

# **Helium Neon Laser Effects on Human Whole Blood by Spectroscopy in Vitro Study**

## **ABSTRACT**

Low-power helium neon laser recently has been used numerously in medical applications. FTIR and UV-Vis spectroscopic technique is employed to study the spectral differences in the serum of whole blood samples

**Aims:** To study (He-Ne) laser( $\lambda = 632\text{nm}$ , power= $2\text{mW}$ ) effect on human whole blood, after irradiated to different times from 10 min to 50 min.

**Study design:** Human Whole Blood Irradiated to (He-Ne) laser( $\lambda = 632\text{nm}$ , power= $2\text{mW}$ )

**Place and Duration of Study:** Institute of laser, Sudan university of science and technology (SUST), Soba Hospital, Khartoum- Sudan, February 2018.

**Methodology:** Blood samples were collected from healthy volunteers; blood sample exposed to( H-N) laser and control compared; UV-vis spectrophotometer and FTIR were used to study the effect of laser radiation.

**Results:** Absorption spectrum and FTIR spectra of whole are compared before and after He-Ne laser radiation shows, a significant decrease in intensity. FTIR spectrum of non exposed blood show the peaks due to O-H (free group), C=O (amide I group), N=O (nitro group), and C-H (aromatic group). N-H (Amino acid (amide II) Laser radiation changes in transmittance in FTIR spectra for C=O group and O-H, N=O, percentage of transmittance increases .the most effect are found when whole blood irradiated to He-Ne laser radiation for 10 and 20 min and transmittance decreases for C-H, and N-H, due to denaturation of protein.

**Conclusion:** Photodegradation of blood components due to absorption of laser radiation causes changes in the structure and conformational changes in the polypeptide and decrease intensity.

*Keywords: Laser, blood, UV-Vis, FTIR, spectroscopic*

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

Low-intensity helium neon laser has been used extensively in medical applications lately. Interaction of lasers with biological materials such as blood, skin, and tissues is an important to be understood. The study of blood change by spectroscopic techniques can be used for understanding the biological nature of the disease, and also for the diagnosis of the disease. [1,2]

Photobiomodulations involves exposing tissues to low level light. This type of therapy called Low level laser therapy (LLLT), also known as cold laser therapy as

the power densities used produces no heating effect on the tissues. LLLT has a photochemical affect which means the light is absorbed and cause a chemical change. [3,4,5]

FTIR and UV-Vis spectroscopic technique is employed to study the spectral differences in the serum of normal blood samples[2], Blood samples were irradiated by He-Ne laser (Wavelength  $\lambda = 632.8$  nm, Power = 3mW). The FTIR spectra for FTIR spectra of irradiated blood samples. Show significant changes.[1] He Ne laser ( $\lambda = 632$ nm, power=2mW) is used to irradiate human Red blood cells Absorption spectrum, FTIR and fluorescence spectra of RBC The absorption spectrum of RBC after exposure to He-Ne laser shows a significant decrease in absorbance. The FTIR spectrum of irradiated RBC clearly show changes in transmittance, [6] some rheological factors of the human blood, such as complete blood count (CBC) parameters and blood sedimentation rate (BSR) effected by low-level laser radiation (LLLR) laser blood biostimulations investigated the effect of LLLT on rheological parameters of human blood, they noticed a change in both viscosity and size of erythrocytes, [7].human blood exposed to low-intensity He-Ne-laser radiation causes clearly defined changes in the IR and visible absorption spectra of the blood and erythrocytes. These spectral changes arise as a result of partial photo dissociation of hemoglobin–ligand[8]

this paper investigate the effect of He-Ne laser (Wavelength  $\lambda = 632.8$  nm, Power = 2mW) with different exposure time using UV-Vis spectrophotometer and FTIR spectrometer.

## **2. MATERIAL AND METHODS**

### **2.1 Samples Collection**

Blood samples were taken from healthy volunteers; 3 ml of each volunteer by medical standard laboratory conditions and blood samples were saved in tube to prevent from coagulation to (EDTA) and each sample was divided into two samples one sample was control and other exposed to helium-neon laser with different exposure times.

### **2.2 laser irradiated**

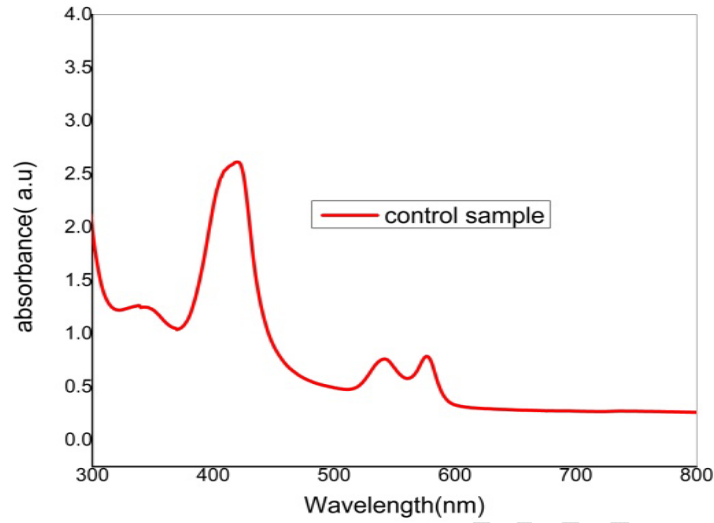
Samples were exposed to a Helium-Neon laser beam, operating in continuous wave mod, as a radiation source (632.8 nm, 2 mW), for (10, 20, 30, 40 and 50) minutes The distance between the laser source and the samples was set to be 10 cm and the diameter of laser spot was chosen to be 1.5 cm.. to studied the effect of laser radiation were used UV-vis spectrophotometer (Jasco-670) and Fourier Transform Infra Red Spectra (FTIR) were obtained used FTIR spectrophotometer (shimadzo) for control, and He-Ne laser irradiated blood serum samples.

### 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

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#### 3.1 UV-vis spectra

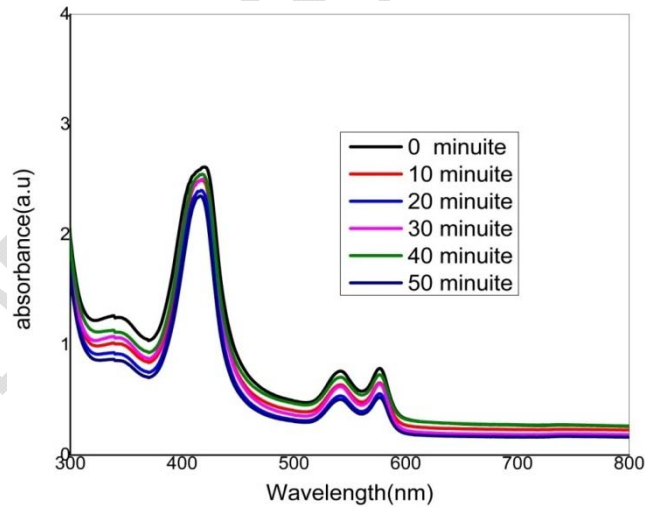
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63 **Figure .1 Spectrum of non- irradiated blood sample (control).**

64 Figure .1 shows the spectrum of non- irradiated blood sample (control). This spectrum  
65 referred to non- irradiated blood sample which specified by peaks at (576.0, 542.0, 416.0  
66 and 340.0) nm with intensities 0.793, 0.755, 2.604 and 1.253 respectively.



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68 **Figure 2. Relation between Absorbance (a) and wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) for whole blood before**  
69 **and after irradiated to (He-Ne) laser power 2 mW**

70 The absorption spectra of the whole blood recorded in the range of 300–800 nm Figure 2.  
71 Contain absorption bands with  $\lambda_{\max} = 340, 416$  nm, a doublet band with  $\lambda_{\max} = 542$  and 576  
72 nm. We investigated only those changes in the absorption spectra of the whole blood  
73 exposed to the (He-Ne laser) radiation that were detected for all of the samples studied.

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**Table.1 The intensity of normal and irradiated samples**

Wave number 1/cm	Absorbance a.u					
	control	10 min	20 min	30 min	40 min	50 min
340	1.253	1.01	0.933	1.065	1.12	0.868
416	2.604	2.49	2.391	2.501	2.538	2.347
542	0.755	0.633	0.536	0.614	0.699	0.492
576	0.793	0.653	0.547	0.633	0.718	0.525

76 Different serum samples are analyzed quantitatively by calculating the intensities among the  
 77 absorption peaks which is show decrease intensity, all irradiated serum sample less than  
 78 control serum sample. These results indicate to that there is photo degradation happened to  
 79 the blood components.

80 Absorption intensity slightly decreases for all peaks at, due to increasing ligand electro  
 81 negativity [9].

82 In the UV-visible absorption spectrum of the irradiated blood, (figure.2 and table1)  
 83 the most intense absorption band at 416 nm, the light with this wavelength that strikes this  
 84 biological tissues will be highly absorbed. This phenomenon is the key for the desired effect  
 85 on the tissues [10]. Figure 2 compared the light absorption at 340nm, 414nm, 542nm and  
 86 576nm for different irradiation time. The minimum light absorption occurred at 50 minutes of  
 87 irradiation with the less intensities recorded.

### 88 3.2 FTIR spectra

89 **Table .2 FTIR spectral data (wave number, function group and transmission) for**  
 90 **normal blood control**

FTIR spectral data for normal blood (control )			
Sr. No	Wave number 1/cm	Group	% T
1	3444.63	O-H	0.48
2	1650.95	C=O	1.19
3	1548.73	N=O	6.36
4	1452.30	C-H	14.26
5	1317.29	N-H	15.3
6	1168.78	C-O	17.12

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95 **Table .3 FTIR spectral data (wave number, function group and transmission) for**96 **irradiated blood sample blood control**

<b>FTIR spectrum of blood irradiated with he-ne laser for duration 10, 20, 30,40 and 50 min</b>				
<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Irradiated Time (minute)</b>	<b>Wave number 1/CM</b>	<b>Group</b>	<b>T%</b>
1	10	3396.77	O-H	0.77
2		1650.96	C=O	1.78
3		1545.10	N=O	4.49
4		1450.73	C-H	15.20
5		1312.59	N-H	16.12
6		1161.74	C-O	18.70
7	20	3442.45	O-H	0.65
8		1651.63	C=O	1.68
9		1545.10	N=O	4.68
10		1451.01	C-H	11.43
11		1312.59	N-H	12.58
12		1161.74	C-O	13.76
13	30	3410.57	O-H	4.92
14		1651.63	C=O	6.50
15		1551.23	N=O	12.82
16		1451.01	C-H	22.14

17	1312.59	C-H / N-H	24.29
18	1167.96	C-O	26.31
19	3304.04	O-H	12.12
20	1645.41	C=O	13.21
21	1545.10	N=O	16.46
22	1447.23	C-H	25.43
23	1312.59	N-H	27.11
24	1161.74	C-O	28.50
25	3442.45	O-H	2.49
26	1651.63	N-H	6.46
27	1545.10	N=O	12.54
28	1451.01	C-H	22.28
29	1318.81	N-H	23.44
30	1167.96	C-O	25.59

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98 An FTIR spectrum of whole blood in vitro without laser radiation is shown in (Figure) 3.

99 Table2. Shows the groups OH, C=O, N=O, C-O and C-H in the region between the wave

100 number 4000 1/cm to 500 1/cm. The most intense absorption band in proteins is the amide

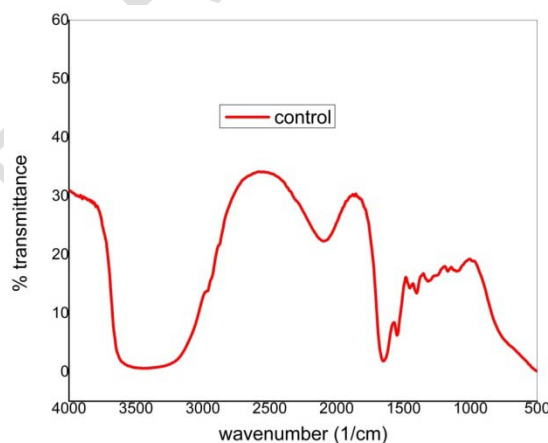
101 I peak, which is observed at 1650.95 1/cm. Amide I is mainly associated with C=O

102 symmetric stretching and or C-O stretching vibrations. There are another very strong  
103 prominent amide absorptions one at 1545  $1/\text{cm}$  due to strong N-H in plane bending and  
104 termed as an Amide II band. The strong characteristic band at 3295  $1/\text{cm}$  due to N-H  
105 symmetric stretching confirmed the existence of amino acid group [2] The medium band at  
106 2873  $1/\text{cm}$  due to C-H asymmetric and symmetric stretching of  $\text{CH}_3$  group established the  
107 presence of lipids and the medium bands at 2854  $1/\text{cm}$  due to C-H symmetric stretching of  
108  $\text{CH}_2$  group established the presence of lipids, fatty acids [11,12,13,14]. The FTIR spectra of  
109 blood showed clear bands at 1080, and 1245  $1/\text{cm}$ , are composed of mononuclear cells  
110 containing nucleic acids such as DNA and RNA. The nucleic acid components found in  
111 WBCs.[9]

112 Whole blood sample is irradiated to He-Ne laser radiation for 10, 20, 30, 40 min. and 50 min  
113 duration respectively, figure (4 to 8) table 3. Shows the groups associated with spectral  
114 peaks whole sample irradiated to

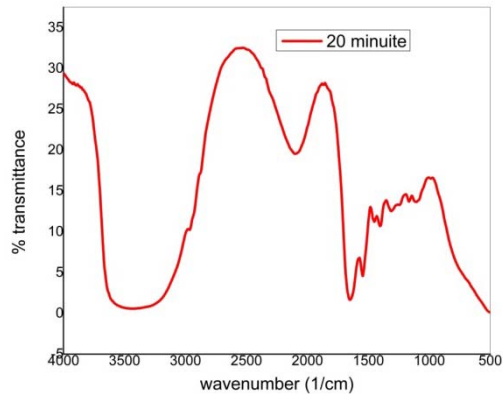
115 He-Ne laser radiation for 10 min duration shows increase in transmittance for all groups  
116 except for C-H decreases due to denaturation of protein.

117 FTIR spectra of whole blood irradiated with He-Ne laser for 20 minutes show decreases in  
118 transmission for group, C-H, and N-H, to denaturation of protein. i.e. it breaks the  
119 polypeptide bonds due to conformational changes of proteins, But in 30, 40, 50 minutes  
120 show increase in transmittance for all groups for all groups is observed. Laser irradiation of  
121 blood causes changes in absorption band in stretching and bending vibrations of peptide  
122 group.

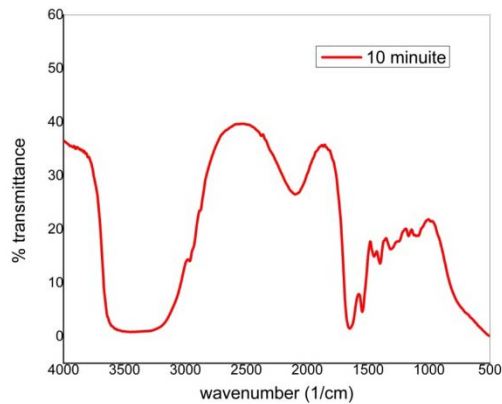


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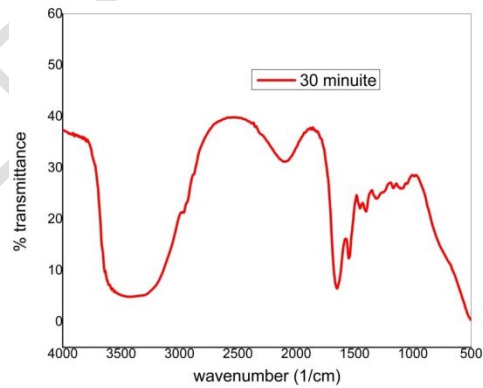
124 **Figure ( 3), FTIR spectrum for normal blood samples (control)**



**Figure (4), FTIR spectrum for irradiated blood to He-Ne laser (10 min)**



**Figure (5), FTIR spectrum for irradiated blood to He-Ne laser (20 min)**



**Figure (6), FTIR spectrum for irradiated blood to He-Ne laser (30 min)**



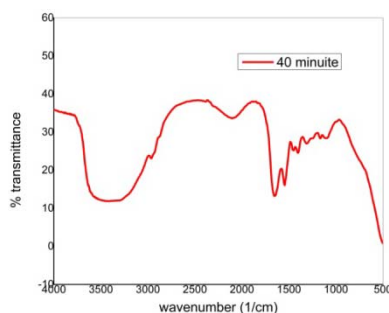


Figure (7), FTIR spectrum for irradiated blood to He-Ne laser (40 min)

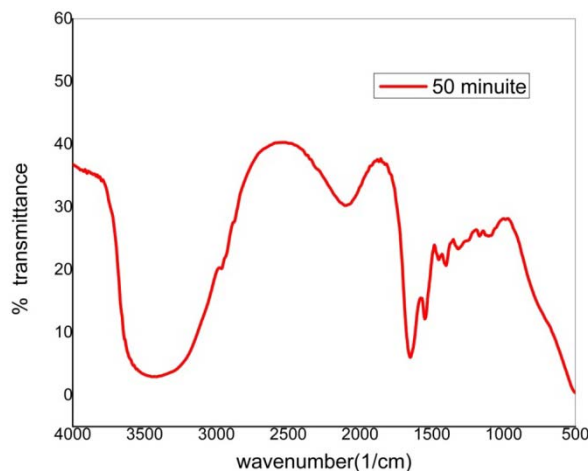


Figure (8), FTIR spectrum for irradiated blood to He-Ne laser (50 min)

#### 4. CONCLUSION

It has been shown that laser radiation effect on blood at the molecular level. Hemoglobin is a blood photoacceptor that selectively absorbs He-Ne Laser radiation power 2mW, (632.8 nm). The absorption of laser radiation by blood leads to partial photodissociation. show decrease intensity, all irradiated serum sample less than control serum sample This result indicate to that there is photodegradation happened to the blood components. This causes changes in the structure and conformational changes in the polypeptide of N-H and CO and COO- groups in the regions 1500–1700 and 3000–3500 cm<sup>-1</sup> of the IR spectrum.

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