

# Evaluation of Cardioprotective Potential of Hydroalcoholic Peel Extract of Citrullus Colocynthis

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## Research

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# Abstract

**Background and objective:** Myocardial infarction is the number one cause of death both in males and females in many developed countries. *Citrullus colocynthis* is a medicinal plant used for the treatment for asthma, constipation, cough. The current study evaluates the cardioprotective potential of hydroalcoholic peel extract of *Citrullus colocynthis* against adrenaline-induced myocardial infarction in rabbits.

**Materials and Methods:** Animals were divided into four major groups each group consisting of six rabbits. Group - 1 was given adrenaline 2mg/kg subcutaneously for two successive days. Considerably ( $p<0.001$ ) accelerated the ALP, AST, ALT, Troponin, CK-MB, LDH, and CRP ( $p<0.05$ ). Group 2, 3, 4 rabbits pre-treated with the peel extract of *C. colocynthis* 100mg/kg, 200mg/kg, 300mg/kg respectively orally for 14 successive days and on 14th and 15th-day adrenaline was inoculated considerably improve the impact of adrenaline through lowering the levels of CK-MB, LDH, Troponin, AST, CRP, ALT, and ALP.

**Results:** The myocardial tissues of adrenaline induced group have more necrotic lesions. A slight deteriorating modifications of myocardial tissues usually in cardiac cells structure were observed in the group treated with extract.

**Conclusion:** The out-turn showed the cardioprotective potential of hydroalcoholic peel extract of *C. colocynthis* in a dose-dependent manner.

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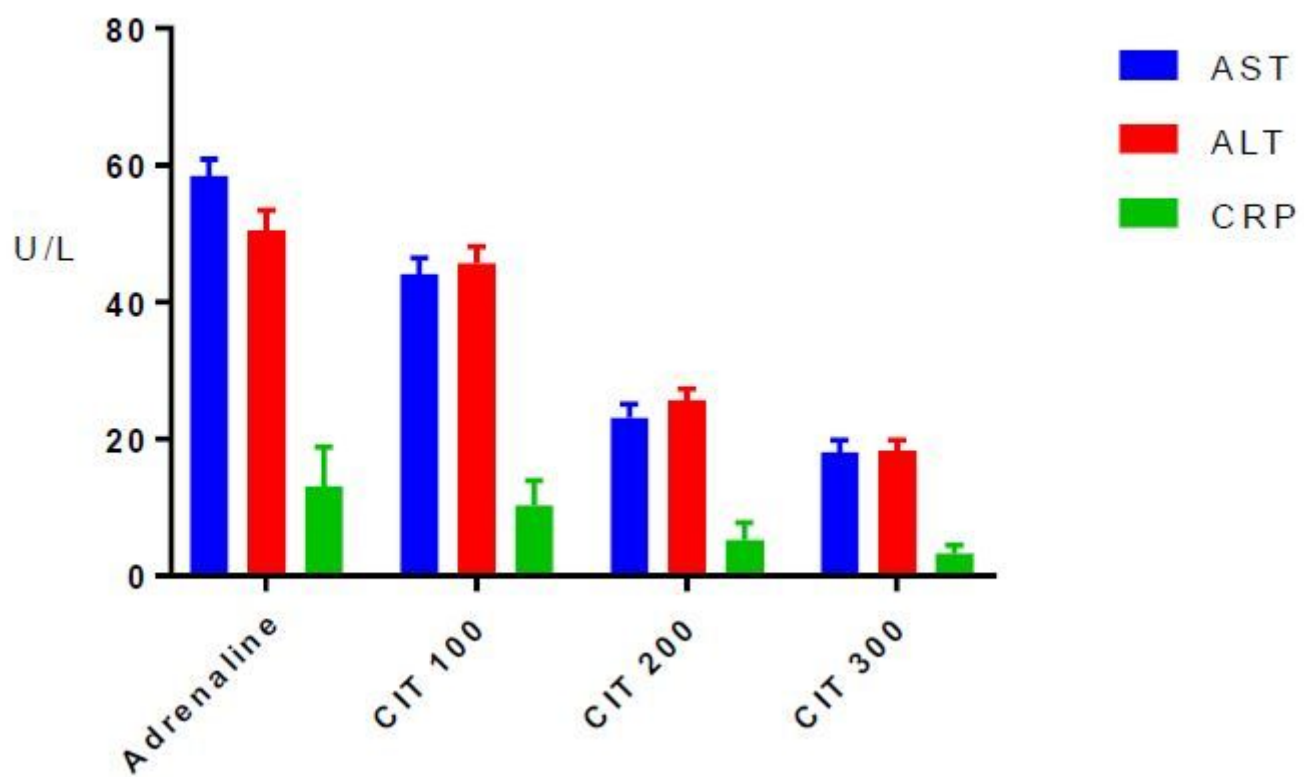


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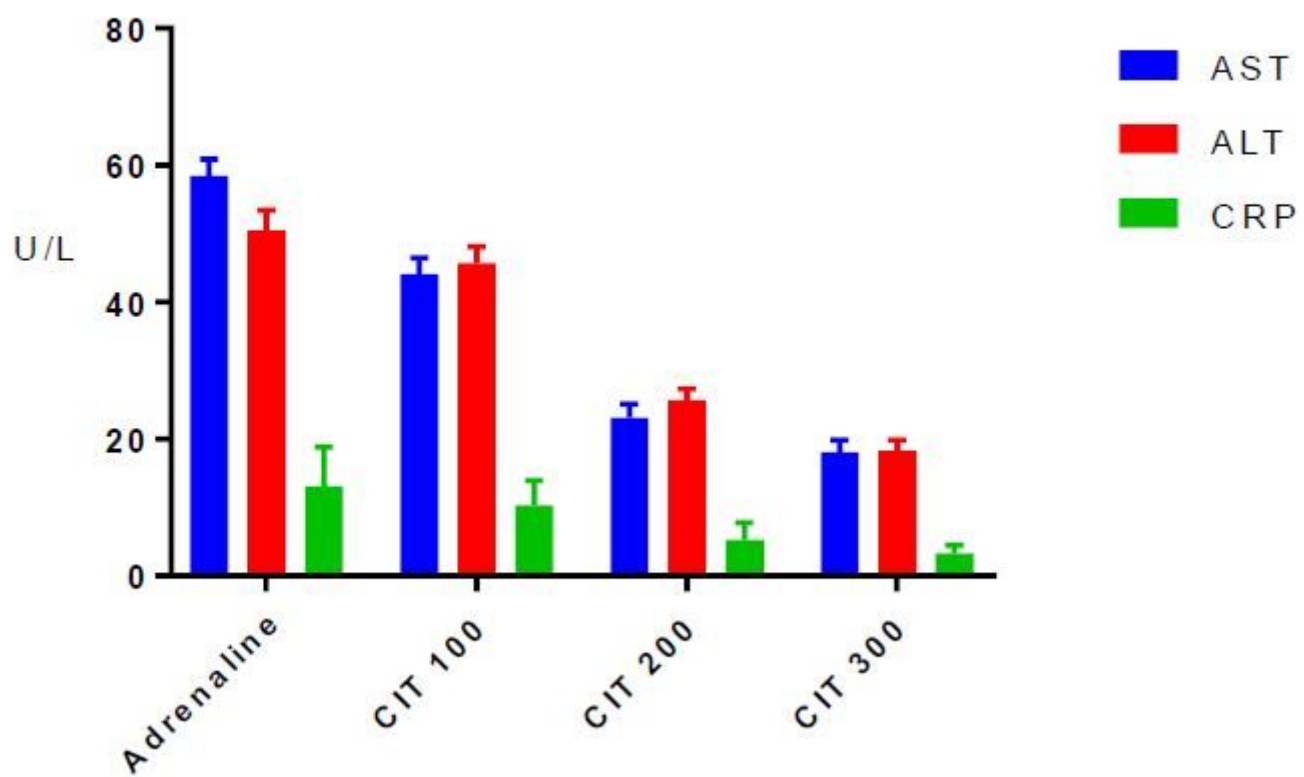


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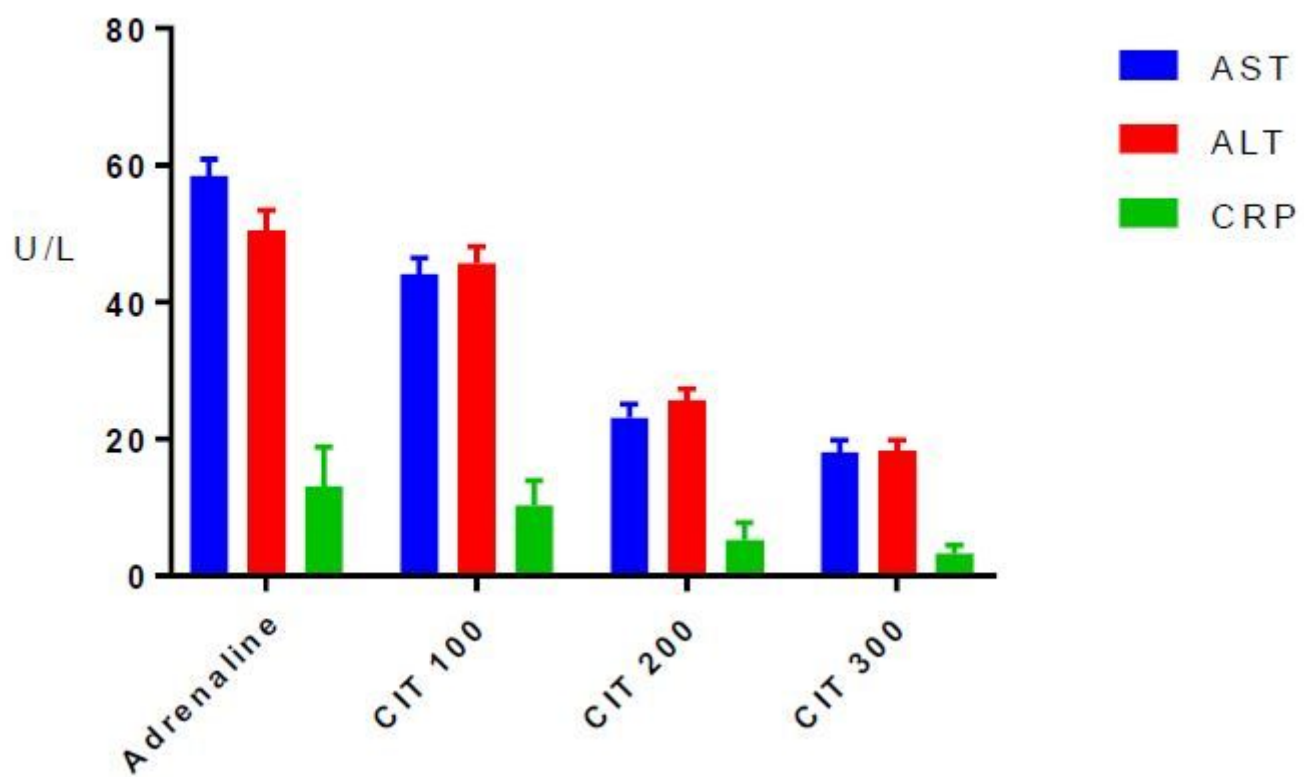


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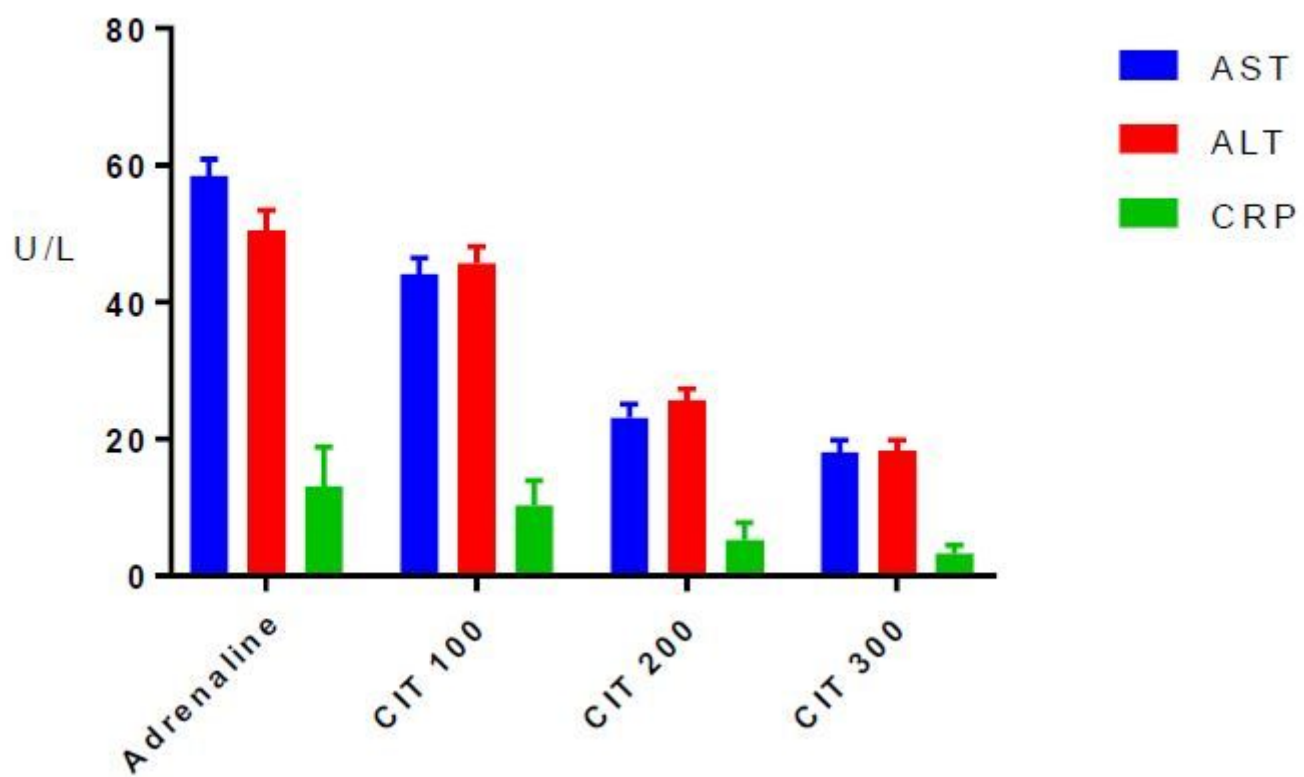


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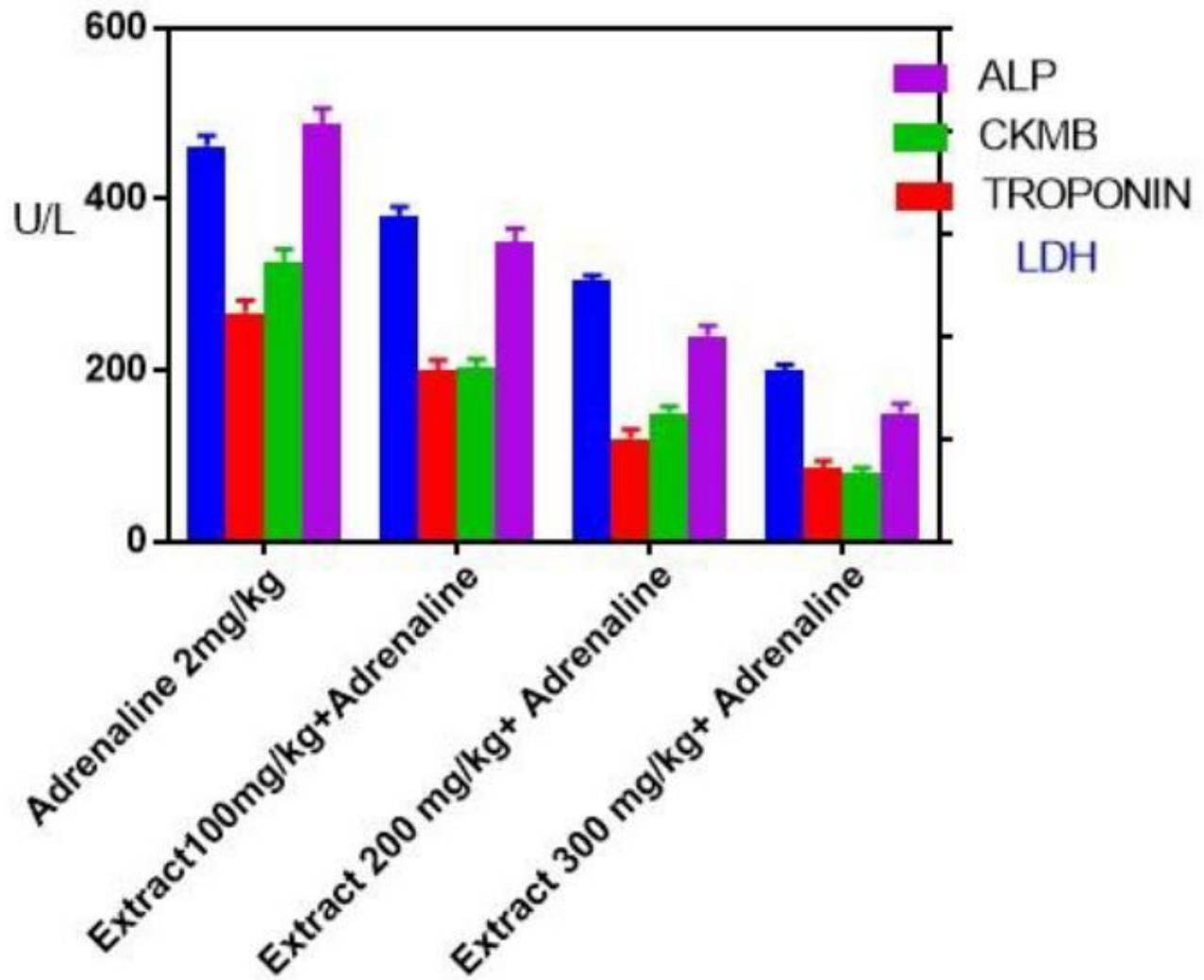


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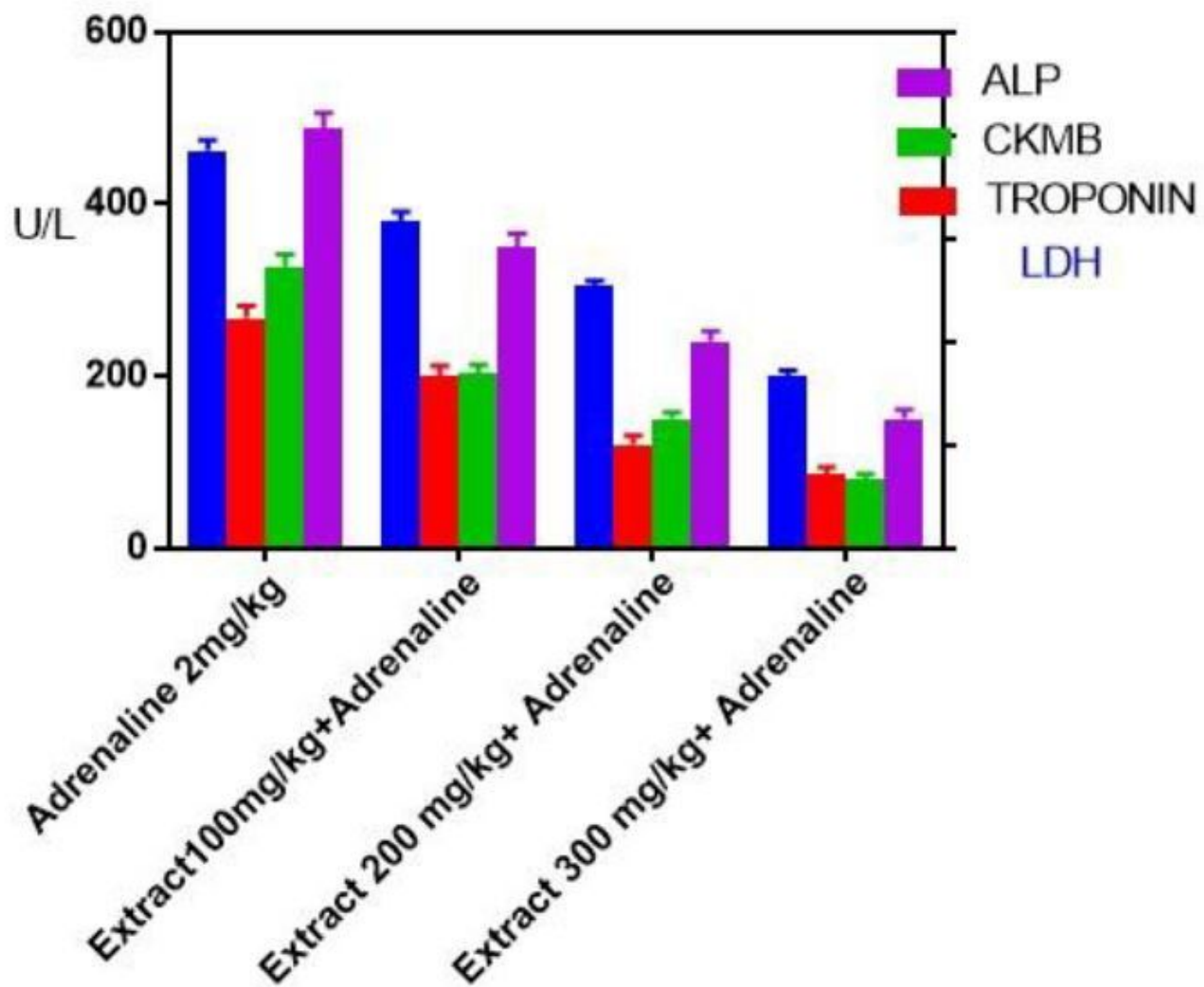


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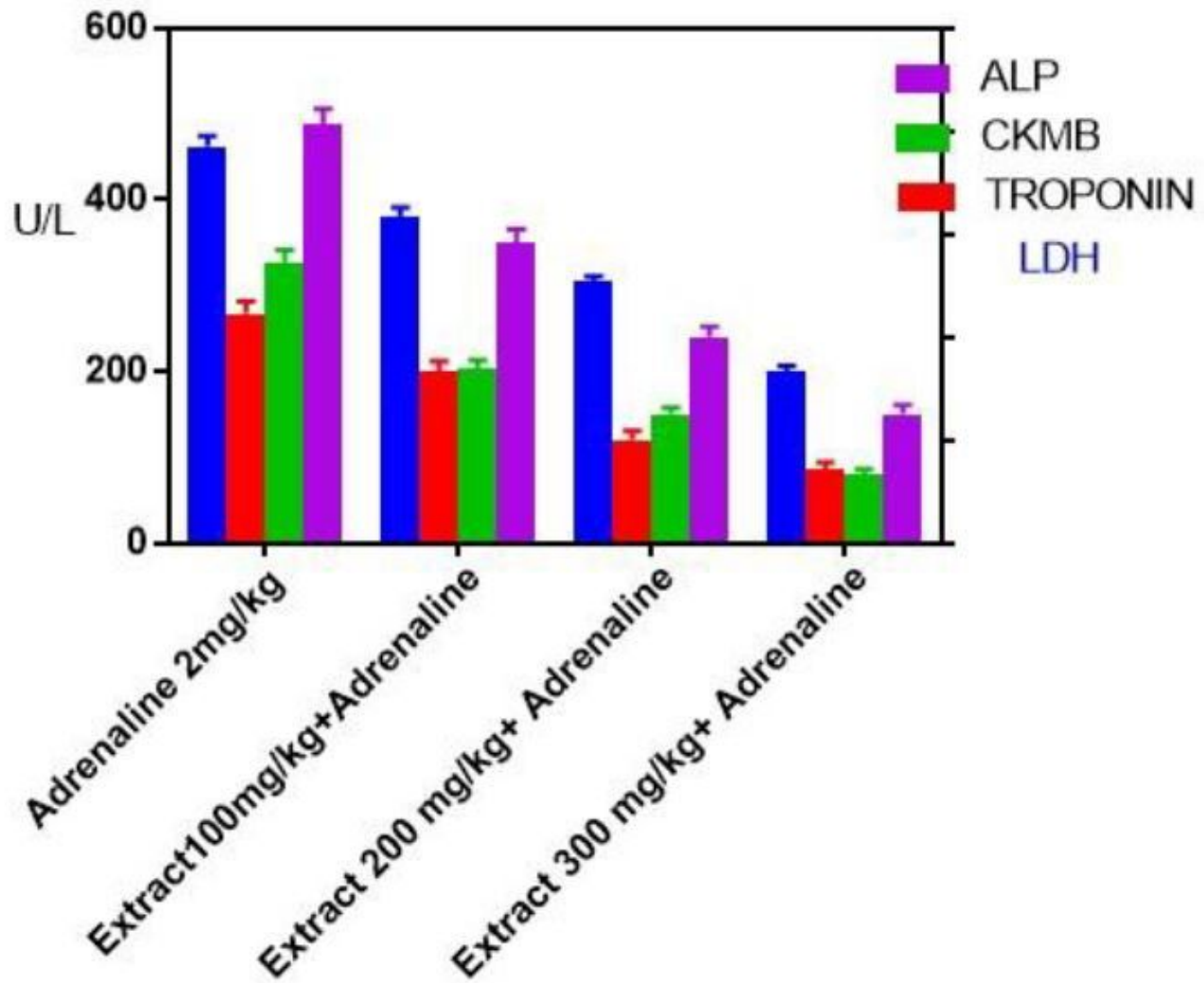


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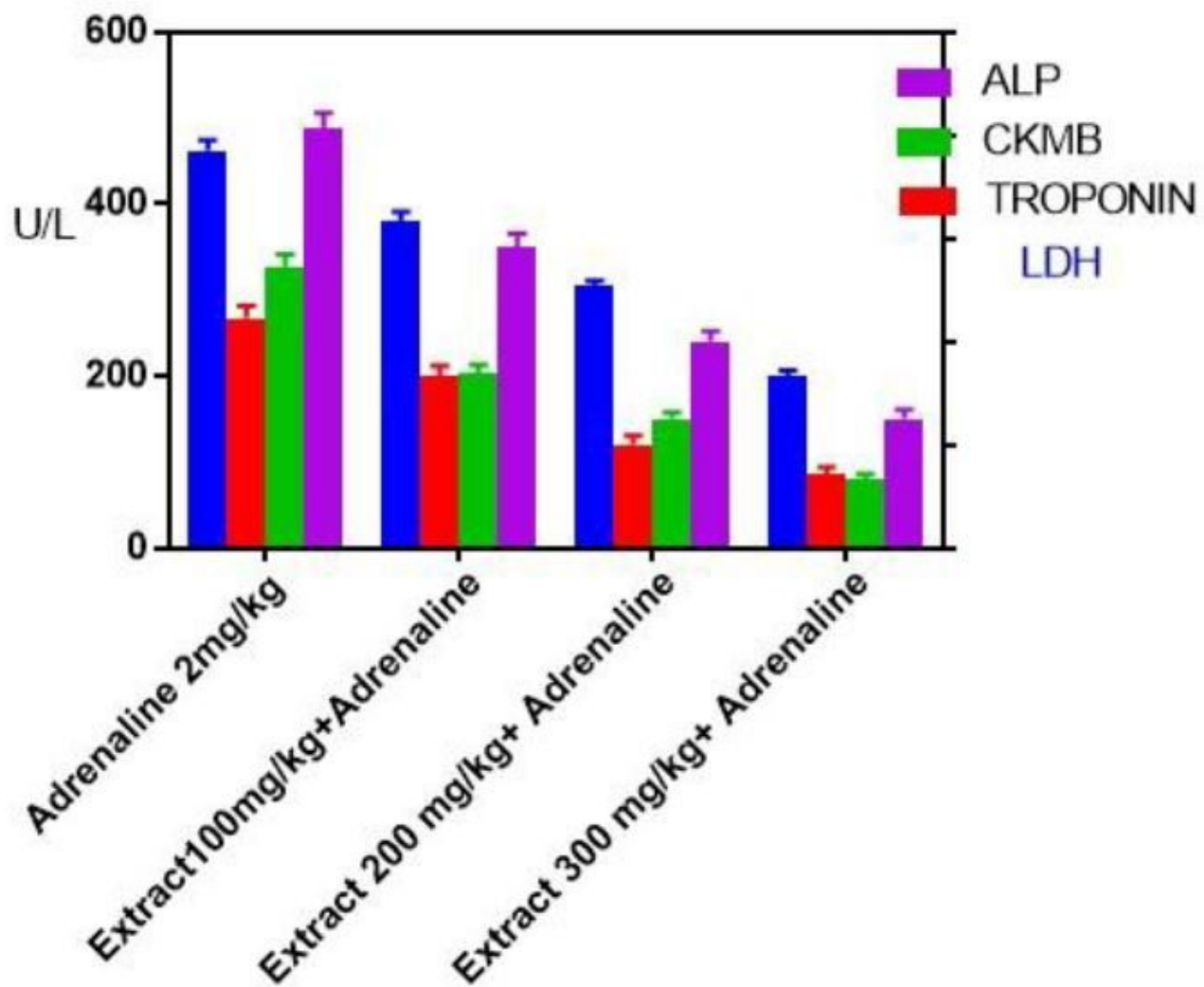


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