

## Chapter one

### 1. Introduction:

Roselle (*Hibiscus sabdariffa*) is known in the Sudan as Kerkrade or Ingara. Other English names are East Indian sorrel and thorny mallow (Reaubourg and Monteux, 1940). It belongs to the Family Malvaceae. Two botanical varieties are recognized: variety *sabdariffa* a bushy branched subshrub with red or green stems and red or pale yellow inflated edible calices; variety *latissimi*, a tall unbranched plant 10—16ft. high with fibrous spiny inedible calices grown for fiber (Purseglove, 1968). *Hibiscus sabdariffa* is probably a native of West Africa and is now widely cultivated throughout the tropics. It has been taken to the new world by slave trade. It is confined to the tropics and tolerates poorer condition than jute. There are two main types of Kerkrade calices according to the commercial terminology used in the Sudan, namely Rashad and Fisher quality. Kerkrade is grown in the Sudan as a cash crop in rain fed areas. The principal production area is in eastern Kordofan in the area encompassing, El Raghad and Umruaba. International El Raghad variety is preferred. It is grown on a small scale around El Obied, in western Kordofan, near El Fashir, Nyala and in the southern Fung. Its growing period ranges from 4 to 6 months. It can either be propagated from cutting or by direct seeding which is the best. Sudan is categorized as one of the largest exporters of Kerkrade in the world. Significant increase in the size of the crop has taken place during the last 16,829 three decades. In 1960 454 tons were exported for the total value of Ls. 67829, whilst in 1969 1,512 tons were exported worth Ls. 546,298. At the same time the local consumption has increased. Germany is by far the largest importer and user of the crop (Percy, 1971). Recently, however, Kerkrade is grown as crop in some irrigated areas, planted crop in already existing agricultural projects. According to the "foreign trade statistical digest" of the bank of Sudan the quantity of exported dry Kerkrade calices amounted to 9918 tons in the year 1993 at value of us 9099000. In 1994 the exported quantity amounted to 14243 tons at value of us 16065000. In 1995 the

Total exported quantity amounted to 32209 tons at value of us 12947000. During January – June 1996 the exported quantity amounted to 5994 tons at value of us 7897000. In spite of this tremendous increase in the production of Kerkrade calices on the one hand, and the serious competition facing the Sudanese commodity in the international market on the other hand, very little work has been done to isolate the different type of varieties in order to select or hybridize a variety combining most of the desired characteristics. The calyx is the most important part of the plant. It contains the valuable components which determine the quality of the product namely: color (anthocyanin's), flavor (organic acid) and aroma. The red acid succulent calices of variety sabdariffa are used for producing sorrel drink. They are also made into jellies and preservatives. The tender leaves and stalks are eaten as a salad and as a pot-herb. Variety latissimus is grown for fiber in India, Java and the Philippines. The root has been reported as an aperient due to the presence of tartaric acid (McClean, 1973).

As much as the calices are acidic in nature, they are considered as antiscorbutic factors and is said to be soothing (Watt and Breyer Brandwijk, 1962). The serious problem associated with processing of Kerkrade into food product is the instability of the brilliant red color imparted to food by the anthocyanin pigments contained in the calyx. The present study is aimed at laying foundation for official standards and specification for new breeding lines of Kerkrade.

Therefore, this research was carried out under the following objectives.

- To extract the pigments (Anthocyanin).
- To use anthocyanin as food colour.
- To study intensity of colour by using different types of solvent.

## Chapter two

### 2. Literature review

#### 2.1 Chemical composition of Kerkrade :

Dried calices of Roselle have been shown by Ibrahim et al. (1971) to have the following chemical composition:

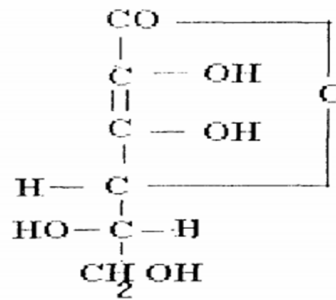
Moisture content	9 14%
Ash	7 11%
Protein	5.4 9.45%
Terrible acidity	14 18.7%

Also Reaubourg and Monceaux (1940) pointed out that Hibiscus sabdariffa dried fruits of American and Abyssinian origin contained about 15% moisture, the dry matter consisted of 3.5% proteins, 12% ash and 16% reducing sugars.

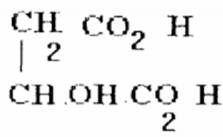
#### 2.1.1 Organic acid

Generally organic acids are water-soluble, colorless liquid or relatively low melting solids. The majority are non-volatile. Organic acids are classified chemically according to the number of carboxylic acid groups or to other functional groups present. Some of the organic

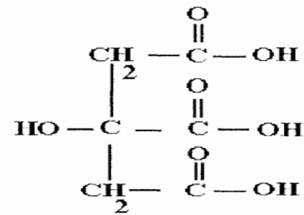
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Ascorbic acid



Malic acid



Citric acid

Flavor characteristics of Roselle were found to be mainly in the acid content. The presence of citric, malic, succinic, lactic, tannic and oxalic acids have all been reported in Roselle (Pritzker and Jungunz, 1937). Organic acids are important constituents of food products, not only as chelating agents for iron and copper but also for the control of pH and inhibition of enzymes (Sistrunk and Cash, 1973). These results were confirmed by Brand (1939) who also detected oxalic acid found as the calcium salt in Roselle of Egyptian origin. Ibrahim et al. (1971), working on Sudanese Roselle detected malic, oxalic, citric and 3-indolylacetic acids. Hibiscus acid in the calices was found to be very soluble in water and alcohol and slightly soluble in ether. The amount of Hibiscus acid in plant samples analyzed by Griebel (1939) was 13.6%. Results stand in agreement with the result obtained by Bachtetz (1948) who found 15.3% in Mexican samples and 14.6% in an Ethiopian sample.

The presence of vitamin C (L-ascorbic acid) in roselle has been confirmed by many analysts among them Mclean (1973) who showed that vitamin C concentration varies from 21 - to 89.4 mg/100g in both fresh and dried samples Ibrahim et al. (1971) reported ascorbic acid in roselle water extract with concentration of 7.12 mg/100g. Storing dry Kerkrade calices for more than six months depletes them from vitamin C (Mario 1959, Addo 1981) According to (Watt and Breyer 1962) the acids constitute about 13% of the whole Kerkrade calices. The acids present

arecitrinic acid and hibiscus acid ( $C_6H_6O_7$ ). Hibiscus acid was first confused with citric acid because of several reactions, especially those reactions involving color changes which are the same. (Griebel 1939) suggested that it was a lactone of hydroxyl citric acid with two asymmetric carbon atoms, with the formula ( $C_6H_6O_7$ ). Other water soluble acids are malic acid, tartaric acid trace while oxalic, gallic, tannic and lactic acid are absent in the aqueous extract (Reabourg and Manteaux 1940). The total acidity in the dry calices can be expressed not only as hibiscus or citric, but also as tartaric acid (Schilcher 1976). Analysis of organic acids in calices showed their contents to range between 8.2 and 12.6% as reported by (Murkowski and Strzelecka).

### **2.1.2 Carbohydrates**

(Hamidi et al. 1966) detected galactose, galacturonic acid and rhamnose in the calices. Two other free sugars, glucose and arabinose were also detected in water extract by (Ibrahim et al. 1971). The pectin content had been shown by (Riaz 1969) to increase in both quantity and quality with sepal development during maturation, but it is unlikely to prove a commercial source of the material in competition with apple and citrus. The pectin content had been found to be only 3.19% but nevertheless gives the plant its mucilaginous character.

### **2.1.3 Proteins**

(Ibrahim et al. 1971) showed that the protein content of the whole calices of Sudanese varieties ranged between 7.05 -- 9.45% and thirteen amino acids were given by the protein hydrolyzate of the whole and spent calices, while the protein hydrolyzate from the water extract gave only nine amino acids out of the thirteen amino acids of which six are essential. (Karamalla and Ali 1974) found that the protein content of mature Kerkrade seed ranged from 27 — 31 %.

### **2.1.4 Ash**

Analysis of non-volatile carbon-free residue from careful combustion gave about 9% of the calices on dry basis. The presence of sodium, calcium, magnesium, aluminum, manganese, iron and phosphates were reported by (McClean, 1973). The presence of manganese was indicated by the intense blue-green of the ash. Calcium is most copious followed by phosphorus and iron.

### **2.1.5 Fats**

In an attempt to evaluate the local produce of Kerkrade seeds with regard to their oil and protein content Karamalla et al. (1973) indicated that the stability of the Kerkrade seed oil as compared to other edible Sudanese oils was fairly good. The seeds contain about 17% oil which is similar in properties to cottonseed oil. Cottonseed contains up to 25% while linseed contains up to 33 — 43% (Cobley, 1956). Karamalla and Ali (1974) found that the oil content of the mature seed of Kerkrade ranged from 19 ~ 24%. The fatty acid composition of Roselle seed was: Myristic acid trace, palmitic acid 26.38%, stearic acid 4.80%, Oleic acid 35.84% and linoleic acid 32.97% (Rahamma, 1979).

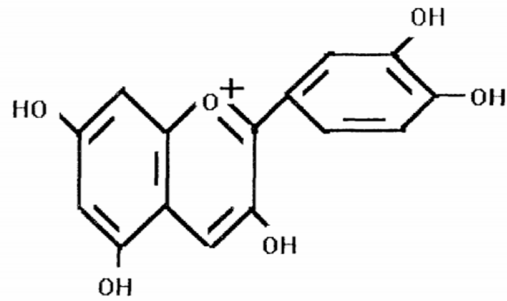
### **2.1.6 Tannins**

Tannins are polymers of phenolic compounds with higher molecular weights (mol wt. 500 — 5000) containing sufficient phenolic hydroxyl groups to permit formation of stable crosslinks with proteins (Swain, 1965). According to Tamir and Alumot (1969) tannins have the ability to bind proteins forming insoluble complexes, through the formation of hydrogen bonds between hydroxyl groups of tannins and polyphenols and the carbonyl groups peptide bonds of protein (Millie and Stojanovic, 1972). Therefore, tannin precipitates protein from aqueous solution thus rendering plant proteins relatively indigestible and reducing enzyme activity (Goldstein and Swain, 1965; Van Sumer et al. 1975). Thus tannins are antinutritional factors in food and beverages. However, study of type and quality of tannins in Kerkrade is not known up to date.

### **2.2 Pigments**

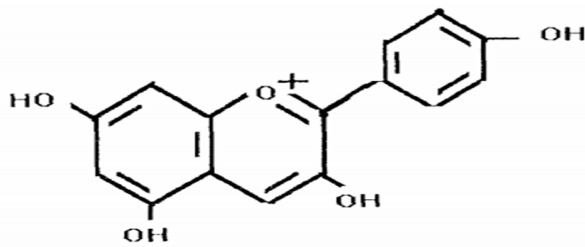
Anthocyanins are the most important and wide spread group of colouring materials in plants. These intensely colored water-soluble pigments are known to be responsible for nearly all the pink, scarlet, red, mauve, violet and blue colors in the petals and leaves of higher plants. Anthocyanins are glycosylated polyhydroxy and polymethoxy derivatives of 2-phenyl .

Benzopyrylium (flavylium) salts. (Broillard, 1982). Anthocyanins are all based chemically on a single aromatic structure of 3, 5, 7, 3, 4 pent hydroxyl flavylium cation as show below

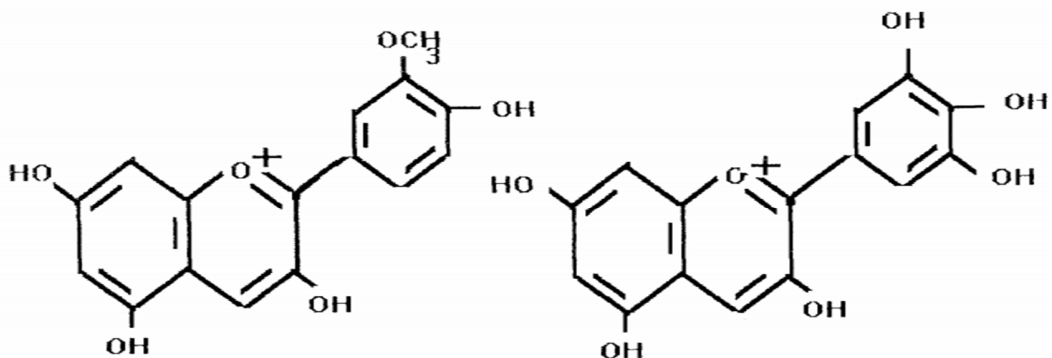


**Cyanidin**

In general, anthocyanin's do not accumulate in the plant (Harborne 1967) and the pigments occur in flowers and fruits mainly in the glycosylated form. The most common anthocyanin's can be shown as following (Markakis 1982).



**Pelargonidin**

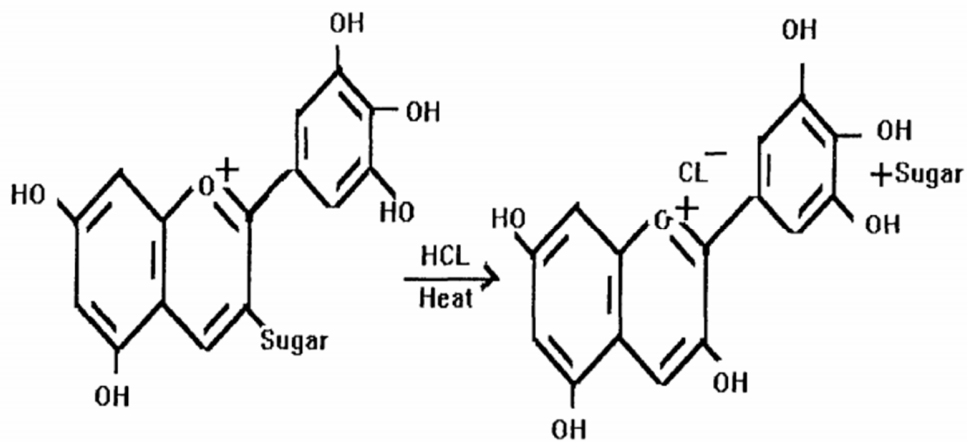


**Peonidin**

**Delphinidin**







**Hydrolysis of anthocyanin**

(Yom moto and Oshawa 1932) obtained a crystalline anthocyanin from Roselle which they called "hissing". They pointed out the structure to be cyaniding 3- glucoside (cy-3-g). They changed it later to delphinidin-pentoside glucoside. (Watt and Breyer 1962) also mentioned the presence of gossipetin and hibiscus. The pigment of Roselle was further examined by (Shibata and Furukawa 1969) who reported the presence of cyanidin-3-glucoside and delphinidin-3-sambubioside. (Forsyth and Simmonds 1954) also reported the presence of delphinine and cyaniding in trimidal Roselle. A more detailed work carried by (Duand Francis 1973) using paper chromatography revealed the presence of more than these two pigments. Anthocyanins identified were cyanidin-3-glucoside which on complete hydrolysis gave cyanidin and glucose. Cyanidin-3-sambubioside was also present which was the second major anthocyanin. Delphinidin-3-glucoside was identified as a minor component. The most abundant anthocyanin in Roselle and the pigment responsible for its reddish violet color was delphinidin-3-sambubioside which on complete hydrolysis gave delphinine, glucose and xylose. Three other pigments were not identified since they were present in trace amounts. The total anthocyanin content was calculated as 1.5g/100g on dry weight basis expressed in terms of delphinidin-3-glucoside. (Deibner et al. 1965) reported that inclusion of water helps the extraction of the more hydrophilic anthocyanin which are present as a minor pigment in cranberries (Fuleki, 1967) and it also allows the use of ethanol recovered by distillation. The hydrochloric acid

Stabilizes the pigments and lowers the pH to the level where the absorbance of anthocyanin is at their maximum.

## **2.2.1 Factors affecting the stability of anthocyanin**

### **2.2.1.1 Chemical structure**

Not all anthocyanin appears to be equal in their resistance to the degrading effects of various agents. According to (Robinson et al. 1966), the anthocyanin diglucosides of stored New York wines were more stable to decolorization than the corresponding monoglucosides. (Van Bursn et al. 1968) reported that the same diglucosides were more stable to heat and light than the monoglucosides. Starr and Francis (1968) found the galactosidic anthocyanin of cranberry juice to be more stable than the arabinosidic ones during storage of the juice. From the work of (Hardin et al. 1970), it appears that the stability of the anthocyanin 3-, 5-diglucosides of grapes increases with an increasing degree of methylation but decreases with an increasing hydroxylation of the aglycone.

### **2.2.1.2 Temperature**

The effect of temperature on the stability of anthocyanins in model systems and in food products has been studied by many investigators (Nebesky et al, 1949, Meschter, 1953; Decareau et al. 1956; Markakis et al. 1957; Daravingas and Cain 1965; Segal and Negutz, 1969; Harzdina et al. 1970). (Meschter 1953) showed that processing strawberry preserve at 100°C for 1 hr. resulted in 50% destruction of the fruit anthocyanin and the half-life of the pigment was hr. at 100°C. During storage of the preserve at 38°C the half-life of the pigment was 10 days, while at 20 °C it was 54 days and by extrapolation the half-life of the anthocyanin would be 11 months at 0°C storage. (Segal and Negate 1969) formulated a logarithmic relationship between anthocyanin destruction and temperature, whereas (Adams 1973) described a similar relationship between anthocyanin destruction and time of heating at a constant temperature.

(Saeed and Ahmed 1977) studied the stability of stored carbonated beverage from roselle. They found that the keeping quality was 10 days at ambient temperature during summer time where the ambient temperature reaches its maximum (45 °C).

### **2.2.1.3 Ascorbic acid**

(Everett 1953) also pointed out the influence of ascorbic and dehydroascorbic acids on pigment degradation of strawberry products as being directly proportional to their concentration, ascorbic acid being more effective and that the reaction was catalyzed by the presence of iron and copper. Iron and copper in themselves were not important contributors to the pigments loss mechanism, except in so far as they hastened the destruction of ascorbic acid. These destruction products in turn attack the pigment in an increased rate. (Beattie et al. 1943) were the first to show that changes in colour occurred with progressive losses of ascorbic acid.

(Markakis et al. 1957) postulated that an interaction between ascorbic acid and anthocyanin may occur resulting in the loss of colour. (Sondheim and Kerecz, 1953) recognized the formation of hydrogen peroxide from ascorbic acid oxidation, which would react with Anthocyanin to produce break-down products. They postulated two mechanisms for the pigment discoloration of strawberry juice.

### **2.2.1.4 PH**

According to the work carried by Driving's and (Cain, 1968), raspberry anthocyanins which were cyaniding -3-diglucoside, cyanidin-3-glucoside and cyanidin-3-,5-rhamnoglucoside-5-glucoside, with cyanidin-3-diglucoside as the main component, the rate of degradation decreased as the pH was decreased. The maximum pigment retention! was attained at pH 1.8 for strawberry anthocyanins.

### **2.2.1.5 Enzymes**

(Erlandson and Worlstad, 1972) worked on blanched and unbranched strawberry puree to determine the role of enzymes on anthocyanin degradation. They concluded that enzymatic degradation was negligible. They also concluded that oxygen had little effect on anthocyanin

degradation. The pigment degradation rate was always greater in air than in nitrogen, the rate difference being small but relatively constant.

#### **2.2.1.6 Light**

The effect of light on the colour of bottled concord grape juice was noticed by (Trestle and Pedersen, 1936). Van Buren et al. (1968) reported that acrylate and methylated glucosides were the most stable anthocyanins in wine exposed to light, non acylated diglucosides were less stable, and monoglucosides even less stable. (Palamidis and Markakis, 1975) found that light accelerated the destruction of anthocyanins in carbonated beverage colored with anthocyanins extracted from grape pomace.

#### **2.2.1.7 Metals**

Several multivalent metal ions can interact with anthocyanin possessing vicinal phenolic hydroxyls and shift the color of the pigment toward the blue end of the spectrum. The bathochromic shift caused by the addition of  $AlCl_3$  is used as an analytical test in differentiating between cyanidin, petunidin and delphinidin on the one hand, and pelargonidin and malvidin on the other hand (Harborne, 1973).

### **2.3 Flavonoids:**

Phenolic compounds constitute one of the main classes of secondary metabolites. They display a large range of structures and they are responsible for the major organoleptic characteristics of plant-derived foods and beverages, particularly color and taste properties and they also contribute to the nutritional qualities of fruits and vegetables. The most important natural pigments are carotenoids which are tetrapyrrole derivatives of naturally occurring phenolic compounds ubiquitously distributed in plant kingdom. Among these compounds, flavonoids constitute one of the most ubiquitous groups of all plant phenolics. So far, over 8,000 varieties of flavonoids have been identified<sup>1</sup>. Until ~50 years ago, information on the working mechanisms of flavonoids was scarce. But it has been widely known for centuries that compounds of plant origin possess a broad spectrum of biological activity<sup>2</sup>. In 1930, Szent-

Gyorgyi isolated a new substance from oranges and classified it as vitamin P but later, it became clear that this substance was actually a flavonoid<sup>3</sup>. Flavonoids drew greater attention from researchers with the discovery of the French Paradox, i.e., the decrease incidence of cardio-vascular disease observed in the Mediterranean population which was associated with red wine consumption, and a greater amount of saturated fat the average diet than in other countries<sup>3</sup>.

### **2.3.1 Structure and Classification of flavonoids:**

Flavonoids occur as aglycones, glycosides and methylated derivatives<sup>4</sup>. In plants, flavonoids aglycones (i.e., flavonoids without attached sugar) occur in a variety of structural forms. All contain fifteen carbon atoms in their basic nucleus: two six-membered rings linked with a three carbon unit which may or may not be a part of a third ring<sup>5</sup>. For convenience, the rings are labeled A, B, and C (see Fig 1). The individual carbon atoms are based on a numbering system which uses ordinary numerals for the A and C and "primed" numerals for B-ring (1). Primed modified numbering system is not used for chalcones<sup>(2)</sup> and they are flavones derivatives (6): the pterocarpan and the rotenoids<sup>6</sup>. The different ways to close this ring associated with the different oxidation degrees of ring A provide the various classes of flavonoids. The six-membered ring condensed with the benzene ring is either a  $\gamma$ -prone (flavones (1) flavones (3)) or its dihydroderivative (flavanones (4) and flavan-3-ols (5)). The position of the benzenoid substituent divides the flavonoids into two classes: flavonoids (1) (2-position) and isoflavonoids (6) (3-position). Most flavonoids occur naturally associated with sugar in conjugated form and, within any one class, may be characterized as monoglycosidic, diglycosidic, etc. The glycosidic linkage is normally located at position 3 or 7 and the carbohydrate unit can be L-rhamnose, Dglucose, glucorhamnose, galactose or arabinose

### **2.4 Spectroscopy Analysis:**

Every chemical compound absorbs, transmits, or reflects light (electromagnetic radiation) over a certain range of wavelength. Spectrophotometry is a measurement of how much a chemical substance absorbs or transmits. Spectrophotometry is widely used for quantitative analysis in various areas (e.g., chemistry, physics, biology, biochemistry, material and chemical

engineering, clinical applications, industrial applications, etc.). Any application that deals with chemical substances or materials can use this technique. In biochemistry, for example, it is used to determine enzyme-catalyzed reactions. In clinical applications, it is used to examine blood or Tissues for clinical diagnosis. There are also several variations of the spectrophotometry such as atomic absorption spectrophotometry and atomic emission spectrophotometry.

A spectrophotometer is an instrument that measures the amount of photons (the intensity of light) absorbed after it passes through sample solution. With the spectrophotometer, the amount of a known chemical substance (concentrations) can also be determined by measuring the intensity of light detected. Depending on the range of wavelength of light source, it can be classified into two different types:

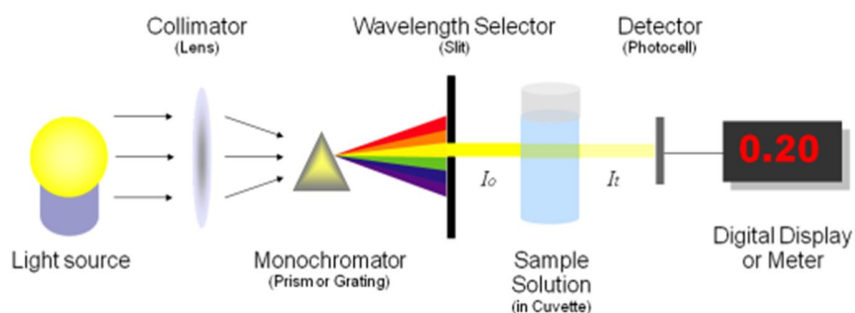
- UV-visible spectrophotometer: uses light over the ultraviolet range (185 - 400 nm) and visible range (400 - 700 nm) of electromagnetic radiation spectrum.
- IR spectrophotometer: uses light over the infrared range (700 - 15000 nm) of electromagnetic radiation spectrum.

In visible spectrophotometry, the absorption or the transmission of a certain substance can be determined by the observed color. For instance, a solution sample that absorbs light over all visible ranges (i.e., transmits none of visible wavelengths) appears black in theory. On the other hand, if all visible wavelengths are transmitted (i.e., absorbs nothing), the solution sample appears white. If a solution sample absorbs red light (~700 nm), it appears green because green is the complementary color of red. Visible spectrophotometers, in practice, use a prism to narrow down a certain range of wavelength (to filter out other wavelengths) so that the particular beam of light is passed through a solution sample.

#### **2.4.1 UV-visible spectrophotometer**

##### **Devices and mechanism**

Figure 1 illustrates the basic structure of spectrophotometers. It consists of a light source, a collimator, a monochromator, a wavelength selector, a cuvette for sample solution, a photoelectric detector, and a digital display or a meter. Detailed mechanism is described below. Figure 2 shows a sample spectrophotometer (Model: Spectronic 20D)



**Figure 1: Basic structure of spectrophotometers (illustrated by HeesungShim)**

A spectrophotometer, in general, consists of two devices; a spectrometer and a photometer. A spectrometer is a device that produces, typically disperses and measures light. A photometer indicates the photoelectric detector that measures the intensity of light.

- Spectrometer: It produces a desired range of wavelength of light. First a collimator (lens) transmits a straight beam of light (photons) that passes through a monochromator (prism) to split it into several component wavelengths (spectrum). Then a wavelength selector (slit) transmits only the desired wavelengths, as shown in Figure 1.
- Photometer: After the desired range of wavelength of light passes through the solution of a sample in cuvette, the photometer detects the amount of photons that is absorbed and then sends a signal to a galvanometer or a digital display, as illustrated in Figure

**Figure 2: A single wavelength spectrophotometer**

You need a spectrometer to produce a variety of wavelengths because different compounds absorb best at different wavelengths. For example, p-nitro phenol (acid form) has the maximum absorbance at approximately 320 nm and p-nitrophenolate (basic form) absorb best at 400nm, as shown in Figure 3.



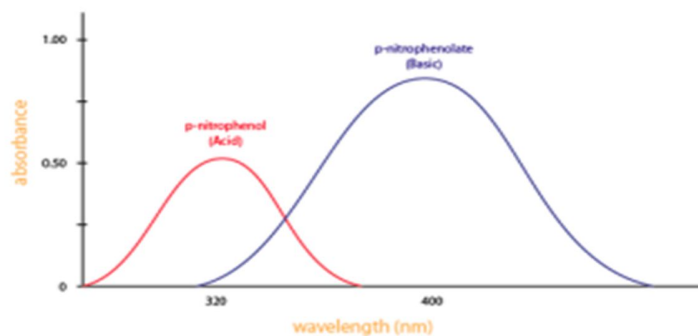
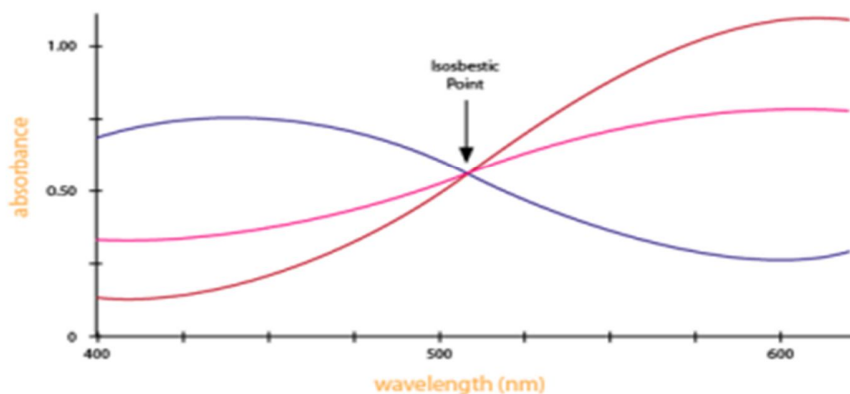


Figure 3: Absorbance of two different compounds

Looking at the graph that measures absorbance and wavelength, an isosbestic point can also be observed. An isosbestic point is the wavelength in which the absorbance's of two or more species are the same. The appearance of an isosbestic point in reaction demonstrates that an intermediate is NOT required to form a product from a reactant. Figure 4 shows an example of an isosbestic point.



**Figure 4: An example of isosbestic point**

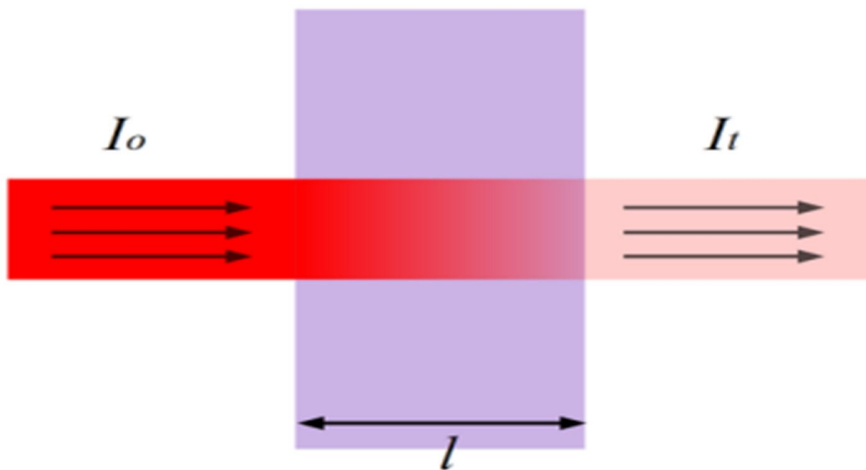
Referring back to Figure 1 (and Figure 5), the amount of photons that goes through the cuvette and into the detector is dependent on the length of the cuvette and the concentration of the sample. Once you know the intensity of light after it passes through the cuvette, you can relate it to transmittance (T). Transmittance is the fraction of light that passes through the sample. This can be calculated using the equation:  $\text{Transmittance (T)} = I_t/I_0$



Where  $I_t$  is the light intensity after the beam of light passes through the cuvette and  $I_o$  is the light intensity before the beam of light passes through the cuvette. Transmittance is related to absorption by the expression:

$$\text{Absorbance (A)} = -\log(T) = -\log(I_t/I_o)$$

Where absorbance stands for the amount of photons that is absorbed. With the amount of absorbance known from the above equation, you can determine the unknown concentration of the sample by using Beer-Lambert Law. Figure 5 illustrates transmittance of light through a sample. The length ( $L$ ) is used for Beer-Lambert Law described below



**Figure 5: Transmittance (illustrated by Heesung Shim)**

### **Beer-Lambert Law**

Also known as Beer's Law states that there is a linear relationship between the absorbance and the concentration of a sample. For this reason, Beer's Law can *only* be applied when there is a linear relationship. Beer's Law is written as:

$$A = \epsilon lc$$

Where

- A is the measure of absorbance (no units)
- Epsilon is the molar extinction coefficient or molar absorptivity (or absorption coefficient),
- l is the path length,
- C is the concentration.

The molar extinction coefficient is given as a constant and varies for each molecule. Since absorbance does not carry any units, the units for (epsilon) must cancel out the units of length and concentration. As a result, (epsilon) has the units:  $L \cdot mol^{-1} \cdot cm^{-1}$ . The path length is measured in centimeters. Because a standard spectrometer uses a cuvette that is 1 cm in width, (l) is always assumed to equal 1 cm. Since absorption, (epsilon), and path length are known, we can calculate the concentration (c) of the sample.

#### **2.4.2 Infrared (IR) Spectroscopy :**

Infrared (IR) spectroscopy is a chemical analytical technique, which measures the infrared intensity versus wavelength (wavenumber) of light. Based upon the wavenumber, infrared light can be categorized as far infrared (4 ~ 400 $cm^{-1}$ ), mid infrared (400 ~ 4,000 $cm^{-1}$ ) and near infrared (4,000 ~ 14,000 $cm^{-1}$ ).

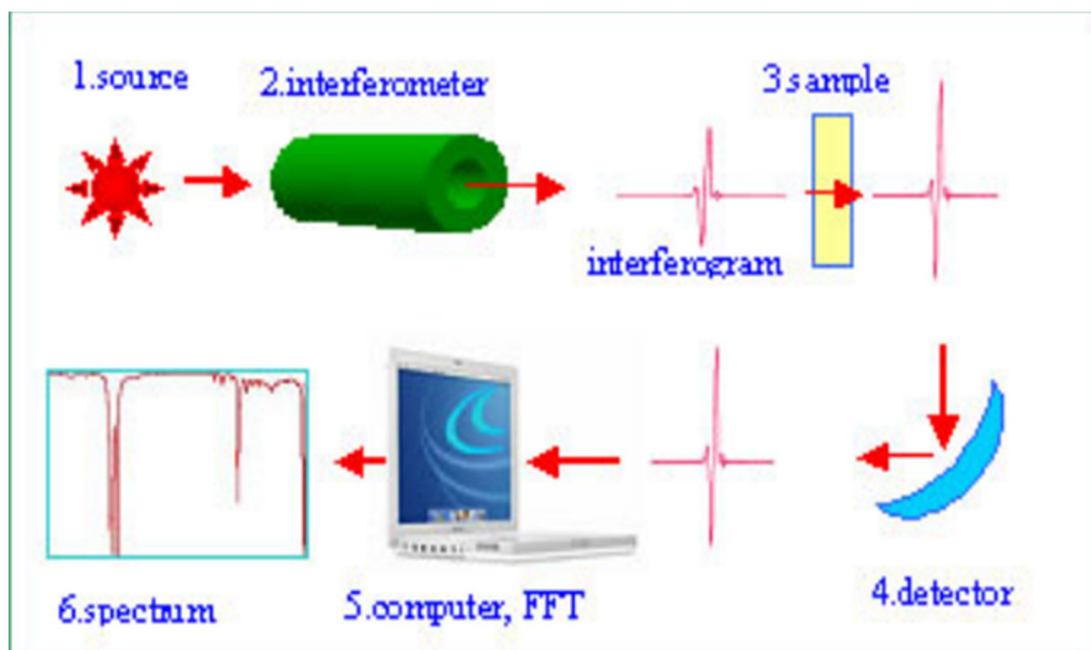
Infrared spectroscopy detects the vibration characteristics of chemical functional groups in a sample. When an infrared light interacts with the matter, chemical bonds will stretch, contract and bend. As a result, a chemical functional group tends to adsorb infrared radiation in a specific wavenumber range regardless of the structure of the rest of the molecule. For example, the C=O stretch of a carbonyl group appears at around 1700 $cm^{-1}$  in a variety of molecules. Hence, the correlation of the band wavenumber position with the chemical structure is used to identify a functional group in a sample.

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**Fig(6) show the schematic illustration of IR system**

An interferometer utilizes a beamsplitter to split the incoming infrared beam into two optical beams. One beam reflects off of a flat mirror which is fixed in place. Another beam reflects off of a flat mirror which travels a very short distance (typically a few millimeters) away from the beamsplitter. The two beams reflect off of their respective mirrors and are recombined when they meet together at the beamsplitter. The re-combined signal results from the "interfering" with each other. Consequently, the resulting signal is called interferogram, which has every infrared frequency "encoded" into it. When the interferogram signal is transmitted through or reflected off of the sample surface, the specific frequencies of energy are adsorbed by the sample due to the excited vibration of function groups in molecules. The infrared signal after interaction with the sample is uniquely characteristic of the sample. The beam finally arrives at the detector and is measured by the detector. The detected interferogram can not be directly interpreted. It has to be decoded with a well-known mathematical technique in terms of Fourier Transformation. The computer can perform the Fourier transformation calculation and present an infrared spectrum, which plots adsorbance (or transmittance) versus wavenumber. When an interferogram is Fourier transformed a single beam spectrum is generated. A single

beam spectrum is a plot of raw detector response versus wavenumber. A single beam obtained without a sample is called a background spectrum, which is induced by the instrument and the environment. Characteristic bands around 3500 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1630 cm<sup>-1</sup> are atmospheric water vapor, and the bands at 2350 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 667 cm<sup>-1</sup> are attributed to carbon dioxide. A background spectrum must always be run when analyzing samples by FTIR. When an interferogram is measured with a sample and Fourier transformed, a sample single beam spectrum is obtained. It looks similar to the background spectrum except that the sample peaks are superimposed upon the instrumental and atmospheric contributions to the spectrum. To eliminate these contributions, the sample single beam spectrum must be normalized against the background spectrum.

Consequently, a transmittance spectrum is obtained as follows.

$$\%T = \frac{I_o}{I}$$

**Where:**

%T is transmittance; I is the intensity measured with a sample in the beam (from the sample single beam spectrum); I<sub>o</sub> is the intensity measured from the background spectrum. The absorbance spectrum can be calculated from the transmittance spectrum using the following equation.

$$A = -\log T$$

**Where**

A is the absorbance.

The final transmittance/absorbance spectrum should be devoid of all instrumental and environmental contributions, and only present the features of the sample. If the concentrations of gases such as water vapor and carbon dioxide in the instrument are the same when the background

and sample spectra are obtained their contributions to the spectrum will ratio out exactly and their bands will not occur. If the concentrations of these gases are different when the background and sample spectra are obtained, their bands will appear in the sample spectrum.

## Chapter Three

### 3. Materials and Methods

#### 3.1 Materials

The materials used in this study consisted of six genotypes of roselle (*Hibiscus sabdariffa*) calices, seeds, leaves and stems of the six genotypes

#### 3.2 Apparatus

Spectrophotometer (UK, Genway 6505), Infrared spectroscopy, Mortar, Beakers, Funnel

#### 3.3 Method

Each sample was ground using a mortar and pestle until a fine powder of the sample was obtained. Then different samples of the calices, seeds, stems, roots and leaves were subjected for the following chemical tests.

#### 3.5 Anthocyanins extraction

The plant sample was macerated in methanol containing a small amount of hydrochloric acid (up to 1%) (Markakis, 1982). This was followed by filtration and either precipitation of the pigment or removal of the solvent under vacuum at a temperature not exceeding 50°C, so as to minimize pigment degradation.

#### 3.6 Absorption maximum of the pigments

For the purpose of determining the absorption maxima of the One bands, a small amount of the pigments was dissolved in 1% HCL methanol, and developed with which solvent for 7 hrs., the red bands were eluted in methanol and their UV-visible spectra of the one bands were run on a Perkin-Elmer Lambda 2 UV-vis spectrometer. The violet band gave maximum absorption at 538.3 -- 540 and the red band gave absorption at 530 - 531.6 nm.

#### 3.7 Optical density

A solution containing 1 gm. of Kerkrade per 100 ml distilled water was used. The optical density which was used to indicate the colour intensity of the extract was measured at half hourly intervals for four hours. An EEL colorimeter adjusted at wave length 535 mu hand. The solution was kept continuously stirred by the use of a magnetic stirrer. Extraction was allowed to take place at room temperature.

#### 3.8 Optical density by using Different solvent :

A solution containing 1 gm. of Kerkrade per 100 ml distilled water and using another different solvent (methanol, ethanol) was used. The optical density which was used to indicate the colour

intensity of the extract was measured at half hourly intervals for four hours. An EEL colorimeter adjusted at wave length 535 mu hand. The solution was kept continuously stirred by the use of a magnetic stirrer. Extraction was allowed to take place at room temperature.

### **3.9 Characterization of the function group by using the Infrared spectroscopy:**

A solution containing 1 gm. of Kerkrade per100ml (85methonol, 15 HCL) was using the optical density which was used to indicate theInfrared spectroscopy.

Take amount of the sample solution and then put it in the sample cell and choose the spectrum choice and give the spectrum.



## Chapter four

### 4. Result and Discussion:

#### 4.1 Absorption maximum of the pigments

We were found the one band 1 which it appears in range from 530 - 531.6 nm and not found band this is indicator the compound belong the group three 3 or group2 of the flavonoids also absent of conjugate system because no double bond between 2 and 3 carbon atom.

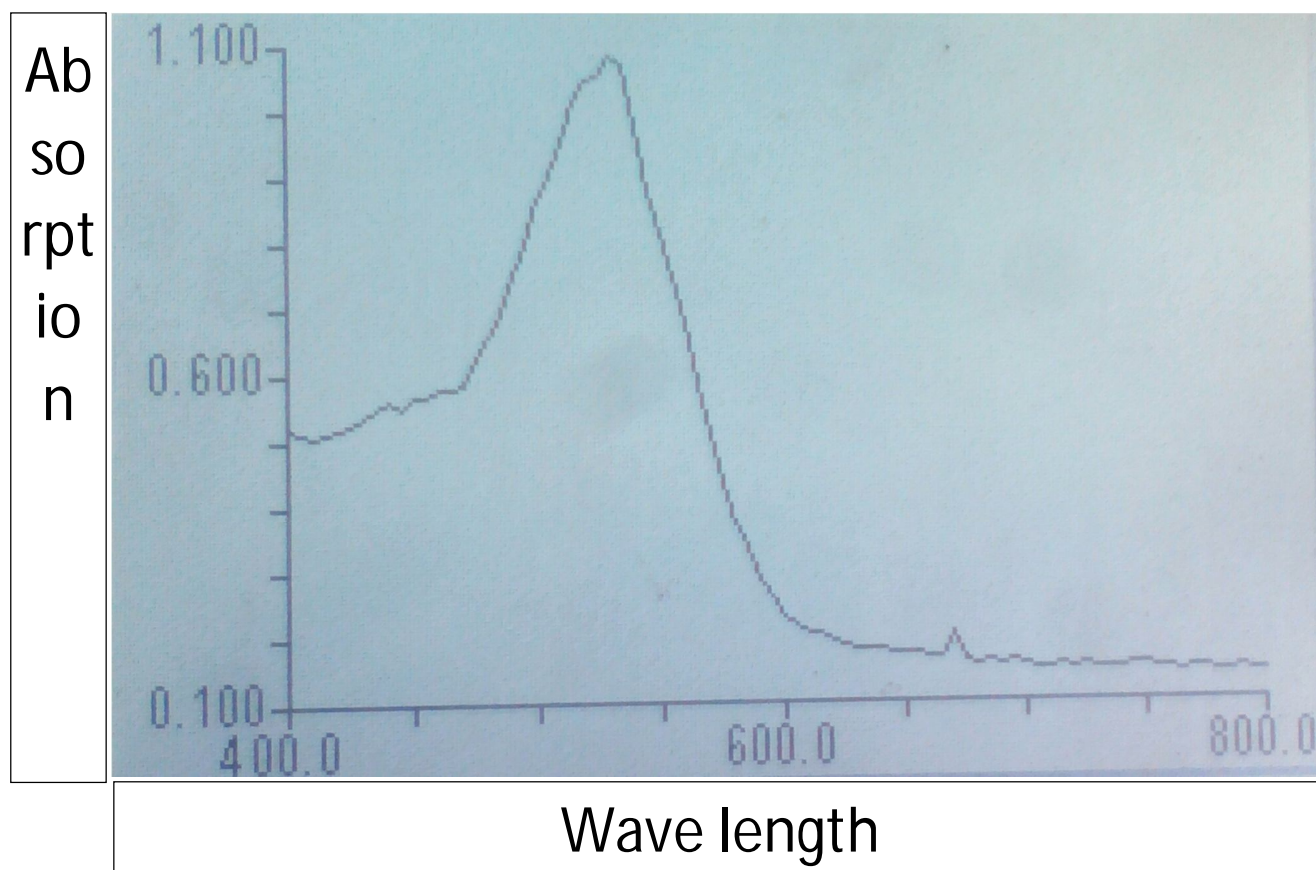


Fig (7) show UV-vis spectrometer the red band gave absorption at 530 - 531.6 nm

#### 4.2 Colour intensity in different solvent:

In this experiment we used different type of the solvents to determine the colour intensity and the values of adsorption shown in following table:

Type of solvent	Wavelength nm	Value of the adsorption
water	530	2.148
methanol	530	2.390
ethanol	530	1.094

**Table (1) show the Value of the adsorption by using different of solvent**

#### 3.4 Infrared (IR) Spectroscopy

Table 2 show the range of Function group in Infrared (IR) Spectroscopy Which is show in figer 3.4. To determine exactly this compound belong to each group 2 or 3 we used IR. We did not found the range from 1680 to 1880 that is indicate of absent of carbonyl group also that mean this compound belong to group 3 exactly it was Anthocyanin.

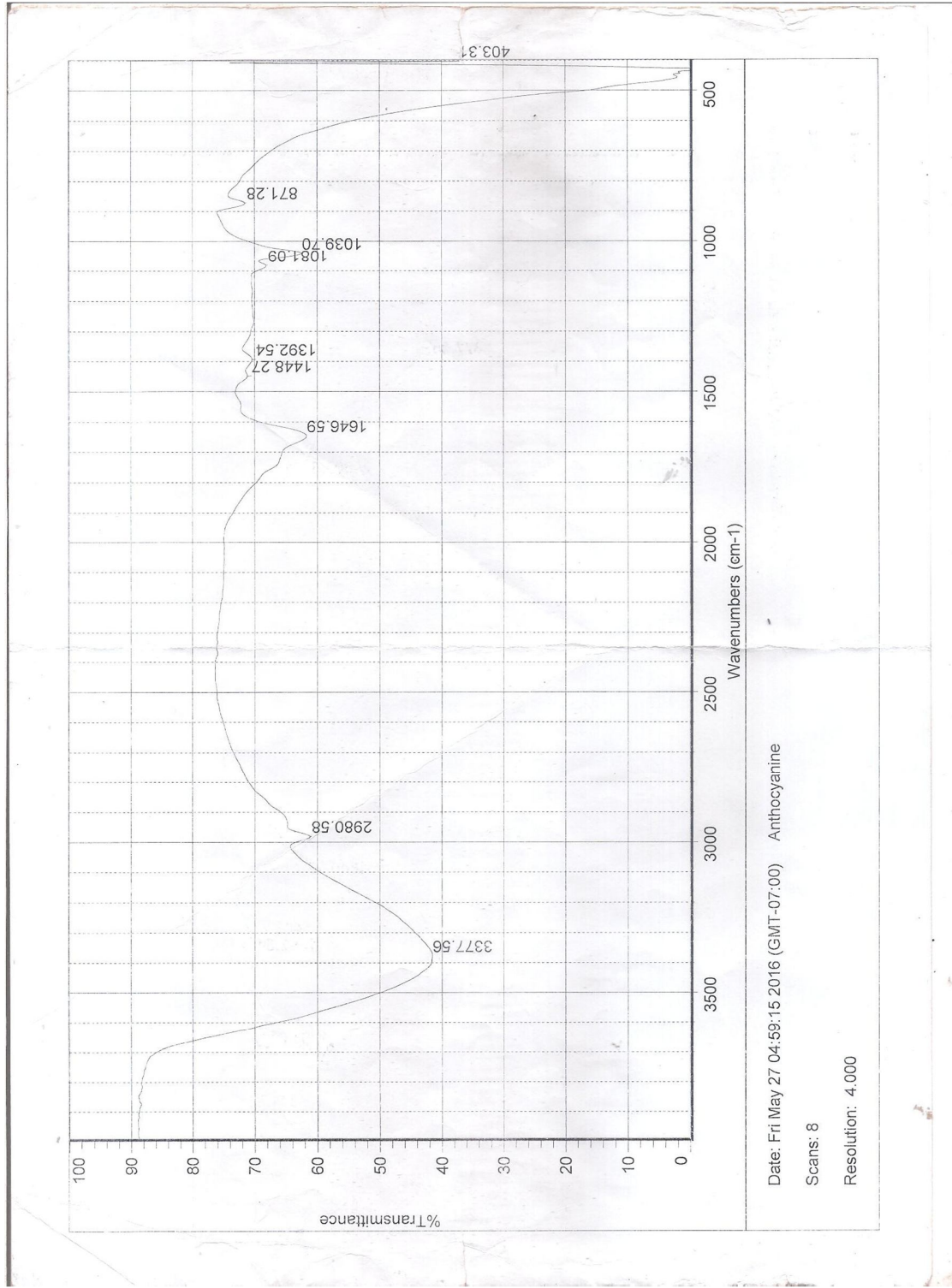
Function group	Rang
O H (s)	38000 - 2700
C—O (s)	1000 - 1100
C—H (s)	3000 - 2850
C—H (b)	1375
C=C aromatic (s)	1445 - 1500

**Table 2 show the range of Function group in Infrared (IR) Spectroscopy**

**Where:**

**S stretching**

**B bending**



Figures (8) show Function group in Infrared (IR) Spectroscopy

## **Conclusion and Recommendation :**

This study concluded that

- The anthocyanin has been successfully extracted from Kerkrade.
- The maximum wavelength has been measured (530).
- The colour intensity of anthocyanins has been determined.
- The functional group of the pigment has been characterized.

It is recommended that:

The anthocyanins can be used as food colour if it extracted it by safely way, it can use as cancer cell apoptosis.

## Chapter Five

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