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Microscopical and Morphological Characteristics of Anti-Inflammatory Herbs: A Comprehensive Analysis

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Abstract: Anti-inflammatory herbs have been a cornerstone of traditional medicine systems worldwide due to their efficacy in alleviating inflammation and related disorders. The microscopical and morphological characteristics of anti-inflammatory herbs provide essential insights into their identification, authentication, and therapeutic applications. This comprehensive analysis highlights the structural and anatomical features of four key herbs—Curcuma longa (Turmeric), Zingiberofficinale (Ginger), Viola odorata (Sweet Violet), and Withaniasomnifera (Ashwagandha). Detailed observations of rhizomes, leaves, and flowers underscore their pharmacognostic significance, showcasing features such as cork cells with curcumin, fibrous vascular tissues, glandular trichomes, and lignified fibers. These traits not only support their traditional uses in inflammation management but also enable quality control and standardization in modern herbal medicine. Advanced analytical tools, combined with traditional pharmacognostic techniques, further enhance the precision of these studies, bridging the gap between ethnobotanical knowledge and contemporary therapeutic practices. This study reinforces the pivotal role of morphological and microscopical analyses in ensuring the safe and effective utilization of anti-inflammatory herbs in healthcare systems

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