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The efficiency of TiO₂ nanoparticles synthesized from *Aloe vera* leaves extract compared to liposomes as delivery system for doxorubicin: *In vivo* study using Erlich solid tumor model

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Doxorubicin (Dox) is well known for its broad spectrum anticancer activity, however it suffers from severe toxicity. The primary goal of loading Dox in different nanodelivery systems is to decrease nonspecific organ toxicity.

Dox encapsulated liposome (Doxil) has been approved by FDA for ovarian cancer and Kaposi's sarcoma treatment in United States. However, the researches are still going on to optimize the liposomes and to compare them to other types of nanoparticles.

Titanium dioxide nanoparticles (TiO₂NPs) have been the focus of many promising applications due to their unique properties, low cost, availability and biocompatibility. This study illustrates a simple, safe, low cost and ecofriendly technique for green synthesis of TiO₂NPs from *Aloe Vera* leaves extract at different pH values. Doxorubicin was loaded in liposomes and conjugated to greenly synthesized TiO₂NPs. Both formulae were fully characterized then they have been injected in mice bearing Ehrlich tumor and compared to aqueous solution of Dox. Tumor volume measurements and histopathological examination were conducted. The results revealed that both formulae of Dox were more efficient than aqueous Dox solution, however, Dox encapsulated in liposomes showed more efficiency in treatment of tumor.