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In-Vitro Antifungal Activity of Leaf extract of Leucas Aspera and there Uses Pharmaceutical Preparation

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Abstract: The aim of the present study is to probe the antimicrobial activities of methanol leaf extract of Leucas sp. Antifungal susceptibilities of clinically isolated dermatophytes to methanol extracts of Leucas Aspera and Leucas zeylanica leaves were performed using agar well Diffusion method. The result obtained shows that all the extracts expressed Remarkable antifungal activity with zone of inhibition ranging from 5 to 10mm. Maximum inhibition zone was recorded with Penicillium sp. (10 mm) while minimum inhibition zone of was recorded for Candida tropicalis (3 mm). From the study it is evident that Leucas aspera and Leucas Zeylanica possess potential antidermatophytic activity and further study on these plants may lead to explore novel bioactive compounds. In this study, we investigated and compared the total phenolic, alkaloid Content and in-vitro antioxidant activity of Leucas aspera collected from four Different regions; Tirupathi (Southern zone), Lam (Krishna river region), Jagityala (Northern Telangana) and Hyderabad (Southern Telangana) of Andhra Pradesh, India. Quantitative regional variation was observed in total Phenolic content, and alkaloid content in methanolic extracts of Leucas Aspera from above four regions of Andhra Pradesh. Concentration Dependent antioxidant activity was observed for all these extracts and also Observed regional variation for scavenging of Superoxide, Hydroxyl and DPPH Radicals. Among the four regions, Leucas aspera from Jagityala region Contains more phenolic content ($48.06\pm0.4\mu g/100 \mu g$), Tirupathi region Contains good alkaloid content (58.6±0.1µg/mg) and Hyderabad zone Showed better free radical scavenging activity (IC50 value for superoxide Radical 156.34µg, Hydroxyl radical 122.34µg and DPPH radical 57.12µg Respectively).

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