

# Gli alimenti nella prevenzione di malattie croniche e tumorali: casi studio

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## **Free Radicals**



Free radicals attack all your vital cellular structures, such as cell membranes and stimulate processes that have been linked to accelerated cellular aging. An antioxidant's job is to neutralize the free radical cells thus protecting the cells in our body from accelerated

aging.

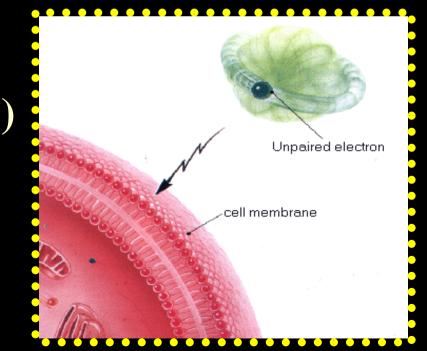


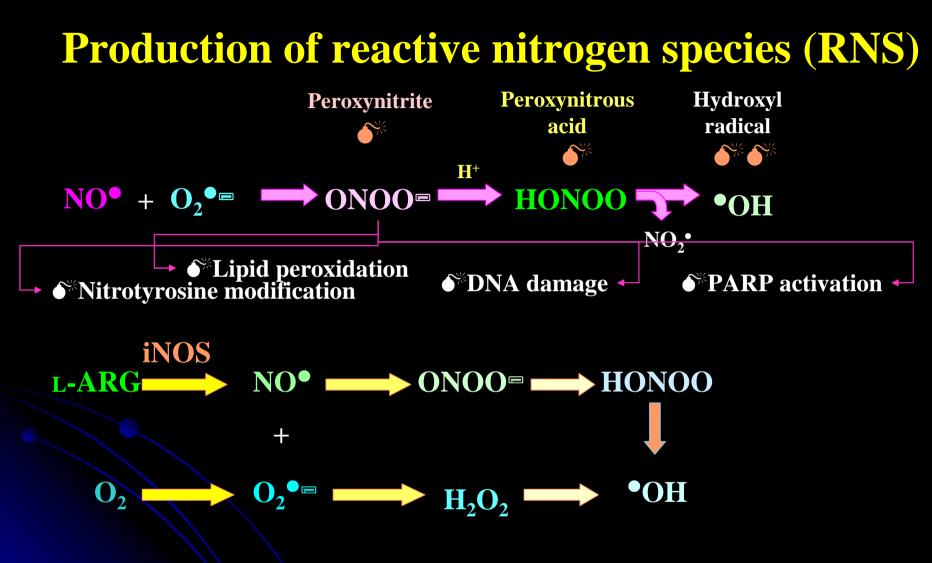
A free radical is defined as any atom or molecule possessing unpaired electrons

The biologically relevant free radicals derived from oxygen are:

• superoxide anion (O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>.)

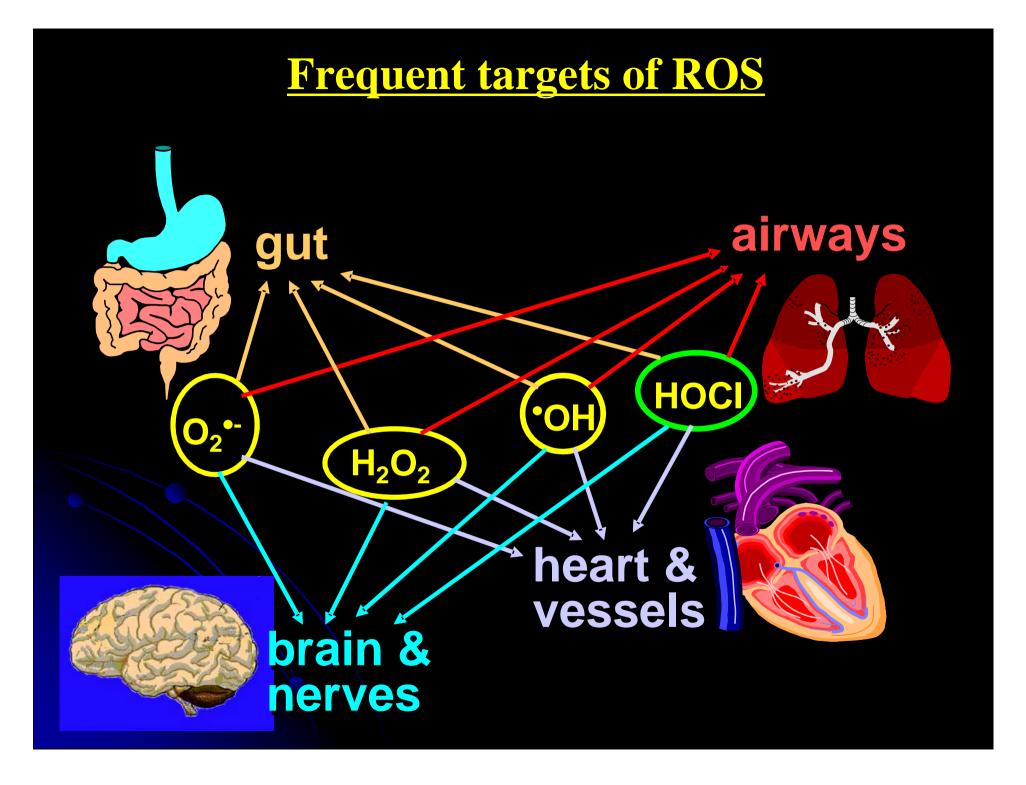
•Hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>.)
•hydroxyl radical (HO.)
•nitric oxide (NO.).



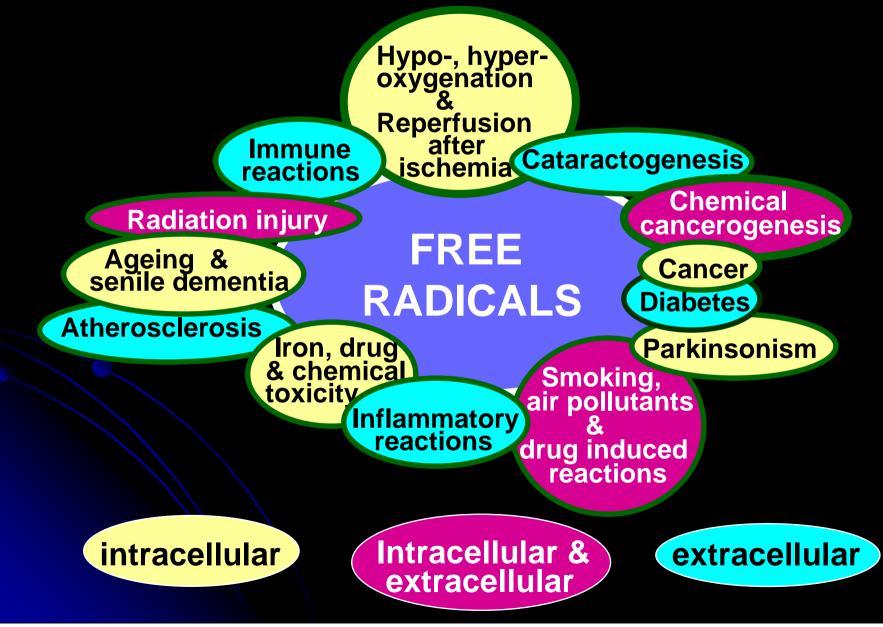


• Apparent Hydroxyl Radical Production by Peroxynitrite:

**Implications for endothelial Injury from Nitric Oxide and Superoxide. Beckman** *et al.*, *PNAS USA* **87:1620-1624**, 1990



# Pathological conditions that may have a free radical component and sites of ROS actions



### **ROS** are tightly controlled resulting in a physiological balance between their production and elimination

Enzymes: SOD (c, m), GPX (c, m), CAT (c, p) Non-enzyme antioxidants: vitamines (E,A,C), thiols, phenols, ceruloplasmin, transferrin, uric acid, albumin, etc.

c-cytosolic, m-mitochondrial, p-peroxisomal

ROS:

 $O_2^{\bullet-}, H_2O_2, {}^1O_2$ 

**•OH, HOCI** 

### Under pathological condition the physiological balance is lost

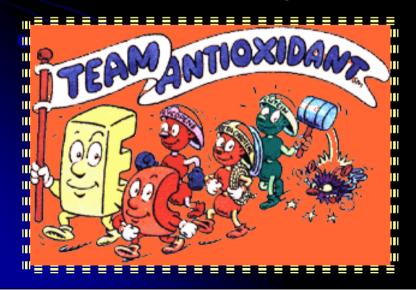
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## What are antioxidants?

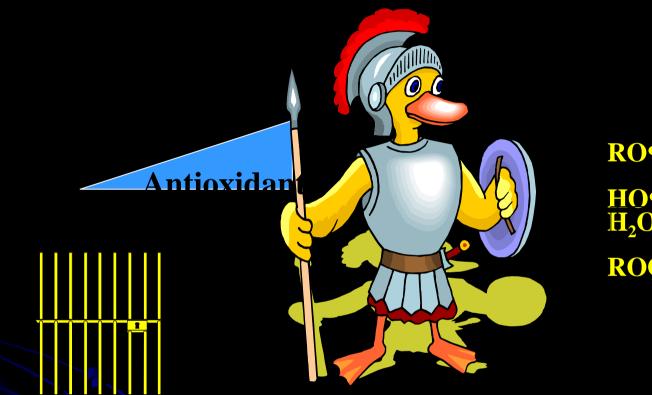
Antioxidants come in different shapes and sizes: they are nutrients (vitamins and minerals) or enzymes.





These tiny superheroes counteract the negative effects of oxidation in animal tissue.

# How do anti-oxidants work?



RO•,  $\bullet O_2^-$ HO•, HOO•, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> ROO•,  $^1O_2$ 

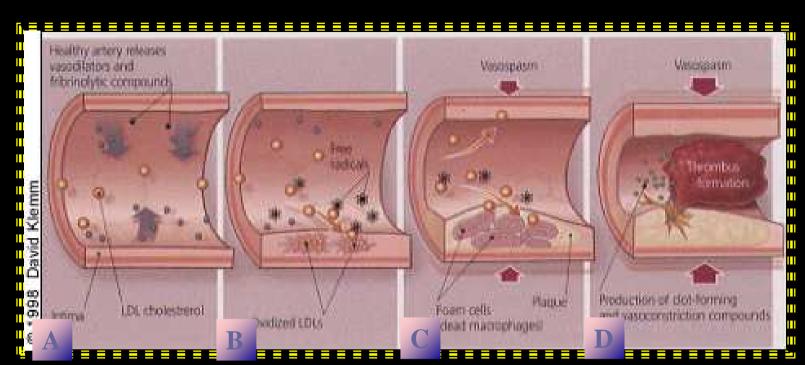
The free radical tug-of-war for electrons damages cells, proteins and DNA. If Wright's antioxidant vitamins are developed, they may be able to shorten the battle time between the two molecules. He is targeting Vitamin E since this is where he has detected a weakness in the body

## **Antioxidants preventor treat**

- ✓ Cancer
- ✓ Diabetes
- ✓ Heart disease
- **High blood pressure**



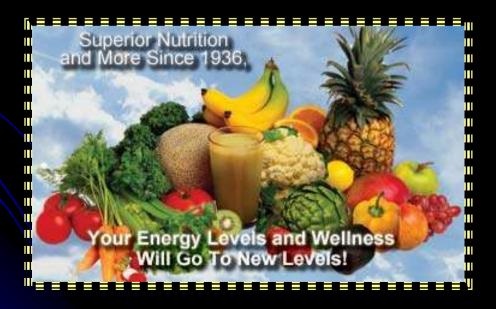
**Prevention of disease shown in populations** having a high consumption of fruits and vegetables



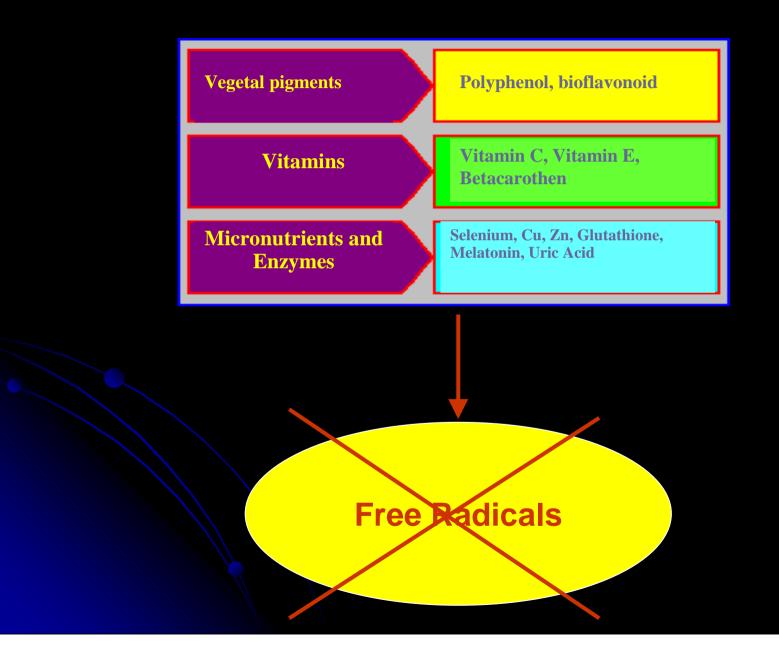
(A) An antioxidant-enriched diet maintains healthy arteries that release vasodilators and fibrinolytic compounds. (B) An antioxidant-inadequate diet results in free radical proliferation and LDL oxidation. Macrophages engulf oxidized LDL, die and form foam cells in the arterial intima. (C) Increased LDL oxidation and foam cell proliferation forms plaque and blocks the formation of fibrinolytic compounds and vasodilators. (D) A clinical event occurs when a 20-30% lumen-obstructing plaque ruptures. The plaque rupture causes immediate release of clot-forming and vasoconstriction compounds. Lumen obstructions lead to myocardial infarction or death. (LDL=low-density lipoprotein)

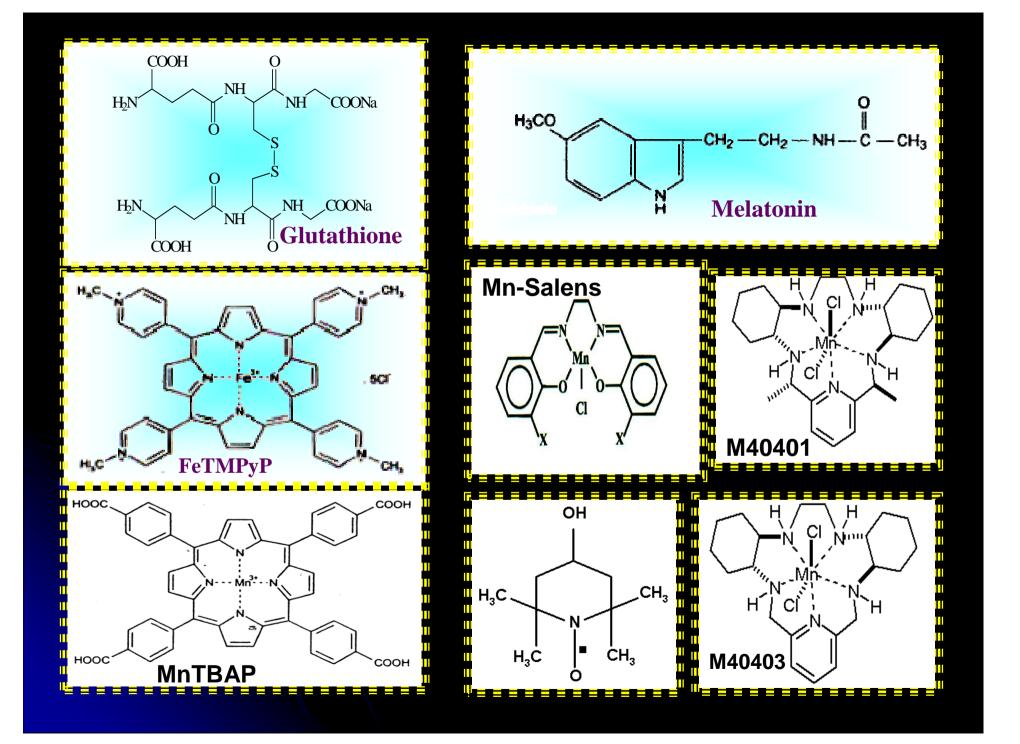
# Superfoods

Sure, everyone knows that an apple is a better snack than potato chips, but do you know that a daily handful of walnuts or a bowl of blueberries can actually improve your wellbeing and longevity?



# **Antioxidants in Diet**





**Evidence That Antioxidant Flavonoids in Tea and Cocoa Are Beneficial for Cardiovascular Health** 

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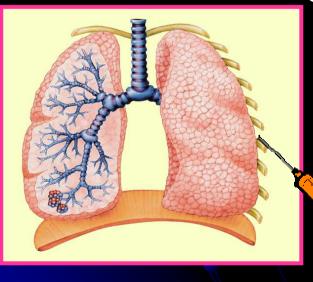
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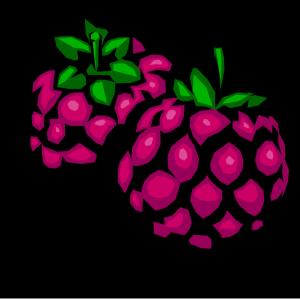


**Current Opinion in Lipidology 2002, 13:41-49** 

# Anthocyanins

## Evaluation of antioxidant and antinflammatory activity in vivo and in vitro sperimental model of pulmonary damage in rat





## Antioxidant vitamin C

**Food sources:** ✓ Citrus fruit **✓** Tomatoes ✓ Peppers ✓ Broccoli ✓ Melons ✓ Strawberries



# Antioxidant vitamin E

## **Food sources:**

✓ Oil (60%)



# Fruits and veggies, esp.dark green leafy (10%)

- ✓ Grains
- ✓ Nuts and seeds





## Antioxidant-beta carotene

**Food sources**:

✓ Carrots

✓ Sweet potatoes

**√**Oranges

✓ Cantaloupe

✓ Tomatoes

✓ Dark green leafy vegetables



# Researchers find red wine's secret

## White no help fighting hardening of the arteries

LONDON (AP) — Researchers say they have discovered the key component in red wine that explains the so-called French Paradox, or the way the French can eat lots of cheese, buttery sauces and other rich foods and still suffer less heart disease than I cople in other countries.

The explanation is pigments known as polyphenols.

The pignients are not present in white wine or rose, and they seem to be less potent when they are present in grape juice.

Polyphenols inhibit the production of a peptide that contributes to hardening of the arteries, researchers report in the latest issue of the journal Nature.

In laboratory dish experiments, polyphenols in red wine decreased the amount of the peptide endothelin 1 produced by cells taken from the blood vessels of cows.

Endot pelin-1 is a potent blood vessel constrictor, and overproduction of the compound is though: to be a key factor in why arteries clog with faity deposits, said the researchers from the William Harvey Research Institute at the London led the study.

School of Medicine and Dentistry.

In the study, the cow cells were exposed to extracts from 23 red wines, four white wines, one rose and one type of red grape juice.

Researchers found the decrease in endothelini levels was related to the amount of polyphenols in the wines.

The white and rose wines — which contain little or none of the pigment — had no effect on endothelin-1 levels.

Red grape juice, which has plenty of the pigment, was markedly less potent in reducing endothelin-1 than red wine.

The researchers said that suggests that something in the wine-making process changes the pigment's properties.

Researchers believe the pigment comes from red wine skins. In white wine and rose, the grape skins are taken out before fermentation.

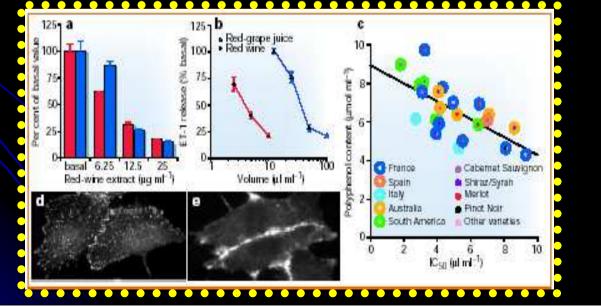
The type of grape also appeared to matter. Four of the six most effective red wines used in the study were made entirely or partially from cabernet sauvignon grapes.

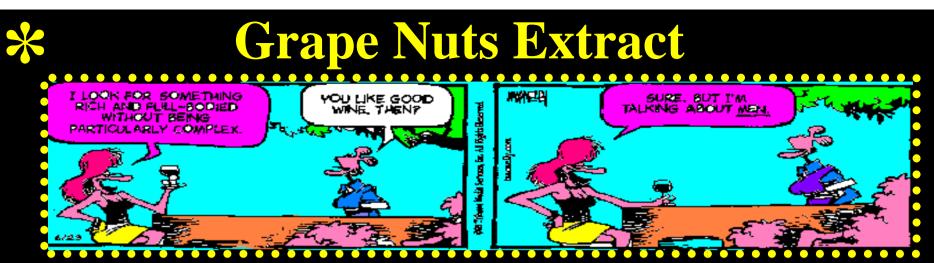
"The key message is moderate consumption of red wine is likely to prevent heart disease, but we have no evidence that white wine or rose would have a similar benefit," said Roger Corder, who led the study.

## To drink moderatly and regularly attenuates stroke risk

Recently on Nature review it was published that wine has beneficial effect on safety. Prof. R.Corder, of London school of Medicine, showed that polyphenols, bioflavonoid and proantocyanins can have beneficial effect on arteries and veins, stopping endotelin-1 production.

Polyphenols, are substances so powerfull that a moderatly assumption, can be very efficacy.





**Used like as:** 

Antioxidant
Allergy, asthma
Vein fragility, arteriosus disfunction

**Mechanism of Action:** 

Antioxidant

•Stabilitazion of 1-antitrypsine

•Inibition of inflammation mediator release (Hystamine and PGS)

Inibition of platelet aggregation

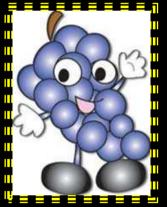
**Precaution of use:** 

•People with evidence of present or past emorragie, alterations of hemostatic components

•Anticoagulator and antiaggregator drugs

**General Warming:** 

Caution with children under 2 yearsCaution with pregnant or lactating women



## **Antioxidant on exhaustive exercise**



Antioxidant restricted diet increases oxidative stress during acute exhaustive exercise.

Watson TA, Callister R, Taylor R, Sibbritt D, MacDonald-Wicks LK, Garg ML. Asia Pac J Clin Nutr. 2003;12 Nutrition and Dietetics, University of Newcastle

# **Exercise – Antioxidant manipulation**





Diet

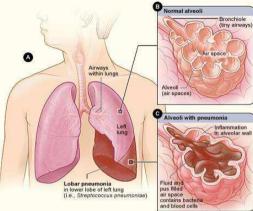
- Little research
- Antioxidant deficiency

reduces exercise capacity

- Supplementation
- Mixed findings
- Reduced oxidative stress markers
- No impact on performance

Watson TA et al., Asia Pac J Clin Nutr. 12 2003

#### Acute disease: Carrageenan-induced pleurisy (CAR)





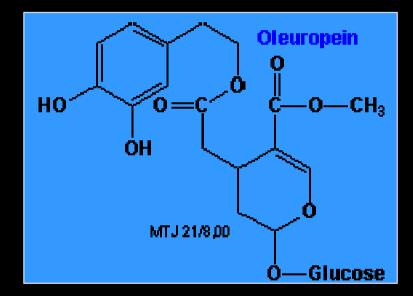
### Chronic disease: Type II collagen-induced arthritis (CIA)



**Olive oil** is an integral ingredient of the traditional Mediterranean diet and several studies attribute many of the healthy advantages of this diet to olive oil's unique characteristics.



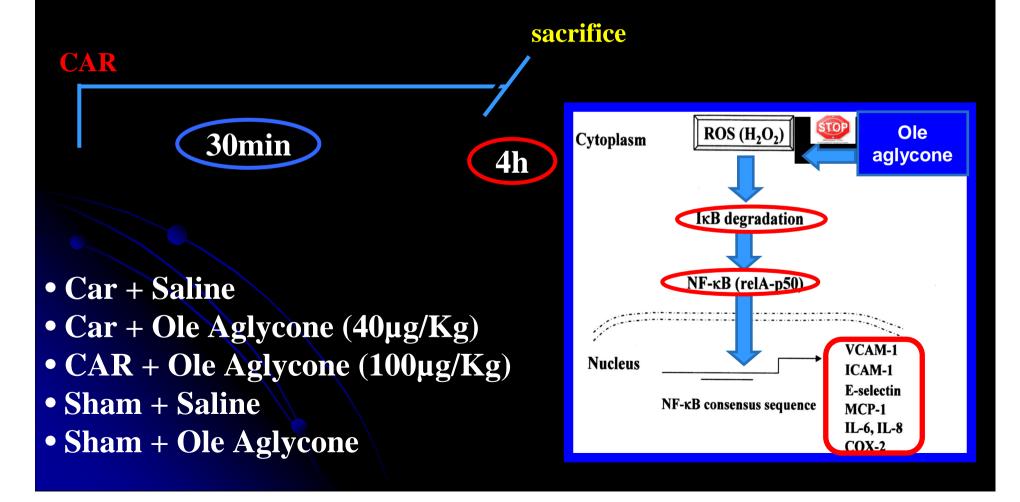
| Disease                | Protective Role   |
|------------------------|---|
| Cardiovascular disease | Inhibition of neuroinflammation<br>and oxidative stress; inhibition of<br>platelet aggregation; reduction of<br>high cholesterol levels, $\downarrow$ LDL and $\uparrow$<br>HDL |
| Alzheimer disease      | Inhibition of neuroinflammation<br>and oxidative stress   |
| Type II diabetes       | Inhibition of neuroinflammation<br>and oxidative stress; ↓ NF-kappa B<br>activation; ↓ PGE2 production  |
| Lung tumor             | and inactivation of Erk cascade   |
| Breast cancer          | Downregulation of the expression of Her-2/neu gene  |



The major constituent of the leaves and unprocessed olive drupes of "*Olea europaea*" is oleuropein and the majority of polyphenols found in olive oil or table olives are derived from its hydrolysis.

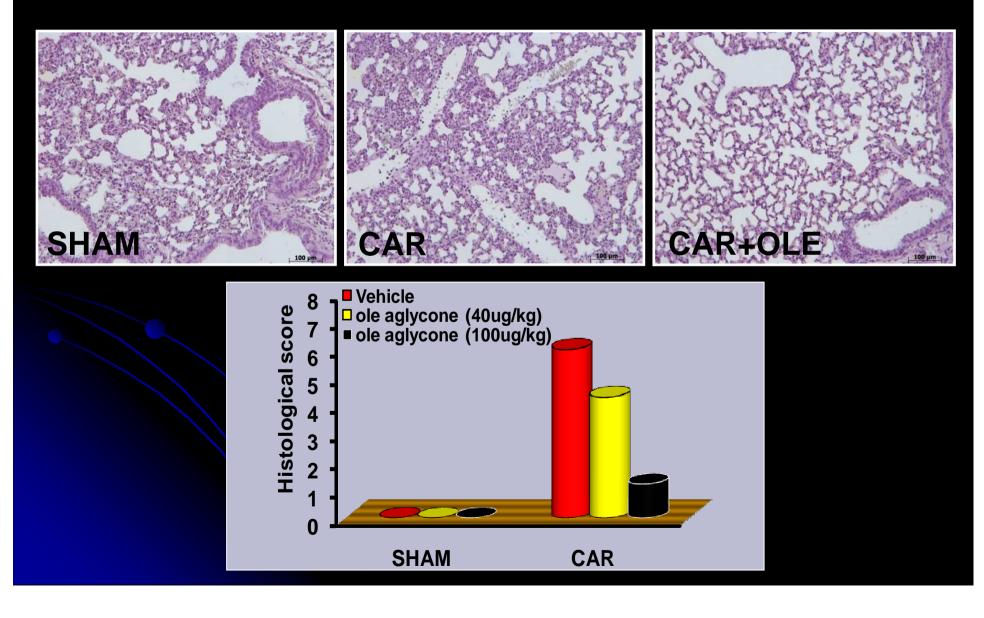
### <u> Experimental design – "CAR" Model</u>

Mice were anaesthetized and subjected to a skin incision at the level of the left sixth intercostals space. The underlying muscle was dissected and saline or saline containing 2%  $\lambda$ -carrageenan (0.1 ml) was injected into the pleural cavity.

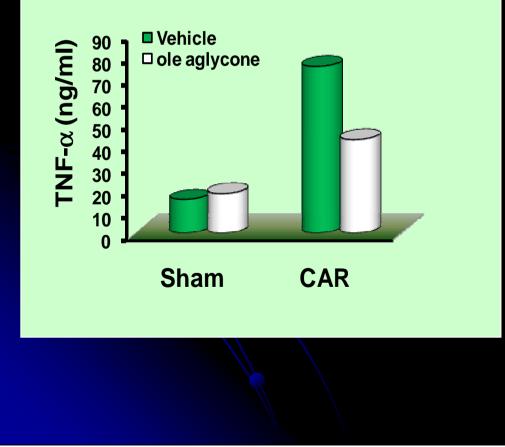


# **RESULTS** ACUTE INFLAMMATION-1

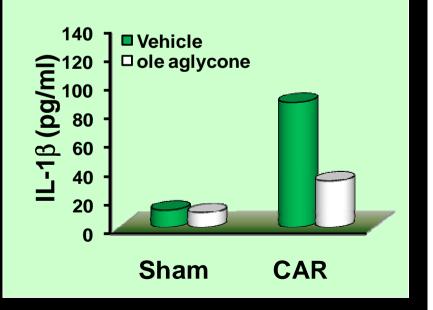
#### **HISTOLOGICAL EVALUATION**



# ACUTE INFLAMMATION-2 TNF- $\alpha$ ,

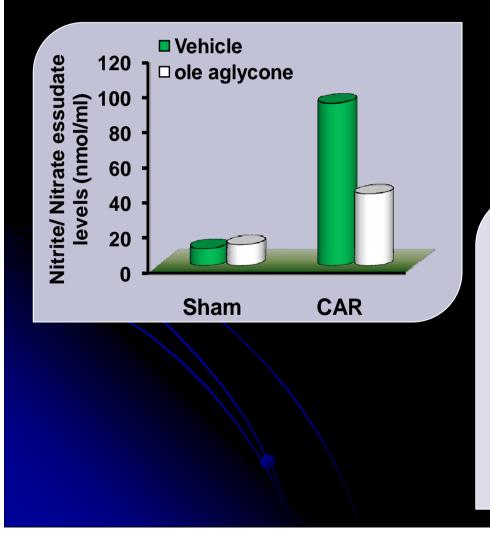


IL-1 $\beta$ 

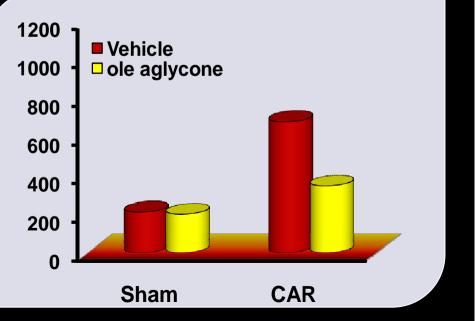


## **ACUTE INFLAMMATION-3**

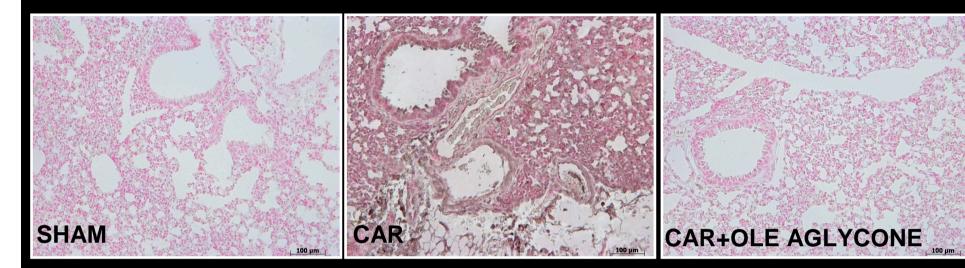
### **NO LEVELS**



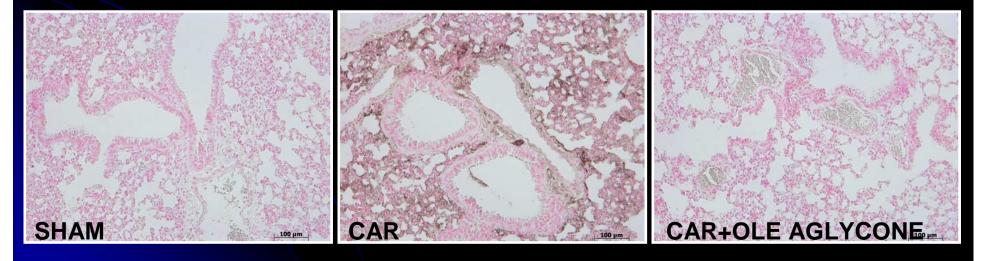
#### **MPO ACTIVITY**



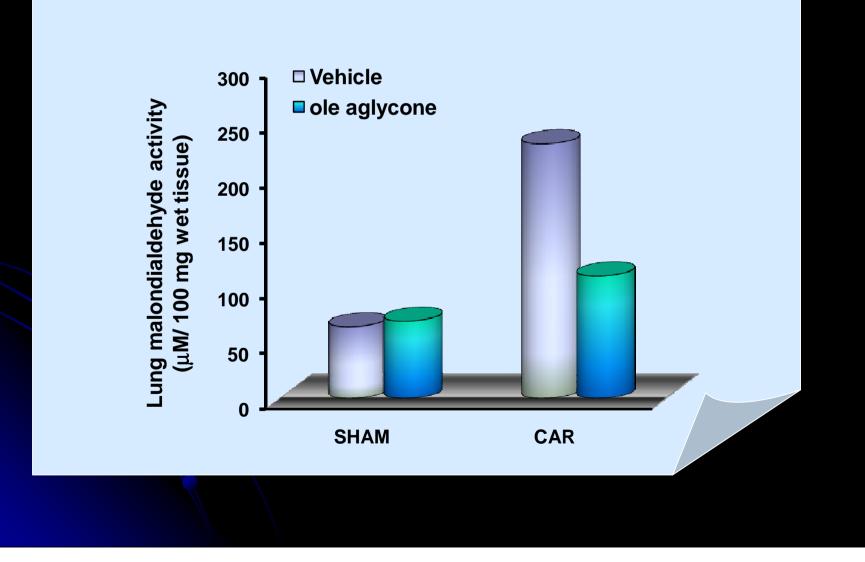
#### **NITROTYROSINE EXPRESSION**



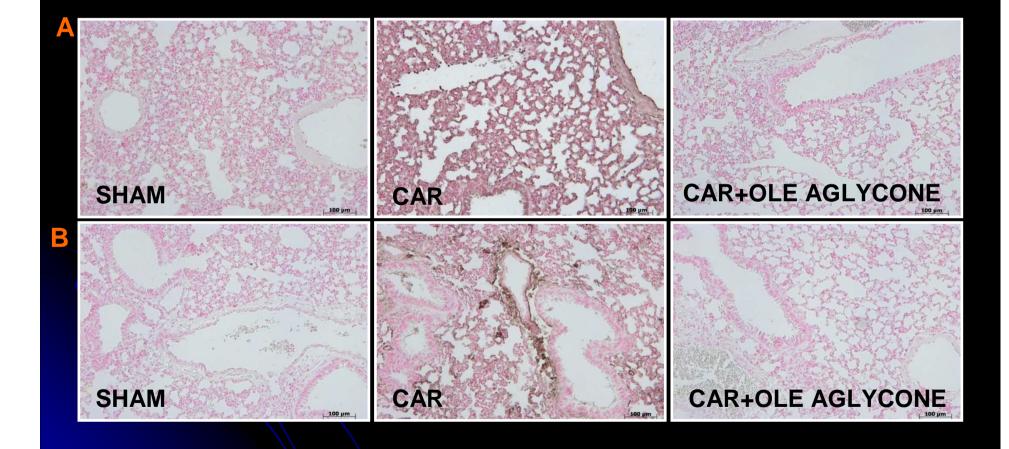
#### **PAR EXPRESSION**



# NDA LEVELS

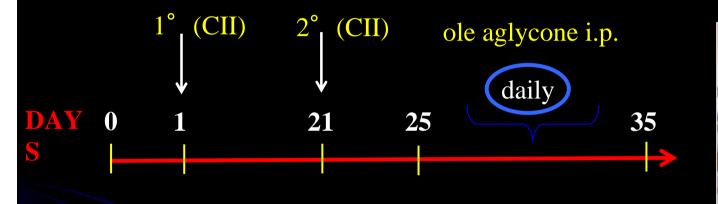


### ICAM-1 (A), P-SELECTIN (B) EXPRESSION



#### <u>Experimental design – "CIA" Model</u>

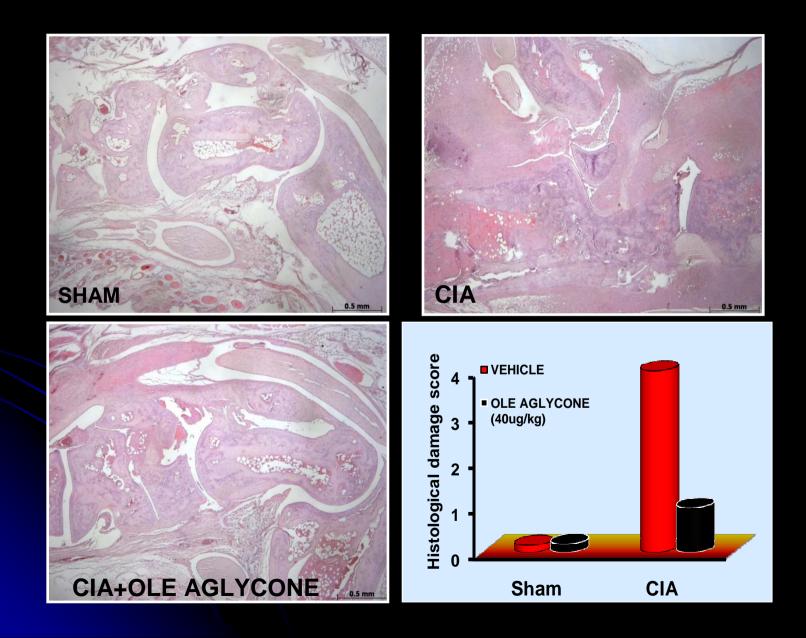
On day 1, CIA was induced in mice by an intradermal injection of 100  $\mu$  l of an emulsion containing 100  $\mu$ g of bovine type II collagen (CII) and complete Freund's adjuvant (CFA) at the base of the tail.

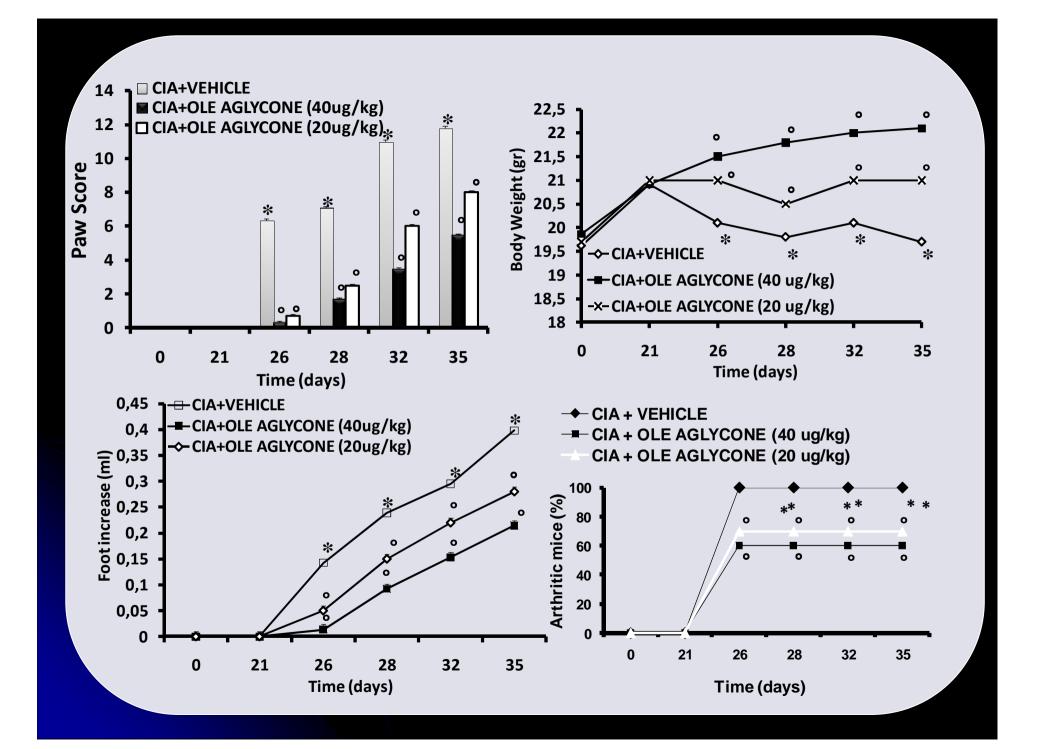




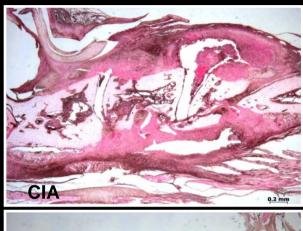
- CIA Control
- CIA + Ole Aglycone (20µg/Kg)
- CIA + Ole Aglycone (40µg/Kg)
- Sham Control
- Sham + Ole Aglycone

## **HISTOLOGICAL EVALUATION**



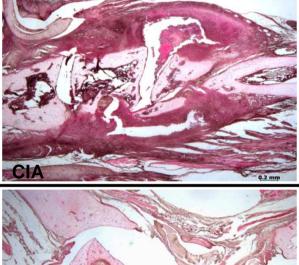


#### **COX-2 EXPRESSION**



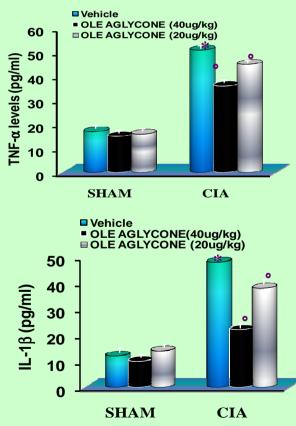


## iNOS EXPRESSION

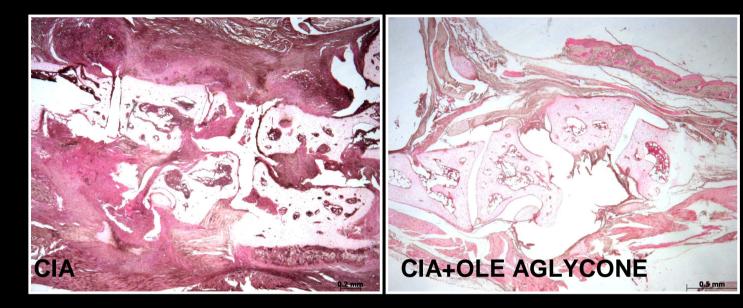


**CIA+OLE AGLYCONE** 

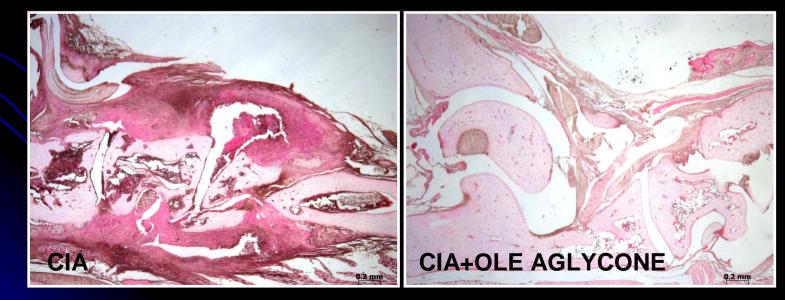
#### **CYTOKINES LEVELS**



#### **NITROTYROSINE EXPRESSION**



#### **PAR EXPRESSION**



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Oleuropein Aglycone, an Olive Oil Compound, Ameliorates Development of Arthritis Caused by Injection of Collagen Type II in Mice

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The effects of oleuropein aglycone, an olive oil compound, in a mouse model of carrageenan-induced pleurisy

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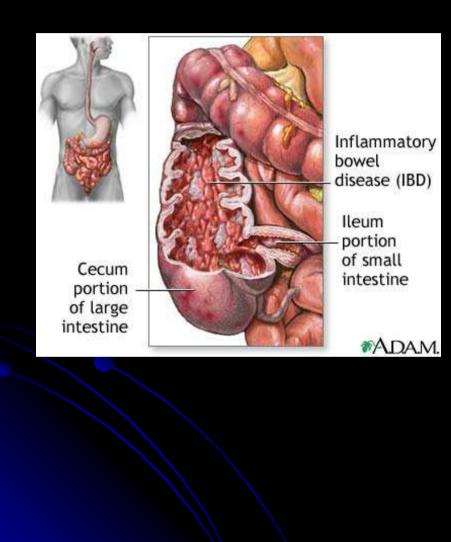
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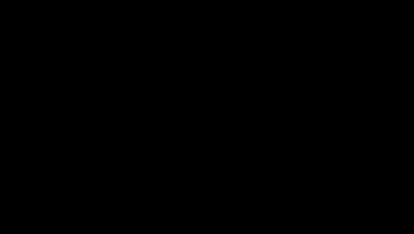


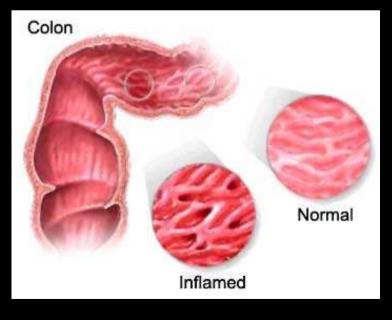


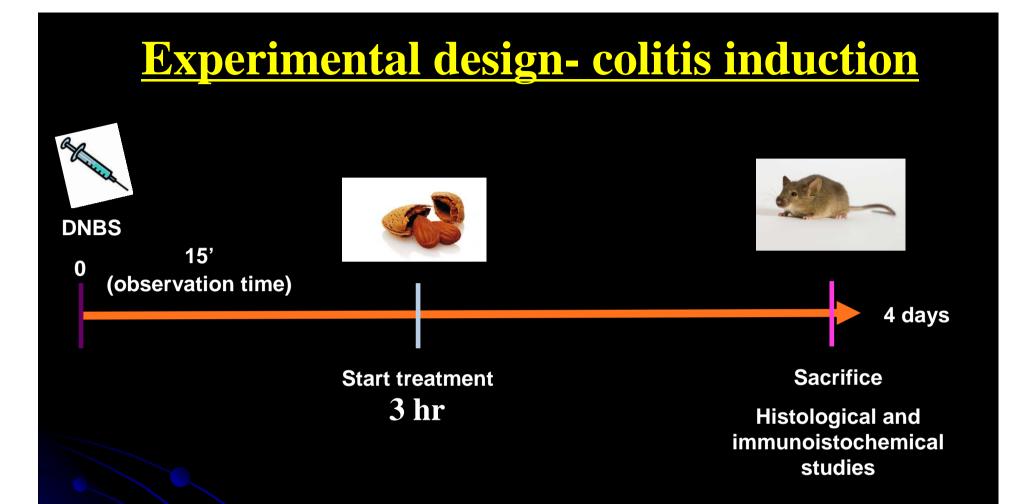
The polyphenols localized in almond skins include a variety flavonols, flavanones and simple phenolic acids which have a role in reducing risk factors against chronic inflammatory diseases and ageing disorders

### **Chronic disease: Colitis**









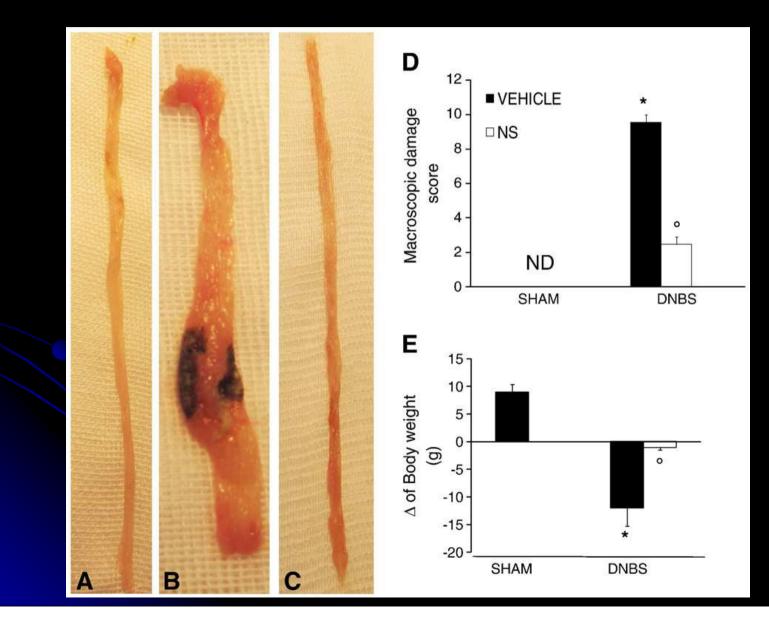
**1.** Sham + Vehicle group: saline was administered daily orally.

2. Sham + NS powder (30 mg/kg): was administered daily orally.

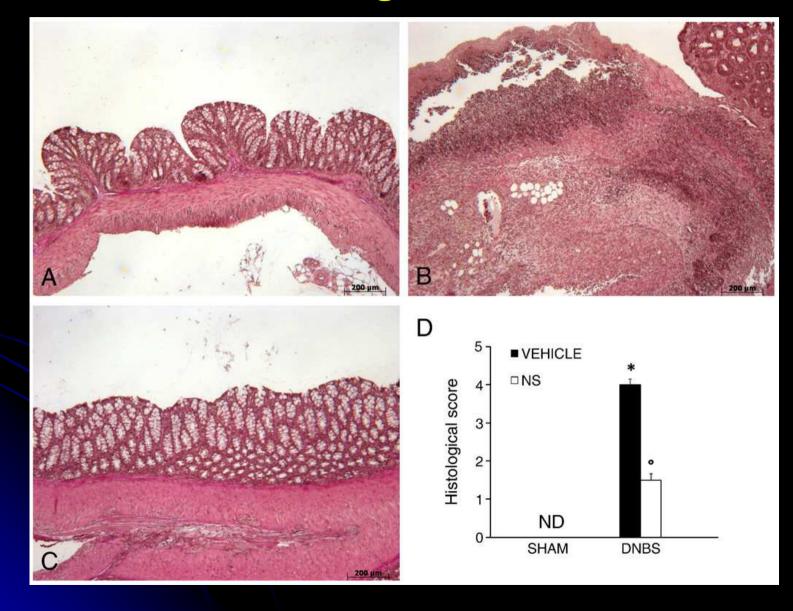
**3. DNBS+Vehicle: administration of DNBS.** 

**4.** DNBS + NS powder (30 mg/kg): administered daily starting from 3 h after the administration of DNBS.

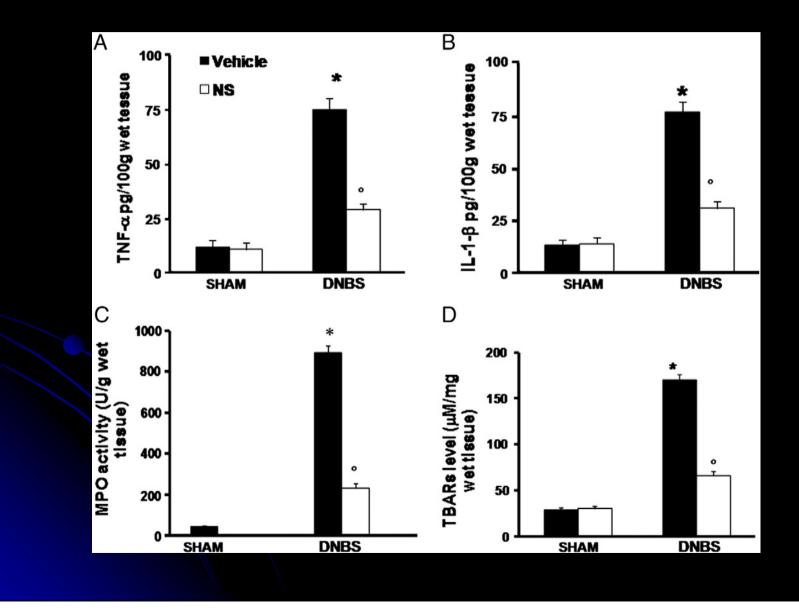
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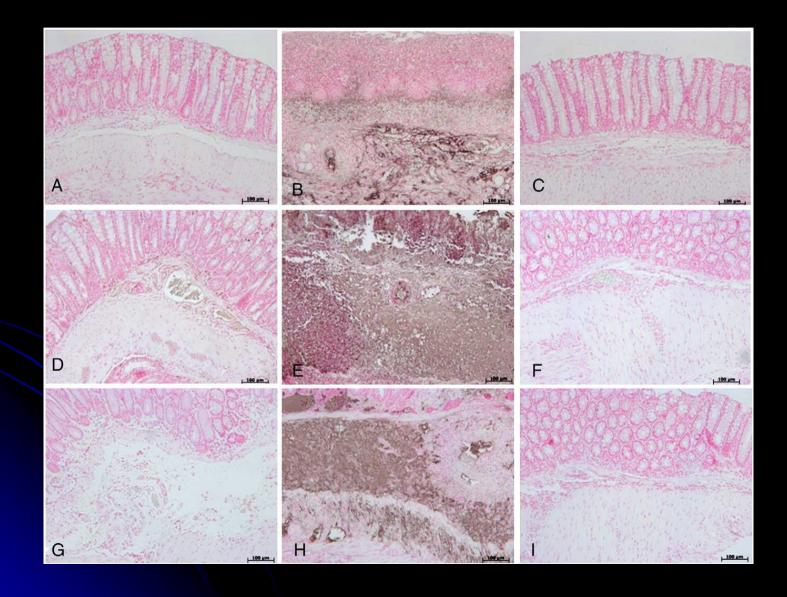
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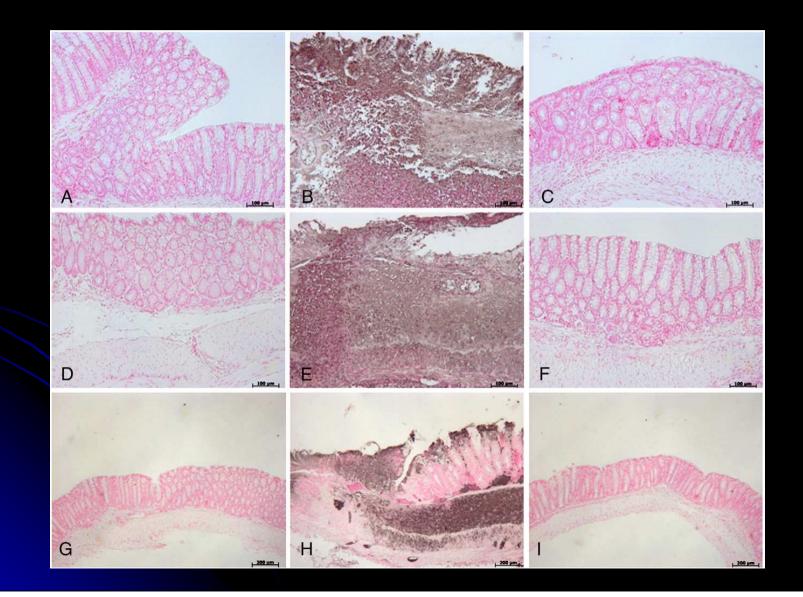
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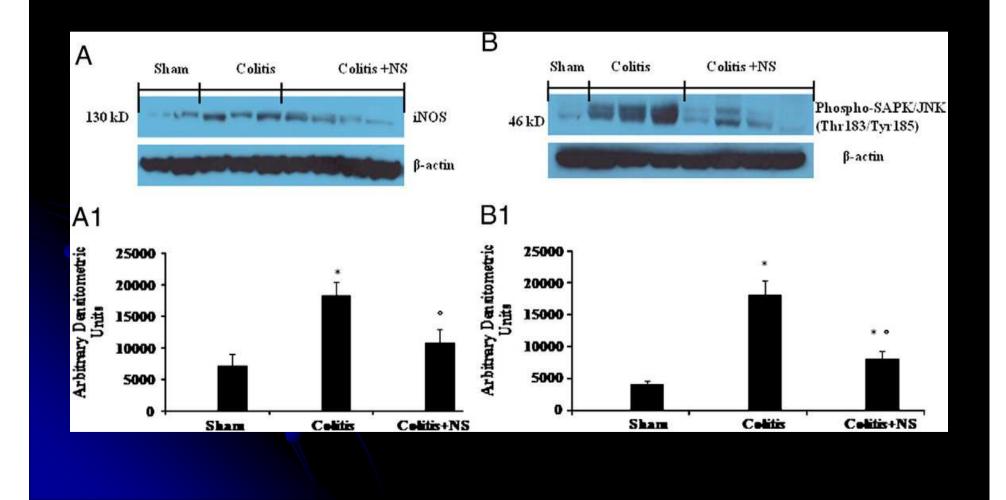
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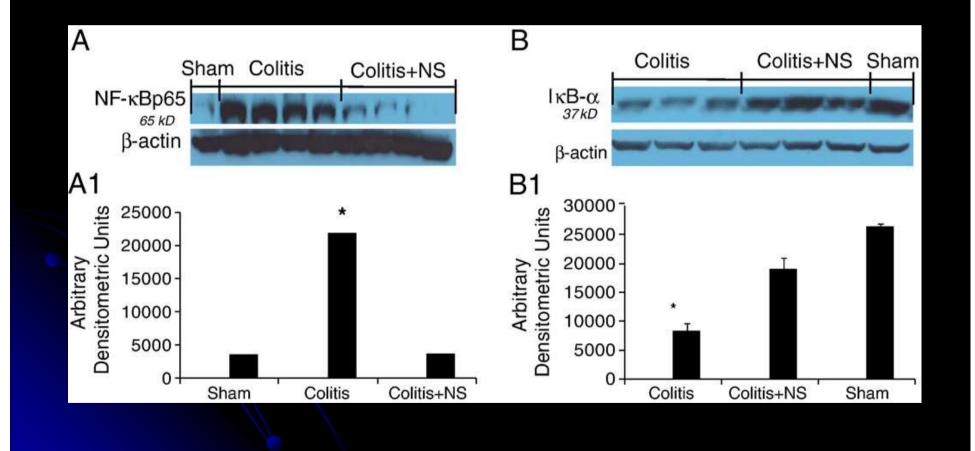
## Effect of NS powder treatment on immunohistochemical localization of iNOS, pJNK and FAS-L in the colon



# Effect of NS powder treatment on iNOS and pJNK



## Effect of NS powder treatment on NFkBp65 and IkB- α



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## Conclusion

The data presented in these studies demonstrate that oleuropein aglycone and natural almond skin reduce the development of acute and chronic inflammation.

Moreover, future studies using different models are needed in order to better clarify the possible use of oleuropein aglycone and natural almond skin powder for the treatment of inflammatory diseases in patients.