## Supplementary information

Standardized phytotherapic extracts rescue anomalous locomotion and electrophysiological responses of TDP-43 *Drosophila melanogaster* model of ALS

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**Supplementary Figure S1:** Representative traces and plots obtained from SH mutant flies, in which spontaneous PSPs were recorded in the absence, after 30 s and after 4 min of ether (Et) or chloroform (Chl) exposure. Arrows in graphs indicate when vapours were delivered. Scale bars: left panels, 10 mV/2 s, right panels 5 mV/2 s.



Product Name	:	<i>Mucuna pruriens</i> extract (≥ 10% L-Dopa)
Batch No.	:	RD/3208
Reference extract used for comparison		MP/140101

## **TLC PROFILE**

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Visible light after derivatization



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S RE L-Dopa reference standard 1

Mucuna pruriens reference extract (prepared using crude drug reference : standard (CDRS) B. No. 386)

Т Mucuna pruriens extract :

B. No. 59200 B. No. MP/140101

B. No. RD/3208

		METHOD ADOPTED
SOP No.	:	NR/QCD/APM05 WI(31)
Mobile Phase	:	Butanol : Ethanol : Acetic acid : Water (60 : 32 : 12: 8)
Detection	:	Ninhydrine (30mg of ninhydrine in 10ml of Butanol & 0.3ml of Glacial acetic acid)
Standard Preparation	:	5 mg of L-Dopa dissolved in 5ml of 30%v/v aqueous Orthophosphoric acid solution diluted with methanol to 10ml.
Sample Preparation	:	500mg of extract + 10ml 30%v/v aqueous Orthophosphoric acid solution diluted to 100ml with methanol.

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Supplementary Figure S2: Details of the batch of Mucuna pruriens used in this study (Page 1).





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Supplementary Figure S2: Details of the batch of Mucuna pruriens used in this study (Page 2).



METHOD ADOPTED				
SOP No.	:	NR/QCD/APM06 WI(31)		
Mobile phase	:	Buffer : Acetonitrile 92 : 8 (Buffer: 1.36gm of potassium di hydrogen orthophosphate to 900ml of water and adjust the pH to 2.5 using orthophosphoric acid).		
Column	:	C18-ODS. 5µ size, 250 x 4.6 mm (Merck).		
Flow Rate	:	2.0 ml/ min		
Wave Length	:	280 nm		
Standard Preparation	:	500mcg/ml L-Dopa is dissolved in 5ml 30% orthophosphoric acid. Add water and make up to 100ml.		
Sample Preparation	:	5000mcg/ml of extract is dissolved in 5 ml of 30% orthophosphoric acid. Add water and make up to 100ml.		

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Product Name	:	Withania somnifera extract
Batch No.	:	PC/FWS1701003
Reference extract used for comparison	:	WS/170101
Source of reference standard	:	Natural Remedies Pvt. Ltd.

## **TLC PROFILE**

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SOP No.	:	NR/QCD/APM05 WI(17)
Mobile Phase	•	Ethyl Acetate : Tohuene : Acetic acid 45 : 55 : 3
Detection	:	Anisaldehyde Sulphuric acid
Standard Preparation (All withanolides)	:	0.5mg of each withanolides per ml in Methanol
Sample Preparation	:	3g of extract in 50ml Methanol

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Supplementary Figure S3: Details of the batch of Withania somnifera used in this study (Page 1).





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Supplementary Figure S3: Details of the batch of Withania somnifera used in this study (Page 2).





		METHOD ADOPTED
SOP No.	C.	NR/QCD/APM04 WI(17)
Mobile phase	:	<ol> <li>Buffer: 0.01N potassium dihydrogen phosphate in water and 0.5ml orthophosphoric acid.</li> <li>Acetonitrile (Gradient Elution)</li> </ol>
Column	:	LichroCART, Lichrospher, C18-5µ (Merck)
Flow Rate	:	1.500ml/mi
Wave Length	:	227nm
Standard Preparation (All withanolides)	:	0.5mg of each withanolides per ml in Methanol
Sample Preparation	:	40mg/ml of extract in Methanol

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**Supplementary Figure S4:** Effects of *Mucuna pruriens* extract (*Mpe*) and *Withania somnifera* extract (*Wse*) treatment on lifespan of TDP-43 mutant. \* Indicates p < 0.05 at Kaplan-Meier survival curves (Gehan-Breslow-Wilcoxon-Graph Pad Prism 5.01).

**Supplementary Video S1:** *Drosophila* TDP-43 mutants showing spastic paralysis coupled to shakerlike movements after ether supply.

**Supplementary Video S2:** *Drosophila* TDP-43 mutants showing spastic paralysis coupled to shakerlike movements after chloroform supply.

**Supplementary Video S3:** *Drosophila* GAL4 flies do not show any particular movement after ether supply.

**Supplementary Video S4:** *Drosophila* SH flies do not show any particular movement after chloroform supply.

**Supplementary Video S5:** *Drosophila Wse*-treated TDP-43: treatment prevents the effect of ether administration observed in untreated TDP-43 mutant flies.

**Supplementary Video S6:** *Drosophila Mpe*-treated TDP-43: treatment prevents the effect of ether administration observed in untreated TDP-43 mutant flies.