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## Abstract

*Chrozophora Plicata* (argassi), *Senna Singueana* (Umm saaba) and *Stylochiton borumensis* (Moura) plants are widely used in traditional medicine to treat bacterial, fungal and viral infections. As a result there was need to investigate extracts of these plants and to provide scientific proof for their wide application in traditional medicine system.

Extraction of leaves and seeds of *C. Plicata*, *S. Singueana* and leaves of *S. borumensis* using solvents of increasing polarity, namely, petroleum ether, chloroform, ethyl acetate and methanol.

For qualitative and quantitative estimation of the secondary metabolites compounds of this plants and found that they contain flavonoids, tannins, alkaloids and glycosides in different concentration of the plants.

The steroid was extracted from chloroform extracts of leaves and seeds of the plants and identified by GC-MS.

The fixed oil was extracted using petroleum ether and identified the fatty acids using gas chromatography mass spectrometer.

Ethyl acetate and methanol extracts for all plants of this study showed high antioxidant scavenging activity using DPPH method.

*S. borumensis* leaves contained high concentration of essential and non essential amino acids, *S. Singueana* and *C. Plicata* leaves contained high concentration ranges of alanine, glutamic and leucine: 754.7-633.7 ppm, 835.9-922.4 ppm, and 731.6-728.6 ppm, respectively.

The percentages of total forms of Pb, Cu and As, in the reference plant material were found to be 5.28%, 0.25% and 1.51% respectively; meanwhile toxic concentrations of heavy metals in the examined plants material were not detected when compared with reference material.

The extracts were tested for anti-fungal and anti-bacterial activities, Using disc diffusion method, by used two gram positive bacteria (*Bacillus subtilis*, *S. aureus*), two gram negative bacteria (*Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Escherichia coli*) and two unit-fungal (*C. albicans*, *A. niger*), it was demonstrated that extracts of the leaves and seeds of *C. Plicata* had high anti-bacterial activities against tested organism and low anti-fungal activity against *Candida albicans* but all extracts of leaves and seeds of the plants showed high activity against *A. niger*.

*S. Borumensis* leaves showed that the petroleum ether and chloroform extracts were not active against *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* but the extracts showed high antifungal activity.

All seeds and leaves extracts of the plants under study displayed moderate toxicity against Brine Shrimps lethality. All extracts of *C. Plicata* leaves and seeds were non toxic against *vero cell* lines suggesting that they were safe. All leaves and seeds extracts of *C. Plicata* were active against *G. lambelia*; chloroform and methanol extracts for leaves and seeds respectively, were the most effective compared to that exhibited by metronidazole drug (89%).

Two new compounds were isolated from methanol extract of the leaves of *Chrozophora plicata*. The new compounds were elucidated by (MS) and (NMR):

- 1- Kaempferol -3-O-C<sub>1</sub>" glucose
- 2- Methyl 2-[3-hydroxy-5-(propan-2-yl)phenyl]butanoate

*C. Plicata*, *S. Singueana* and *S. borumensis* revealed variation in various biochemicals analysed; their seeds and leaves could be helpful for pharmaceutical, antimicrobial and antioxidants agents as well as food industries

## الملخص

تستخدم اوراق نبات الارقاسي *Senna Singueana* واوراق ام سأبا *Chrozophora Plicata* واجزء من نبات المورا *Stylochiton borumensis* كنباتات طبية لعلاج بعض الالتهابات البكتيرية والفiroسية الفطرية.

تم الاستخلاص باستخدام عدة مذيبات مختلفة القطبية وهي البتروليوم ايثر، الكلورفورم، ايثل استيت واخيرا الميثانول.

تم اجراء مسح كيميائي لمركبات الايض الثانوية وجد ان مستخلصات هذه النباتات تحتوي على نسب متقاوته من الفلافونيدات، التаниنات، القلويدات، التربينات والجلوكسيدات.

تم استخلاص بعض الاستيرويدات من مستخلص الكلورفورم وتم التعرف عليها بواسطة جهاز كروماتوغرافيا الغازية مع مطياف الكتلة.

تم استخلاص الزيت الثابت باستخدام الايثر البترولي (C<sub>40-60</sub>) وتمت معالجته لمعرفة الاحماض الدهنية الموجودة فيه باستخدام جهاز كروماتوغرافيا الغازية مع مطياف الكتلة (GC-MS).

اعطى مستخلص الميثانول والايثل استيت اعلى نسبة من مضادات الاكسدة عند المقارنة مع البروبيل جاليت لكل مستخلصات النباتات قيد الدراسة.

تم تقدير الاحماض الامينية في اوراق وبذور النباتات قيد الدراسة حيث اظهرت النتائج ان نبات المورا يحتوي على نسبة عالية من الاحماض الامينية الاساسية وغير الاساسية كما تبين ان اوراق وبذور كل من الارقاسي وام سأبا يحتوي على تراكيز عالية من الاسبارتك والليوسين والجلوتاميك.

754.7-633.7 ppm, 835.9-922.4 ppm, and 731.6-728.6 ppm, respectively.

تم تحديد محتوى العناصر في اوراق وبذور النباتات قيد الدراسة اظهرت النتائج ان النبات تحتوي على العناصر الثقيلة في المدى المسموح به وذلك عند مقارنتها مع عينة نبات قياسية مما يؤكد انها امنة مثل ترکيز النحاس (5.28%, 0.25% and 1.51%), الرصاص والزرنيخ.

اجريت اختبارات احيائية منها النشاط ضد البكتيريا موجبة وسلبة الجرام:

*Bacillus subtilis*, *S. aureus*, *Candida albicans* ونوعان من الفطريات *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Escherichia coli*

*Aspergillus niger*.

أوضحت النتائج ان النشاط ضد البكتيريا لمستخلصات اوراق وبدور نبات الارقاسي المختلفة كان مقاوتاً للبكتيريا موجبة وسالبة الجرام، كما اظهرت النتائج نشاطاً عالياً ضد *Candida albicans* اكثر من *Aspergillus niger*.اما نبات ام سأباً (*S. Singueana*) فقد اظهرت مستخلصات جزء البذور نشاط بكتيريا عالياً اكبر من مستخلصات الاوراق واعطت مستخلصات البذور فعالية ضد *Candida albicans* اكبر من *Aspergillus niger* اما اوراق نبات المورا (*S. borumensis*) اوضحت ان مستخلص البنزين ايثر والكلوروفورم ليس لديهما نشاط بكتيري ضد *S. aureus*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ولكن كل المستخلصات لاوراق المورا اعطت فعالية عالية. اوضحت النتائج ان جميع المستخلصات لاوراق وبدور النباتات قيد الدراسة متوسطة السمية ضد (Brine shrimps) الارتميا. واوضحت النتائج ايضاً ان جميع المستخلصات لنبات الارقاسي غير سامة ضد (Vero cell line) مما يشير لامكانية استعمالها الامن. اثرت جميع مستخلصات البذور والاوراق لنبات الارقاسي (*C. Plicata*) على *G. Lambelia* حيث اظهر مستخلص الكلوروفورم والميثانول فعالية عالية في حين اعطى عقار الميتروندازول .%89

كما تم عزل مركيبيين من مستخلص الميثانول لاوراق نبات الارقاسي وهي:

1- Kaempferol -3-O-C<sub>1</sub>" glucose

2- Methyl 2-[3-hydroxy-5-(propan-2-yl)phenyl]butanoate

تم تعريف المركبات باستخدام جهاز مطياف الكتلة (Mass Spectrometer) وجهاز الرنين النووي المغنتيسي (NMR) خلصت هذه الدراسة الى ان نبات المورا والارقاسي وأم سأباً مختلفة في مكوناتها ولكن هذه النباتات تستخدم مصدراً دوائياً او احيائياً او كمضادات اكسدة وقد تستخدم في الصناعات الغذائية لاحتوائها على نسبة عالية من البروتين والكربوهيدرات.

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