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## Evaluation of the effects of selegiline and amantadine on morphine induced tolerance and dependence in mice

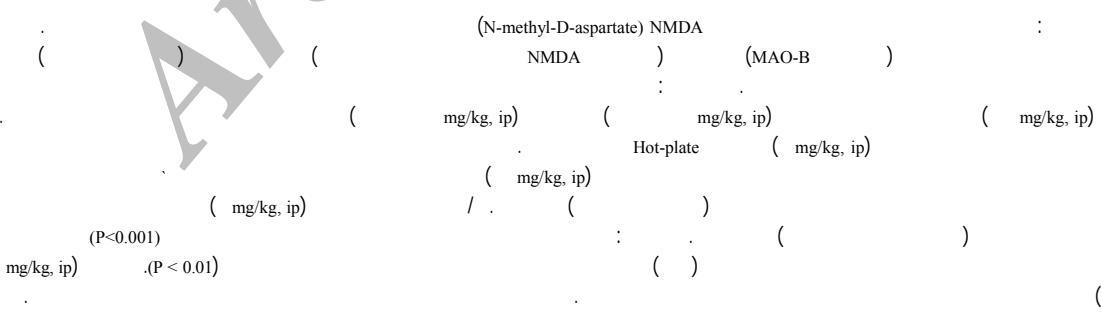
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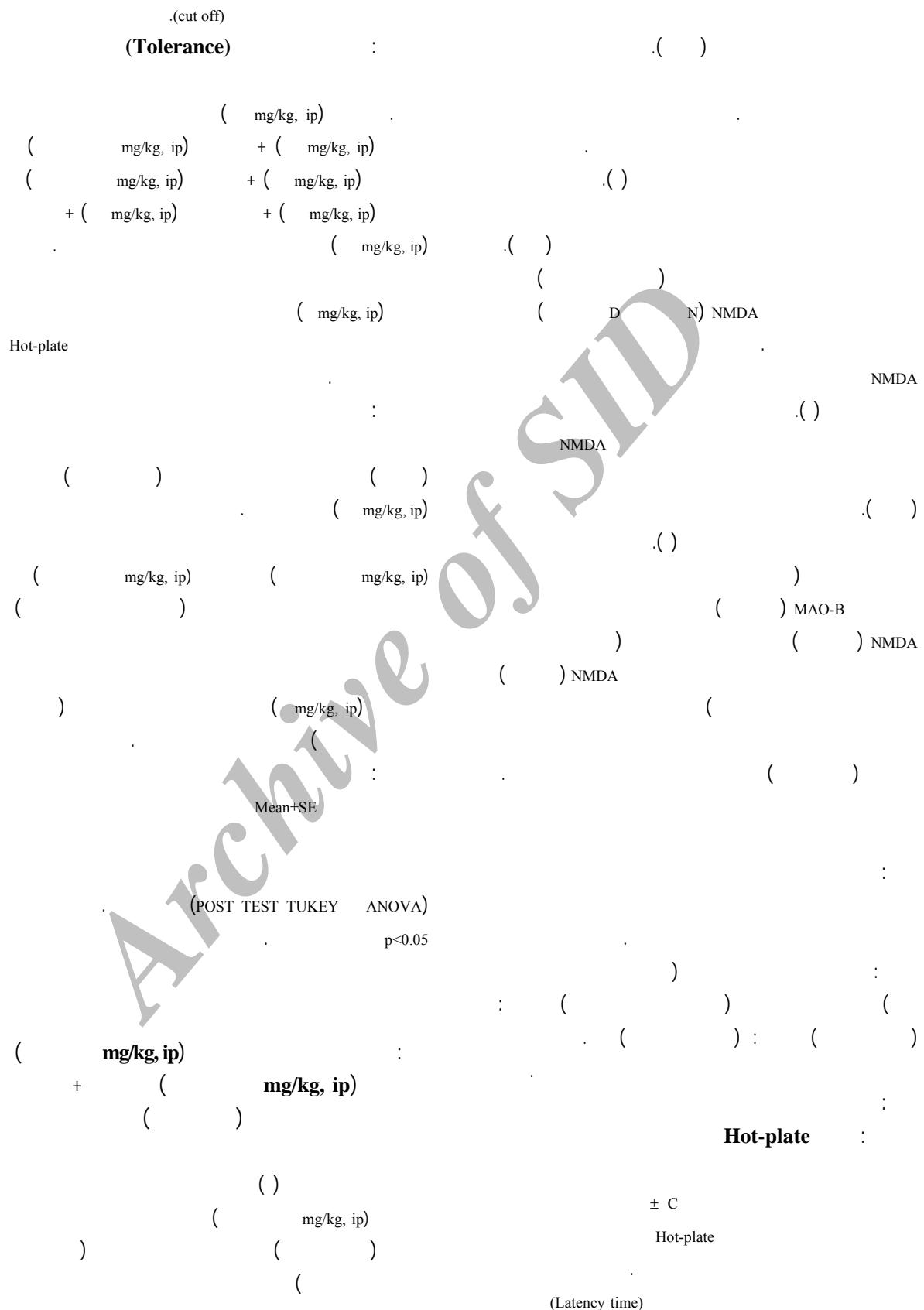
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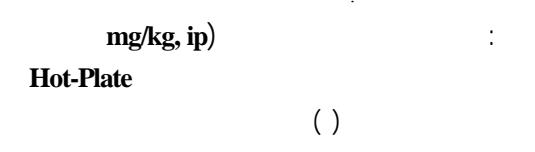
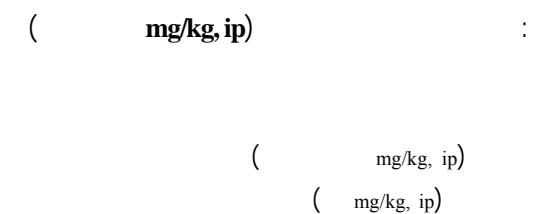
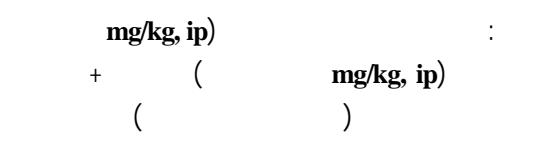
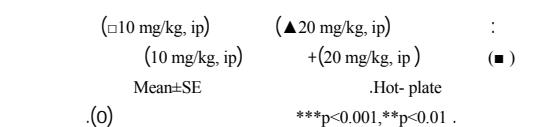
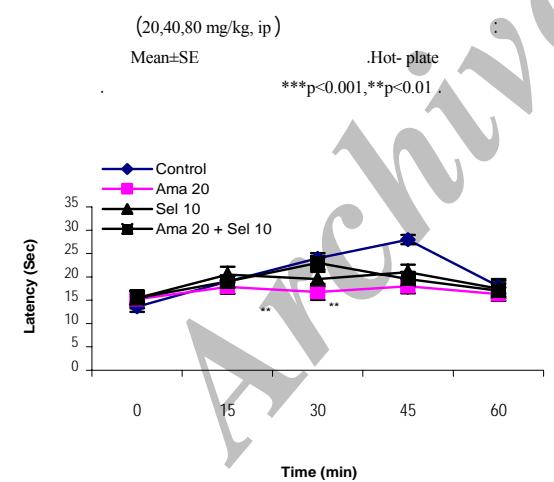
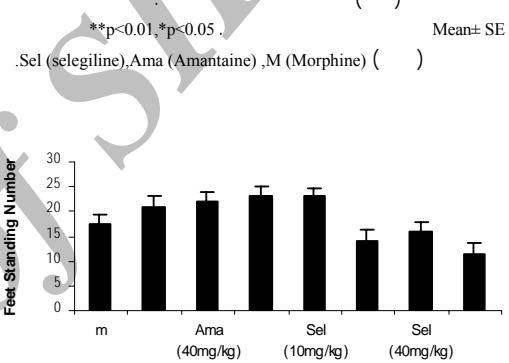
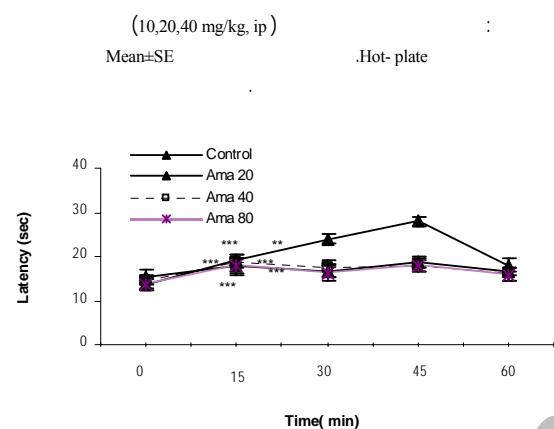
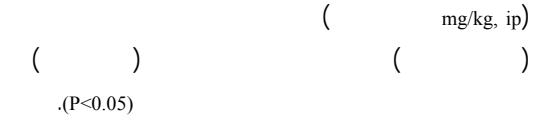
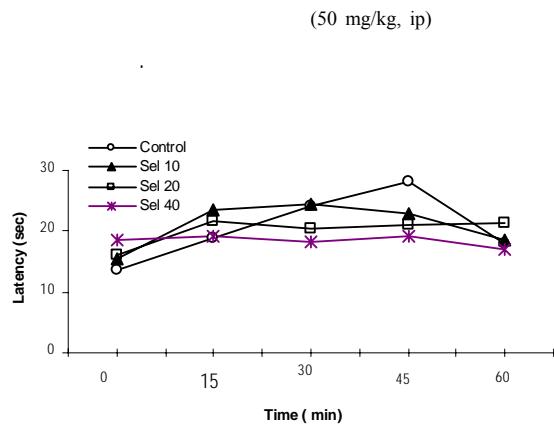
**Objectives:** Several studies have indicated that co-administration of N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonists could attenuate the development of morphine induced tolerance and dependence in mice. The aim of this study was to investigate the effects of selegiline (MAO-B inhibitor and NMDA receptor inhibitor) and amantadine (NMDA receptor antagonist and Dopaminergic system activator) or their co administration on tolerance (to analgesic effect) and withdrawal syndrome in mice. **Methods:** In different groups of mice morphine (50 mg/kg, ip) or morphine (50 mg/kg, ip) + selegiline (10, 20, 40 mg/kg, ip) or morphine (50 mg/kg, ip) + amantadine (20, 40, 80 mg/kg, ip) or morphine (50 mg/kg, ip) + amantadine (20 mg/kg, ip) + selegiline (10 mg/kg, ip) was administrated once a day for four days. The drugs (selegiline or amantadine) administered 30 minutes before daily administration of morphine (50 mg/kg, ip). Tolerance was assessed by administration of morphine (9 mg/kg, ip) and using hot plate test on fifth day. To investigate the withdrawal symptoms (jumping and standing on feet) in different groups morphine (50 mg/kg, ip) injected for 4 days. In the forth day half hour after the last injection, different doses of selegiline, amantadine or their co-administration were injected and after 1.5 hour later naloxone (5 mg/kg, ip) was injected and immediately the withdrawal symptoms were detected during 30 minutes. **Results:** The results showed that different doses of amantadine, increased the tolerance to analgesic effects of morphine significantly ( $P<0.001$ ), withdrawal syndroms in the doses of 40 & 80 decreased significantly ( $P<0.01$ ). But selegiline (10, 20, 40 mg/kg, ip) did not have a significant effect on the inhibition of tolerance and withdrawal syndromes. Co administration of selegiline and amantadine didn't decrease the tolerance to morphine in hot plate test significantly. **Conclusion:** It is concluded that, Probably amantadine in this study has a mechanism of activation of dopaminergic system in the administered doses. On the other hand selegiline potentiated adrenergic system with these doses.

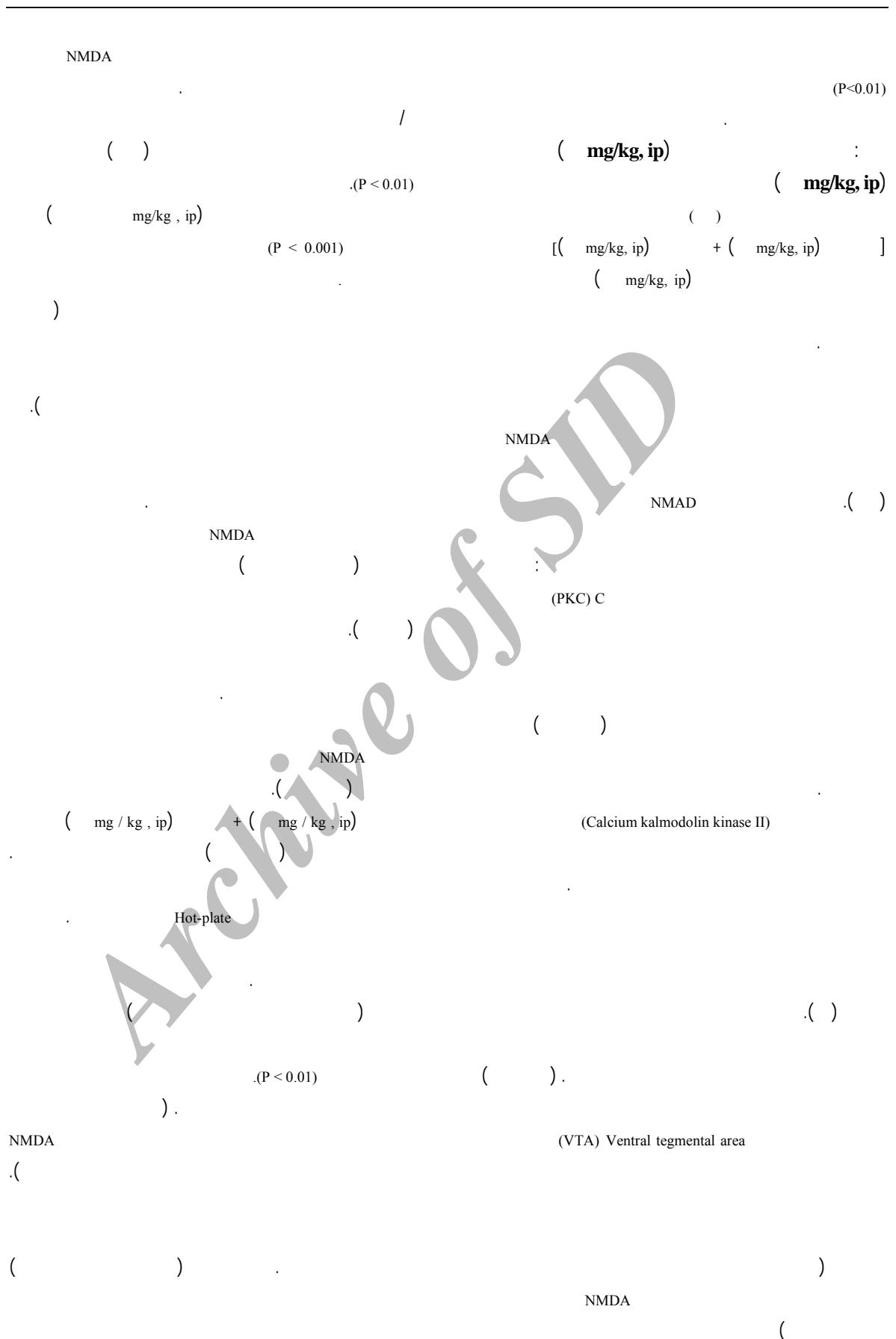
**Key words:** Morphine, Selegiline, Amantadine, Tolerance, Withdrawal.



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