidney, spleen, cardiac muscle, adrenal gland, and

endocrine pancreas were fixed in 10% formal saline and processed for histological study. Results: There were severe

histopathological changes in the affected organs; and the presence of a significant abnormality of lipid profile, liver, and

renal functions. Conclusions: The presence of histopathological changes with abnormal biochemical changes is related

to the chronic absence of insulin production in the destroyed β -cells which reflect the diabetic complications in a

human being.