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Knee osteoarthritis (OA) is the most prevalent degenerative arthritis and currently there are no pharmacological agents that able to retard the disease progressions. *Channa striatus* (CS) is a freshwater fish and its potential for treating knee OA has been explored but no comparison study has been done with glucosamine (GlcN), which has been widely used to treat osteoarthritis. *In vivo* study was conducted to evaluate the efficacy of CS extract versus GlcN on histomorphometric examinations in experimental OA rabbit model and a clinical trial was done to assess the efficacy of different doses of CS extract versus GlcN on primary knee osteoarthritis patients in terms of knee OA symptoms based on Western Ontario and McMaster University Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC), analgesic drug consumption, serum cartilage oligomeric matrix protein (COMP), cyclooxygenase 2 (COX-2) enzyme and serum Prostaglandin E₂ (PGE₂). OA was induced using Anterior Cruciate Ligament transection in thirty three rabbits and were divided into three groups namely: CS, GlcN and control group. The CS and GlcN groups were orally administered with 51.4 mg/kg of CS extract and 77.5 mg/kg of GlcN sulphate respectively based on the dosage used for human study for eight weeks. The articular cartilage was evaluated macroscopically and histologically using semi-quantitative and quantitative methods. One-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) was used to analyse the histologic assessment and Kruskal Wallis test was used to analyse the macroscopic grading. A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial comparing the effects of oral CS extract at the dose rate of 1000mg/day or 500mg/day, 1500mg/day of glucosamine sulphate and placebo among knee OA patients for 6-month intervention period was conducted. Repeated measures analysis of covariance and variance was used to analyse the WOMAC index. One-way ANOVA was used to analyse the analgesic score, COMP, COX-2 and PGE₂ level. The results revealed that the severity of macroscopic score was significantly less in CS as compared to GlcN ($p < 0.05$) group. CS exhibit less severity of semi-quantitative

histology score compared to control ($p < 0.05$) in more compartments of the joints compared to GlcN. Both CS ($p < 0.05$) and GlcN ($p < 0.05$) groups demonstrated higher cartilage thickness and area; lower roughness than control group. Moreover, less cartilage roughness was expressed in CS group compared to the GlcN group ($p < 0.05$). In the clinical trial, 153 patients were analysed. Both CS ($p < 0.05$) and GlcN ($p < 0.05$) groups demonstrated significant improvement of WOMAC stiffness and physical function compared to placebo. CS (1000mg/day) ($p < 0.05$), CS (500mg/day) ($p < 0.05$) and GlcN ($p < 0.05$) groups reduced serum COX-2 level compared to placebo. Serum PGE₂ was reduced in CS (1000mg/day) ($p < 0.05$) compared to placebo. In conclusion, it was found that based on macroscopic, semi-quantitative and quantitative histological examination, CS extract was superior to GlcN in maintaining the structure of the cartilage degeneration on an ACLT OA-induced rabbit model. In the clinical trial, both doses of CS extract had similar efficacy with GlcN in alleviating the symptoms of knee OA and had an anti-inflammatory effect through the reduction of serum COX-2. CS administered at the dose rate of 1000mg/day was effective in reducing PGE₂ level compared to GlcN.

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Osteoarthritis (OA) lutut adalah penyakit arthritis degeneratif yang paling prevalen dan sehingga kini tiada lagi agen farmakologikal yang mampu untuk melambatkan perkembangan penyakit ini. *Channa striatus* (CS) adalah sejenis ikan air tawar dan potensi CS untuk merawat penyakit ini untuk telah dicadangkan namun tiada kajian perbandingan dijalankan lagi dengan glucosamine (GlcN) yang telah digunakan dengan meluas untuk merawat OA. Kajian *in vivo* telah dijalankan untuk menilai keberkesanan ekstrak CS versus GlcN pada pemeriksaan *histomorphometric* dalam eksperimen model arnab OA dan kajian klinikal dilakukan untuk menilai keberkesanan pelbagai dos ekstrak CS berbanding GlcN dikalangan pesakit lutut OA primer berdasarkan soalselidik *Western Ontario and McMaster University Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC)*, kegunaan ubat analgesik, serum *cartilage oligomeric matrix protein (COMP)*, serum *cyclooxygenase 2 (COX-2) enzyme* and serum *Prostaglandin E₂ (PGE₂)*. OA telah diaruhkan melalui transeksi pada *ligament Anterior Cruciate (ACL)* pada 33 ekor arnab dan secara rawak telah dibahagikan kepada tiga kumpulan iaitu: CS, GlcN dan kumpulan kawalan. Kumpulan CS diberikan 51.4mg/kg ekstrak CS dan kumpulan GlcN diberikan 77.5 mg/kg GlcN sulfat secara berturut berdasarkan dos yang diberikan dalam kajian manusia secara oral melalui air minuman selama lapan minggu sebelum mereka dikorbankan. Rawan articular telah dinilai secara makroskopik dan histologi menggunakan teknik semi-kuantitatif dan kuantitatif. Analisis *One-way analysis of variance (ANOVA)* telah digunakan bagi penilaian histologi and analisis *Kruskall Wallis* telah dijalankan untuk penilaian makroskopik. Sebuah kajian rawak, *double-blind, placebo-controlled* telah dijalankan untuk membandingkan keberkesanan ekstrak oral CS yang diberikan pada kadar dos 1000mg/hari atau 500mg/hari, GlcN sulfat 1500mg/hari dan placebo selama enam bulan. Analisis *repeated measures analysis of covariance and variance* digunakan bagi *WOMAC index*. Analisis

One-way ANOVA digunakan bagi aras *COMP*, *COX-2* and *PGE₂*. Keputusan menunjukkan bahawa keterukan skor makroskopik adalah kurang didalam kumpulan CS berbanding kumpulan GlcN ($p < 0.05$). CS mempunyai skor semi-kuantitatif histologi kurang teruk berbanding kumpulan kawalan ($p < 0.05$) pada kebanyakan kawasan sendi lutut berbanding kumpulan GlcN. Kumpulan CS ($p < 0.05$) dan GlcN ($P < 0.05$) mempunyai lebih ketebalan, dan luas kawasan; serta kurang kekasaran permukaan rawan berbanding kumpulan kawalan. Kumpulan yang dirawat dengan CS juga menunjukkan kurang kekasaran permukaan rawan berbanding kumpulan yang dirawat dengan menggunakan GlcN ($p < 0.05$). Di dalam kajian klinikal, 153 pesakit telah terlibat. Terdapat penurunan daripada segi kekakuan dan fungsi fizikal WOMAC secara statistik didalam kumpulan CS ($p < 0.05$) dan GlcN ($p < 0.05$) berbanding kumpulan plasebo. CS (1000mg/hari) ($p < 0.05$), CS (500mg/hari) ($p < 0.05$) dan GlcN ($p < 0.05$) menurunkan serum COX-2 berbanding plasebo. Terdapat penurunan serum PGE₂ di dalam kumpulan CS (1000mg/hari) berbanding kumpulan plasebo ($p < 0.05$). Secara kesimpulannya, berdasarkan keputusan makroskopik dan histologi menggunakan teknik semi-kuantitatif dan kuantitatif, rawatan oral ekstrak CS lebih baik berbanding GlcN di dalam model arnab ACLT OA-teraruh. Di dalam kajian klinikal, kedua-dua dos CS mempunyai efikasi yang sama dengan GlcN untuk mengurangkan gejala penyakit lutut OA dan radang *cytokine* COX 2. CS pada dos kadar 1000mg/hari lebih berkesan berbanding GlcN untuk mengurangkan tahap PGE₂.

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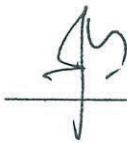
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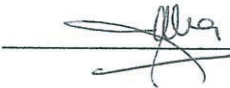
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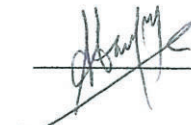
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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ABTS	azino-bis (3 ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulphonic acid
ACE	angiotensin converting enzyme
ACLT	Anterior cruciate ligament transection
ACR	American College of Rheumatology
ADL	activity of daily living
ALT	alanine transaminase
ARASC	Animal Research and Service Centre
AST	aspartate transaminase
COMP	Serum Cartilage Oligomeric Matrix Protein
COX 2	Cyclooxygenase 2
CS	Channa striatus
DMOADs	disease modifying OA drugs
DPPH	diphenyl-picrylhydrazyl
ECM	extracellular matrix
GAG	glycosaminoglycans
GlcN	Glucosamine
H&E	Hematoxylin and Eosin
IFN	interferon
IL	Interleukin
IQR	Interquartile range
ITT	intend-to-treat
KL	Kellgren and Lawrence

KOOS	Knee Injury and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score
KRK	Klinik Rawatan Keluarga
LF	Lateral Femur
LT	Lateral Tibia
MetS	Metabolic syndrome
MF	Medial Femur
MMP-3	matrix metalloproteinase
MT	Medial Tibia
NACLAR	National Advisory Committee for Laboratory Animal Research Guidelines of Singapore
NO	Nitric oxide
NPs	neuropeptides
NSAIDS	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
OA	Osteoarthritis
OARSI	Osteoarthritis Research Society International
OMERACT	Outcome Measures in Rheumatology
PCM	paracetamol
PGE ₂	Prostaglandin 2
QOL	Quality of Life
RA	Rheumatoid arthritis
RCT	randomized controlled trial
RM ANCOVA	repeated measures analysis of covariance
RM ANOVA	repeated measures analysis of variance
ROS	reactive oxygen species

SD	Standard deviation
SF-36	Short Form General Health Survey
SO ₄	sulphate
TNF	Tumour Necrosis Factor
USM	Universiti Sains Malaysia
VAS	Visual Analogue Score
WOMAC	Western Ontario and McMaster University Osteoarthritis index

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Problem statement and justifications of the study

Knee osteoarthritis is a progressive joint disorder, prevalent among the elderly, attribute by cartilage degeneration, bone remodelling and inflammation (Buttgereit *et al.*, 2015). It leads to reduced quality of life owing to pain and disability (Cross *et al.*, 2014). It is anticipated that the incidence of this joint disorder will increase, given the increment in the elderly population and the number of obese patients (Cross *et al.*, 2014). The prevalence of knee OA in Malaysia range from 10% to 20% (Ministry of Health Malaysia *et al.*, 2013). A study by the Community Oriented Program for the Control of Rheumatic Diseases in Malaysia disclosed that 64.8% of subjects' complaint of knee pain and more than half had clinical symptoms of OA (Veerapen *et al.*, 2007). Research on pharmacological agents to treat OA is important since currently there is no effective treatment available to prevent disease progression (Buttgereit *et al.*, 2015).

In view of the above situation, there are many research conducting for chondroprotective agents. Substances that protect articular cartilage during the course of OA have been termed chondroprotective agents (Verbruggen, 2005). Chondroprotective agents is define as a compound that delays progressive joint space narrowing with characteristic of arthritis and improves the biomechanics of articular joints by protecting chondrocytes (Felson and Kim, 2007). These include functions such as: stimulating chondrocyte synthesis of collagen and proteoglycans, enhancing synoviocyte production of hyaluronan, inhibiting cartilage degradation and preventing fibrin formation in the vasculature (Felson and Kim, 2007).

Present pharmacotherapy treatments for knee OA are mainly palliative, as none of these halts the progression of OA or function as disease modifying agents (Cheng and Visco, 2012). Acetaminophen and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) are mostly used for symptom relief of osteoarthritis (Ausiello and Stafford, 2002). Acetaminophen is used as a first line treatment but it is reported to be less effective than NSAIDs for reducing the symptoms (Verkleij *et al.*, 2011). Thus, many patients resort to NSAIDs for symptom relieved making NSAIDs as the predominant agent for the treatment of OA. Acetaminophen is reported to have a better safety profile in terms of gastrointestinal (GI) and cardiovascular (CVS) disease than NSAIDs (Zhang *et al.*, 2007). NSAIDs post significant risks of peptic ulcer disease and renal failure (Cheng and Visco, 2012). COX-2 inhibitors also have been used for symptoms relieved in OA and have been found to reduce the risk of GI side effects, but concerns have been

raised regarding adverse CVS events (Ausiello and Stafford, 2002). On the other hand, surgical management is not widely used because of factors, such as patient willingness for surgery, economic factors, and health policy. Due to these reasons, the investigation of disease-modifying treatment options for OA has become an important aspect of orthopaedic care (Abadie *et al.*, 2004).

Channa striatus (CS) is a fish from the family of Channidae that lives in fresh water such as river and paddy field. It is acknowledge as food that provide protein and use as traditional medicine in Southeast Asian countries (Mat Jais, 2007). Biomedical research has shown that CS extract has wound-healing, antinociceptive, and anti-inflammatory properties (Ab Wahab *et al.*, 2015; Abedi *et al.*, 2012; Baie and Sheikh, 2000a; Mohamad Isa *et al.*, 2016; Zakaria *et al.*, 2008). Therefore, its use in treating OA has been explored (Al-Saffar *et al.*, 2011a; Kadir *et al.*, 2014; Michelle *et al.*, 2004). Several *in vivo* studies and a clinical trial have shown that CS has chondroprotective activities (Al-Saffar *et al.*, 2011a; Kadir *et al.*, 2014; Michelle *et al.*, 2004). In an anterior cruciate ligament transection-induced arthritic rabbit model, animals treated with CS extract had improved immunoreactivity in the synovium, as measured by protein gene product (PGP 9.5) immunoreactivity in nerve fibres. The treated group also had less soft tissue swelling surrounding the arthritic joint compared to the control group (Michelle *et al.*, 2004). Al-Saffar *et al.* (2011) studied the effects of oral CS extract in chemically induced OA rats. The findings from the *in vivo* study showed that CS extract can regulate the synthesis of the inflammatory hormone prostaglandin E₂ (PGE₂) (Al-Saffar *et al.*, 2011a). The CS-treated group also had better histopathological scores and immunohistochemistry findings than the control group (Al-Saffar *et al.*, 2011a).

The research for treatment alternatives for OA has turned into an imperative part of orthopaedic care inferable from the constraints of current medications and adverse effect of common treatment use to relief symptoms (Abadie *et al.*, 2004). Therefore, this study will offer new evidence of CS as an alternative pharmacotherapy for knee OA. Its usage can reduce the usage of NSAIDs and the secondary adverse effects such as GI and renal complications. It is also beneficial to compare the effect of CS extract with that of glucosamine (GlcN) sulphate, which is one of the frequently used oral medication worldwide to reduce the pain and stiffness due to OA (Kongtharvonskul *et al.*, 2015). GlcN has been recognized globally as a supplement for knee OA (Kongtharvonskul *et al.*, 2015). Literature reviews have showed that GlcN is efficacious for symptoms relieved (Kongtharvonskul *et al.*, 2015). GlcN is known as Symptomatic Slow Acting Drugs for OA (SYSADOA) and has been recommended as first line pharmacological treatment for knee OA by ESCEO (Bruyère *et al.*, 2014). In this study, CS is regarded as SYSADOA such as GlcN since the time window for intervention using nutraceuticals like CS is longer as compared to standard analgesic like NSAIDs which have rapid onset of action. Therefore, GlcN was chosen as an active comparator in view of its action on symptoms control and also because it is available as oral medication. This is also in line with the recommendations of European administrative guidelines on trial of

pharmacotherapy for OA. The guideline recommended a three-arm study which include placebo and active drug (Reginster *et al.*, 2015a).

In this regard, the studies highlighted the fact that CS extract could be one of the therapeutic options for knee OA. Nevertheless, the anti-arthritic properties of CS extract remain to be elucidated. It is postulated that CS extract works by inhibiting cyclooxygenase expression, which is an important enzyme in the formation of prostaglandins (Al-Saffar *et al.*, 2011b). Substantial progress has been made over the past years on the anti-arthritic effect of CS, however, evidence is lacking on the efficacy of CS in treating knee OA symptoms, its mechanism of action and dose determination in human. Since CS at a dose of 500mg/day was found to be effective in knee OA (Kadir *et al.*, 2014), thus the current trial aim to determine whether higher dose of CS is more effective in treatment of knee OA symptoms so that optimal dose for treatment can be administered with sound evidence. Based on Fibonacci sequence for dose increment (Penel and Kramar, 2012), CS dose of 1000mg/day was chosen. It is postulated that a higher dose of CS administered for six months is beneficial for knee OA patients. Additionally, this study can provide evidence on whether the oral administration of CS has an articular cartilage modifying in a rabbit ACLT model of OA and at our knowledge, this is the first animal model study that use the dose of CS based on the dose used in clinical trials, i.e. 1000 mg/day for a human weighing 70 kg.

A dependable and substantial biomarker that can be utilized as a part of clinical preliminaries is needed to evaluate the adequacy of pharmacological medications for knee OA (Lotz *et al.*, 2013). The biomarkers that have been explored include biomarker for cartilage degradation such as Cartilage oligomeric matrix protein (COMP) (Das *et al.*, 2015; Tseng *et al.*, 2009) and inflammatory markers like PGE₂ or COX-2 (Yan *et al.*, 2015). As of now, there is not much confirmation on the utilization of these biomarkers in clinical studies for knee OA (Chua *et al.*, 2008).

The current study do not elucidate the exact mechanism of CS in knee OA but provides evidence regarding the efficacy of CS extract in comparison with glucosamine, a SYSADOA that had been approved as first line pharmacological management in Europe, the recommended dosage and the evidence of its anti-inflammatory activity in clinical trial. This also will be the first clinical trial to determine whether CS has anti-inflammatory mechanism through COX-2 and PGE₂ inhibitions. The *in vivo* study conducted also intended to determine the effect of CS extract based on the dose use in human study and improve the histopathological method that had been used (Al-Saffar *et al.*, 2011a) by using the method recommended by the international guidelines such as Osteoarthritis Research Society International (OARSI) guideline and more objective assessment by using quantitative histological assessment.

Research hypotheses

There are significant differences in terms of histopathological examinations between oral CS extract versus GlcN sulphate in experimentally induced knee OA rabbits and in terms of clinical symptoms and biomarkers between oral 1000mg/day or 500mg/day CS extract, GlcN sulphate and placebo in knee OA patients.

1.2 Objective(s) of the research

The general objective of this study is to determine the efficacy of oral *Channa striatus* extract versus Glucosamine sulphate on knee OA in animal and human models.

The specific objectives of this study are:

- a. to evaluate the chondroprotective effect of oral *Channa striatus* extract versus Glucosamine sulphate in experimentally induced knee OA in rabbits by using macroscopic, semi-quantitative and quantitative histologic grading of the articular cartilage.
- b. To compare the efficacy and safety of oral 1000mg/day or 500mg/day *Channa striatus* extract, 1500mg/day of glucosamine sulphate and placebo in knee OA patients by determining
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 - i. the level of pain, stiffness and physical function score using Western Ontario and McMaster University Osteoarthritis index (WOMAC) among the treatment groups.
 - ii. the consumption of NSAIDs or Paracetamol by using analgesic score among the treatment groups.
 - iii. the level of serum Cartilage Oligomeric Matrix Protein (COMP) among the treatment groups.
 - iv. the level of serum Prostaglandin E₂ (PGE₂) and Cyclooxygenase 2 (COX-2) enzyme among the treatment groups.

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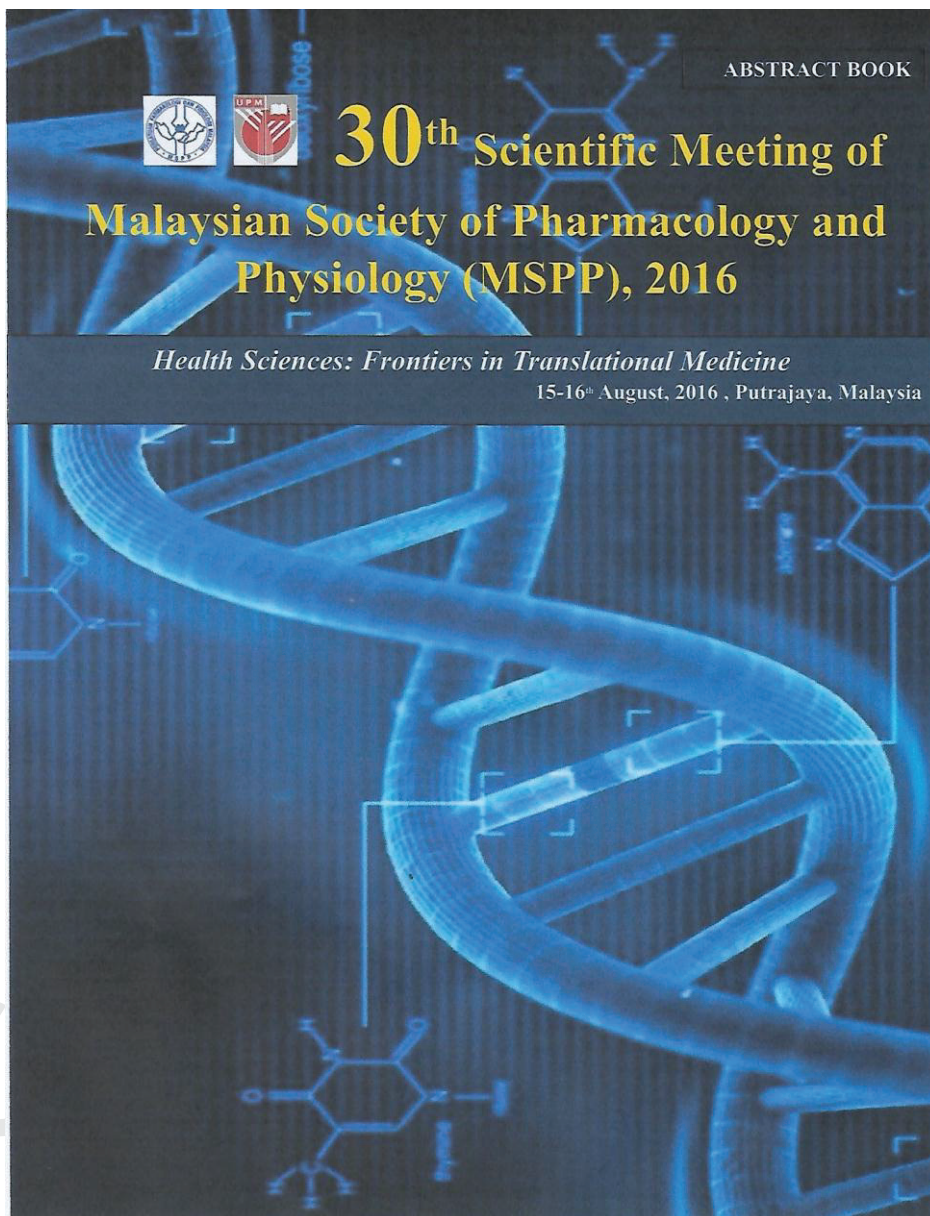
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A Double Blind Randomized Controlled Study to Evaluate the Efficacy of Different Doses of Oral *Channa striatus* Extract among Primary Knee Osteoarthritis Patients

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Knee osteoarthritis (OA) is the leading cause of chronic disability at older age. *Channa striatus* (CS) is a fresh water fish and traditionally known for wound healing. A preliminary clinical trial had shown that CS has beneficial effect in the treatment of knee osteoarthritis (OA). To evaluate the efficacy of different doses of oral *Channa striatus* (Haruan) extract on primary knee osteoarthritis patients. **Methodology:** A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled 3-arm trial comparing oral CS extract 1000mg/day or 500mg/day and placebo among knee OA patients attending outpatient and orthopaedic clinics Universiti Sains Malaysia Hospital for 6-month intervention period was conducted. The main outcome measures were Western Ontario and McMaster University Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC) and analgesic score. Laboratory based blood tests were used as safety measures. One hundred and twenty patients were randomized and 112 patients were included in the intention-to-treat analysis. There were significant improvement of stiffness and physical function at month 6 between CS 500mg/day vs. placebo ($p < 0.005$) and CS 1000mg/day vs. placebo ($p < 0.005$). There was no significant difference for analgesic score. The safety profiles were not significant. Both doses of CS showed similar efficacy and more effective than placebo in treating the symptoms of knee OA.

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Abstract

Knee osteoarthritis is the leading cause of chronic disability at older age. *Channa striatus* (CS) is a snakehead, fresh water fish and traditionally known for its wound healing properties. Animal studies and a clinical trial had shown that CS has beneficial effect in the treatment of knee osteoarthritis (OA). This study is done to evaluate the efficacy of CS extract versus glucosamine sulphate on knee osteoarthritis. A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial comparing the effects of oral CS extract 1000mg/day or 500mg/day, placebo and 1500mg/day of glucosamine sulphate among knee OA patients attending outpatient and orthopaedic clinics Universiti Sains Malaysia Hospital for 6-month intervention-period was conducted. The primary outcome measures were to evaluate the difference among the treatment groups based on Western Ontario and McMaster University Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC), analgesic drug consumption and serum cartilage oligomeric matrix protein (COMP). One hundred and sixty patients were randomized into four treatment groups; however, 153 patients were included in the intention-to-treat statistical analysis. There were statistical improvements seen in both CS and glucosamine groups compared to the placebo group at month-6 in terms of WOMAC stiffness ($p < 0.05$), physical function ($p < 0.05$) and total index score ($p < 0.05$). There was no significant difference among the treatment groups for analgesic score and serum COMP. The safety profiles were not significantly different among the groups. In conclusion, both CS and glucosamine sulphate were effective in the treatment of knee OA.

Keywords: Knee osteoarthritis, *Channa striatus*, glucosamine

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Objective: To evaluate the efficacy of oral *Channa striatus* (CS) extract versus glucosamine sulphate (GlcN) on histomorphometric examinations of knee osteoarthritis (OA) induced New Zealand White rabbits. **Methodology:** Anterior cruciate ligament transection (ACLT) was performed to induce OA in thirty three male New Zealand White rabbits and was randomly divided into three groups: CS, GlcN

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and control group. The animals were treated orally for eight weeks before they were sacrificed. The articular cartilage was evaluated macroscopically and histologically using semi-quantitative and quantitative methods. **Results:** Macroscopic analysis of cartilage showed that the CS groups have a significantly lower severity grade of total macroscopic score compared to the control ($p < 0.001$) and GlcN ($p < 0.05$) groups. Semi-quantitative histology examination showed that the CS groups and GlcN had lower severity grading in terms of total histology score compared to the control group ($p < 0.001$). No statistical differences was found between CS and GlcN groups. However, CS group significantly had lower degenerative changes compared to the control group in three compartments of the joint (medial femur, medial tibia plateau and lateral tibia plateau) compared to GlcN which had significantly lower severity grading compared to the control group in medial tibia plateau section only. The quantitative histomorphometric analysis showed that cartilage thickness, area, and roughness in the CS ($p < 0.001$) and GlcN ($p < 0.05$) groups were statistically superior compared to the control group. The CS-treated group also demonstrated significantly less cartilage roughness compared to the GlcN -treated group ($p < 0.05$). **Conclusion:** Both oral administration of CS extract and GlcN exhibited chondroprotective action on an ACLT OA-induced rabbit model. However, CS was superior to GlcN in maintaining the structure of the cartilage.

A randomized, double-blind study comparing multiple doses of *Channa striatus* supplementation for knee osteoarthritis

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Abstract Knee osteoarthritis (OA) is the leading cause of chronic disability at older age. *Channa striatus* (CS) is a freshwater fish that is traditionally valued for its medicinal properties in promoting wound healing and reducing post-operative pain. This study evaluate the efficacy of different doses of oral *Channa striatus* extract on primary knee osteoarthritis patients. A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled 3-arm trial was conducted comparing oral CS extract 1000 mg/day or 500 mg/day and placebo among knee OA patients for a 6-month intervention period. The main outcome measures were Western Ontario and McMaster University Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC), analgesic scores and serum cartilage oligomeric matrix protein (COMP). Laboratory-based blood tests were used as safety measures. A total of 120 patients were randomized, and 112 patients were included in the intention-to-treat analysis. Significant reductions in WOMAC stiffness and function scores were achieved at month 6 in CS 1000 mg/day and CS 500 mg/

day compared to placebo groups ($p < 0.05$). No significant differences were found between the groups in terms of analgesic scores, serum COMP and biochemical parameters. No serious adverse events were reported in the study. In conclusion, both doses of CS showed similar efficacy and were more effective than the placebo in treating the symptoms of knee OA.

Keywords Osteoarthritis · *Channa Striatus* · Arthritis · Complementary · Biomarker

Introduction

Knee osteoarthritis (OA) is a major cause of morbidity and physical disability in older adults worldwide (Zhang et al. 2010). Management of the disease includes non-pharmacological, pharmacological, and surgical therapy (Zhang et al. 2008).

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