



## **The Effect of Ginger Plant (*Zingiber officinale*) Aqueous Extract on Function and Histological Structure of Kidney in Mice Treated with Carbon Tetrachloride**

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**Abstract :** The present work was designed to determine the effect of ginger plant aqueous extract on function and histological structure of kidney in mice treated with carbon tetrachloride (CCl<sub>4</sub>). Ginger plant caused a protective effect against CCl<sub>4</sub> induced kidney damage and improved the kidney weight and biochemical parameters including urea, uric acid and creatinine. The ginger plant has a protective effect against injury in the kidney of mice treated with CCl<sub>4</sub>, because the ginger plant protects the tissues of kidney from toxic effect of CCl<sub>4</sub>. The kidney of CCl<sub>4</sub> treated mice showed many histological alterations in the kidney included: atrophy, vascular degeneration and hemorrhage, death cell, degeneration of epithelial cells, destruction of basement membrane and reduce of interstitial connective tissue.

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