

CENTRE FOR PLANT MEDICINE RESEARCH

PHARMACOLOGY & TOXICOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Product Code	Product Form	Date Received	Date Analysed	Test Conducted
De/040/21	Decoction	24 th February, 2021	31 st March, 2021	Acute Toxicity Test

RESULTS:

Table Showing Results of Acute Toxicity Test on Decoction (De/040/21) in Sprague Dawley Rat.

Animal Model	Sprague Dawley Rat	
No. of Animals	12	
Sex	Female	
No. of Groups	2(n=6)	
Route of Administration	Oral	
Formulation	Decoction	
Preparation	Freeze - dried sample of De/040/21	
Dose Administered	5000 mg/kg	
Period of Observation	14 Days	
No. of Deaths Recorded	Nil	
Estimated Median Lethal Dose (LD ₅₀)	Greater than 5000 mg/kg	
Physical Signs of Toxicity	Nil	

REMARKS:

The LD_{50} is estimated to be greater than 5000 mg/kg which is greater or equal to level 5 on the Hodge and Sterner Scale¹ and also 102 times more than the recommended dose (three tablespoonsful four times daily, equivalent to 49.14 mg/kg), as indicated by the manufacturer. Thus, De/040/21 may not be toxic and is withing the accepted margin of safety (Hodge and Sterner Scale) at the recommended dose approved by



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Reference: 1- Canadian Centre for Occupation Health and Safety (2019)