

Lipopolysaccharide aggravates the restraint stress-induced behavioral deficits and hippocampal damage: Effect of Fisetin treatment

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Introduction

Neuropsychiatric disorders like depression, anxiety, and dementia in humans often coexist together in certain medical conditions such as cancer, cardiovascular diseases, neurodegenerative disease which decreased the quality of life in patients and increase rate of mortality.

Numerous reports provided insights for implications of chronic restraint stress and lipopolysaccharide (LPS) results in hippocampal neuronal damage and various neurobehavioral anomalies in rodents [1, 2].

In this present study, we have tried to establish a model where 28 days chronic restraint stress mediated neurobehavioral and neurochemical changes got aggravated by a single dose of LPS triggering various neuroinflammatory cascade resulting hippocampus neuronal damage.

We further investigated the effect of Fisetin (3, 7, 3', 4'-tetrahydroxyflavone) flavonol in preventing the restraint stress (RS) exposure and lipopolysaccharide (LPS) treatment induce neurobehavioral deficits and hippocampal damage.

Methods

All experiments were performed in accordance with the CPCSEA, Government of India guidelines. Adult male Swiss albino mice (25–30 g) were divided into following experimental groups:

Group 1: No stress/no LPS normal control

Group 2: Restraint stress exposure for 6 h per day for 28 days (RS).

Group 3: LPS injected (0.83 mg/kg, i.p.) on the 28th day (LPS control).

Group 4: Restraint stress (6 h per day for 28 days) and LPS injected (0.83 mg/kg, i.p.) on the 28th day (RS + LPS).

Group 5: Restraint stress (6 h per day for 28 days) and Fisetin (15 mg/kg, p.o.) treatment from 15th to 28th day.

Group 6: Fisetin (15 mg/kg, p.o.) treatment from 15th to 28th day and LPS injected (0.83 mg/kg, i.p.) on the 28th day

Group 7: Restrained stress (6 h per day for 28 days) and LPS injected (0.83 mg/kg, i.p.) on the 28th day; and Fisetin (15 mg/kg, p.o.) treatment for last 14 days.

Hypothesis

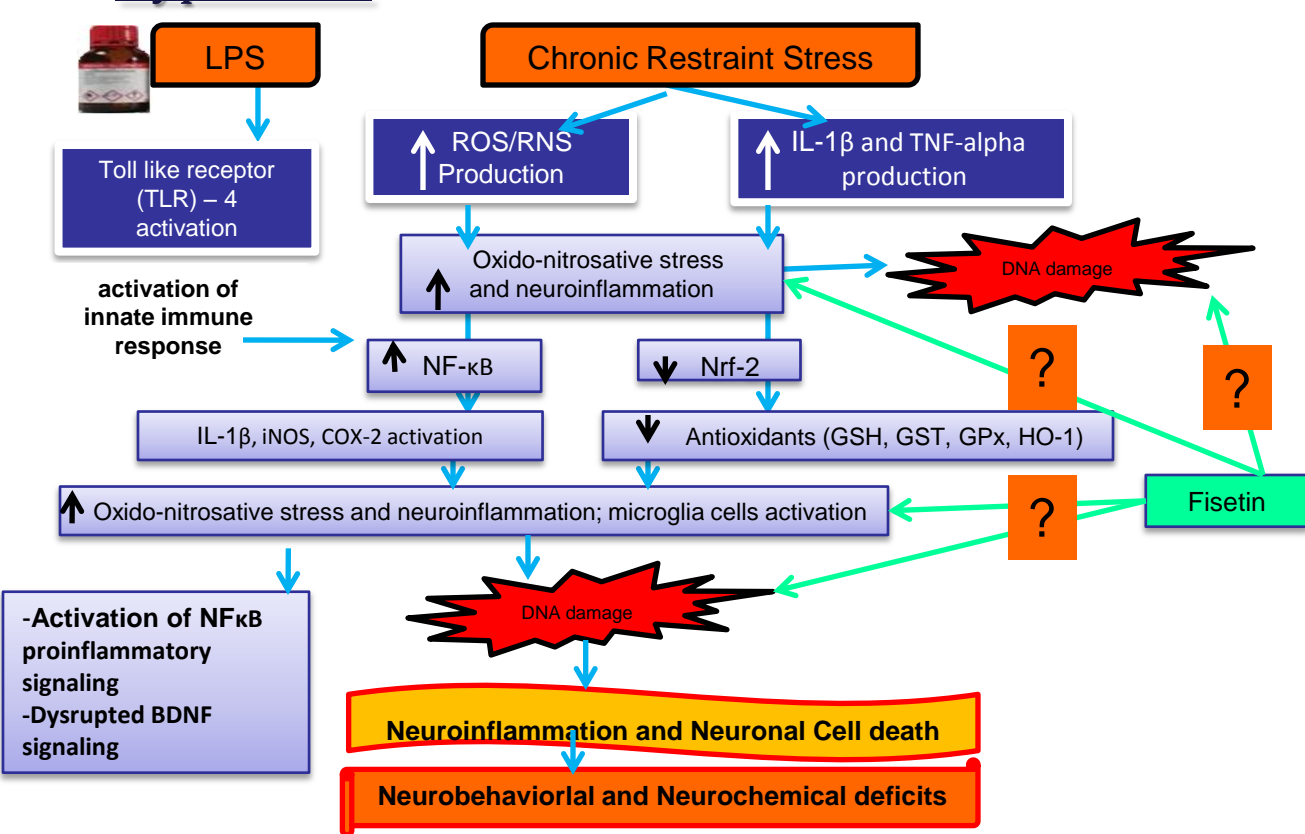
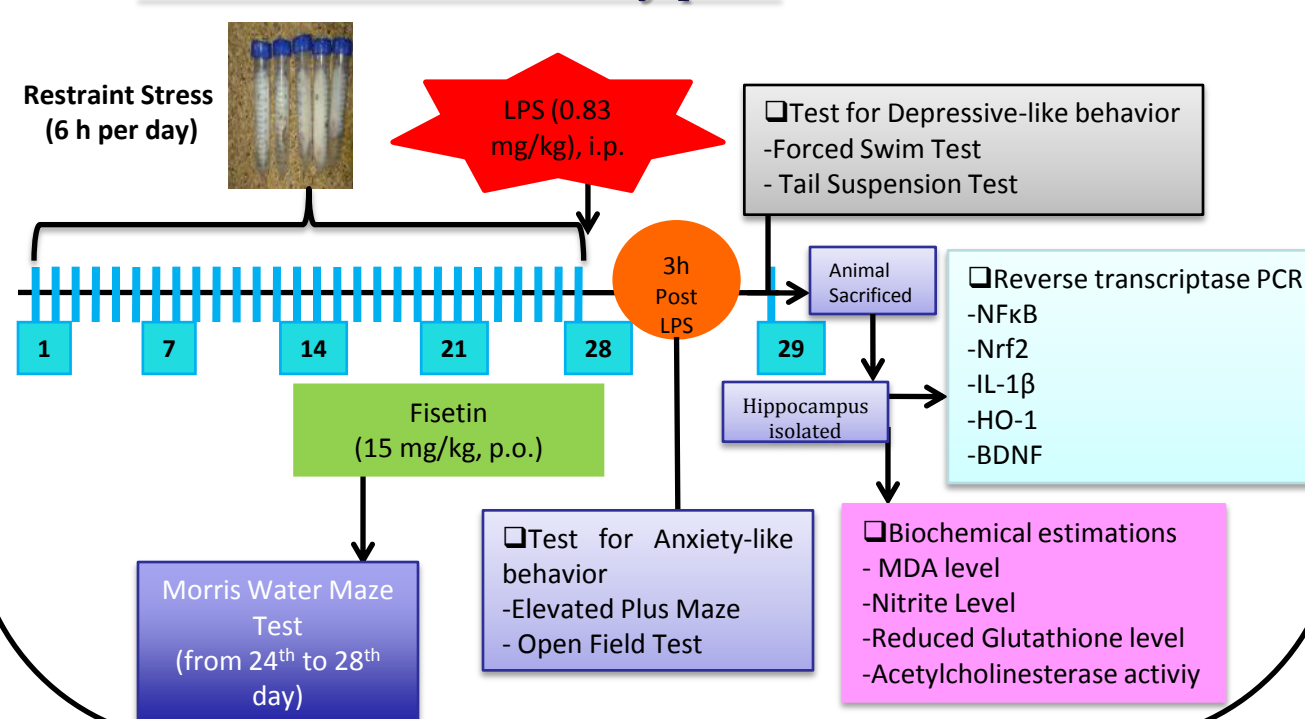
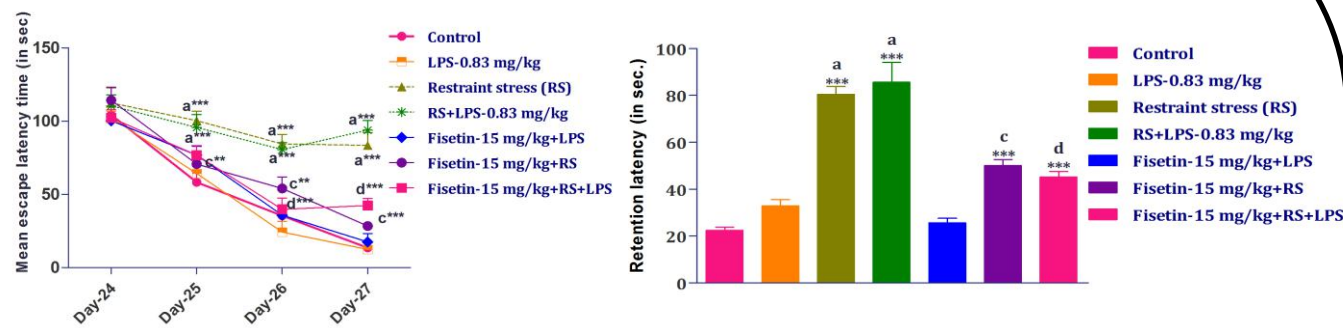


Illustration of the study plan



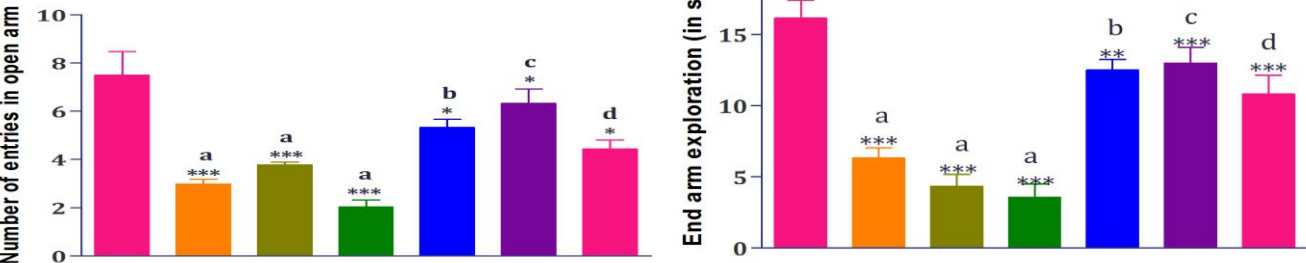
Results

1. Effect of Fisetin on Restraint stress and LPS induced learning and memory function impairment

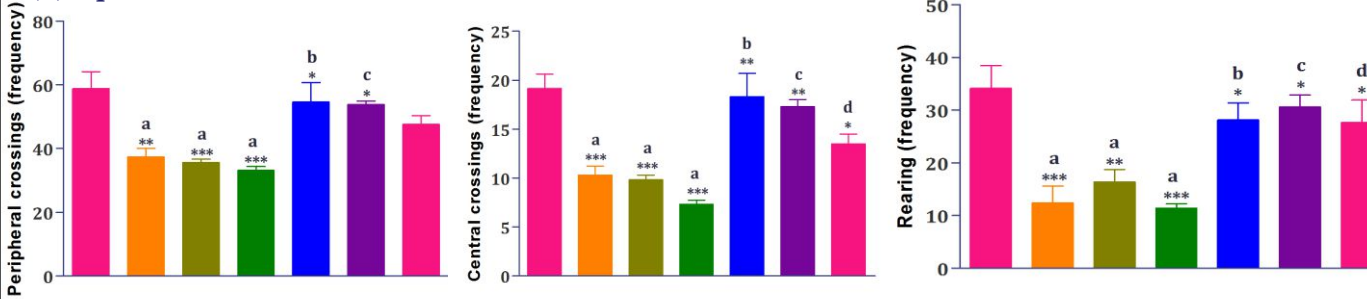


2. Effect on Fisetin on Restraint stress and LPS induced anxiety-like behavior in mice

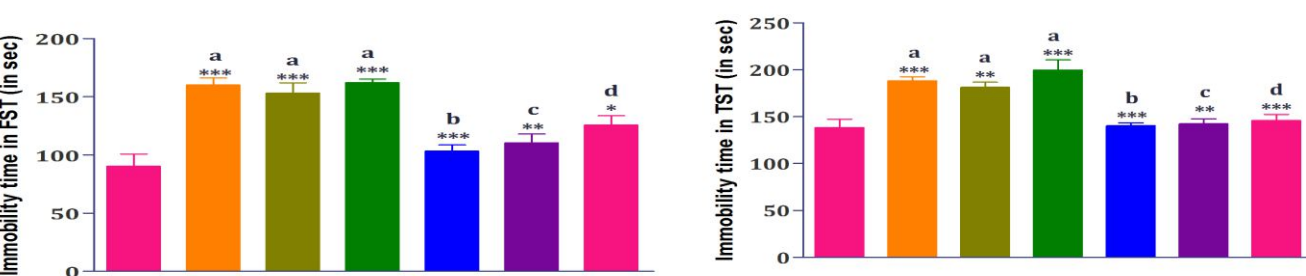
(1) Elevated Plus Maze



(2) Open Field Test



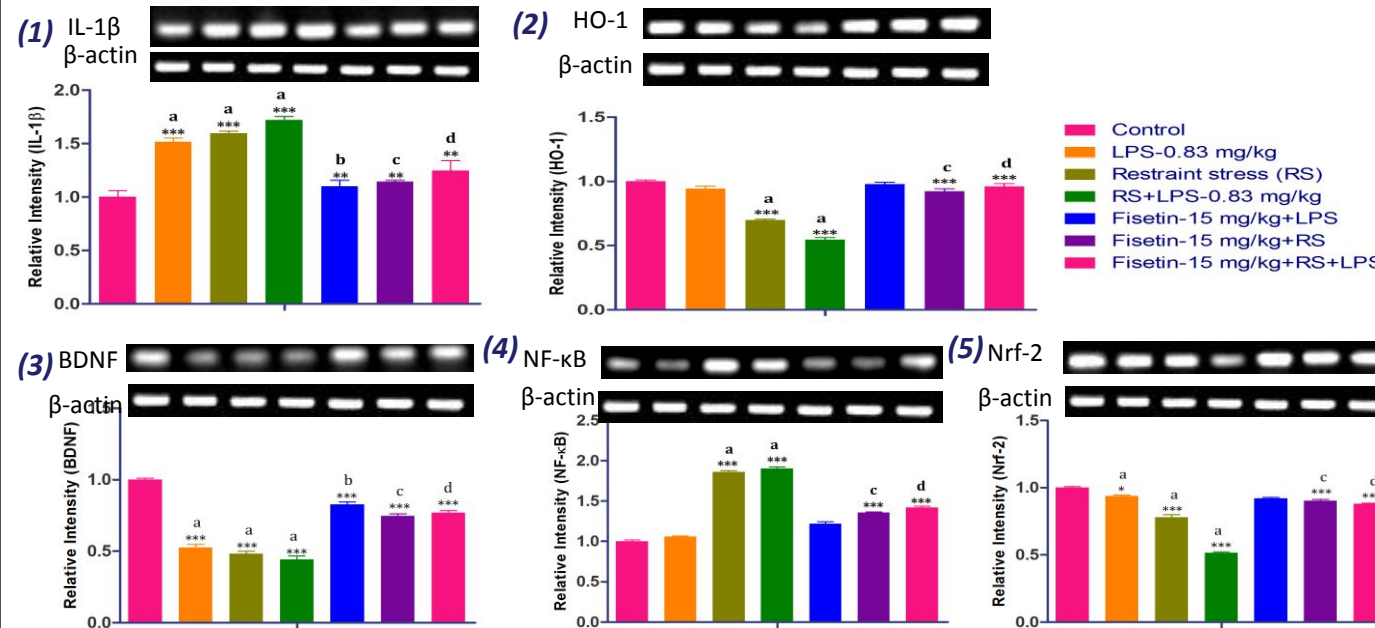
3. Effect on Fisetin on Restraint stress and LPS induce depressive-like behavior in mice



II. Effect on Fisetin treatment on Restraint stress and LPS induced Oxido-nitrosative stress, altered AChE activity in the hippocampus of mice

Parameters	MDA level (μM/g of tissue wt)	Nitrite level (mM/mg of protein)	Reduced glutathione (mg/g of tissue)	Acetylcholinesterase activity (micromoles/min/mg of protein)
Experimental groups				
Control	32.48 ± 3.49	45.93 ± 5.32	62.55 ± 1.93	0.12 ± 0.01
LPS (0.83 mg/kg)	55.39 ± 4.54 ^a	94.39 ± 3.33 ^a	29.49 ± 4.44 ^{***}	0.23 ± 0.01 ^a
RS	65.32 ± 4.39 ^{***}	99.35 ± 6.39 ^a	32.44 ± 5.01 ^{***}	0.29 ± 0.03 ^a
RS + LPS (0.83 mg/kg)	64.32 ± 2.34 ^{***}	96.34 ± 5.34 ^a	24.39 ± 3.54 ^{***}	0.33 ± 0.03 ^a
Fisetin (15 mg/kg) + LPS	37.15 ± 1.39 ^b	64.15 ± 4.39 ^b	52.95 ± 2.99 ^b	0.15 ± 0.01
Fisetin (15 mg/kg) + RS	44.39 ± 1.30 ^c	62.39 ± 5.32 ^c	49.95 ± 3.90 ^c	0.17 ± 0.01 ^c
Fisetin (15 mg/kg) + RS + LPS	43.49 ± 6.32 ^d	68.11 ± 2.40 ^d	45.95 ± 2.34 ^d	0.22 ± 0.02 ^d

4. Effect on Fisetin treatment on Restraint stress and LPS modulated hippocampal gene expression levels



All the values are expressed as mean ± SEM (n = 6); ^a***P < 0.001, ^a**P < 0.01, ^a*P < 0.05 compared with the normal control group; ^b***P < 0.001, ^b**P < 0.01, ^b*P < 0.05 compared with the LPS group; ^c***P < 0.001, ^c**P < 0.01, ^c*P < 0.05 compared with the RS group; ^d***P < 0.001, ^d**P < 0.01, ^d*P < 0.05 compared with the LPS + RS group

Conclusion

The Combined paradigm of restraint stress and lipopolysaccharide represented behavioral deficits and hippocampus damage. Fisetin treatment significantly ameliorates the altered neurobehavioral and neurochemical alterations via inhibition of oxido-nitrosative stress and neuroinflammation through restoring of dysregulated inflammatory mediators gene expression level.

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1. Awarded International Travel Award (2016) by Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Govt. of India, for attending "29th ECNP (European College of Neuropsychopharmacology)" Congress held at Vienna Austria
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Name of the firm	Profile and Duration	Experience
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CSIR-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (IGIB) New Delhi, India	Senior Research Fellow (Project) Department of Structural Biology (6 months)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Worked on Non-Viral peptide based DNA delivery vectors for targeting vitiligo
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Research Papers

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•Presentations at the Conferences (National and International)

1. Poster presented under the theme "Pharmaceutical research" in International R&D conference on Overcoming the Bottlenecks in Drug Discovery and Development which was held in Gurgaon, Haryana, India from 20-21 March 2014 organised by "The Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC), Daiichi Sankyo India Pharma Private Limited (DSIN) and Ranbaxy Laboratories Limited (RLL)". Entitled: Determination of biochemical-behavioral cross talk and ameliorative effect of Naringin in doxorubicin-induced neurotoxicity in rats
2. An oral presentation and poster was presented in "The 38th Annual Japanese Neuroscience Meeting, Port Island, Kobe, Japan" in which I was assigned as co-author. Work Entitled "1,5-Isoquinolinediol Ameliorates Alcohol-Induced Cognitive Deficits in Rats Fed High Fat Diet via Inhibition of Poly (ADP-Ribose) Polymerase-1 Activation" Ashok Jangra, SR Chandershaker, Mohit Kwatra, Babul Kumar Bezbaruah, Mangala Lahkar
3. Poster was presented, entitled as: Naringin and Sertraline Ameliorates Doxorubicin-Induced Anxiety and Depression-like Behavior via mitigation of Oxidative Stress along with Modulation of Serotonin level and Mitochondrial Complexes Protection in Rat Hippocampus. Mohit Kwatra, Ashok Jangra, Murli Mishra, Yogita Sharma, Tavleen Singh, Sahabuddin Ahmed, Rajat pant, Razia Khanam, in 29th Annual meeting of Society for Neurochemistry, India (SNCI) and National Workshop and Conference on "Advances in Computational Neurochemistry and Neurobiology" (SNCI-ACNN 2015) December 16th – 21st, 2015
4. Poster was presented, entitled as: Edaravone ameliorates cisplatin-induced neurobehavioural and neurochemical deficits via inhibition of oxidative stress and neuroinflammation in rat hippocampus. Rajat Pant, Ashok Jangra, Mohit Kwatra, Tavleen Singh, Yogita Sharma, Babul Kumar Bezbaruah, in 6th International Conference on Metals in Genetics, Chemical Biology and Therapeutics (ICMG-2016), Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bangalore, 17th – 20th Feb 2016
5. Poster was presented entitled as "PPAR- γ agonist Pioglitazone exerts its neuroprotective activity in Reserpine induced Parkinson -depression triads by evaluating the endoplasmic reticulum stress markers and inflammatory cytokine levels in rat brain". Sahabuddin Ahmed, Nityanand Bolshette, Mohit Kwatra, Anwaruddin Ahmed, Yogita Sharma in which I was assigned as co-author contributor presented in the 14th Meeting of the Asian-Pacific Society for Neurochemistry (APSN 2016) held from 27th – 30th August 2016 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The abstract was published in the supplementary issue of journal "Frontiers of Cellular Neuroscience"
6. An Oral Presentation entitled as "Perillyl alcohol ameliorated restraint stress-induced neurobehavioral deficits in mice: prevention of neuroinflammatory cascade in the hippocampus" will be given on the 49th Annual conference of Indian Pharmacological Society (IPSCON 2016) on 20th-23rd Oct 2016 to be held at PGIMER, Chandigarh, India