ABSTRACT

Squalene consist six 2-methyl-2-pentene units, that every unit as quaternary carbons can release electron easely (electron donate) suspiciused had activity to scavenge free radical and antilipidperoxide. The scavenger free radical activity of squalene was tested against a solution of diphenyl picryl hidrazyl radical and the decoloration determined with UV-Vis spectroscopic at λ = 517 nm. The anti-lipoperoxidative activity was tested against a solution of *ter*- butyl hydroperoxide (*ter*-BHP) that induced lipid peroxidation in rat liver homogenate and the yield of TBARS = Thio Barbituric Acid Rreactive Substances (Malondialdehyde-thiobarbituric acid = MDA) determined with spectrofluorometric at $\lambda_{\rm Em}$ = 539 nm; $\lambda_{\rm Ex}$ = 549 nm.

The specific activity antiradical DPPH (% antiradikal activity per ppm) by isolated and standard squalene were lower than α - tocopherol as nature antioxidant respectively 0,00031 \pm 0,00014 %/ppm ; 0,00405 \pm 0,00006 % and 13,14867 \pm 1,04648 % / ppm. The specific activity antilipoperoxidation by isolated and standard squalene were lower than α - tocopherol respectively 0,2884 \pm 0,0223 % / ppm; 0,5841 \pm 0,09945 % / ppm and 1,0479 \pm 0,1652 % / ppm

The results suggest that isolated and standard squalene scavenged DPPH radical activity and anti-lipoperoxidation activity were lower than α -tocopherol.

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