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study Yes No	<ol> <li>A description of the areas to be covered in the questionnaire or</li> </ol>
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# SECTION 1 - RESEARCH PROTOCOL (Pilot protocol)

1. TITLE:

STUDIES ON THE EFFECTS OF CITRATE
ON THE ABSORPTION OF SODIUM AND
WATER IN THE RAT SMALL INTESTINE
BY AN IN-VIVO MARKER PERFUSION
TECHNIQUE.

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3. STARTING DATE:

As soon as possible

4. COMPLETION DATE:

6 months after approval

5. TOTAL INCREMENTAL COST:

US \$ 2,600.00

6. SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME:

This protocol has been approved by the Pathogenesis and Therapy Working Group.

Signature of Acting Associate Director in-charge, PTWG:

Date: ----

# 7. ABSTRACT SUMMARY:

One important disadvantage of oral rehydration salts containing bicarbonate is that when the constituents are mixed together in a packet in humid atmosphere bicarbonate reacts with glucose to form brownish furfural compounds. To overcome this problem sodium citrate is being now increasingly used in place of sodium bicarbonate as a constituent of oral rehydration salts. Citrate has been claimed to promote absorption of sodium and chloride in the rabbit ileum. The proposed research plan intends to further study the effect of citrate on the absorption of sodium, water, potassium and chloride from the rat jejunum and ileum by an in vivo perfusion technique.

#### 8. REVIEWS:

•	Research involving human subjects:	
(b)	Research Review Committee:	_
(0)	Director:	

#### SECTION II - RESEARCH PLAN

#### A. INTRODUCTION:

#### 1. Objective

To study the effect of citrate on the absorption of sodium and water in the rat small intestine by an in vivo perfusion technique.

#### Background

Oral rehydration therapy for acute diarrhoeal dehydration is a major therapeutic advance. This is based on the finding that glucose mediated sodium absorption remains largely intact during diarrhoea due to various aetiological agents. Presently used WHO recommended oral rehydration solution contains three salts i.e. sodium chloride 3.5 gram , sodium bicarbonate 2.5 gram , potassium chloride 1.5 gram and glucose 20 grams per litre of water. Sodium bicarbonate is used mainly for the correction of metabolic acidosis. Apart from correction of metabolic acidosis it also helps in the absorption of sodium and water independent of glucose (1,2,3,4). But one important disadvantage of oral rehydration salts containing sodium bicarbonate is that when the constituents are mixed together in a packet in humid atmosphere bicarbonate reacts with glucose to form brownish furfural compounds (5). This is a serious constraint for the implementation of oral rehydration therapy in developing countries. So research is being carried out to

find an appropriate alternative to sodium bicarbonate. Sodium citrate being a stable salt (5) has been choosen to this effect and many clinical trials have been conducted using sodium citrate in place of sodium bicarbonate in the oral rehydration solution (5,6). The results of these studies indicate that sodium citrate is as effective as sodium bicarbonate for the correction of metabolic acidosis due to acute diarrhoea (5,6). Apart from correction of metabolic acidosis it has been observed that in some of the studies the stool output was less in the citrate-ORS treated group compared to the bicarbonate-ORS treated group and in one study the difference was statistically significant (6). This phenomenon of reduced stool output could be attributed to an effect of citrate in increasing the intestinal absorption of sodium. Sodium citrate has been shown in vitro to stimulate sodium and chloride absorption by rabbit ileal mucosa both under basal conditions as well as during a secretory state induced by heat stable enterotoxin of Escherichia coli, this effect on ion absorption was dose dependent and the absorption of citrate was shown to be an active process (7).

The proposed research plan intends to study the effects of citrate on the sodium and water absorption from the rat jejunum and ileum by an in vivo perfusion technique.

#### 3. Rationale.

The proposed study will provide us with further information regarding the effect of citrate on the absorption of sodium and water from the rat small intestine.

#### B. SPECIFIC PLAN:

- to use the existing in vivo perfusion model using the entire rat jejunum and ileum.
- to obtain baseline net flux (lumen serosa) values of sodium,
  water, chloride and potassium from an glucose electrolyte
  solution similar to the one used for oral rehydration therapy.
- to study the effect of citrate on the absorption of sodium and water i.e. whether citrate enhances the absorption of sodium and water from an glucose electrolyte solution, the composition of which is similar to the presently used glucose electrolyte solution for the treatment of acute diarrhoeal dehydration.

#### C. MATERIAL AND METHODS:

Analytical grade sodium chloride, potassium chloride, glucose, tribasic sodium citrate dihydrate and polyethylene glycol (PEG) mol wt 4000 (Sigma) will be used for the study. These will be available from the biochemistry laboratory.

#### Composition of the perfusion solution.

The control solution will contain sodium 90, potassium 15, chloride 105 and glucose 90, all in mmoles per litre. The test solution will contain sodium 90, potassium 15, chloride 75, citrate 30 and glucose 90, all in mmoles per litre.

Polythylene glycol (PEG) mol wt. 4000 (Sigma) 2 gram per litre will be added to both the control and study solution as a non-absorbable marker.

### Perfusion technique.

#### General.

Male adult rats will be used as subjects. Rats will be kept in specially designed cages during fasting to prevent coprophagia. After fasting (water day-1 and 5% glucose day-2 allowed ad lib) for a period of 48 hours the rat will be anaesthetised by intraperitoneal injection of Nembutal, 40 mg /kg. On laporatomy a canula (proximal canula) will be introduced into the jejunum about 2 to 4 cm distal to the duodeno-jejunal flexure and tied securely. Similarly the distal canula will be introduced about 2 to 4 cm proximal to the ileo-caecal junction. The canulated segment will be washed gently using the perfusion solution. Perfusion experiment will be started by infusing perfusion solution through the proximal canula at the rate of 0.4 ml/min at a temp. of about 37°C. The rate of infusion will be maintained by using an peristaltic pump. After allowing 45 minutes to achieve a steady state the perfusate will be collected from the distal canula over ice. Details of the perfusion technique have been described elsewhere (8).

#### Study sequence.

(a) For standardisation and to obtain baseline values

Perfusion technique will be similar as mentioned above (general). Here the control solution will be used. After 45 minutes of equillibration perfusate will be collected for another 45 minutes.

(b) for testing the effects of citrate

Perfusion technique will be similar as mentioned above (general). Here the test solution containing the citrate will be used. After 45 minutes of equillibration perfusate will be collected for another 45 minutes.

# Calculation of sample size.

for 1 test group and 1 control group

$$n = \frac{(2 \% 2 \sigma)^2}{d}$$

Where d is the difference between the test mean and the control mean which will be detected as significant with probability 1-4. This is the standard deviation of the test sample. From previous experience (4) The could be approximately equal to 144. We assumed decould be as large as 75.

Taking  $\propto = 0.05$ 

 $z \ll /_2$  is the standard normal deviate for two tailed test = 1.96 ...  $n = \frac{(1.96 \times 144)^2}{75} = 15$ 

So 15 successful experiments in each group will be conducted.

#### Calculations

Net transport of water and electrolytes can be calculated from the change in PEG concentration and the electrolyte concentration by the following formula (9).

The subscript I and F refer to the initial and final concentration. IR refer to the infusion rate (in ml/min). In these studies absorption is the measured disappearance of a substance from the intestinal lumen during the time interval of perfusion. Entry is the measured appearance (secretion) of a substance during a time interval in luminal fluid. Calculations are performed as follows:

- 1. PEG ratio (PEGR) = (PEG I) / (PEG F)
- 2.  $H_2O$  absorption % = 100 (1 PEGR)
- 3.  $H_0^0$  absorption ml/45 min =  $\frac{\text{H20% (IR)}^2 (45)}{100}$
- 4. Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup> or Cl<sup>-</sup> absorption 4mol/45 min

  [Na<sup>+</sup><sub>I</sub> (Na<sup>+</sup><sub>F</sub> X PEGR)] (45) X IR

# Statistical calculations.

If the samples reasonably behave like a normal distribution then the statistical significance will be measured by the Student's t test. Otherwise Wilcoxon's rank sum test will be applied. The only assumption needed for this test is that the two samples have come from a common population which we would like to reject.

### Analysis:

Both the perfusion solution and the perfusate will be analysed. PEG will be measured by turbidimetric method. Na and K will be measured by using flame photometer and chloride by a chloridometer. Osmolality will be measured by freezing point depression using an Osmette automatic osmometer (Precision System, Inc) and glucose will be measured by glucose oxidase method.

# Facilities required.

The existing facilities at the animal lab and the biochemistry lab will be utilised.

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# SECTION III - BUDGET

Communications

Miscellaneous

10. Printing and Reproduction

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Detailed Budget							
1.	Personnel service			8	Annual	Projec	t requirement
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	Dr. F.C. Patra	Princ	ipal Investigator	40%	-	-	-
	Dr. K.A. Al-Mahmud	Co-In	vestigator	10%	-	-	-
	Dr. A.S.M. Hamidur Ra	ahman	-do-	20%	-	-	-
	Mr. M.A. Wahed		-do-	20%	-	-	-
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4.		-	None	
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6.	Transport ICDDR,B	-	None	
7.	Travel and Transport of persons	-	None	
8.	Transport of materials	<u>.</u>	Nil	

Nil

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