

EFFECTS OF SINGLE, BINARY AND TERTIARY COMBINATIONS WITH *Jatropha gossypifolia* AND OTHER PLANT-DERIVED MOLLUSCICIDES ON REPRODUCTION AND SURVIVAL OF THE SNAIL *Lymnaea acuminata*

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SUMMARY

The effect of sub-lethal doses (40% and 80% of $LC_{50}/24h$) of plant derived molluscicides of singly, binary (1:1) and tertiary (1:1:1) combinations of the Rutin, Ellagic acid, Betulin and taraxerol with *J. gossypifolia* latex, leaf and stem bark powder extracts and their active component on the reproduction of freshwater snail *Lymnaea acuminata* have been studied. It was observed that the *J. gossypifolia* latex, stem bark, individual leaf and their combinations with other plant derived active molluscicidal components caused a significant reduction in fecundity, hatchability and survival of young snails. It is believed that sub-lethal exposure of these molluscicides on snail reproduction is a complex process involving more than one factor in reducing the reproductive capacity.

KEYWORDS: *Lymnaea*; Fascioliasis; *Jatropha gossypifolia*; Molluscicides

INTRODUCTION

The freshwater snail *Lymnaea acuminata* is the intermediate host of the liver flukes *Fasciola hepatica* and *Fasciola gigantica*, which cause endemic fascioliasis in cattle and livestock, in eastern Uttar Pradesh, India^{1,13,26,28,38,39}. This snail breeds all year-round and lays eggs on the lower surface of the aquatic plants, which are used by poor people as fodder for cattle and livestock.

One way to tackle the problem of fascioliasis is to delink the life cycle of the flukes by destroying the carrier snails^{1,9,14,25,26}. Molluscan pests can be destroyed by the use of molluscicide^{18,33,37}. This can be achieved with the aid of synthetic products or, alternatively, with molluscicide from plant sources^{17,25,26,27}. Molluscicides of plant origin have gained more importance, because they are ecologically sound and culturally more acceptable than synthetic ones.

The aim of the present study is to evaluate the effects of the above noted plant-derived molluscicides on the reproduction (fecundity, egg viability and survival of young snails) of *Lymnaea acuminata* in single, binary and tertiary combinations with different active compounds, such as rutin of *Croton tiglium*, ellagic acid of *Euphorbia hirta*, taraxerol of *Codiaeum variegatum* and betulin of *Euphorbia lathyris* and *Jatropha gossypifolia* latex, stem bark and leaf powder.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Leaf, stem bark and latex of *Jatropha gossypifolia* were collected

locally from their natural habitat and identified by the Botany Department, University of Gorakhpur (U.P) India. The leaf and stem bark of *Jatropha gossypifolia* were kept in an incubator at 37 °C for 48 hours. Dried pieces of leaf and stem bark were pulverized in a grinder. The latex of the *Jatropha gossypifolia* was drained into glass tubes by cutting their stem apices; this latex was lyophilized at -40 °C and lyophilized powder was stored for further use. The freeze-dried powder was mixed with an appropriate volume of distilled water to obtain the desired concentrations. The sub-lethal doses (40% and 80% $LC_{50}/24h$) using *Jatropha gossypifolia* latex, stem bark and leaf, in a single, binary and tertiary combination with rutin, ellagic acid, taraxerol and betulin for the reproduction studied⁴¹.

Rutin ($C_{27}H_{30}O_{16}$) (EC NO-205-814-1), Ellagic acid ($C_{14}O_6O_8$) (4,4,5,5,6,6-Hexahydroxydiphenic acid, 2,6,2,6-dilactone) (EC NO-207-508-3), Betulin ($C_{30}H_{50}O_2$) (Lup-20(2a)-ene-3 β -28-diol) (EC NO-207-475-6) supplied by Sigma Chemical Co. P.O. Box 14508 St. Louis, Mo.63178 USA 314-771-5750. Rutin is obtained from the leaf of *Croton tiglium*²³, Ellagic acid is found in the flower of *Euphorbia hirta*¹¹ and Betulin is found in the stem bark of *Euphorbia lathyris*²⁴, taraxerol extracted from the stem-bark of *Codiaeum variegatum*⁴⁰ and latex of *Jatropha gossypifolia* were prepared using the method of YADAV & SINGH⁴¹. Different binary (1:1) and tertiary (1:1:1) combinations were prepared with lyophilized powder of *Jatropha gossypifolia* with Rutin, Ellagic acid, Taraxerol and Betulin.

Fecundity Experiments: The snail was transferred from the earthen cemented ponds to laboratory conditions for fecundity, survival and

hatchability experiments in three sets of aquaria, each of them set up and filled with 5L natural pond water which were prepared with extracts of latex, stem bark and leaf of *J. gossypifolia*, rutin, ellagic acid, betulin and taraxerol extracts of active compounds. The first set was treated with 40% of LC₅₀ (24h), the second set with 80% of LC₅₀ (24h) of latex, stem bark and leaf powder of *Jatropha gossypifolia* singly and combination of active compound, while the third set of the aquarium contained only natural pond water without any treatment (i.e. control). Fifty snails were placed in each aquarium for the fecundity tests. Each set of aquarium contained six replicates, water temperatures were kept at 23 ± 1.5 °C during the whole experiment.

The freshwater adult snail *Lymnaea acuminata* (2.6 ± 0.3 cm in shell length) were collected from freshwater ponds and stored for 48 hours in glass aquaria containing dechlorinated tap water. These snails lay their eggs in the form of an elongated gelatinous capsule containing 5-180 eggs. Groups of 20 snails in 5L water were exposed to sub-lethal concentrations (40% and 80% of LC₅₀/24h) of single, binary (1: 1) and tertiary combinations (1:1:1) for survival and hatchability of snails.

As it is difficult to detect the mother snails for a particular spawn, capsules containing eggs from each treated group were incubated at 30 °C, in covered petri dishes, containing the same concentration as given to adult snails. The development of embryos was observed under a binocular microscope at regular intervals up until their hatching. Percentage hatching was studied with the eggs laid after a 24 hours exposure period. Dead eggs were removed to avoid any water contamination. Survival of young snails was observed up to 72 hours after hatching.

Statistical Analysis: Student's 't' test was applied to determine the significant ($p < 0.05$) differences between treated and controlled animals. Analysis of variance was applied to determine the significant differences observed in the fecundity caused by the different combinations. A product moment correlation coefficient was applied in between exposure time and fecundity/survival of snails²⁹.

RESULTS

Lymnaeid snails attached spawns (egg masses), containing a large number of eggs to the back surface of Nymphaea leaf when reproducing. The spawns produced every 24 hours and the number of eggs was counted under a compound microscope. As each group spawned, they were transferred into separate Petri dishes for hatching under the same exposure conditions as above. Numbers of hatched snails were counted and their survivability was recorded up to 72 hours after the hatching.

The cumulative number of eggs decreased during the treatment of *J. gossypifolia* latex, stem bark and leaf, a binary combination (1:1) of *J. gossypifolia* latex+rutin, *J. gossypifolia* latex+ellagic acid, *J. gossypifolia* latex+taraxerol and tertiary combinations (1:1:1) *J. gossypifolia* latex+rutin+betulin, *J. gossypifolia* latex+ellagic acid+betulin and *J. gossypifolia* latex+taraxerol+betulin extracts than those that were controlled. Snails exposed to the above extract showed reduced oviposition at all the sub-lethal doses (40% and 80% of LC₅₀/24h) of exposure periods. Decrease in the number of eggs is significantly lower when exposed to all the sub-lethal doses of the extract. All the laid eggs,

which were placed in the glass Petri dishes for hatching and survivability test, are shown in (Tables 1, 2 and 3).

Tables 1, 2 and 3 show that the treatment with the sub-lethal doses (40% and 80% of LC₅₀/24h) of *J. gossypifolia* latex, stem bark and leaf of the binary combinations (1:1) *J. gossypifolia* latex+rutin, *J. gossypifolia* latex+ellagic acid, *J. gossypifolia* latex+taraxerol and tertiary (1:1:1) *J. gossypifolia* latex+rutin+betulin, *J. gossypifolia* latex+ellagic acid+betulin and *J. gossypifolia* latex+taraxerol+betulin caused a significant reduction in the hatchability of freshwater snails *L. acuminata*.

After 72h of hatching, 100% mortality was observed in the young snails of *L. acuminata* exposed to concentrations of 24h leaf, 48h latex, stem bark and leaf, 72h latex, stem bark and leaf, 96h latex, stem bark and leaf (Table 1). The same trend was also observed in binary (1:1) combination (Table 2) and tertiary (1:1:1) combination (Table 3). The hatching period was also observed in treated groups (9-16 days) in respect to controlled groups (11-17 days) (Tables 1, 2 and 3).

DISCUSSION

It is evident from the results that the sub-lethal exposure (40% and 80% of LC₅₀/24h) with *J. gossypifolia* latex, leaf and stem bark and their different combinations with betulin, ellagic acid, rutin and taraxerol caused a significant reduction in survival and hatchability of snail *L. acuminata*. Increased egg laying was also observed in the freshwater snail *Lymnaea stagnalis* under fenvalerate exposure²². NOMURA *et al.*, (1979)²¹ identified prostaglandins in mollusks by using a thin layer chromatography to indicate that prostaglandins may be playing a critical role in the gametogenesis of snails as well. Induction of spawning behavior by prostaglandins was observed in fish¹⁰. Prostaglandins have been shown to control estrous, ovulation and fertility²⁰. The prostaglandin level in snails might be increased after extract exposure. Prostaglandins, rather than acting as hormones, may modulate the action of other hormones responsible for spawning behavior³⁰. HAFS *et al.*, (1974)¹² reported that PGE₂ and PGF_{2α} also affect the release of luteinizing hormone and follicle stimulating hormone indicating the critical role that prostaglandins play in the control of gonadotropin release. It may be possible that the extract induced the prostaglandin level in freshwater snail *Lymnaea acuminata* results deposition of many more eggs compared to those controlled.

VAN DEN BIGGELAAR (1971a, 1971b, 1971c)^{34,35,36} pointed out a relationship between the length of the cell cycle and amount of RNA synthesis in *Lymnaea*, and¹⁶ has expanded this topic to rRNA synthesis. KIDDER (1976b)¹⁶ suggested that a rapid cell cycle does not permit enough time for the formation of functional nucleoli, which are probably required for rRNA synthesis. Observations show that there is no enhancement of rRNA transcription of gastrulation in this species and that the measured level of transcription would not be detectable during early cleavage when each embryo consists of only a few cells. Furthermore, the time for the initiation of rRNA synthesis for *Lymnaea*, *Acmaea*, *Oncopeltus* and the rabbit¹⁵ do not support a correlation between the length of the cell cycle and the onset of rRNA synthesis.

The activation of rDNA transcription would be misleading, in regard to the regulation of transcription. The answer to this question may be a low level of rRNA synthesis modulated at various stages of embryogenesis. Ribosomal RNA synthesis has been shown to continue

Table 1
Effects of sub-lethal exposure (40% and 80% of 24h LC₅₀) of the extracts of latex, stem bark and leaf on hatchability and survival of young snail *Lymnaea acuminata* at different time intervals

Plant part tested	Concentrations (mg/L)	% Hatchability (hatching period in days)	Survival 24h after hatching (%)	Survival 48h after hatching (%)	Survival 72h after hatching (%)	
	Control	100 (11-17)	100	100	100	
24 h	Latex	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.12)	362.33±1.086 (11-16)	312.33±1.763	272.50±0.375	86.50±0.736
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (8.24)	332.66±0.926 (12-17)	265.48±0.136	208.50±1.012	71.83±0.524
	Stem bark	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (5.06)	286.66±1.808 (11-16)	232.19±0.215	197.79±0.285	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (10.12)	271.33±0.968 (12-17)	225.66±0.366	192.64±0.223	-
	Leaf	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (9.84)	284.16±1.183 (11-16)	258.58±0.075	196.07±0.014	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (19.68)	265.76±0.354 (12-17)	212.60±0.093	172.44±0.057	-
48 h	Latex	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (3.44)	265.33±0.926 (11-16)	212.48±5.248	185.73±0.019	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (6.88)	254.16±0.956 (12-17)	211.12±0.330	181.70±0.012	-
	Stem bark	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.15)	118.33±0.881 (11-16)	78.09±0.312	60.34±0.063	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (8.30)	113.33±0.785 (12-17)	89.26±0.127	57.00±0.750	-
	Leaf	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (5.34)	125.16±1.564 (11-16)	101.37±3.307	82.60±0.106	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (10.68)	120.33±0.543 (12-17)	84.23±0.177	73.40±0.105	-
72 h	Latex	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.66)	131.50±2.874 (11-16)	84.16±5.960	76.27±0.105	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (5.32)	122.10±0.108 (12-17)	82.22±0.401	71.00±0.223	-
	Stem bark	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (3.51)	366.83±0.870 (11-16)	227.43±0.613	150.40±0.018	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (7.02)	365.16±1.485 (12-17)	220.83±0.870	143.50±0.885	-
	Leaf	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.66)	343.00±0.802 (11-16)	277.83±0.010	168.07±0.112	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (9.32)	333.50±1.089 (12-17)	266.00±0.567	156.33±0.543	-
96 h	Latex	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.26)	328.00±1.022 (11-16)	291.92±0.010	157.44±0.164	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.52)	323.00±1.289 (12-17)	277.78±0.017	143.16±0.660	-
	Stem bark	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (3.25)	315.00±1.500 (11-16)	192.15±0.055	163.80±0.072	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (6.50)	287.83±1.868 (12-17)	204.35±0.568	153.83±0.870	-
	Leaf	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.22)	312.50±2.117 (11-16)	225.00±0.968	184.37±0.020	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (8.44)	293.66±1.491 (12-17)	212.33±0.463	149.76±0.085	-

Each value is mean ±SE of six replicates; Each replicate represents the eggs laid by a group of 20 snails; Significant ($p < 0.05$) when Student's t test was applied to treated and control groups. -; No fecundity, hatchability or survival was observed.

until the trochophore stage in *Spisula*⁸ and *Mulinia*¹⁵, and until the veliger stage in *Lymnaea*⁷. The first major increase in RNA accumulation that is attributable to the synthesis of rRNA occurs only after three days of development⁶. Work on the incorporation of P32 into alkali stable materials of the *Lymnaea* eggs suggests that RNA synthesis begins in the uncleaved egg and continues during cleavage^{5,31,32}.

The amount of protein synthesis is very low in the unfertilized egg, which increases three to fourfold after fertilization. An increase in permeability to amino acids occurred about 50 min after fertilization and the relative rate of protein synthesis continued to increase with a concomitant increase in polyribosomes throughout early development⁴. Many freshwater gastropods, typified by *Lymnaea* and other pond snails,

undergo direct development, that is, they do not have a free living larval stage but develop in an egg capsule containing a peri-vitellin albuminous fluid. In review of protein synthesis in pulmonates, it was¹⁹ pointed out that the capsule fluid of *Lymnaea* is pinocytotically ingested by the embryo and presumably serves as a nutrient after the consumption of the egg yolk by the end of the gastrula. Using those points and a parallel increase of embryonic proteins with a decrease in capsular food protein that begins during the second day of development, it can be observed that reduced hatchability of *L. acuminata* exposed to different plant-derived molluscicides and their binary combinations is due to interference with embryonic growth and development of the snails. In the treated group, egg masses swelled and turned somewhat viscous. The color of the egg capsules in the control group was dark cream, but changed into white

Table 2

Effects of sub-lethal exposure (40% and 80% of 24h LC₅₀) of the extracts of *J. gossypifolia* latex+rutin, *J. gossypifolia* latex+ellagic acids and *J. gossypifolia* latex+taraxerol in binary combinations (1:1) hatchability and survival of young snail *Lymnaea acuminata* at different time intervals

	Plant part tested	Concentrations (mg/L)	% Hatchability (hatching period in days)	Survival 24h after hatching (%)	Survival 48h after hatching (%)	Survival 72h after hatching (%)
		Control	100 (11-17)	100	100	100
24 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.54)	135.83±2.666 (11-16)	80.13±0.082	67.91±10.124	35.83±0.528
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.08)	116.83±1.511 (12-17)	80.61±0.080	65.42±0.094	32.84±0.870
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.02)	147.50±3.352 (11-16)	103.25±0.059	84.07±0.011	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.04)	111.16±1.825 (12-17)	87.16±0.013	54.46±0.110	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.00)	107.00±1.360 (11-16)	96.30±0.061	73.83±0.076	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (8.00)	95.83±0.958 (12-17)	79.53±0.071	48.87±0.059	-
48 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.42)	276.33±2.096 (11-16)	149.21±0.060	107.76±0.108	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.84)	136.83±1.217 (12-17)	88.93±0.107	77.99±0.094	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.70)	290.83±2.362 (11-16)	189.03±0.245	113.42±0.210	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (3.40)	275.33±2.096 (12-17)	176.16±0.660	112.88±0.017	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (3.66)	262.66±0.732 (11-16)	196.99±0.660	128.70±0.034	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (7.32)	217.66±2.190 (12-17)	187.18±0.127	128.41±0.095	-
72 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.34)	144.83±0.440 (11-16)	141.33±0.675	113.16±0.660	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.68)	134.00±0.401 (12-17)	129.33±0.231	87.33±0.834	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.42)	283.00±0.750 (11-16)	276.35±0.675	123.32±0.968	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.84)	273.33±0.968 (12-17)	262.33±0.366	113.50±0.838	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (3.16)	252.50±0.838 (11-16)	247.16±0.772	209.50±0.839	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (6.32)	247.50±0.680 (12-17)	234.33±0.675	208.16±1.038	-
96 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.29)	137.00±0.694 (11-16)	129.33±1.086	95.67±0.732	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.58)	134.00±0.401 (12-17)	128.50±0.470	82.83±0.772	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.13)	215.33±0.675 (11-16)	213.00±1.022	206.84±1.678	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.26)	211.16±0.660 (12-17)	188.50±0.470	186.33±1.408	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.79)	244.66±0.926 (11-16)	236.84±1.312	207.17±1.589	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (5.58)	236.67±0.612 (12-17)	210.83±0.870	182.51±0.49	-

Details as given in Table 1.

in the treated samples³. Time dependent reduction in the survival of newly hatched snails, even after transfer to fresh water, indicates that chemicals received either from the mother snail or the eggs are lethal to young newly hatched snails. It seems that the thin and fragile shell of newly hatched snails in the treated groups is due to decalcification, as observed in cobaltous sulfate-treated *Planorbis exustus* and thiourea treated *Lymnaea acuminata*^{2,26}.

These combinations are effective in killing the snails as well as making them sterile since the resulting combinations also kill the eggs in most of the treatments. The use of these natural products in combination with single, binary and tertiary active compounds would have an added advantage in their use against aquatic snails, as they would cause only short-term environmental toxicity, if any.

RESUMO

Efeitos de combinações unitárias, binárias e terciárias de *Jatropha gossypifolia* e outros moluscicidas derivados de plantas na reprodução e sobrevivência do caramujo *Lymnaea acuminata*

O efeito de doses sub-letais (40% e 80% de LC₅₀/24h) de moluscicidas derivados de plantas com combinações unitárias, binárias (1:1) e terciárias (1:1:1) de Rutin, ácido Elágico, Betulin e taraxerol com látex da *J. gossypifolia*, folhas e extrato em pó de casca de caule e seus componentes ativos foram estudados na reprodução do caramujo de água fresca *Lymnaea acuminata*. Foi observado que o látex da *J. gossypifolia*, casca do caule, folhas individualmente e suas combinações com componentes moluscicidas ativos derivados de outras plantas causaram

Table 3

Effects of sub-lethal exposure (40% and 80% of 24h LC₅₀) to the powder *J. gossypifolia* latex+rutin+betulin, *J. gossypifolia* latex+ellagic acids+betulin and *J. gossypifolia* latex+taraxerol+betulin in combinations (1:1:1) hatchability and survival of young freshwater snail *Lymnaea acuminata* at different time intervals

	Plant part tested	Concentrations (mg/L)	% Hatchability (hatching period in days)	Survival 24h after hatching (%)	Survival 48h after hatching (%)	Survival 72h after hatching (%)
		Control	100 (11-17)	100	100	100
24 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.44)	123.66±0.463 (11-16)	78.16±0.524	62.50±0.789	21.34±0.544
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.89)	113.66±0.366 (12-17)	78.00±0.401	61.34±0.675	16.85±0.440
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.68)	135.66±0.881 (11-16)	98.50±0.245	82.66±0.732	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.36)	107.66±0.463 (12-17)	88.66±0.366	52.16±0.524	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.29)	106.00±1.236 (11-16)	98.00±0.567	69.00±0.568	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.59)	83.00±0.337 (12-17)	78.00±0.401	41.66±0.366	-
48 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.23)	182.51±0.680 (11-16)	146.83±0.440	97.00±0.694	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.47)	86.50±0.618 (12-17)	68.50±0.245	52.50±0.839	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.58)	201.52±0.470 (11-16)	182.83±0.772	108.51±0.838	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.16)	197.16±0.822 (12-17)	173.16±0.772	108.32±0.612	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.19)	196.35±0.785 (11-16)	192.00±0.401	124.34±0.543	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.39)	123.50±0.838 (12-17)	101.67±0.926	91.50±0.470	-
72 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.11)	122.00±0.401 (11-16)	118.16±0.596	109.16±0.524	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.22)	106.00±0.694 (12-17)	96.00±0.491	87.17±0.661	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.50)	210.34±0.881 (11-16)	172.66±0.366	115.00±0.401	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.00)	196.66±0.834 (12-17)	166.16±0.524	104.16±0.822	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.07)	241.83±0.598 (11-16)	216.50±0.838	196.33±0.463	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.15)	207.17±0.524 (12-17)	192.33±0.675	189.30±0.543	-
96 h	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Rutin+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (2.00)	114.16±0.524 (11-16)	101.66±0.926	83.83±0.870	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (4.00)	103.66±0.732 (12-17)	95.50±0.736	83.67±0.881	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+Ellagic acids+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.41)	196.18±0.524 (11-16)	168.83±0.772	112.16±0.524	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.82)	163.66±0.881 (12-17)	107.00±0.634	96.16±0.660	-
	<i>J. gossypifolia</i> latex+taraxerol+Betulin	40% of 24h LC ₅₀ (0.96)	167.16±0.660 (11-16)	119.33±0.885	95.50±0.051	-
		80% of 24h LC ₅₀ (1.92)	196.17±0.524 (12-17)	115.33±0.968	82.16±0.052	-

Details as given in Table 1.

redução significativa na fecundidade, incubação e sobrevivência dos caramujos jovens. Acredita-se que a exposição sub-lethal destes moluscicidas sobre a reprodução dos caramujos é processo complexo envolvendo mais de um fator na redução da capacidade reprodutiva.

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