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# KEUNNUNJAMI REGULATES GLUCOSE METABOLISM AND MODULATE ADIPOKINES IN OVARIECTOMY RATS

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The effects of Keunnunjami, a new purple black rice with giant embryo, on the glucose metabolisms in ovariectomized rats were investigated. The animals were fed with normal control diet (N group) or rice supplemented with either general brown rice (B group) or (K group) powder for eight weeks. The body weight gain, body fat, blood glucose and plasma insulin levels, adipokine concentrations and hepatic glucose-regulating enzymes activities levels significantly decreased in KNgroups compared to those of the control animals. The K group showed greater hypoglycemic activity than N and B group, suggesting that Keunnunjami could further improve the physiological properties. These findings demostrated that Keunnunjami may have therapeutic potential against hyperglycemia imbalance caused by menopause.

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