# Traditional Knowledge Base For Drug Discovery

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### Strength of ISM in India

Particulars	Modern System	Indian System
Practitioners	2,40,000	5,64,476
Indoor Hospitals	5,767	2,607
Graduate medical Schools	110	284
Manufacturing Units	16,000	9,000
Turnover	8 billion US\$	1billion US\$

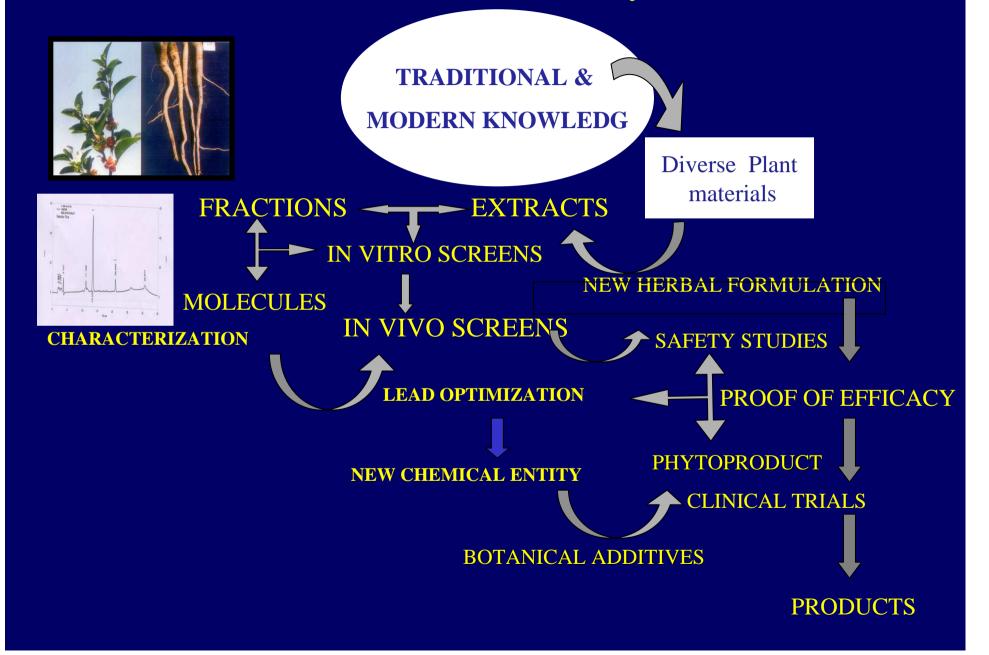
### Recent Indian Initiatives

- TKDL (collection of millions of documents)
- GTP (Integrative Approach : Traditional doctors + Modern practitioners + Contemporary Scientists
- Premier Product Certification (QCI)
- New Drug Delivery Approach for TM
- Reverse Pharmacology approach for clinical validation of modified but conceptually traditional formulations
- ICMR registry for clinical trials of TM and new botanicals

# Quest of the time Products that are:

- Alternate/Complimentary
- Adjunct/Adjuvant
- Better (Validated Faster)
- Safer
- Affordable

### Standardization & Discovery Platform









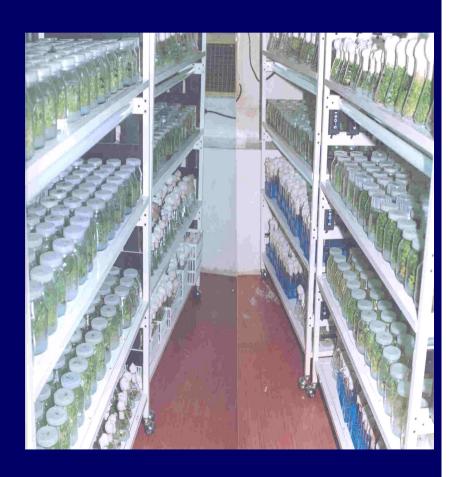


# Characterization of Plant Product (Drug Substance)

- Chemical classes of the mixture
  - Polar, Medium Polar and Non-polar Compounds
- Isolation of Individual chemical constituents in each class
  - fractionation
  - Prep. HPLC
- Analytical tools
  - GC, LC, HPTLC, LC-MS, UPLC-MS, Hyphenated LC-NMR- MS
- in vitro and in vivo biological activity assays

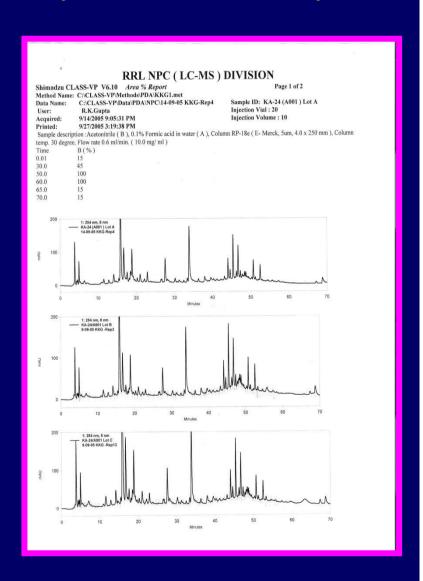
### Lot-to-Lot Consistency

- Equivalence between material used for clinical trials and product for the market
- Marker based equivalence before and after manufacturing process
  - Physical Characteristics
  - Chemical finger print
  - Bio-assay
  - Formulation



### Critical Elements to Assure Quality and Consistency

- Strict quality controls for (Chemistry and manufacture) of each plant raw material
- In-process controls
- Sound process validation
- Appropriate and adequate testing of final product and dosage form using validated test methods





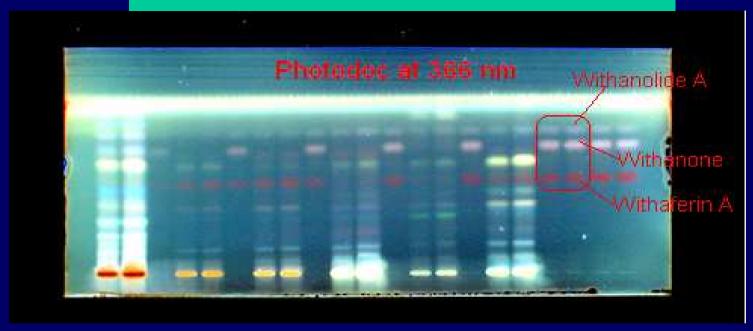
Withania somnifera

#### AGB002

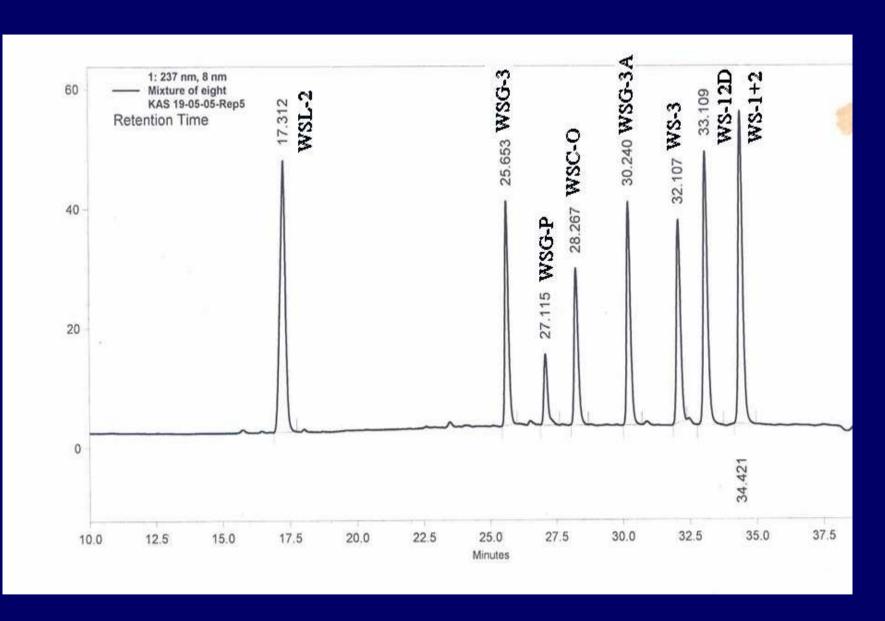


- a) a flowering plant
- b) flower (close up)
- c) flower and fruiting calyx
- d) inflated fruiting calyx (close up)
- e) plant in fruiting
- f) ripe berries
- g) seed

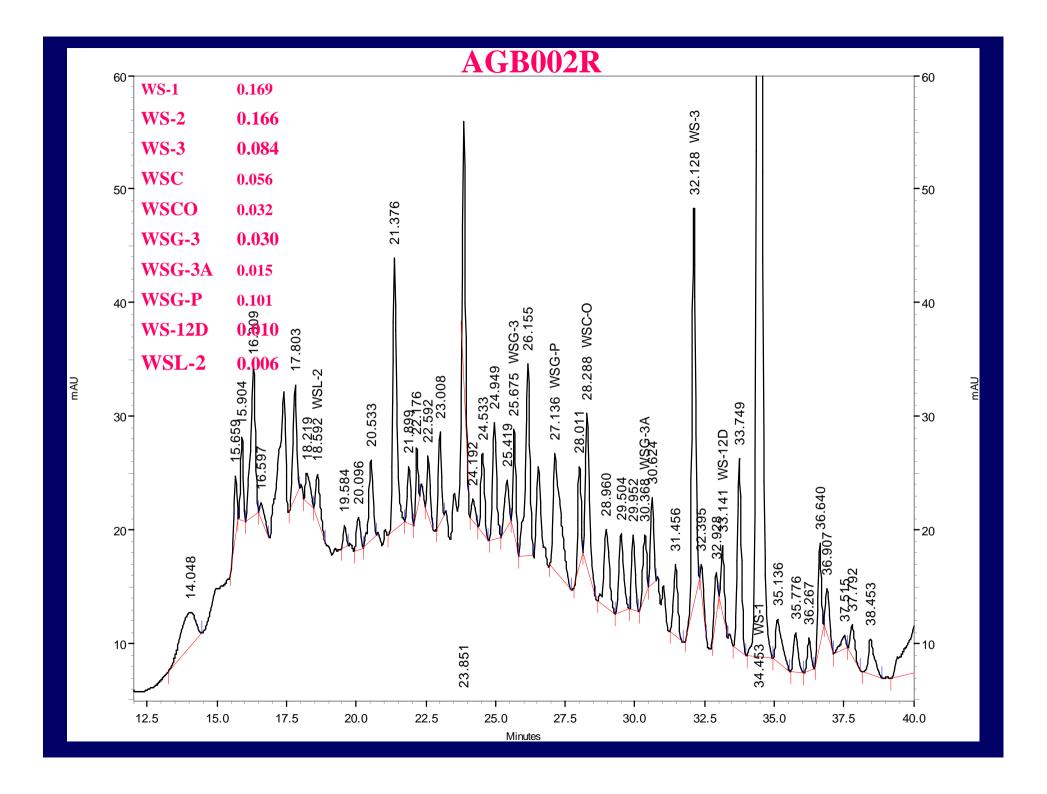
#### Withania somnifera A002 root extract

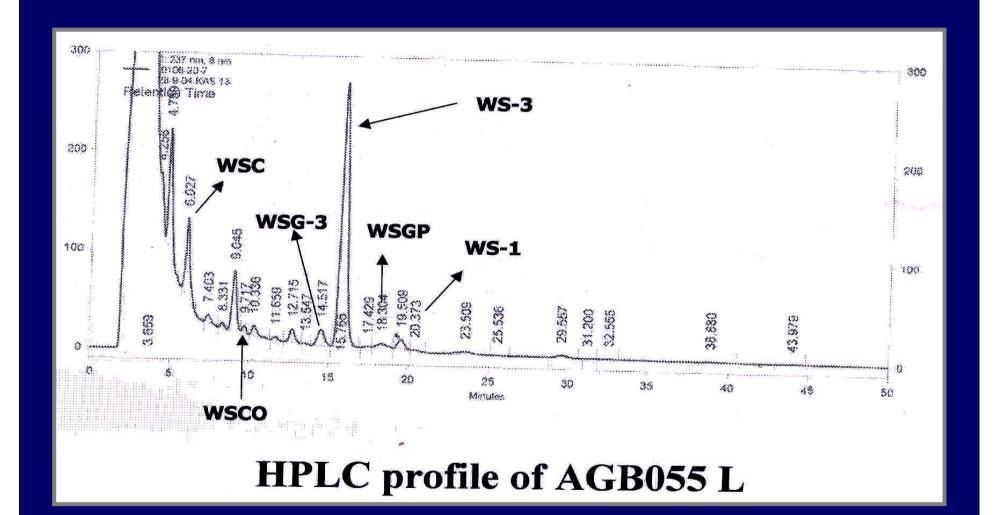


- Sample is applied in duplicate
- Mobile phase: Chloroform: Methanol(19:1)
- Plate is derivatized by Vanillin –boric acid reagent at 120°c for 10 minutes
- AGR1 PT/070806
- AGR2 PC/WS/RRL/06
- AGR3 Zandu Pharma
- AGR4 Ixoreal Biomedical Pvt.Ltd.
- AGR5 Om Pharma
- AGR6 Udaipur, Rajasthan



HPLC-UV(DAD) Chromatogram (237nm) of withanolides, Glycowithanolides in gradient conditions.

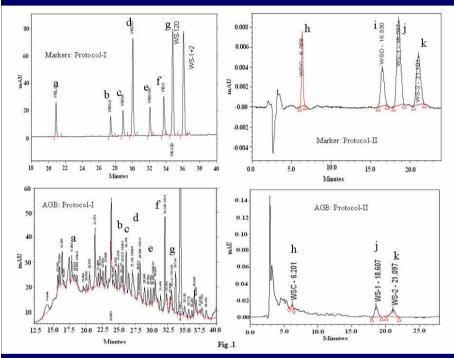


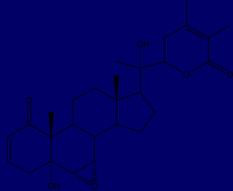


# CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF ASHWAGANDHA SAMPLES ON THE BASESOF WITHANOLIDES (FIVE) AND GLYCOWITHANOLIDES (TWO)

Sample code	WS-1	WS-2	WS-3	WSC	WSCO	WSG-3	WSG-P
AGB002L	_	0.043	<u>0.164</u>	0.026	0.046	0.016	0.003
AGB002R	0.013	<u>0.013</u>	0.008	0.007	-	0.008	-
AGB009L	0.025	0.126	0.217	0.013	0.028	0.050	0.025
AGB009R	0.117	0.005	0.007	0.009	0.001	0.010	0.012
AGB015L	0.005	-	0.567	-	0.020	0.059	0.021
AGB015R	0.015	-	0.044	0.004	0.001	0.042	0.017
AGB025L	-	-	0.174	0.002	-	0.012	-
AGB025R	0.019	-	0.007	-	-	0.003	0.017
AGB030L	0.009	0.127	0.248	0.125	0.147	0.084	0.007
AGB030R	0.029	0.011	0.002	0.002	-	-	0.006

### AGB002 (Root Extract, 50% alcoholic)





Withanolide-A (WS-1)

#### **Chemical composition of AGB002R**

Marker	(g/100g)
a. Unidentified withanolide (WSL-2)	0.076±0.005
b. Withanoside-IV (WSG-3)	$0.079 \pm 0.005$
c. Physagulin (WSGP)	$0.103 \pm 0.003$
d. 27-hydroxy withanone (WSCO)	0.022±0.002
e. Withanoside-VI (WSG-3A)	0.024±0.003
f. Withaferin-A (WS-3)	0.017±0.004
g. 12-deoxywithastramonolide(WS-12I	0) 0.023±0.003
h. Withastramonolide (WSC)	0.017±0.002
i Withanolide-D (WSD)	ND
j. Withanolide-A (WS-1)	1.340±0.006
k. Withanone (WS-2)	0.315±0.005

# Acceptance / Rejection Criterion For some of the selected Ayurvedic plants Based on estimation of active constituents

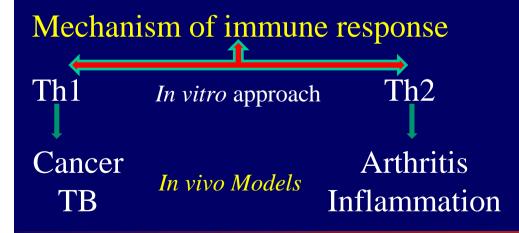
Sr. No.	Plant name	Extractive Value 50 % Aq. Alc. Extract	Markers	Acceptable range of Markers (in plant material based on HPLC analysis of 50 % Alc. Ext.)
1	Ashwagandha Withania sominifera, Roots)	16.5 - 18 %	Withaferin A Withanolide A Withanone	0.005 - 0.020 % 0.020 - 0.101 % 0.002 - 0.010 %
2	Amalaki ( <i>Phyllanthus</i> <i>emblica</i> , Fruit coat)	30.35 %	Gallic acid Ellagic acid	1.05 - 2.02 % 0.75 - 1.60 %
3	Haldi ( <i>Curcuma longa</i> Rhizomes)	10.0 <b>–</b> 12%	Curcumin Demethoxy-curcumin Bisdemethoxy- curcumin	0.40 - 1.52 % 0.02 - 0.36 % 0.05 - 0.35 %
4	Brahmi ( <i>Bacopa moneri</i> Whole herb)	12 – 14 %	Bacoside A <sub>2</sub> Bacoside A <sub>3</sub>	0.42 – 0.85 %

### Converting traditional knowledge into evidence based medicines

Chemical Standardization & the mechanism of action of a therapeutics formulation

Based on Withania somnifera (Ashwagandha)

#### **Study Design**



Cancer cell cytotoxicity

In vitro
Detailed
Mechanism of action

Tumor Immunology

# Withania somnifera, Biological Mechanism and therapeutic application



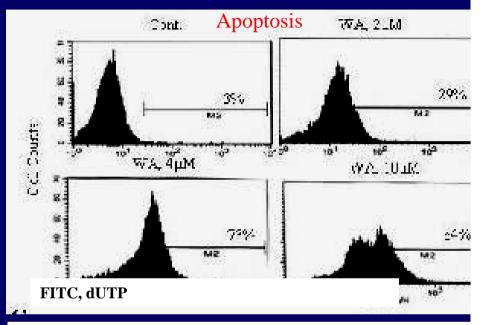
- ❖Potential Th1 immune stimulator
- ❖ Withanolide A, identified
- Reduced microbial load mTB infected mice models
- Currently under patient trials

- **❖**Potential anticancer agent
- \*Withaferin A, Identified
- ❖Reduced tumor growth in mice tumor models
- Chemically standardized herbal formulation under clinical trials

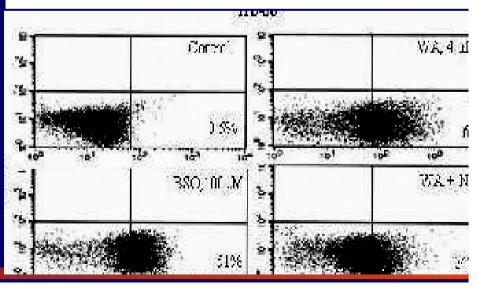
# Isolation, Identification and Mechanism of action of Withaferin A (WA) in cancer cell death

#### Leaf Extract (1:1, Aqu:Alcoh)

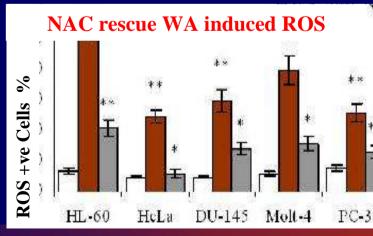
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Markers	X <sup>(-)%</sup>	IC <sub>50</sub>	
Withanolide-A	(WS-1)	0.060	>10µM
Withanone	(WS-2)	1.282	>10µM
Withaferin-A	(WS-3)	1.910	0.5μΜ
Withastramonolide	(WSC)	0.406	>10µM
27-hydroxy withanone	(WSCO)	0.079	>10µM
Withanolide-D	(WSD)	0.073	>10µM
Withanoside-IV	(WSG-3)	0.671	>10µM
Withanoside-VI	(WSG-3A)	0.213	>10µM
Physagulin	(WSGP)	0.204	>10µM
12-deoxywithastramonolide	(WS-12D)	0.019	>10µM
Unidentified withanolide	(WSL-2)	3.253	>10µM



#### WA induce oxidative burst in cancer cells

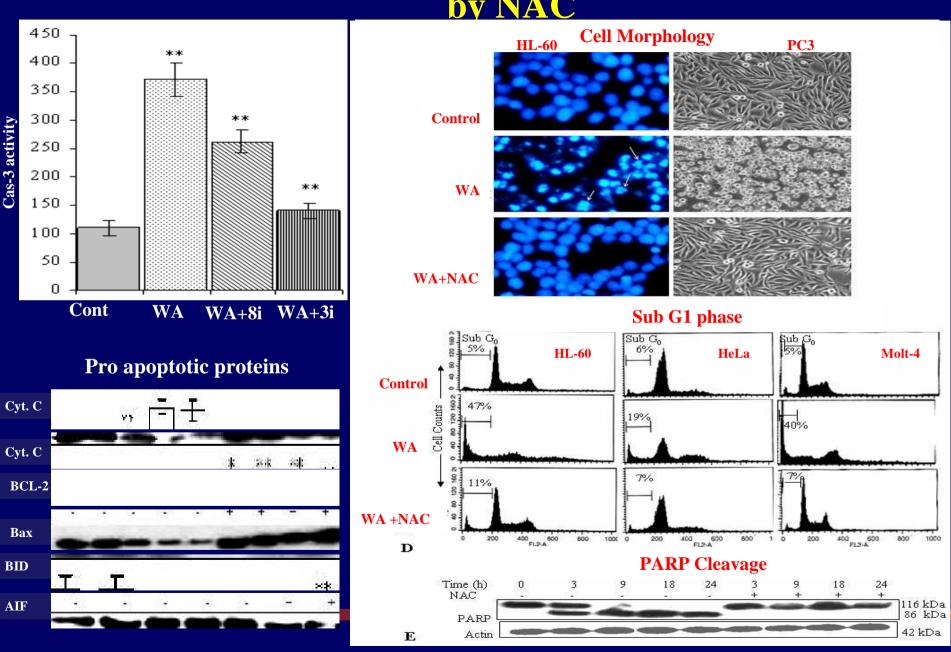






Oxidative stress mediated cell death by WA is rescued by NAC

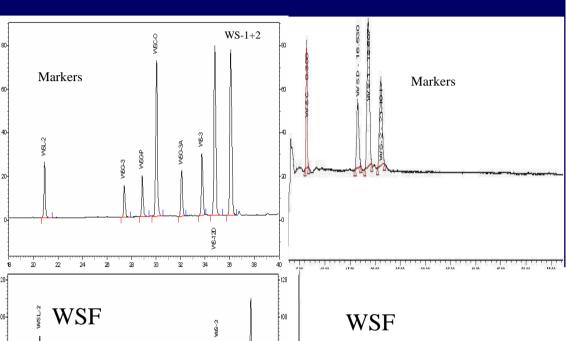
HL-60 Cell Morphology PC3

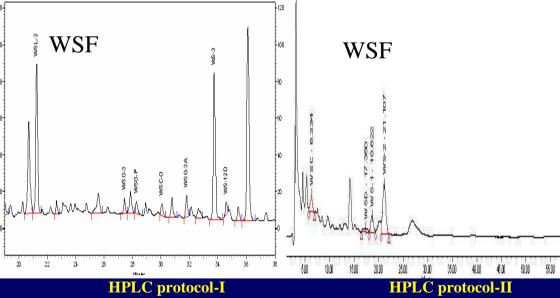


### **Chemical Standardization of WSF**

Chemical composition of the formulation, % dry
weight of the extract

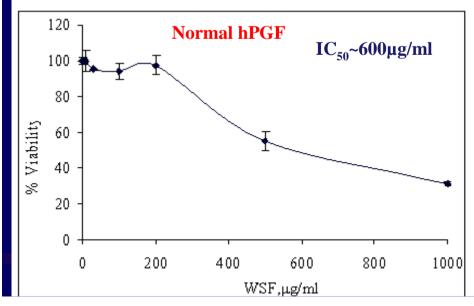
Markers used for chemoprofiling	g/100g	S.D.
Withanolide A (WS – 1)	0.689	0.006
Withanone (WS – 2)	0.815	0.006
Withaferin-A (WS – 3)	0.608	0.005
Withastramonolide (WSC)	0.333	0.005
27-Hydroxy withanone (WSCO)	0.032	0.003
Withanolide-D (WSD)	0.041	0.003
Withanoside-IV (WSG-3)	0.267	0.004
Withanoside –VI (WSG- 3A)	0.075	0.003
Physagulin-D (WSGP)	0.098	0.004
12-Deoxywithastramonolide (WS-12D)	0.011	0.001

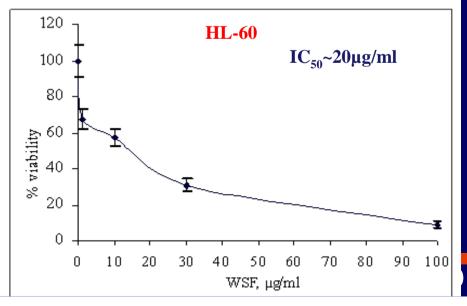


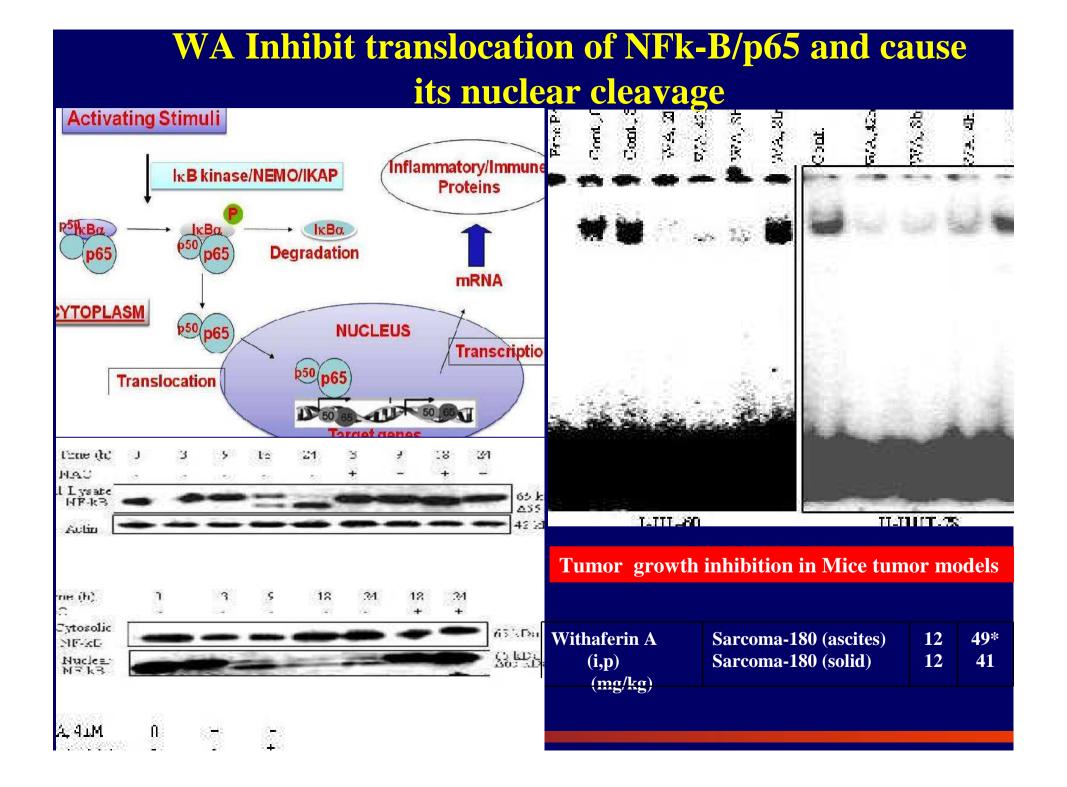


## In vitro cytotoxicity of WSF against a panel of human cancer cell lines

WSF µg/ml		Colo	n			Liver	Lung		Neuroblas -toma	CNS	Prosta	nte
	HCT- 15	SW- 620	502 713	COL O-205	HT- 29	Hep- G2	HOP -62	A- 549	IMR-32	SK- N-SH	DU- 145	PC-3
1		36	0	6	8	61	6	7	29	37	3	5
3		68	0	9	9	77	10	10	63	54	11	21
10	81	80	0	22	34	91	35	38	69	87	38	44
30	<b>97</b>	92	69	36	56	91	56	77	90	94	80	87
100	100	92	88	96	90	100	77	85	99	95	99	99







## WSF as chemo-immunotherapeutic agent for the treatment of cancer: Multi target approach





**Cancer cell cytotoxicity** 

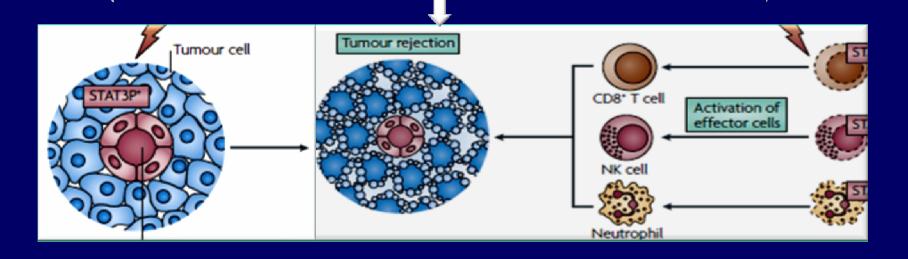
**Apoptosis, Autophagy** 



CD4, CD8, Th1 cytokines, CD80, CD86, CD40, CD40L, NK

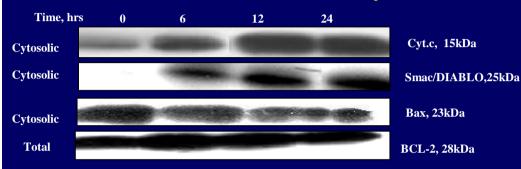
Chemotherapy

Immunotherapy

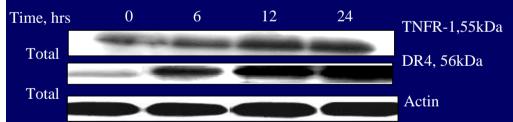


# Schematic representation of mechanism of apoptosis induced by WSF in HL-60 cells

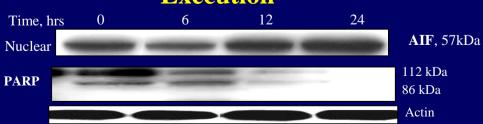
#### **Mitochondrial Pathway**

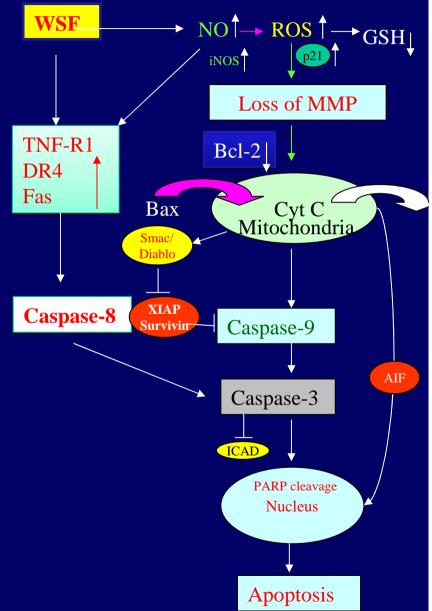


#### **Receptor Mediated Pathway**



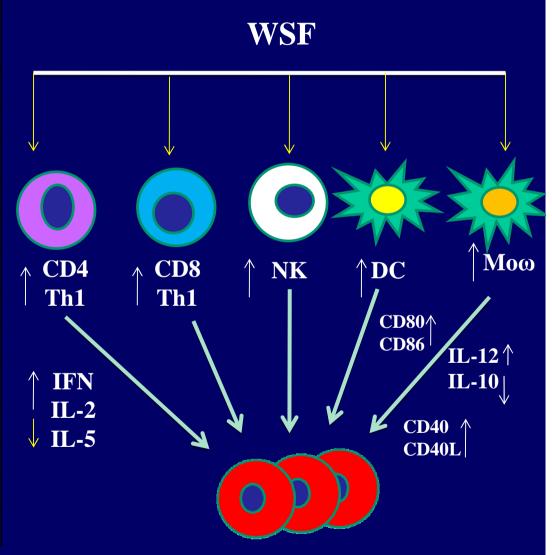
#### **Execution**



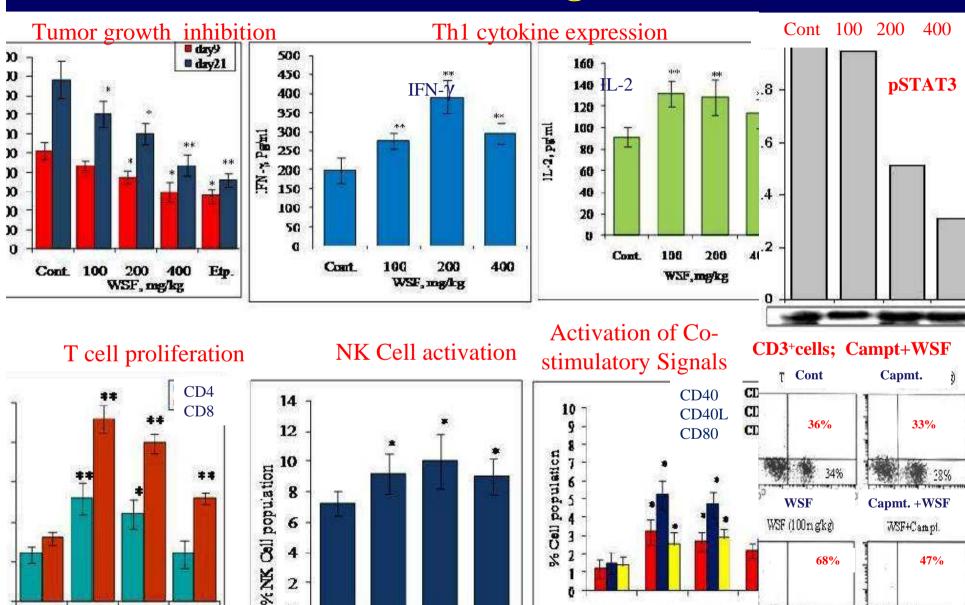


## WSF inhibits tumor growth in mice with simultaneous activation of tumor reactive immunity

WSF	Dose-mg/kg (i,p)	Tumor growth inhibition (%)				
<u>Eh</u>	rlich Ascitic Tu	<u>ımor (solid)</u>				
Control	-					
WSF	100	41				
5FU	22	62				
	Sarcoma 180 (Solid)					
Control	-					
WSF	150	52				
5FU	22	51				
Ehrlich A	scitic Carcino	ma (suspension)				
Control	•					
WSF	150	76				
WSF	<b>350 (oral)</b>	61				
5FU	22	95%				



# Tumor reactive Immune activation by WSF in Tumor bearing Mice



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100

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#### **IPR:**

A synergistic non-toxic herbal formulation extracted from Withania Somnifera useful for anti-cancer and Th1-dominant immune up regulating activities. Qazi, G.N.; Singh, Jaswant; Malik, Fayaz; et al., [0202NF2006/IN Dt 06/09/2006; 1321DEL 2007 Dt. 19/06/2007]

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	Immune modulation and apoptosis induction: Two sides of anti tumoral activity of a standardized herbal formulation of Withania somnifera	European Journal of Cancer (2009) 45(8):1494-509.
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	A triterpenediol from <i>Boswellia serrata</i> induces apoptosis through both the intrinsic and extrinsic apoptotic pathways in human leukemia HL-60 cells	Apoptosis (2007) 12:1911–1926
	An essential oil and its major constituent isointermedeol induce apoptosis by increased expression of mitochondrial cytochrome c and apical death receptors in human leukaemia HL-60 cells	Chemico Biological Interactions (2008) 171(3):332-347

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Fayaz Malik, et al.	A standardized extract of Ashwaghandha induce apoptosis in HL-60 cells through ROS generation and stimulate Th1-response in mice	14th ECDO at ITALY 2006
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