

## CENTRE FOR PLANT MEDICINE RESEARCH

PHARMACOLOGY & TOXICOLOGY DEPARTMENT

<b>Product Code</b>	<b>Product Form</b>	Date Received	Date Analysed	<b>Test Conducted</b>
De/022/21	Decoction	9 <sup>th</sup> February, 2021	15 <sup>th</sup> March, 2021	Acute Toxicity Test

## **RESULTS:**

Table Showing Results of Acute Toxicity Test on Decoction (De/022/21) 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/022/21		
Dose Administered	5000 mg/kg		
Period of Observation	14 Days		
No. of Deaths Recorded	Nil		
Estimated Median Lethal Dose (LD <sub>50</sub> )	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 Scale<sup>1</sup> and also 1148 times more than the recommended dose (one tablespoonful thrice daily, equivalent to 4.36 mg/kg), as indicated by the manufacturer. Thus, De/022/21 may not be toxic and is within the accepted margin of safety (Hodge and Sterner Scale) at the recommended dose.

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

