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Title: Effect of Desmodium gangeticum extract on blood glucose in rats and on insulin secretion in vitro

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Author Keywords: Desmodium gangeticum; Papilionaceae; antidiabetic; insulin secretion; lipid profile

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Abstract: Desmodium gangeticum is widely used in the indigenous system of medicine in India and is reported to contain flavone and isoflavonoid glycosides. It forms the ingredient of many Ayurvedic formulations used for diabetes. The present study was thus aimed at evaluating the insulin secretion and antidiabetic activity of Desmodium gangeticum. Treatment of diabetic rats with aerial parts of D. gangeticum extract (DG, 100 and 250mg/kg body weight) for 3 weeks showed a significant reduction in blood glucose. D. gangeticum extract caused a significant increase in insulin secretion from MIN6 cells grown as monolayers and as pseudo-islets, indicating that the antidiabetic activity may be as a result of increased insulin secretion. It also had a role on the lipid profile of the rats by causing reductions in cholesterol and triglycerides and increasing the HDL significantly ($p < 0.05$). This work supports the traditional use of D. gangeticum in the treatment of diabetes and this is likely to be due, at least in part, to its stimulation of insulin secretion by pancreatic islet cells.

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Title: Antimicrobial activity of some Indian mosses

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Author Keywords: mosses; antibacteric activity; antifungal activity

Abstract: The present study was designed to evaluate the antimicrobial activity of ethanolic extracts of 15 Indian mosses. The antibacterial activity of ethanolic extracts was investigated against five G(+) and six G(-) bacterial strains. Antimycotic activity was assayed against 8 fungi. Sphagnum junghuhnianum, Barbula javanica, Barbula arcuata, Brachythecium populetan, Brachythecium rutabulum, Mnium marginatum and Entodon cf rubicundus were found to be most active against all the organisms. (c) 2006 Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.

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Abstract: Quantification of bioactive principles through modern analytical tools is essential for establishing the authenticity, creditability, prescription and usage of Ayurvedic medicines/herbal formulations. 'Chyavanprash' is one of the oldest and most popular Ayurvedic preparations, used widely as a health promotive and disease preventive 'Rasayana' drug in India and elsewhere. The rejuvenating and tonic properties of 'Chyavanprash' are considered majorly due to their antioxidant principles, which in turn is due to the presence of phenolic compounds. A simple high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) method for the separation and quantitative determination of the major antioxidant compounds from 'Chyavanprash' has been developed. The use of Waters Symmetry((R)) column and an acidic mobile phase enabled the efficient

separation of phenolic compounds (catechin, quercetin-3-O-rutinoside, syringic acid and gallic acid) within a 35 min analysis. Validation of the method was done with a view to demonstrate its selectivity, linearity, precision, accuracy and robustness. In addition optimization of the complete extraction of phenolic compounds were also studied. (c) 2006 Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.

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Title: Action of (2 → 1)fructo-oligopolysaccharide fraction of Chlorophytum borivilianum against streptozotocin-induced oxidative stress

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Abstract: A fructo-oligosaccharide was isolated from Chlorophytum borivilianum and identified as O-beta-D-fructofuranosyl-(2 → 1)-(beta-D-fructofuranosyl)(n)-(2 → 1)-alpha-D-glucopyranoside (n = 5-30) using high-pressure anion exchange chromatography, MALDI-MS, NMR, GC, HPTLC and chemical analysis. The extract and the fructo-oligosaccharide were found to have significant antidiabetic activity with the blood sugar levels being 118.32 +/- 3.56 and 110.21 +/- 4.22, respectively, as compared to the control value of 231.25 +/- 3.03 along with moderate antioxidant activity in streptozotocin-included diabetic animals.

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Title: Antimicrobial, wound healing and antioxidant activity of Plagiochasma appendiculatum Lehm. et Lind

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Author Keywords: antimicrobial activity; antioxidant; wound healing; Plagiochasma appendiculatum; phytochemical constituents

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Abstract: Plagiochasma appendiculatum (Aytoniaceae) of the order Marchantiales is widely used in the form of paste ethnomedicinally by Gaddi tribe in Kangra valley for treating skin diseases. In this context, antimicrobial potential of Plagiochasma appendiculatum against a wide range of microorganisms was studied. To validate the ethnotherapeutic claims of the plant in skin diseases, wound healing activity was studied, besides antioxidant activity to understand the mechanism of wound healing activity. The plant (alcoholic and aqueous extract) showed significant antibacterial and antifungal activity against almost all the organisms: Micrococcus luteus, Bacillus subtilis, Bacillus cereus, Staphylococcus aureus, Streptococcus pneumoniae,

Enterobacter aerogenes, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Salmonella typhimurium*, and eight fungi *Candida albicans* and *Cryptococcus albidus*-dimorphic fungi, *Trichophyton rubrum*-dermatophyte fungi, *Aspergillus niger*, *Aspergillus flavus*, *Aspergillus spinulosus*, *Aspergillus terreus* and *Aspergillus nidulans*-systemic fungi, with especially good activity against the dermatophyte (*Trichophyton rubrum*) and some infectious bacteria (*Escherichia coli*, *Proteus mirabilis* and *Salmonella typhimurium*) with an MIC of 2.5 µg/disc. The results show that *Plagiochasma appendiculatum* extract has potent wound healing capacity as evident from the wound contraction and increased tensile strength. The results also indicated that *Plagiochasma appendiculatum* extract possesses potent antioxidant activity by inhibiting lipid peroxidation and increase in the superoxide dismutase (SOD) and Catalase activity. (c) 2006 Elsevier Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

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Author Keywords: *Anogeissus latifolia*; antiulcer; antimicrobial; antioxidant

Keywords Plus: GASTRIC-MUCOSA; RATS; ULCER; SECRETION; DISEASE; BARK

Abstract: Ethnobotanically, the bark of *Anogeissus latifolia* (Roxb. ex. DC.) Wall. ex Guill. & Perr.(Combretaceae) has been reported to be used in the treatment of various disorders including stomach and skin diseases. We studied the antiulcer potential and antimicrobial activity of the 50% aqueous alcoholic extract in order to validate ethnobotanical claims regarding the plant use in the above-mentioned disorders. Gastroprotective potential of the *Anogeissus latifolia* extract (ALE) (100 and 200 mg/kg/body weight) was studied on aspirin, cold-resistant stress (CRS), pylorus ligated (PL) and ethanol-induced ulcers. Status of the antioxidant enzymes superoxide dismutase (SOD) and catalase along with lipid peroxidation (LPO) was also studied in CRS-induced ulcers. The results of the present study showed for the first time that the ALE possessed gastroprotective activity as evidenced by its significant inhibition in the formation of ulcers induced by physical and chemical agents with a maximum of 84.16% curation (200 mg/kg body weight) in CRS-induced ulcers. ALE decreased LPO and SOD with concomitant increase in

catalase activity in CRS-induced ulcers. Moderate antibacterial activity and antifungal activity was also observed. High performance thin layer chromatography (HPTLC) showed the presence of gallic acid and ellagic acid (0.95%, w/w, 0.25%, w/w, respectively) in the plant. These findings could justify, at least partially, the inclusion of this plant in the management of gastric disorders in traditional medicine. (c) 2005 Elsevier Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

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Author(s): Mishra, S; Srivastava, S; Tripathi, RD; Govindarajan, R; Kuriakose, SV; Prasad, MNV

Title: Phytochelatin synthesis and response of antioxidants during cadmium stress in *Bacopa monnieri* L

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Abstract: The phytotoxicity imposed by cadmium (Cd) and its detoxifying responses of *Bacopa monnieri* L. have been investigated. Effect on biomass, photosynthetic pigments and protein level were evaluated as gross effect, while lipid peroxidation and electrolyte leakage reflected oxidative stress. Induction of phytochelatins and enzymatic and non-enzymatic antioxidants were monitored as plants primary and secondary metal detoxifying responses, respectively. Plants accumulated substantial amount of Cd in different plant parts (root, stem and leaf), the maximum being in roots (9240.11 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ dw after 7 d at 100 μM). Cadmium induced oxidative stress, which was indicated by increase in lipid peroxidation and electrical conductivity with increase in metal concentration and exposure duration. Photosynthetic pigments showed progressive decline while protein showed slight increase at lower concentrations. Enzymes viz., Superoxide dismutase (SOD, EC 1.15. 1.1), guaiacol peroxidase (GPX, EC 1.11. 1.7) ascorbate peroxidase (APX, EC 1.11.1.11) and glutathione reductase (GR, EC 1.6.4.2) showed stimulation except catalase (CAT, EC 1.11.1.6) which showed declining trend. Initially, an enhanced level of cysteine, glutathione and non-protein thiols was observed, which depleted with increase in

exposure concentration and duration. Phytochelatin induced significantly at 10 μ M Cd in roots and at 50 μ M Cd in leaves. The phytochelatin decreased in roots at 50 μ M Cd, which may be correlated with reduced level of GSH, probably due to reduced GR activity, which exerted increased oxidative stress as also evident by the phenotypic changes in the plant like browning of roots and slight yellowing of leaves. Thus, besides synthesis of phytochelatin, availability of GSH and concerted activity of GR seem to play a central role for *Bacopa* plants to combat oxidative stress caused by metal and to detoxify it. Plants ability to accumulate and tolerate high amount of Cd through enhanced level of PCs and various antioxidants suggest it to be a suitable candidate for phytoremediation. (c) 2006 Elsevier SAS. All rights reserved.

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Abstract: *Hygrophila auriculata* (K. Schum.) Heine (Family: Acanthaceae) is a wild herb widely used in 'Ayurveda' as 'Rasayana' drug for treatment of various disorders. Treatment of diabetic rats with aerial parts of *Hygrophila auriculata* extract (HAEt, 100 and 250 mg/kg body weight) for 3 weeks showed significant reduction in blood glucose, thiobarbituric acid reactive substances (TBARS) and hydroperoxide in both liver and kidney. The treatment with HAEt significantly increased the glutathione (GSH), glutathione peroxidase (GPx), glutathione S-transferase (GST) and catalase (CAT) in the drug-treated group, which is comparable to the control group. HAEt and glibenclamide-treated rats also showed decreased lipid peroxidation that is associated with increased activity of superoxide dismutase (SOD) and catalase. The ability of HAEt on tissue lipid peroxidation and antioxidant status in diabetic animals has not been studied before. The result of this study thus shows that HAEt possesses significant antidiabetic activity along with potent antioxidant potential in diabetic conditions. (c) 2005 Elsevier Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

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Abstract: Chlorophytum tuberosum Baker commonly referred as 'Musli' has been widely used as a potent 'Rasayana' drug in 'Ayurveda' as a rejuvenator and tonic. Antioxidant potential of Chlorophytum tuberosum has been investigated for their ability to scavenge 1,1-diphenyl picryl hydrazyl (DPPH), nitric oxide radical along with their capacity to reduce lipid peroxidation in rat liver homogenate, chelation of ferrous ion, radical scavenging potential using chemiluminescence and their total antioxidant capacity. Sugar, starch, protein, and Vitamin C content were estimated spectrophotometrically along with the percentages of the individual amino acids by HPLC and individual Sugars by using HPTLC as standardization tool. The extract has been found to possess antioxidant activity in all the models tested as evident by IC50 values being 225.31, 888.44, 809.22 and 422.97 μ g/ml for scavenging of DPPH, nitric oxide, lipid peroxidation and ferric bi-pyridyl complex, respectively, along with an integral antioxidant activity of 2.986 nmol ascorbic acid/g equivalents in photochemiluminescence assay. (c) 2005 Elsevier Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

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Abstract: The disease preventive and health promotive approach of 'Ayurveda', which takes into consideration the whole body, mind and spirit while dealing with the maintenance of health, promotion of health and treating ailments is holistic and finds increasing acceptability in many regions of the world. Ancient Ayurvedic physicians had developed certain dietary and therapeutic measures to arrest/delay ageing and rejuvenating whole functional dynamics of the body system. This revitalization and rejuvenation is known as the 'Rasayan chikitsa' (rejuvenation therapy). Traditionally, Rasayana drugs are used against a plethora of seemingly diverse disorders with no pathophysiological connections according to modern medicine. Though, this group of plants generally possesses strong antioxidant activity, only a few have been investigated in detail. Over about 100 disorders like rheumatoid arthritis, hemorrhagic shock, CVS disorders, cystic fibrosis, metabolic disorders, neurodegenerative diseases, gastrointestinal ulcerogenesis and AIDS have been reported as reactive oxygen species mediated. In this review, the role of free radicals in these diseases has been briefly reviewed. 'Rasayana' plants with potent antioxidant activity have been reviewed for their traditional uses, and mechanism of antioxidant action. Fifteen such plants have been dealt with in detail and some more plants with less work have also been reviewed briefly. (c) 2005 Elsevier Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

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Abstract: *Anogeissus latifolia* is widely used in the Indian indigenous system of medicine and is reported to contain leucocyanidins and tannoid principles like ellagic acid and its derivatives. In view of its wide use and its chemical composition, this study was aimed at examining the antioxidant activity of the extract of *A. latifolia*. The extract was studied for total antioxidant capacity, hydrogen-donating ability, nitric oxide, superoxide scavenging activity, hydrogen peroxide decomposition activity along with lipid peroxidation. Integral antioxidative capacity was determined by chemiluminescence assay. The extract was also studied for lipid peroxidation assay by thiobarbituric acid-reactive substances (TBARS) method using rat liver homogenate. The results indicate that *A. latifolia* extract has potent antioxidant activity. Also to ascertain the possible reason for the potent activity, percentage of gallic acid was estimated and was found to be 0.95%, which could be one of the reasons for potent antioxidant activity exhibited by the plant.

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Abstract: The effect of 50% ethanolic extract of Utleria salicifolia (USE) was assessed in different acute and chronic gastric ulcer models in rats. USE, 50-200 mg/kg administered orally, twice daily for 5 days showed dose-dependent ulcer protective effect in pylorus ligation (14.48-51.03% protection, $P < 0.5$ to $P < 0.01$), aspirin (28.80-56.52% protection, $P < 0.5$ to $P < 0.05$), ethanol (13.22-60.74% protection, $P < 0.05$ to $P < 0.001$), cold-restraint stress (21.22-77.14% protection, $P < 0.05$ to $P < 0.001$), and acetic acid (20.0-84.37% protection, $P < 0.5$ to $P < 0.001$)-induced acute and chronic ulcers. USE also significantly ($P < 0.001$) reduced the ulcer incidence (50 and 10%) and severity (67.83 and 91.34% protection) of duodenal ulcer, induced by cysteamine. Besides USE offered protection (53.52 and 60.58%) against ethanol-induced depletion of gastric wall mucus. However, USE reduced the ulcer index with significant decrease in plasma corticosterone (25.53 and 39.52% protection, $P < 0.1$ and $P < 0.05$), lipid peroxidation (18.75 and 47.92% protection, $P < 0.01$ and $P < 0.001$), superoxide dismutase (15.80 and 26.61 % protection, $P < 0.05$ and $P < 0.001$) and increased in catalase (28.42 and 71.0% protection, $P < 0.05$ and $P < 0.001$) activity, respectively. Preliminary phytochemical screening of the USE gave the positive test for steroids, alkaloids, terpenoids, saponins and tannins. The HPTLC studies in the toluene: ethyl acetate: formic acid and the densitometric scanning, at 254 nm gave three major spots with area corresponding to 28.16, 17.17. and 13.79% at 0.69, 0.78, and 0.88 Rt values, respectively. The results indicate that USE possesses antiulcer activity. (C) 2004 Elsevier Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

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Author Keywords: Desmodium gangeticum; diphenyl picryl hydrazyl (DPPH); nitric oxide; hypochlorous acid; ferryl-bipyridyl; lipid peroxidation

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Abstract: Desmodium gangeticum is herbal species which is widely used in the indigenous system of medicine and is reported to contain flavone and isoflavanoid glycosides. In view of its wide use and its chemical composition, this study was aimed at examining the antioxidant activity of the extract of *D. gangeticum*. The extract was studied for diphenyl picryl hydrazyl (DPPH), nitric oxide, ferryl-bipyridyl and hypochlorous acid scavenging activity along with lipid peroxidation. Nitric oxide was generated using sodium nitroprusside and was studied using Griess reagent. In order to study the iron chelating capacity of the extract, the percentage ferryl-bipyridyl inhibition was studied. Hypochlorous acid scavenging activity was tested by measuring the inhibition of 5-thio-2-nitrobenzoic acid oxidation. The extract was also studied for lipid peroxidation assay by thiobarbituric acid-reactive substances (TBARS) method using rat brain homogenate. The results indicate that *D. gangeticum* extract has potent antioxidant activity.

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Abstract: Recent discoveries of non-classical beta-lactam antibiotics such as nocardines, monobactams and thienamycin have stimulated much interest(1,2,3). Besides this, the unique feature of these strained molecules is that these heterocycles are becoming powerful building blocks for the synthesis of a variety of organic compounds(4,5). During the present work, azetidione and thiazolidinone derivatives of 3-chloro, 4-fluoro aniline and 4-chloro aniline were prepared. The synthesis was further extended for deriving arylidene derivatives from the thiazolidinones.

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Abstract: A series of azetidinones (JA1-6) and thiazolidinones (JT1-4) derivatives of pyrazinoic acid were prepared and studied for their in vitro antitubercular (Mycobacterium tuberculosis H-37 Rv strain), antifungal (Candida albicans and Aspergillus fumigatus) and antibacterial activity (Staphylococcus aureus, Bacillus, Escherichia coli and Psuedomonas aeruginosa). Compounds were not effective against the species belonging to Candida, however they were effective on Aspergillus fumigatus at 1 mug/ml. Compounds thiazolidinones and azetidinones and Schiff's bases were only effective, whereas the hydrazide failed to show any antifungal activity. This was substantiated further during antitubercular screening both azetidinones and thiazolidinones proved to be effective antitubercular agents. This variation in activity is due to the difference in the structure of cell wall of bacteria and the Mycobacteria.

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Abstract: A series of pyrazinoyl derivatives were prepared and studied for their in vitro activity against the human strain Mycobacterium tuberculosis H(37)Rv. Pyrazinoic acid hydrazide was condensed with carbon disulphide to obtain oxadiazolethione derivative, which was further, converted in to Mannich bases, The acid hydrazide was further reacted with phenyl isothiocyanate and later cyclised to form triazolethione. For comparison of results thiadiazole derivative was also synthesized.

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