## Editorial



## On the mechanisms of diabetogenic activity of Xanthurenic acid

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**Abbreviations:** XA: Xanthurenic acid; DD8: diabetogenic derivatives of 8-oxyquinolin.

In 1935 Musajo L and coll reported about synthesis of Xanthurenic acid. This chemical was separated from urine of experimental animals and identified as 4,8-digidroxyquinolin-2-carboxylic acid (XA), a derivative of 8-oxyquinolin [1]. Formula:  $C_{10}H_7NO_4$ .

Accumulation in organism of large amount of fatty acids and tryptophan in the deficiency of vit.B6 (pyridoxine) result intensive synthesis of XA in tissue. It was followed by developing in animal symptoms of diabetes [2-8].

This product interested by group of Lepkovsky S [2]. In the conditions of accumulation in orga- nism of contain on diet enriched by fatty acids and a tryptophan in the deficiency of vit.B6 (pyridoxine) there are a intensive endogene synthesis of XA that accompanied by developing of symptoms of diabetes in animals [3-8] and histological changes:vacuolisation of cytoplasm, gydropic distrophya, destruction of nuclei [4,5]. Kotake Y.noted a strong likeness of chemical structure of XA with other DD8 (Figure 1). He supposed that diabetogenic properties of XA maybe determined by OH<sup>-</sup>radical located in position "8" [10,11]. XA possess a high affinity for ions of Zinc [12]. We've fixed attention that XA as as well as other DD8 possess diabetogenic properties only in case if OH radical is fixed in the position "8" of a quinolin ring (Figure 1). Kotake Y and Kato M showed that extraction or replacement of radical from position "8" accompanied by complete disappearing of diabetogenic properties of XA [13]. Weitzel G. confirmed [14] that XA forms with Zinc ions a chelate complex 1:1 and atom of Zinc is fixed between hydroxyl and carboxylic groups of a quinolinic ring. It is known that such type of complex of metal with derivatives 8-oxyquinolines is the most toxic for cells. Murakami E.showed that incubation of Xanthurenic acid with insulin result formation of two complexes that accompanied by decreasing of insulin activity for 50% [15,16]. In one of them insulin is bound to 1 mole of Xanthurenic acid and in the second - with 1,5 mole. Xanthurenic acid easily formed complex with insulin in blood serum, without breaking structure of insulin. This complex is stable [17]. It was supposed that chemical connection is carried out between atom of Zinc and imidazole radical in a molecule of insulin [18]. Xanthurenic acid shows a high affinity for ions of Zinc [10]. Activity of insulin is restored after addition of ions of Zinc to blood serum contains of complex XA-insulin [18]. On the base of obtained results, Kotake Y., Ueda T. and coll [19] proposed a following me- chanisms of diabetogenic effect of Xanthurenic acid (Fig.2,left part).Meanwhile, Ueda T. and coll. found out that after dissociation of a complex XA-insulin a new complex as XA-Zinc is formed, however attention to this fact was not given and this ability was not investigated. In experiences of in vivo and in vitro it was showed that **XA** interact with Zinc in B-cells that accompanied by damage of cells [20-29].

On the base of results obtained by Kotake Y., Ueda T.in 1957-1975 reported that formation of complex "XA-insulin"result overstrain of B-cells and followed alteration of cells accompanied more later by developing of symptoms of diabetes (Figure 2).

In 1972 on the base of our previous results of investigation of mechanisms of diabetes caused by DD8 we have fixed attention on fact that on chemical structure of XA correspond to other DD8 too. But contrary to all other investigated DD8 XA is easy synthesized in animals and elderly human in conditions of deficiency of Pyridoxin (vit.B6) and food enriched by fats. Iit was showed that XA result binding of Zinc ions in B-cells and its destructionon [21,23,30]. In B-cells insulin formed deposited form with Zinc as storage complex Zinc-insulin. It was established that XA in B-cells interact with Zincions that accompanied by complete negative reaction for Zinc [29,30] (Figure 3) that determined by formation of complex XA-Zinc. Zincatom is located between OH<sup>-</sup>-radical in position 8 as in toxic complexes 1:1 [14] of Zinc with other DD8 (Figure 1) and carboxyl group. It was established in added that disposition of maximal concentration of complexes zinc-DD8 in zones of contact with capillaries wall on B-cells result destruction of wall that as we suppose - result disturbances of blood circulation in islets and to aggravate alteration of B-cells [30]. On the base of all results obtained by Kotake Y. and of our results we propose a following mechanisms of diabetogenic properties of Xanthurenic acid (Figure 2) and of mechanisms of diabetogenic activity of diabetogenic derivatives of 8-oxyquinolin including XA (Figure 4).

Interest for diabetes induced by XA is increased due to followed factors:

- 1. XA in the contrary to other diabetogenic derivatives of 8-oxyquinolin is formed in human organism as result of simple changes of diet.
- 2. A large amount of XA is discovered in the urine not only of diabetic patients in middle or old age, but in the urine of persons in same age without diagnosis of diabetes.
- 3. Deficiency of vitamin B6 is discovered in organism of old persons with registrated diagnosis of diabetes or without it.

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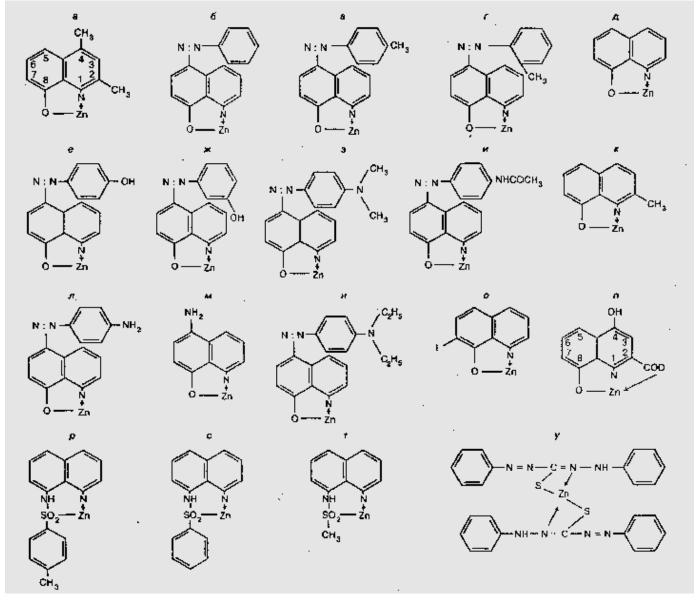


Figure 1. Complex salts of DD8 with Zn-ions and its diabetogenic doses:

a) 2,4-dimethyl-8-oxyquinolin, 35 mg/kg; 6) 5-phenylaso-8-oxyquinolin, 20 mg/kg; B) 5-para (toluene)-8-oxyquinolin, 20 mg/kg; r) 5-orto- (toluene)-8-oxyquinolin, 40 mg/kg; д) 8-0xyquinolin, 50-60 mg/kg; e) 5-para (diethylaminophenylaso)-8oxyquinolin, 20 mg/kg; ж) 5-meta(hydroxyphenylaso)-8-oxyquinolin, 30 mg/kg; 3) 5-para(dimethylaminophenylaso)-8-oxyquinolin, 45 mg/kg; n) 5-para(acetylaminophenylaso)-8-oxyquinolin, 50 mg/kg; k) 8-oxyquinaldin, 10 mg/kg; n) 5-para (aminophenylaso)-8-oxyquinolin, 10 mg/kg; m) 5-para (diethylaminophenylaso)-8-oxyquinolin, 30 mg/kg; n) 5-para (diethylaminophenylaso)-8-oxyquinolin, 40 mg/kg; o) 9-oxy-7-jodoquinolin, 50-60 mg/kg; n) 4.8 –dihydroxyquinolin-2 carboxylic acid (xantu- renic acid); p) 8-para (toluenesulphonylamino)quinolin, 30-50 mg/kg; c) 8-para(benzolsulphonylamino)quinolin, 30-100 mg/kg; T) 8-para (metansulphonylamino)quinolin, 40-81 mg/kg; y) diphenylthiocarbazone (dithizon), 45-50 mg/kg,(b) Meyramova A.G.,2003)

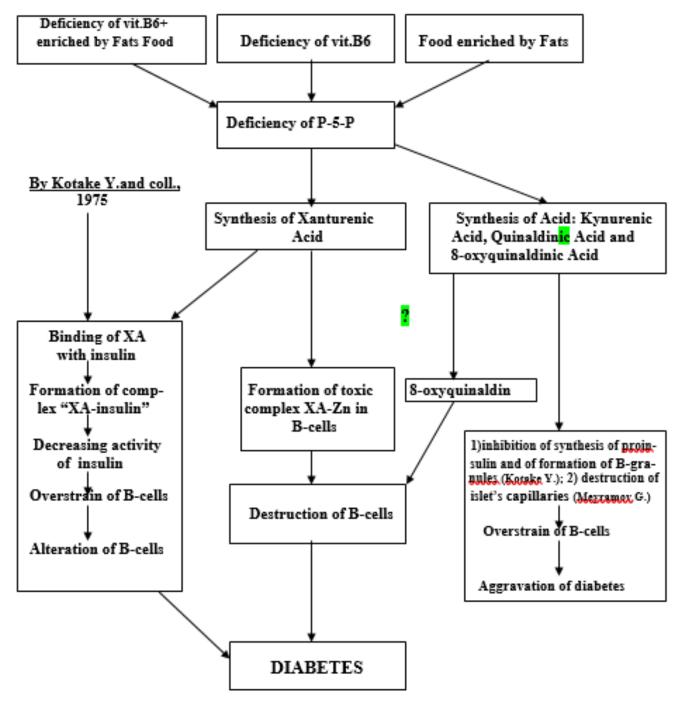


Figure 2. Mechanisms of diabetogenic activity of xanthurenic

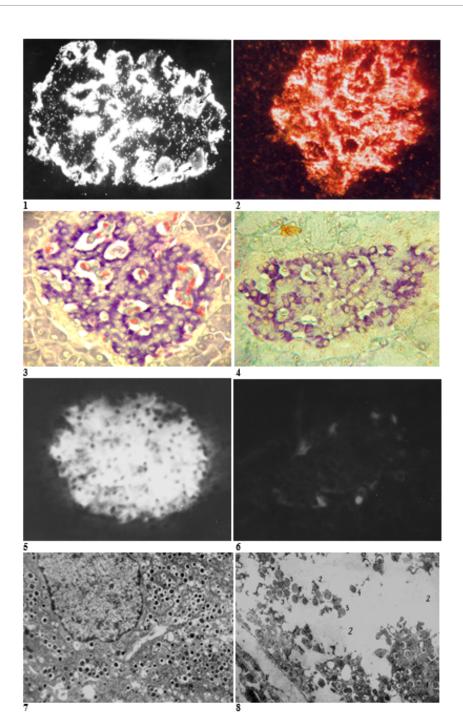


Figure 3. Histostructure and ultrastructure of pancreatic islets in animals with diabetes caused by zincbinding chemicals (ditizon and xanthurenic acid) 3.1. Intact Rabbit. Injection of Ditizon (DZ),31mg/kg.Granules of complex Zn-DZ concentrated around capillaries; frozen section, 4 mcm; darc condensor; x280; preparat and photo - by

Meyramov GG 1964 3.2. Intact Rabbit. Injection of Ditizon (DZ), 50,6 mg/kg. Large amount of granules of complex Zn-DZ in cytoplasm of B-cells; frozen section, 5 mcm; darc condensor; x280; preparat and color photo - by Meyramov GG 2012

3.3. Intact Rat. Aldehydefucshin. Maximal concentration of violet granules of zinc-insulin depot form of insulin in B-cells around capillaries; x280; preparat and photo -by Meyramov GG 2008

3.4. Rat with diabetes induced by endogen synthesized of XA. Aldehydefucshin. Destruction and degranulation of B-cells in central part of islet; x280; preparat and photo -by Meyramov GG 2001

3.5. Intact Rabbit. High specific fluorescent reaction with Zinc-ions using of fluorochrom as 8-para(toluene-sulpho-nylamino) quinolin. Intensive fluorescence of complex Zinc-fluorochrom in B-cells; frozen sections; x140; preparat and photo -by Meyramov GG 1978

3.6. Injection of XA, 195 mg/kg; frozen section; darc condensor; x140 negative reaction for Zinc-ions; preparat and photo - by Meyramov GG 1993

3.7. Intact B-cell of Rabbit. Transmission electron microscopy. Cell matrix without changes; a large amount of B-granules in cytoplasm contains deposited form of insulin as Zinc-insulin complex; x4450; preparat and photo - by Meyramov GG 1973

3.8. B-cells of Rabbit 2h past injection of Dithizon, 49,6 mg/kg. Trans- mission electron microscopy; 1-destruction of cell matrix [on 80-90% of cell's surface]; 2-zones of cytoplasm free of matrix; a few destroyed B-granules in zones free of matrix; x5650; preparat and photo - by Meyramov GG 1973

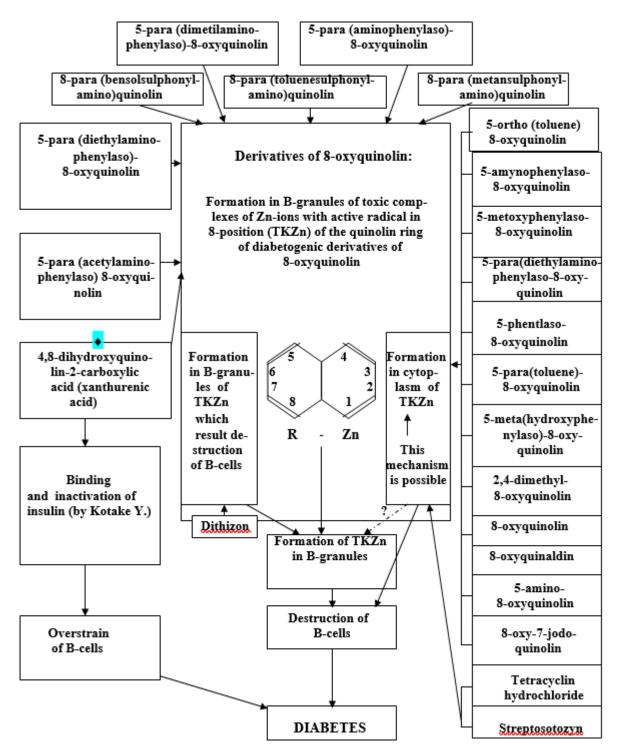


Figure 4. Mechanisms of action of Diabetogenic Chelat Active Chemicals (\* - formed in human)

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