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# Composition and Beneficial Impact of Camel Milk on Human Health

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**Abstract** | Milk is a complete diet for the human beings because it comprises all the supplements, such as water, fat, carbohydrates, lactose, protein, minerals, nutrients and catalysts. A total of 20 % milk is obtained from different species including sheep, ass, horse, yak, goat, bison and camel while the 80 % milk is produced by cows. Milk of camel plays an essential part in the diet of human. Additionally, camel milk comprises numerous fatty acids and enzymes. Hence camel milk has many beneficial effects, such as antiviral, antibacterial, anti-diabetic, anti-carcinogenic and anti-ageing. Besides, camel milk contains abundant proteins which are conducive to improve the immunity functions. Thus, it is necessary to illuminate the beneficial impact of camel milk and its composition.

**Novelty Statement** | This review exposed beneficial impact of camel milk on human health, on which previously little information exists. The work may be helpful in future for detailed research on camel milk and its uses for children.

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## Introduction

Camel milk has been an important source of nutrition for nomadic and pastoral cultures in the arid parts of the world for centuries. More recently, there has been a growing interest in camel milk as an alternative to bovine milk and nutraceutical products because of its high nutritional value and therapeutic effects (Zhang *et al.*, 2020). In Pakistan particularly desert regions of the Sindh, Punjab and Baluchistan around 0.8 million of camels are slaughtered in summer season (Anonymous, 2002). A camel is a cumbersome creature living in desert areas with a population of approximately 34 million as 89 percent is

Camelus dromedarius and 11 percent is Camelus bactrianus (FAOSTAT, 2017; Kgaudi *et al.*, 2018) for the processing of milk and meat for human use. Epstein (1971) stated that, 3,000 years ago the camels were the first to be used as a greater source to fetch the water since the end of the first world war with urbanization in armed forces they became an oldest animal to help them in any cause (Yagil *et al.*, 1994). Camel is one of the animal as declared in the Quran as a wonder of God (Derasech, 2005). Dromedary camel lives in the dry land and desert area and it issued for short distance transportation in semiarid and arid regions, besides it also used for milk purpose in certain regions namely raikas and rabaris since hundreds of years (Yagil, 1986).

Camel is significant animal for the peoples of desert tribes in Asia and Africa as a main source of food and also used for transportation since ancient times, its milk

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is being used as a medicine for different infections. Milk of camel, recognized as desert white gold, is more relevant to human milk and varies from other animals milk as it comprises small quantity of sugar and cholesterol whereas, it consist of minerals in greater quantity (magnesium, sodium, iron, potassium, zinc, copper) proteins and vitamin C (Yadav *et al.*, 2015; Gader *et al.*, 2016). Moreover, milk of camel is used for the curing of various disorders and diseases i.e. jaundice, dropsy, asthma, anti-hypertensive and leishmaniasis (Yardav *et al.*, 2015). Yagil (1982) stated that three decades ago, the medical assets of camel milk were investigated. According to investigator, camel milk includes reactive proteins that may have a possibility in improving the immunological defense mechanism. Furthermore, proteins which are present in milk of camel have antiviral and antibacterial properties (El-Agamy *et al.*, 1992). Besides it has a hypoglycemic impact while provided as a supportive treatment, and it may be due to the combination of insulin/insulin like protein and has a useful result in the treatment of diabetes. In addition, milk of camel was used for the medication of crohn infection and for food allergies (Shabo and Yagil, 2005). Over the years, camel strengths have been known and its position in mankind history is guaranteed but in Pakistan, studies on production and quality of camel milk are poor. Therefore, assessing the consistency of camel milk in a considerable manor is important to make sure that camel is wonderful animal brings out the best in the heart of subsequent generations. We collected the updated literature examining the compositions and therapeutic properties of camel milk and its positive effects. Hence, the main objectives of this review are to study the useful impacts of camel milk on health of humans, to assess the composition of camel milk also to investigate the purchase and drinking of camel milk.

#### *Camel milk and its composition*

Milk of camel is a white liquid with an aroma and salts like flavor. It depends largely on the kind of nutrition or plant accessible in the grazing region (Khalesi *et al.*, 2017; Abbas *et al.*, 2013). Besides, due to the fats homogenized in the milk, the color of camel milk is white, while the differences in flavor depend on the form of feed or plant present in the grazing area and water for drinking (Kumar *et al.*, 2015). Additionally, camel milk pH (6.2 to 6.5) and thickness varies from (1.026 to 1.035) these both are inferior to cow milk and skim milk's optimum buffering potential is at pH of 4.95 (Gul *et al.*, 2015). There are various reasons which influence on the quality of camel milk such as, conditions of feeding, physiological stage, physiological and seasonal differences, camel inherent makeup and condition of health (Konuspayeva *et al.*, 2009). In general, the normal camel milk comprising ash 0.79%, water 87%, lactose 4.4%, fat 3.5%, protein 3.4%, as mentioned in Table 1. (Al-Haj and Al-Kanhal, 2010).

**Table 1: Composition of camel milk and other species of milk (Fox, 2003).**

Animal species	Percentage of water	Fat (%)	Protein (%)	Lactose (%)	Ash (%)
Camel	86 to 88	2.9 to 5.4	3.0 to 3.9	3.3 to 5.8	0.6 to 1.0
Cow	85 to 87	3.7 to 4.4	3.2 to 3.8	4.8 to 4.9	0.7 to 0.8
Buffalo	82 to 84	7.0 to 11.5	3.3 to 3.6	4.5 to 5.0	0.8 to 0.9
Sheep	79 to 82	6.9 to 8.6	5.6 to 6.7	4.3 to 4.8	0.9 to 1.0
Goat	87 to 88	4.0 to 4.5	2.9 to 3.7	3.6 to 4.2	0.8 to 0.9
Human	88 to 89	3.3 to 4.7	1.1 to 1.3	6.8 to 7.0	0.2 to 0.3

#### *Protein*

Protein is the key element of camel milk which has a significant effect on its nutritional benefits and technical suitability. Milk proteins are a collection of different mixtures which vary in structure and characteristics. They are classified into fractions of whey protein and clusters of casein. Casein has been the most significant protein in milk, with a fairly small ratio of whey proteins (Guo *et al.*, 2007). A large portion in camel milk is casein. Moreover, dromedary camel contains 1.63 to 2.76 percentage of casein protein, which makes up 52 to 87 part of entire milk proteins (Khaskheli *et al.*, 2005). Barłowska *et al.* (2007) reported that there are 4 casein variants of the central casein:  $\alpha$ 1,  $\alpha$ 2,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$ , the composition of these proteins is broad and polymorphism showed in many types of animals. Camel milk has a greater  $\beta$ -casein level and lower  $\gamma$ - and  $\alpha$  casein amounts than cow milk. Casein is easy to digest in intestine and it is an essential source of amino-acids for development and growth of kids. The amino acid structure of camel milk is analogous to cow milk but the quantity of essential and non-essential amino-acids are greater in milk of camel than cow. Casein relative to dairy camel breeds, apart from arginine amounts, which are greater in milk of Safrah breed camel. In cow  $\beta$ -casein quantity of essential amino acids are higher compared to  $\beta$  casein in dairy camel breeds, excluding, threonine, lysine, isoleucine and methionine (Salmen *et al.*, 2012). Relative to camel milk, the amount of non-essential amino acids in  $\pi$  casein in milk of cow is greater excluding arginine, the amount of which is greater in camel milk  $\gamma$ -casein. Cow milk casein includes a higher proportion of essential amino-acids relative to milk of camel, excluding lysine that has a higher proportion in camel-casein (Salmen *et al.*, 2012). Besides, serum albumin, peptidoglycan proteins, lact-albumin, lactoferrin, lysozymes, lacto-peroxidase immunoglobulin and whey proteins are existing in milk of camel. Khaskheli *et al.* (2005) stated that milk of camel contains whey protein which make up 20-25 percent of all proteins. The volume of whey proteins in milk of one humped camel ranges between 0.63 to 0.80 percent. Thus, whey proteins are more vigorous in camel milk (Laleye *et al.*, 2008).

### Lactose

Previous findings illustrated that normal proportion of lactose in the milk of camel was 4.62% (Sankhla *et al.*, 2000), 3.8-4.3% (Raghvendar *et al.*, 2004), and 5.5% lactose (Schwartz, 1992). The differences in lactose content because camel normally eat grass on extensive range in desert, available arid grasses and salty bushes (Khaskheli *et al.*, 2005). The study of the lactose association with fat particles is considered negative in meta-analysis, although no connection among lactose and total protein is observed (Konuspaveva *et al.*, 2009) that in different season (Haddadin *et al.*, 2008) and in normal health status or in dehydrated conditions (Yagil and Etzion, 1980). There is a slight alteration in the milk of camel composition in different camel breeds worldwide (Mehaia *et al.*, 1995). In milk of bovine the lactose content (4.9%) is more as compared to lactose available in milk of camel (4.2%) (Smits *et al.*, 2011). While another study revealed that content of lactose in milk of buffalo is inferior than the milk of camel and cow (Jaydeep *et al.*, 2015).

**Table 2: Chemical composition of milk of various species of camel (Konuspaveva, 2007).**

Species	Protein (%)	Fat (%)	Lactose (%)	Dry matter (%)
One humped camel	3.03	5.94	3.12	12.39
Bactrian camel	33.3	6.67	2.77	13.07
Crossbreeds	3.28	6.09	3.04	11.91

### Minerals

Minerals are main component of milk; in general minerals available in milk such as: chloride, phosphorus, calcium, sodium, magnesium, potassium and iron. From them calcium and phosphorus are the main components in milk, which are considerable for bone development and normal childbirth health. These minerals have a higher bioavailability impact and nutritional benefits of milk. Previous findings exposed that the quantity of these minerals in milk of camel is higher (Al-Wabel, 2008). Moreover, Mal *et al.* (2007) illustrated that in milk of camel the contents of potassium 50.74 mEqL<sup>-1</sup>, sodium 29.70 mEqL<sup>-1</sup>, calcium 94.06 mg percent, P values (41.68 mg) and Mg values (11.82 mg percent) found in early lactating camels. The related values in late lactation were 35.49±0.89 mEqL<sup>-1</sup>, 71.86±1.43 mEqL<sup>-1</sup>, 97.32±0.51 mg percent, 47.14 ± 0.52 mg percent and 13.58 ± 0.31 mg percent respectively. The discrepancies in amounts of macro minerals recorded by numerous study groups may be due to a change in breeds or external factors such as soil and feed. Various camel breeds have unique capacity for storing minerals into their milk (Wangoh *et al.*, 1998). The Fe (1.00012), (Zn 2.00002) and Cu (0.44004 mg / dl) respectively. Also, the trace mineral values such as Zn, Cu and Fe in milk of camel were considerably greater than in milk of other bovines (Singh *et al.*, 2006).

### Ash

Konuspaveva *et al.* (2009) determined amount of ash in milk of camel ranges from 0.60-0.90 percent. Moreover, quantity of ash in the milk is associated with type of farming, diet and water intake (Haddadin *et al.*, 2008). Besides, milk of camel is a good source of chloride (Khaskheli *et al.*, 2005) due to feed consumed by camels, such as locust and atriplex tree which normally comprises more content of salt (Yagil, 1982).

### Fatty acids

Narmuratova *et al.* (2006) reported that milk of camel contains short chain fatty acid content (C-4 to C-14) and long chain fatty acid content (C-14 to C-18). These polyunsaturated fatty acids are extremely important for nutrition. The camel milk fatty acid contents are mentioned in Table 3.

**Table 3: Fatty acids contents in milk of camel (Singh *et al.*, 2006).**

Fatty acid	Percentage
Lauricacid	1 to 1.8
Caprylic acid	0.2 to 0.3
Caproic acid	0.2 to 0.6
Buytric acid	0.31 to 0.75
Capric acid	0.2 to 0.4
Myristoleic acid	1.7 to 4.5
Myristic acid	15.9 to 25.2
Palmitoleic acid	6.1 to 19.1
Palmiticacid	25 to 29.5
Oleic acid	6.8 to 24.9
Stearic acid	1.9 to 11.7
Arachidic acid	0.6 to 3.4
Linoleic acid	0.9 to 0.2

### Fat

Mansson (2008) stated that the size of fat globules and average diameter was lower in the milk of camel 2.99 µm, while it was higher in milk of buffalo 8.7 µm and goat 3.19 µm. A higher rate of milk fat distribution has a favorable effect on the access for lipolytic enzymes as compared to small fat globules. Hence, milk of goat and camel easy to digest for human beings (D'Urso *et al.*, 2008). A significant proportion of long chain fatty acids differentiate the lipid fraction in milk of camel, which contributes for 96.4 percent contrast to 85.3 percent in milk of bovine (Abbas *et al.*, 2013).

### Cholesterol

Cholesterol levels in milk of camel is 34.5 mg/100g which is greater than in cholesterol of other animals, meanwhile, milk fat from dromedary camels produces lower carotene levels and lower sums of short chain fatty acids relative to milk of other animals (Stahl *et al.*, 2006).

Camel milk, as it has the greatest amount of milk fat dispersion, includes the greatest amount of cholesterol 31.3-37.1 mg/100 g of milk in the examined species of animals. As for its fatty acid profile, camel milk is also exceptional. [Gizachew \*et al.\* \(2015\)](#) reported that camel contains 6 to 8 times fewer fatty acids in the short chain related to cow, horse, buffalo and sheep milk. Numerous fatty acids such as caproic, arachidic acids, palmitic, butyric, caprylic, lauric, myristoleic, capric, myristic, palmitoleic, linoleic, stearic and oleic acids are existing in camel milk ([Panwar, 2015](#)).

#### *Water percentage*

Milk of camel includes a large proportion of water that varies from 84 percent to 91 percent ([Sisay and Awoke, 2015](#); [Farah and Ruegg, 1989](#)). The ratio of water in milk of camel may be varying depend on the circumstances surrounding the camels (like feed and temperature). Drinking water during the winter, the calf and mother were endorsed to drink only one time in a week for an hour from spring until the completion of summer. The water content of the milk was eighty six percent when water was limited, the water content in the milk increased to ninety one percent when water was limited. Therefore, it seems that the lactating camel at the time is sacrificing water to the milk at the time of drought, perceived to be a common ability to deliver not only nutrients but also crucial fluid to exhausted calf ([Yagil and Etzion, 1980](#)).

#### *Vitamins*

Numerous vitamins are present in camel milk such as fat and water-soluble vitamins. The vitamins in camel milk are retinol, tocopherol, calciferol and thiamine, and particularly ascorbic acid ([Abbas, 2013](#); [Shamsia, 2009](#)). Milk of camel is well recognized as a good source of ascorbic acid 34.16 mg/ L and is 35 fold higher than milk of cow ([Stahl \*et al.\*, 2006](#)). In addition, there is more folic acid, niacin (B3), vitamin B12, pantothenic acid but a lesser amount of retinol and riboflavin present in milk of camel ([Stahl \*et al.\*, 2006](#)). Furthermore, in dromedary camel the amount of vitamin A is lower than the milk of cow 159 I.U./100g. Moreover, previous findings of [Knoess \(1977\)](#), illustrated that thiamine and riboflavin content of najdi camel milk were nearly half their values compared with cow milk. While another study stated that the amount of riboflavin in milk of camel was slightly lower than milk of cow ([Hartman and Dryden, 1978](#)). However, the content of vitamin B6 and thiamine was similar to that of milk of cow while that of pantothenic acid, folacin, and B12 was lower in cow ([Hartman and Dryden, 1978](#)). In camel milk the niacin content was extensively greater than milk of cow. Moreover, vitamin C levels were similar to that of camel milk ([Knoess, 1977](#)), but were significantly greater than that of cow milk. The existence in camel milk of fairly good amounts of vitamin C 23.7 mg / kg is of significant importance to human diet in areas where green vegetables

and fruits are difficult to access. [Anonymous \(1980\)](#) recommended dietary allowances one kilogram of camel milk provides roughly 50 per cent of vitamin B12, 40 per cent of ascorbic acid, 30 per cent of vitamin A, 24 per cent of vitamins thiamin, niacin, B6, riboflavin and just 1 per cent of folacin. The small amounts of folacin in milk of camel may be nutritionally important.

#### *Dry matter*

[Kouniba \*et al.\* \(2005\)](#) revealed that dry content in milk comprises of fat, lactose, proteins, ash on average of 10.4 percent. Phase of milk production and seasoning have a major effect on daily milk output, dry matter, protein, and fat proportions ([Zelege, 2007](#)). The dry content in milk of camel is identical to that of goat, mare, and milk of donkey. Camel milk main components in dry matter (Average 15.06 percent) are protein (4.9 percent), mineral substances (0.99 percent), milk fat (5.60 percent) and lactose (5.85 percent). While, milk of Bactrian camel has the largest content of dry matter and fat, while in hybrid camel milk has maximum protein content whereas, milk of one humped camel contains maximum content of lactose.

#### *Beneficial effects on human health*

In the past mostly peoples use milk of camel as a home remedy for treatment of different diseases. Recently, various researches showed that the remedial assets were due to certain types of constituent in milk of camel ([Nora \*et al.\*, 2014](#)). Meanwhile, nowadays milk of camel is used worldwide, but it is not the primary choice for the peoples because its taste is salty ([Zhang \*et al.\*, 2020](#); [Sisay and Awoke, 2015](#)). Though, it has numerous useful assets as it is used for the treatment for autism, allergy, diabetes and also stops liver cirrhosis. Camel milk is becoming familiar because of its health benefits in managing and helping to prevent various health issues ([Korish and Arafah, 2013](#)). In the Raica population in India, there is a low occurrence of diabetes drinking camel milk habitually ([Agrawal \*et al.\*, 2003](#)). Milk of camel is necessary for the control of diabetes ([Shori, 2015](#)). Additionally, attentiveness related to camel milk and its medicinal and nutritional profits increased ([Jamshed \*et al.\*, 2016](#)). Milk of camel contains antimicrobial properties including, antiviral, antibacterial, and antifungal. Then cure from the assault of pathogens and various diseases that will promote a solid way to balance a life ([Jamshed \*et al.\*, 2016](#)). Camel milk is better than cow and buffalo; much importance has been given in recent times to the use of camel milk for human wellbeing ([Sahani \*et al.\*, 1998, 2005](#)). However, the mindfulness among everyone on its clinical, favorable circumstances are less. Individuals who are presented to the way of life infections or have a family ancestry of diabetes, heart sicknesses, and so on are as a rule looking for elective treatments. They favor options in contrast to traditional medications. Camel milk has been recognized as aiding the recuperation procedures of immune system infections

having a snappy and constructive outcome on the mending procedure (Ahmed *et al.*, 2015). In this way, milk of camel is helpful in the sugar patients and other way of life maladies. We needed to discover whether individuals who are presented to these sorts of maladies are all the more ready to get it after realize the medical advantages of camel milk. Thus, we set the individuals presented to a way of life sicknesses are additionally ready to purchase camel milk.

#### *Chemical imbalance range issue (ASD)*

Numerous findings have shown that oxidative stress plays a major part in the rehabilitation of many neurological disorders including autism spectrum disorder; some researches also indicated that antioxidant enzymes play path physiological role in autism. Camel milk has also identified to possibly have positive effects in autism. A survey was conducted to assess the influence of camel milk drinking on oxidative stress biomarkers in autistic children, using the ELISA technique to measure the plasma levels of glutathione, myeloperoxidase and superoxide dismutase prior and 2 weeks afterward usage of camel milk. All evaluated parameters showed significant difference after consumption of the camel milk. These results showed that camel milk may play a vital role in reducing oxidative stress by altering the amounts of antioxidant enzymes and non enzymatic antioxidant molecules, as demonstrated by the strengthened childhood autism rating scale (Agrawal *et al.*, 2005).

#### *Camel milk against gastrointestinal scatters*

Milk of camel includes a large anti-inflammatory protein content, which has a beneficial impact on the disorders of intestinal and stomach. The large number of poly-unsaturated and mono fatty acids and its comprises more vitamins which provides expanded metabolism for carbohydrates (Konuspayeva *et al.*, 2008; Karray *et al.*, 2005). In addition, fermented camel milk has been found to have an enzyme (Angiotensin I converting enzyme, ACE) (Quan *et al.*, 2008), which enables the digestion of milk proteins (Alhaj *et al.*, 2006). Latest researches for the wellbeing of the stomach-related framework indicated that camel milk has hostile to looseness of the bowels properties and all youngsters, who have taken camel milk and with the 20 episodes of loose bowels every day are restored with ordinary solid discharges. Camel milk can likewise be utilized in little kids who have looseness of the bowels by nourishment pollution with rotavirus, since milk of camel is wealthy in against rotavirus antibodies (Yagil, 2013).

#### *Nourishment hypersensitivities*

Camel milk has already shown possible effect in food allergy care. A research has explored the effect of camel milk and cow's milk on hypersensitivity. Some researchers found that camel milk has an optimistic result in kids with serious food allergies. This investigation is experimental

work to develop a deeper insight of the ability of the greater camel milk in children for food allergies. People, identified and studied using two separate methods of electrophoresis. These findings suggest that milk proteins which are existing in milk of camel is useful in food allergies (El-sayed *et al.*, 2009).

#### *Ceaseless hepatitis and hepatitis C contamination*

Sharmanov *et al.* (1982) was the first one to indicate an antiviral function of camels milk, and they noticed that milk of camel is beneficial in enhancing and reinforcing the biochemical and clinical condition of patients with chronic active hepatitis than mare's milk. Previous studies presented that camel lactoferrin effectively prevents hepatitis C virus genotype 4 infection of human peripheral blood leucocytes and the human leukocyte incubation with camel LF accompanied by HCV infection stopped the virus from entering the cells. The assumption was that the direct association between HCV and camel LF resulted in a complete inhibition of virus entry into the cells; in this regard, camel lactoferrin seemed to be a more active antiviral agent than bovine and human lactoferrin. Moreover, the application of milk of camel clears schistosoma mansoni from diseased mice, signifying a further helpful anti parasitic activity in milk of camel (Galil *et al.*, 2016).

#### *Camel's milk against diabetes*

Earlier outcomes presented that milk of camel is beneficial in diabetes (Malik *et al.*, 2012; Al-Haj and Al-Kanhal, 2010; Agrawal *et al.*, 2007). In India, the individuals which use milk of camel has zero percent diabetic cases, while other which not use milk of camel for drinking having 5.5 percent diabetic patients (Agrawal *et al.*, 2011). Furthermore, after the utilization of milk in diabetic patients declines their normal insulin level from 30 to 35 per cent with low blood sugar levels (Shori, 2015) besides, milk of camel also comprises insulin and insulin like proteins, immunoglobulin and trace components which have anti-inflammatory qualities (Gader and Alhaider, 2016; Agrawal *et al.*, 2011). Insulin in the milk of the camel varies from human insulin and other animals because it is accompanied by micelles which protect it from digestion and degeneration at the edge of the digestive system, making it easier to consume and pass into the blood (Zagorski *et al.*, 1998; Abu Lehia, 1989). Current researches of experimental diabetic patients have shown they can resist diabetes related kidney damage (Kaskous, 2016; Shori, 2015; Hamad *et al.*, 2011). Antioxidants present in milk of camel may suppress indications of metabolic syndrome such as rise of lipids and blood glucose (Gader and Alhaider, 2016). Milk of camel is ideal for lactose intolerant people due to low content of lactose in camel milk as comparison to milk of cow (Baubekova *et al.*, 2015; Cardoso *et al.*, 2010; Zibae, 2015).

*Camel milk against crohn's disease*

In several countries the Crohn's disease is now an outbreak. Recently growing evidence implies a primary disease of mycobacterium avium sub species of paratuberculosis. This mycobacterium could extent through milk of cow, as pasteurization is not affected. Apparently mycobacterium passes through mucosa as saprophytes and becomes active only when the individual is under excessive stress leading to secondary autoimmune reaction. Because the bacteria relate to the tuberculosis family and milk of camel is been used to cure tuberculosis, it is clear that the strong bactericidal assets of camel milk combined with PGRP impact the healing process rapidly and positively. Moreover, the attack of immunoglobulin the anti DNA reestablishes the immune system (Urazakov and Bainazarov, 1991).

*Antibacterial qualities of camel milk*

Milk of camel consist of many enzymes and proteins that have antibacterial and immunological qualities (Farah, 1993). Proteins and their immunological action are: lysozyme which contributes in the primary immune system, which is concentrated on targeting structures specific to invasive pathogens. Immunoglobulins provide the body protection against pathogens. Additionally, Iron saturated lactoferrin (after lactation) stops microbial growth in the intestine and contributes in the immune system, which is focused on combating pathogen invading specific structures (Kiselev, 1998; Ueda *et al.*, 1997; Conesa *et al.*, 2008). Evidently, milk of camel provides much more lactoferrin than goat, cow and sheep milk. Lacto peroxidase: has an anti-cancer and bactericidal activity. Human thyroid peroxidase containing iodination and thyroid hormone coupling; peptidoglycan protein recognition is existing in the maximum proportion in the milk of camel and these have remarkable effect in the cancer of breast to regulating metastasis, enhancing the immune system of the host. Furthermore, N-acetyl-glucosaminidase also present in milk of camel in higher amount as comparison with other mammals which has antibacterial and antiviral activities (Hoelzer *et al.*, 1998).

*Antiviral assets of camel milk*

Previous findings illustrated that milk of camel is effective against numerous deadly animal viral pathogens such as FMD (Foot and mouth disease), rinderpest and in rift valley fever. (Koehler-Rollefsen *et al.*, 2001). Additionally, Martin *et al.* (1997) stated that the viral enzyme system is active and selective inhibitor of camel milk antibodies.

*Camel milk against Cancer*

Different logical examinations indicated that after drinking of camels milk results in decline of the formation of disease cells (Magjeed, 2005). Thus, a gathering of researchers have built up a recipe for the control of

malignant growth. They reported that single dosages produced effective results in mouse and now need to attempt to occur in human. The outcomes indicated that a great success rate in control of blood malignancy. The medication may likewise be utilized effectively to treat lung, liver, and bosom-malignant growth.

Korashy *et al.* (2012) reported that milk of camel stimulates the proliferation of cells in MCF7 (human breast) and HepG2 (human hepatoma). The mechanisms regulated by cell proliferation and death receptor activation in both the cell lines and oxidative stress (Korashy *et al.*, 2012). Also, Habib *et al.* (2013) argued that milk of camel prevents the existence and propagation of HepG2 and MCF7 cells by stimulating the intrinsic and extrinsic apoptotic pathways. Consequently, efficacy of lactoferrin which is present in milk of camel has capability to impede colon cancer cell line proliferation.

*MDR and its therapy from camel's milk*

Camel milk has magnificent impact on curing tuberculosis particularly those pain from MDR, as said by Gorakh *et al.* (2000) and Alwan and Farhuni (2000). The research of medical benefit of camel milk for MDR was performed by Mal *et al.* (2000) determined that milk intake had a beneficial effect in patients with tuberculosis. In addition to that another study revealed that camel milk provide contains essential proteins that play key role in strengthening the function of immune defense and these proteins have antibacterial properties which kill mycobacterium tuberculosis (Mal *et al.*, 2006).

*Arthritis and its treatment from camel milk*

Milk of camel contains a higher level of chelating iron content known as lactoferrin. This protein extracts free iron from arthritic patient joints and thereby enhances arthritic function (Panwar, 2015).

*Skin sickness treatment and restorative estimations of camel milk*

Researchers suggest the amount of vitamin B, carotin C and iron are important for the skin. Besides that milk of camel also comprises lanolin and other hydrating assets which have relaxing and positive influence on the skin. While holding the skin perfectly used for treating skin conditions like, eczema, acne, dermatitis and psoriasis. Milk of camel is also a normal source of alpha-hydroxyacids which soften the skin and keep it smooth and prevent from wrinkles.

*Camel milk impact as anti-aging*

Salami *et al.* (2011) examined the impact of camel milk as antiaging and proposed that when milk of camel is ingested and after digestion, peptides begin to function as natural antioxidants. Milk of camel is ideal for anti-aging, as it contains higher percentage vitamin C which protects collagen. Moreover, vitamin C has tissue repair and

activities and antioxidant properties. In Adding Vitamin C used to strengthen the immune system and it is important in the body for the development of a protein and collagen that are helpful in development of vessels and it provides strength and firmness to skin. Furthermore, vitamin C also enhances the skin structural strength and durability and helps recover. Besides, this vitamin decreases down the wrinkles formation on the skin. Because of the inclusion of  $\alpha$ -hydroxyl acids which are considered to smooths fine lines and plump the skin, it means that camel milk has anti-aging effect and it also supports to dissolve the external sweaty coating of dead skin cells by reducing sugar level that are used to bind together skin cells. This allows exposing new, more flexible and transparent cells. The  $\alpha$ -hydroxyl acids help remove wrinkles and age spots and alleviate dryness because the  $\alpha$ -hydroxyl acids make the skin's external layer thinner and improve the dermis' lower layer by making it thicker. Moreover, liposome that exist in camel milk are essential to a possible cosmetic ingredient to enhance the anti-aging effect (Kula and Tegegne, 2016).

#### *Milk of camel used against tuberculosis*

In India, a clinical investigation has determined that patients of tuberculosis vastly improved by the utilization of camel milk. So it occurred that in the camel milk testing sample, treated with 1 liter/day and patient as a dietary supplement and after usage they noted that no any chest pain and cough sputum appear. Ultimately, the community, which receives camel milk as a supplement, improve weight gain and hunger (Mal et al., 2006). The precise pattern of patients drinking additional camel milk in better condition has not yet been studied (Wernery and Yagil, 2012).

#### *Immunity and milk of camel*

Camel's milk is now being observed across several tests to boost the immune function (El-Agamy et al., 2009). Moreover, sequence of protein in milk of camel varies from that of the protein in milk of cow (El-Agamy et al., 2009). Whereas, immunoglobulin in milk of camel is comparable to that of the human but its content in the camel milk as correlated to human (Mullaicharam, 2014). Milk of camel includes antioxidants (lactoferrin) that strengthen the efficiency of the human body's immune system, thereby effectively combating various disease pathogens (Conesa et al., 2008). Therefore, milk of camel is beneficial for disorders of immune system such as crohn's and sclerosis infection, it means that immune problems are easily treated with milk of camel.

#### *Camel milk and its other advantages*

Milk of camel can even be used to treat various disorders of cardiovascular system (Al-Hashem, 2009; Agrawal et al., 2009, 2011). Besides, milk of camel is now being found to suppress blood fibrinogen levels in rats having diabetes. Additionally, milk of camel is also a

healthy source of vitamin c, niacin, calcium, proteins and phosphorus. Besides, milk of camel also strengthens the normal protection mechanisms of the body (Zibae, 2015).

## Conclusions and Recommendations

In short, it could be concluded that milk of camel has valuable nutritional and therapeutic properties. Milk of camel is a good source of protein, vitamin C, calcium, phosphorus, niacin and it fulfills all the requirement of the body. Moreover, milk of camel is also beneficial for the curing of autism, diabetes, diarrhea, allergy, autoimmune and metabolic diseases etc. This review may be helpful for people to understand the importance and profits of camel milk for health of human. In future we should study how camel milk regulate the internal physiology of human body against various disease and mechanism.

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