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PHYTOCHEMICAL PROFILING AND ISOLATION OF BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS FROM ALSTONIA SCHOLARIS FLOWERS

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<p>Article History</p> <p>Received: 02/05/2024 Revised : 25/05/2024 Accepted : 28/05/2024</p> <p>DOI: 10.62896/ijpdd.1.6.13</p>  	<p>Abstract:</p> <p>Utilizing methanolic concentrates of Indian villain tree leaves, follicles, and plastic to assess their phytochemical arrangement, antibacterial action, and cancer prevention agent properties. The methanol removes were found to have antibacterial movement against both Gram +ve (<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>) and Gram - ve (<i>Escherichia coli</i>, <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>) microorganisms by the utilization of well dissemination methods. To decide the cell reinforcement profiles of the methanol removes, we utilized ferric thiocyanate lessening tests, superoxide anion outspread searching, and 1,1-diphenyl-2-picryl-hydrazil (DPPH) free extremist rummaging. Pertinoids (97.3 mg QE/g DW), proanthocyanidins (99.3 mg CE/g DW), and phenolics (49.7 mg GAE/g DW) were all present in critical focuses in the leaf extricate as per its phytochemical examination. Follicle and plastic concentrates had comparative measures of proanthocyanidins, flavonoids, and phenolics. Yet, follicular concentrate had a lot higher proanthocyanidin contents (46.8 mg CE/gDW). The antibacterial exercises of plastic concentrate were the most grounded of the relative multitude of concentrates tried. While each of the concentrates displayed critical DPPH free extremist and superoxide anion rummaging capacities, just the leaf separate areas of strength for showed and ferrous particle chelating exercises. A researcher's leaf, follicle, and plastic concentrates showed intense cell reinforcement attributes, as indicated by the review's outcomes. Conceivable antimicrobial impacts of plastic concentrate.</p> <p>Keyword: <i>Alstonia Scholaris</i>, Antibacterial, Antioxidant, Follicles, Latex, Phenolics</p>
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1. INTRODUCTION

In the 21st century, natural products have made a significant contribution to the drug development process [1] [2]. They have shown to be the most fruitful source of leads for medication development, hands down [3]. The majority of active substances found in conventional medical sources might provide useful scaffolds for logical drug creation. According to estimates from the World Health Organization, around 80% of people on the planet receive their main medical treatment exclusively from traditional medicine practitioners [4] [5]. Numerous bioactive compounds have been reported for the members of the *Apocynaceae* family, making them well-known for their medicinal uses [6]. The *Apocynaceae* plant *Alstonia scholaris*, also referred to as Saptaparni, has a wealth of pharmacological and pharmacognostic uses [7]. The pharmacological properties of extracts derived from various plant components, including their anti-inflammatory, antiviral, anti-cancer, and anti-diabetic properties, have been investigated [8]. There were, however, few studies on the biological action of floral extracts [9] [10]. Several antimicrobial screening techniques have been used to evaluate the floral extracts' antibacterial potential against significant oral infections.

2. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

2.1. Plant matter and its extraction

Fresh leaves were gathered from 8–12-foot-tall *A. scholaris* trees that were growing wild on the CCS University campus and in the neighboring suburbs of Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, India. The tree was loaded with follicles in February and March, which is when the follicles were gathered. To gather milky white latex in a beaker, follicles were sliced with a sharp blade and crushed. Until it was utilized, latex was kept in a refrigerator between 0 and 4 degrees Celsius. For drying, a certain quantity of leaves and follicles (100 g each) were stored in an oven at 40 °C. Using a mortar and pestle, dried leaves and follicles were ground into powder. In separate Erlenmeyer flasks, 10 g of leaf and follicular powder was extracted using 25–50 ml of methanol for a whole day. The extraction procedure was carried out three times, with the resultant extracts being collected in a beaker after each extraction being filtered through 0.45- μ m filter paper. The resulting extract was then dried over a water bath for reflection. Stored at 4 °C were dried extracts.

2.2. Assay for antibacterial

Gram +ve (*Bacillus subtilis* and *Staphylococcus aureus*) and Gram - ve (*Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*) microorganisms were utilized to survey the antibacterial exercises of methanolic concentrates of plastic, leaves, and follicles utilizing the agar well dispersion procedure. Prior to adding 20 mL of media to sterile Petri dishes, the dietary agar was autoclaved at 121 °C for 15 pounds for 15 minutes to make the way of life plates. One milliliter of the inoculum slurry was pipetted consistently over the agar in Petri dishes utilizing a disinfected glass bar. Each plate has a very much made utilizing a disinfected plug drill. The all around was aseptically infused with 100 μ l of concentrates weakened in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO). Simultaneously, a control try was done utilizing DMSO. The plates were kept at 37 °C for 24 hours for brooding. The Petri plates gave indications of microbial advancement after hatching. A mark of antimicrobial adequacy was the mean restraint diameter.

2.3. Calculating the amount of phenolics

Proanthocyanidin, flavonoid, and phenolic content not entirely set in stone by referring to existing writing. The Folin-Ciocalteu reagent was applied to each example's 0.5 ml methanol remove in a different test tube. Cautious blending of the parts happened. Following two minutes, the fluid was continuously blended in with a portion of a milliliter of sodium carbonate (100 mg/ml) and permitted to represent two hours. The optical thickness of the blue arrangement was estimated at 765 nm. Per gram of dry example weight, the amount of absolute phenolic content was accounted for as milligrams of gallic corrosive same (GAE). The level of flavonoids was measured using the Jia et al. approach. The following volumes of distilled water and stock extract were added to a test tube: 1.25 ml and 250 μ l). Afterwards, allow 75 μ l of a sodium nitrate solution with a concentration of 5% to settle for five minutes. Following that, after waiting 6 minutes, 500 μ l of 1 M sodium hydroxide and 150 μ l of 10% ammonium chloride were added. In order to dilute the substance, 275 μ l of distilled water were utilized. An absorbance measurement was taken of the solution at 510 nm. The total flavonoid concentration was expressed as milligrams of quercetin equivalent (QE) per gram of dry sample weight.

The approach that was previously described was used to determine the proanthocyanidin content. The ingredients were mixed well and then let to rest for fifteen minutes at room temperature. The absorbance of the solution was measured at 500 nm. Milligrams of catechin equivalent (QE) per gram of dry sample weight was used to indicate the quantity of total proanthocyanidins.

2.4. DPPH test

One method for deciding a concentrate's cancer prevention agent movement was to perceive the way that well it rummaged 2, 2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) free revolutionaries. We permitted the concentrates to respond with DPPH after we put them in discrete test tubes. A drop in absorbance at 517 nm was utilized to evaluate the DPPH free extremist rummaging action. The standard substance utilized was BHA, which represents butylated hydroxy anisole.

2.5. Anion scavenging test with superoxide

Its capacity to rummage superoxide anion was resolved utilizing the riboflavin-light NBT strategy. A 1 ml methanol extricate from the example, 0.5 ml of phosphate cradle (50 mM pH 7.6), 0.3 ml of riboflavin (50 μ M), 0.25 ml of PMS (20 mM), 0.1 ml of NBT (0.5 mM), and 0.25 ml of examining arrangement make up the test gear. To start the response, the light from the bright light bulb was turned on. An estimation of absorbance at 560 nm was required following 20

minutes of hatching. A substance's capacity to rummage superoxide anion was determined utilizing a particular equation. We utilized quercetin and BHA as our models.

2.6. figuring out how to cut power

The decrease force of each example not set in stone by alluding to the past report. Coming up next were blended in a test tube: 2 mL of methanol separate, 2 mL of 0.2M (pH 6.6) phosphate support, and 2 mL of potassium ferricyanide (10 mg/ml). Twenty minutes of hatching at 50°C was trailed by the expansion of two milliliters of trichloroacetic corrosive (100 mg/ml). A 2 ml part of this combination was moved to a new test cylinder and afterward weakened with 2 ml of refined water. In the wake of weakening the arrangement, 0.4 cc of 0.1% ferric chloride was added and permitted to sit for 10 minutes. We tried the absorbance at 700 nm.

2.7. Assessment of the chelating activity of ferrous ions

The ferrous iron-ferrozine complex procedure was utilized to evaluate each example's methanol concentrate's ability to chelate ferrous particles, Fe²⁺. Various weakenings of the concentrates (10, 8, 6, 4, and 2 mg/ml) were created in methanol. A test tube was loaded up with an aliquot (0.8 ml) of weakened extricate, 50 µl (2 mM) of FeCl₂, and 200 µl (5 mM) of ferrozine. The combination was then hatched at 25 ± 2 °C for 10 minutes. At 562 nm, absorbance was estimated involving methanol as a clear. The action of ferrous particle chelating was registered.

3. DATA ANALYSIS AND RESULT

3.1. Components of phytochemistry

Table 1 shows the complete phenolic content, which incorporates proanthocyanidins and flavonoids, in leaf, follicle, and plastic concentrates. The discoveries showed that the aggregate sum of phenolics in the concentrates of leaves, follicles, and plastic changed altogether. Follicle and plastic concentrates were found to have lower all out phenolic content than leaf separate. Proanthocyanidins and flavonoids were bountiful in the leaf separate, with upsides of 96 mgQE/g DW and 98 McGee/g DW, separately, yet phenolics were just 50 mgGAE/g DW. While proanthocyanidins (47 mgCE/g DW) were found to be significant, the amount of flavonoids and phenolics in the follicle remove was somewhat lower than that of the leaf separate. Phenolics (16 mgGAE/g DW), flavonoids (9 mgQE/g DW), and proanthocyanidins (17 mgCE/g DW) were least plentiful in Plastic concentrate.

Table 1. Methanolic preparations of *A. scholaris* latex, follicles, and leaves contain phenolics.

The phytoconstituents	Leaves	Follicles	Latex
Phenolics (g/mg of GAE)	49.66±1.51	18.68±1.52	16.0±2.1
Flavonoids (QE/g/mg)	96.33±1.51	15.86±01.63	9±1.1
Proanthocyanidins (mg/g) of phenol	98.33±1.51	46.86±1.74	17.33±.56

3.2. Antimicrobial qualities

The bactericidal properties of the three extracts—leaves, follicles, and latex—are shown in Table 2. The results showed that a set of Gram-positive bacteria, not Gram-negative ones, were bactericidal to all of the tested extracts. The antibacterial activity of the latex extract was greater than that of the leaf and follicle extracts. A 21 mm zone of inhibition was seen with the most efficient latex extract (100 mg/ml) against *B. subtilis*. To the contrary, the investigated extracts were the least effective against *P. aeruginosa*, with a zone of inhibition of 8 mm. Comparing the sample extracts' antibacterial potential to that of commonly used antibiotics revealed a moderate level of efficacy.

Table 2. Methanolic preparations of *A. scholaris*'s leaves, follicles, and latex have antibacterial properties.

Selections / Customary	Concentration (mg/ml)	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>B. subtilis</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>E.coli</i>
Leaves	25	8	8	5	9
	50	10	15	10	11
Follicles	25	6	10	6	8
	50	10	15	9	10
Latex	25	11	15	6	9
	50	10	19	10	12
ampicillin	5	20	19	15	12

3.3. Activities for scavenging superoxide anion and DPPH free radical

In terms of their ability to scavenge DPPH free radicals, Figure 1 displays the antioxidant profiles of latex, follicles, and leaves as extracted in methanol. Among the extracts tested, the one with the highest antioxidant activity was the leaf extract (69–79%), followed by the follicle extract (49–79%), and finally the latex extract (39–57%). Follicle and leaf extracts, at 49 mg/ml and 19 mg/ml, respectively, exhibited antioxidant activity ranging from 74% to 79%. Using the riboflavin-light NBT technique, all three extracts exhibited very similar radical scavenging capabilities (79-89%) against superoxide anion. Remarkably, extracts at lower concentrations (9–19 mg/ml) showed increased superoxide anion radical-scavenging activity.

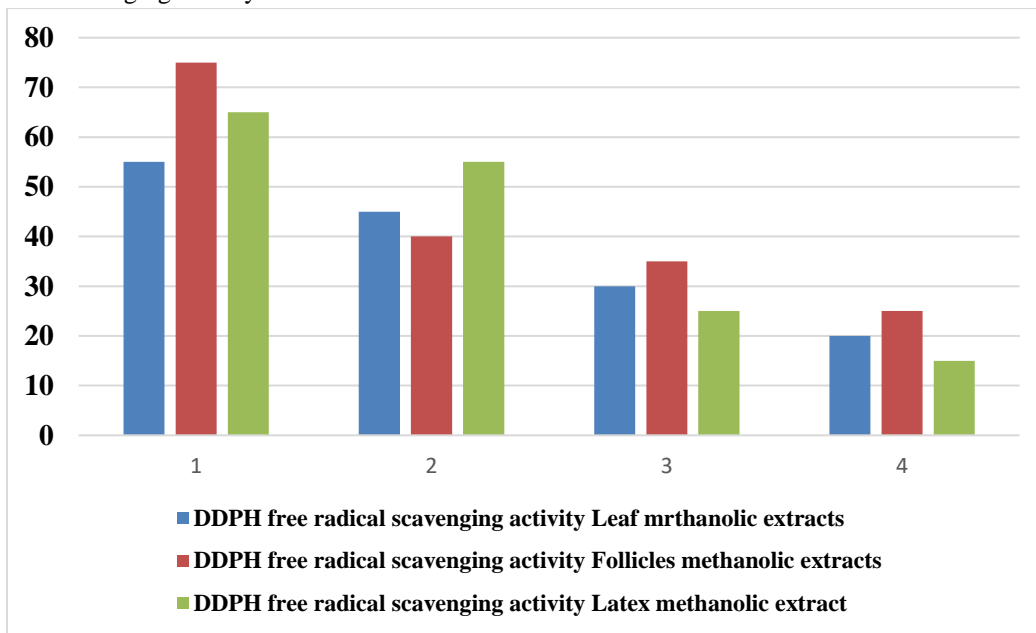


Figure 1: The ability of methanolic extracts of *A. scholaris* leaves, follicles, and latex to scavenge free radicals (DDPH).

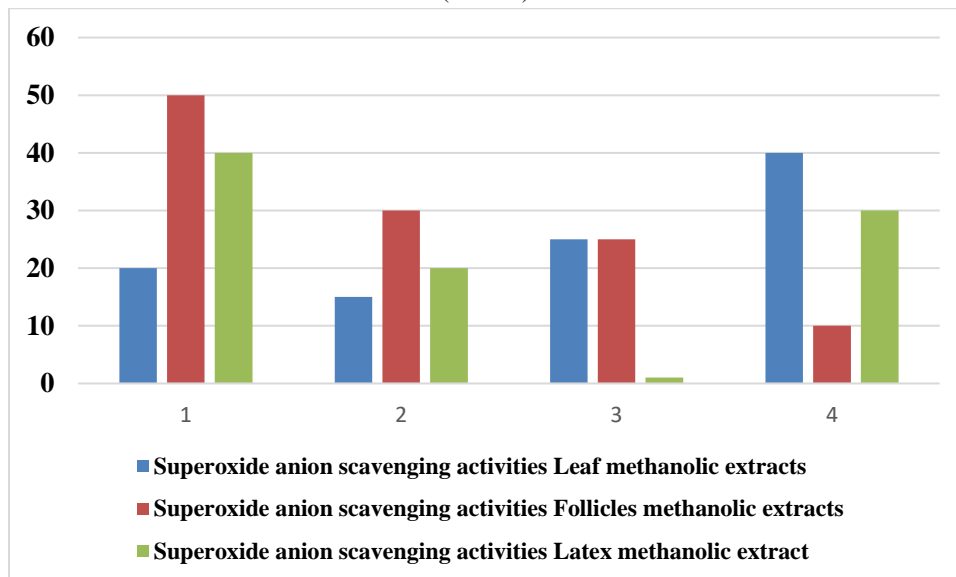


Figure 2: Methanolic preparations of *A. scholaris*'s leaves, follicles, and latex have the ability to scavenge superoxide anion.

4. DISCUSSION

Various components of *A. scholaris*, including leaves, flowers, fruits, roots, latex, and bark, have been the subject of prior research on their phytochemical composition and antibacterial properties. Research on the antioxidant properties of *A. scholaris* is currently in its early stages. There has been a dramatic increase in the study of medicinal plants as more and more people learn about the advantages of employing natural commodities in healthcare. Plants generate a wide variety of important compounds, some of which have antimicrobial and antioxidant properties. A number of naturally occurring oxidative processes are regulated and free radicals are offered protection by flavonoids and phenolics. They also prevent the oxidative breakdown of lipid components, which is a major way that food is kept fresh.

All pieces of *A. scholaris*, including the leaves, follicles, and plastic, have been depicted here, alongside their phytochemical synthesis and cell reinforcement and antibacterial properties. As per the exploration, *A. scholaris* leaves had high measures of phenolics, including flavonoids and proanthocyanidins, as opposed to the relatively humble levels identified in follicles and plastic. The aggregation of additional phenolics in the plant's green tissues (leaves) could be because of quicker photosynthesis rates. While *A. scholaris* from the Karnataka district had phenolics, the leaf separate depicted here included undeniably more flavonoids and proanthocyanidins. Besides, the phenolic content in the methanolic concentrate of *A. scholaris* leaves was a lot higher (80 mg/ml) than the levels saw in this examination, as per Kumar et al. also. *A. scholaris* bark methanolic extricate additionally had considerably more phenolics (46 mg/ml). The phenolic content of this bark separate has not been explored. In the same way as other plant species that have been concentrated before, *A. scholaris* shows variety in the phytochemical items in its different parts. Different elements impact the phytochemical structure; they incorporate topographical, hereditary, ecological, and collect related development levels. The aggregation of additional phenolics in the plant's green tissues (leaves) could be because of quicker photosynthesis rates.

The phenolic content of plants and plant parts is frequently connected with major areas of strength for them activity. In this review, we saw that as *A. scholaris* methanol separates from leaves, follicles, and plastic have solid cancer prevention agent abilities, explicitly against DPPH free extremists and superoxide anions. The capacity of the leaf concentrate to chelate and diminish ferrous particles was altogether higher than that of the follicle and plastic concentrates. A cancer prevention agent's hydrogen-giving ability is only one of a few proportions of its viability. By distinguishing the concentrate's own steady nitrogen-focused free revolutionary, DPPH, the DPPH test decides the concentrate's extremist searching limit. A change from purple to yellow is seen in the ethanolic DPPH arrangement with the development of diphenyl picryl hydrazine, a stable diamagnetic particle that goes through decrease by means of either the hydrogen revolutionary or electron gift pathway. Superoxide anions are feeble oxidants that produce hydroxyl extremists, which are extremely strong and hurtful, and singlet oxygen, an oxidative stressor. The way that polyphenols may tie ferrous particles — a metal that advances oxidation — and keeps them from creating free extremists is notable. For this situation, the leaf extricate exhibited a lot more significant levels of DPPH free extremist rummaging movement contrasted with before reports. The wealth of phyto parts and cell reinforcement exercises saw in *A. scholaris*, as well as the superior cell reinforcement exercises of its plant parts, are in accordance with the discoveries of the previously mentioned examinations. In any case, no information exist on the cell reinforcement properties of plastic methanolic separates or *A. scholaris* follicles as of now.

Additionally, follicular methanol concentrates and plastic have until recently never been read up for their antibacterial capacities. When tried against a few microbes, plastic showed the most grounded antibacterial impact, especially against *B. subtilis*. A few extra examinations have likewise shown that the leaf methanolic extricates have antibacterial movement that is very comparative. The concentrates might have more successful antibacterial impacts against Gram +ve microorganisms since these microscopic organisms don't have phospholipid layers. The antibacterial movement of the plant portions of *A. scholaris* that have been accounted for here is essentially lower than that of the regular anti-infection. All in all, methanol extraction of *A. scholaris* plant parts shown huge cell reinforcement and antibacterial action. These parts incorporate the plastic, follicles, and leaves.

5. CONCLUSION

According to studies done on *Alstonia scholaris* flowers, the plant's latex, follicles, and leaves all contain significant amounts of bioactive substances with antioxidant and antibacterial properties. These components are extracted using methanol. Compared to the follicle and latex extracts, the leaf extracts contained the greatest concentrations of

phenolic, flavonoid, and proanthocyanidin contents, which is consistent with their stronger antioxidant qualities. Antibacterial test findings indicated that latex extracts were the most efficient, particularly against *Bacillus subtilis*, despite the fact that all extracts had a small degree of efficiency against Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria. The results show that *A. scholaris* might be a good place to locate antioxidants and antibacterials in nature. More research is needed for future studies and for medicinal and pharmaceutical uses, according to this discovery.

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