Anti-cariogenic activity of garcinone B from *Garcinia mangostana* Linn

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**Objective:** The aim of the present study was to evaluate anti-bacterial activities of xanthones (8-deoxygartanin, garcinone B, garcinone C, garcinone D, α-mangostin, β-mangostin and γ-mangostin) from *Garcinia mangostana* Linn pericarp extract to cariogenic bacteria. Time-kill assay, acid production and surface hydrophobic inhibition activities to *S. mutans* ATCC 25175 were also reported.

**Method:** The fresh green fruit hulls of *G. mangostana* were extracted with ethyl acetate. The crude extracts were then isolated to 7 xanthones; 8-deoxygartanin, garcinone B, garcinone C, garcinone D, α-mangostin, β-mangostin and γ-mangostin as previously described (Seesom, 2013). *In vitro* anti-bacterial activity against cariogenic bacteria (*Streptococcus mutans* ATCC 25175, *Streptococcus sobrinus*, *Lactobacillus acidophilus* and *Lactobacillus casei*) of 7 xanthones were evaluated by dilution anti-microbial susceptibility test.

**Results:** The range of minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) of xanthones against cariogenic bacteria in this study was found to be varies from 0.25-30 µg/ml. The most active was garcinone B which showed MIC of 0.25-0.75 mg/ml to all of the bacterial tests. Assay for the rate of killing of *S. mutans* ATCC 25175 by the garcinone B was determined by viability studies. The bactericidal effect of garcinone B 1 µg/ml was very effective by completely killed the bacteria within 1 hour. The garcinone B also reduced the rate of acid production and decreased cell surface hydrophobicity of *S. mutans* ATCC 25175 at 1 µg/ml.

**Conclusions:** These finding reveal that garcinone B has potential to treat dental caries. Further clinical study is needed to support for therapeutic used of garcinone B.

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