



# Guben Xiezhuo Recipe alleviated Colon Dialysis on Urotoxin-induced Intestinal Barrier Injury and Systemic Inflammation

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Studies have shown that, dh404 produces anti-inflammatory and anti-oxidative stress effects by stimulating the Nrf2 signaling pathway. It has a protective effect on chronic kidney disease in rats [6].

Pyrrolidine dithiocarbamate (PDTC), is a specific inhibitor of NF- $\kappa$ B, which can inhibit the activation of NF- $\kappa$ B and reduce inflammation. It is also an antioxidant, which can directly eliminate free radicals and inhibit the generation of free radicals [7].

Claudin is mainly located on the side of epithelial cells near the lumen. Its function is to close the intercellular space and prevent the free entry and exit of materials inside and outside the epithelial layer of the lumen. It is the material basis for the selection of permeabilization of epithelial cells [8]. Tight junctions are a composite structure formed under the interaction of multiple proteins, which are mainly composed of two components, which are transmembrane protein and cytoplasmic protein. The main transmembrane proteins are occludin and claudin-1. Both occludin and claudin-1 are four-pass transmembrane proteins, and the amino and carboxyl ends are located in the cytoplasm [9]. Tight junctions can effectively prevent the paracellular transport of bacteria, toxins and other substances in the intestinal cavity through regulation under physiological conditions, and maintain the integrity of the intestinal mucosal epithelial barrier function.

Zonulaoccludens-1 (ZO-1) is a protein that is related to tightly connect. In recent years, it has been discovered that it is related to the maintenance and regulation of epithelial fence and barrier function, and also participates in the regulation of cell material transport, maintenance of epithelial polarity, cell proliferation and differentiation, tumor cell metastasis and other important processes [10]. Since the structure and function of ZO-1 are closely related to other members of tight junctions, in most cases, as long as ZO-1 is damaged, the functions of tight junctions will change accordingly, so ZO-1 is often used to observe the tight junctions of various tissues. Indicators of barrier function and permeability function, such as blood-brain barrier, intestinal epithelial cells, retinal pigment epithelial cells, etc [11].

Nrf2 is a key factor in the cellular oxidative stress response. It is regulated by kelch-like ECH-associated protein 1 (Keap-1) and interacts with the antioxidant response element to regulate antioxidant proteins and phase II detoxification enzymes expression [12].

In this work, immunofluorescence was used to analyze the expression characteristics of intestinal epithelial tight junction protein occludin in the intestinal barrier injury model. This work uses Western Blot technology to analyze the expression of proteins ZO-1 and Claudin-1 in intestinal epithelial cells of the intestinal barrier injury model, and analyzes the mRNA of Keap-1, Nrf2, ROS, and NF- $\kappa$ B in intestinal epithelial cells by RT-PCR technology. The above test is used to evaluate the destruction and repair effect of the intestinal epithelial barrier function of CKD patients. In this work, Elisa was used to analyze the inflammatory signal hypersensitive C-reactive protein and interleukin-6 (IL-6) content in the cell culture medium to evaluate the inflammatory response caused by CKD and the reduction of inflammatory response by colon dialysis with Guben Dialysis effect.



Cultivate T84 cells at 37°C and 5% CO<sub>2</sub> with DMEM/F12 medium containing 10% fetal calf serum (FCS) and 50 U/L penicillin-streptomycin in cell culture flasks, and replace the medium every 1-2 days. Then induce and establish an intestinal epithelial injury model with low and high doses of urea.

standard samples were added to the wells according to the concentration requirements and serially diluted. The sample volume in each well was 50 $\mu$ l. Then a blank control well and the sample well to be tested were set. The blank control well would not add sample and enzyme-labeled reagent; the other steps were the same with the sample well. Add 40 $\mu$ l of sample diluent to the sample well, and then add 10 $\mu$ l of the sample. The final dilution of the sample is 5 times. Seal the plate with a sealing film and incubate at 37 for 30 minutes. After incubation, wash the plate with washing solution and dry it. After drying, add 50 $\mu$ l of enzyme-labeled reagent to each well except the blank well. Repeat the incubation and washing steps. Then add 50 $\mu$ l of developer A and 50 $\mu$ l of developer B in each well sequentially, and develop color at 37 for 15 minutes in the dark, and lastly add 50 $\mu$ l of stop solution to stop the reaction (the blue turns to yellow immediately). Set the blank control well as zero, and measure the absorbance (OD value) of each well in sequence at 450nm wavelength.



