

REVIEW ON RECENT ADVANCEMENT IN HERBAL TECHNOLOGY

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ABSTRACT:

These days, individuals are growing more interested in herbal treatments because of their many advantages. Nowadays, many people acknowledge that using herbal treatments to cure various conditions can be successful. Over 80 percent of individuals worldwide rely on herbal goods as well as treatments for excellent health, even if the majority of these usage are unorthodox. Along with a rise in product adulteration and misuse, the growing popularity of herbal goods has frustrated producers, customers, and in some cases resulted in fatalities. The evolution of dependable, authentic analytical techniques that are able to characterize the phytochemical content is one of the main issues facing scientists. Among these methods are numerical evaluations of bioactive/identifying substances and additional relevant components. The current review article describes a number of conventional approaches as well as more recent developments. DNA fingerprinting, metabolomics, chemometrics, X-ray diffraction, differential pulse polarography, and other recent developments are noted. It is also reported that chromatographic methods and capillary electrophoresis have contributed to the standardization of herbal medications.

Key words: *Chromatographic techniques, Herbal medications, standardization, and DNA fingerprinting*

INTRODUCTION

A product with nutritional, therapeutic, or preventive qualities is referred to as medicine, whereas a preparation made from plants or botanicals is called herbal. Consequently, compounds obtained from plants that possess dietary, medicinal, or prophylactic properties are called "herbal medicine. Including all facets of alternative medicine associated with A multidisciplinary field that includes botany, study on medicinal plants, botanical remedies, pharmacognosy, phytochemistry, phytotherapy, natural chemistry, agricultural science, Unani medicine, biotechnology, and biochemistry are examples of Ayurvedic herbal medicine. Herbalists are those who work with plants, particularly medicinal herbs. Plants used for medicinal purposes are discussed in herbal publications:¹

AN ALTERNATIVE TECHNIQUE FOR PLANT IDENTIFICATION**1) Expert Decision-Making:**

When it comes to accuracy or dependability, expert determination is the best identification technique. The experts have generally written monographs, updates, and synopses) of the pertinent group, and it is possible as well as taxonomic concepts from specialists have been Part of more recent manuals or floras. Universities, museums, botanical gardens, herbaria and other educational establishments are typically home to experts. This method has limitations despite its high degree of reliability, including taking up specialists' valuable time and postponing identification.

2) Recognition:

In terms of dependability, it approaches expert determination. This is predicated on the identifier's vast prior experience with the relevant plant group.

3) Evaluation in Comparison:

Comparing an unknown specimen to known ones is the third method images, sketches, or explanations. While this is a reliable technique, the lack of appropriate reference materials may make it nearly impossible or extremely time consuming.

4) Making Use of Keys and Associated Instruments (Outlines, Synopses, etc.)

The most often used method because It is not dependent on the materials, duration, or experience required for recognition as well comparison.²

PLANT VERIFICATION

Plant verification herb authenticity is a method of quality control that guarantees the appropriate plant species and plant parts are utilized as ingredients in organic remedies prescription drugs. Regarding herbal pharmaceuticals in order to be both secure and efficient, proper authentication of their raw materials is essential. Macroscopical Analysis is the method by which comparing morphological characteristics which can be seen using the unaided botanical or plant medicinal flora or monograph descriptions, either alongside the naked eye or at low magnification. In microscopic recognition, characteristics such as the dimensions, forms, and hues of leaves (or parts of leaves), flowers, or fruits are widely employed. anatomical elements in the plant material that are only visible under a microscope are the subject of microscopic investigation.

The configuration and arrangement among the trichome (scalp), The configuration Having stomata within the skin's outer layer, the existence or lack of substances like lignin, cellulose, mucilage, or the existence among tissues that have distinct cell kinds can each be utilized to recognize herbal medicines through a microscope. Herbal medicine identification under a microscope may entail traits include the trichome's structure and form, the stomata's arrangement in the skin the presence or absence of materials, or the presence of tissues containing different kinds of cells such as lignin, starch, or mucilage.³

CHROMATOGRAPHY

The technique of chromatography is isolating different chemicals from a combination. Although There exist various in chromatographic procedures available, they all have the same foundation basic principles. Since TLC, or Chromatography with thin layers is a commonly employed a method for herbal authentication, most for herbs, TLC identification tests are included in pharmacopoeial monographs. Tenderness is used to separate mixtures of chemicals, producing a "fingerprint" of the distinct components on a silica gel-coated plate. You can match this thumbprint to an actual as an example or as a strict reference substance. Another is called HPLC, or high-performance liquid chromatography well-liked chromatographic method for classifying and assessing herbal compounds for fatty acids and essential oils in particular, a different kind called gas chromatography is utilized.

Chromatographic techniques

People have employed tens of thousands of indigenous plants for employment on all continents as remedies a wide range various illnesses since the beginning of time Numerous Plants generate substances that are beneficial to maintaining animal and human health. These comprise aromatic compounds, the majority of which are either their analogues with oxygen substituted, like tannins, or phenols. Generally speaking, sick animals

graze on plants high in secondary metabolites, including alkaloids as well as tannins. It's possible that animals in the wild would self-medicate due to these phytochemicals' antiviral, antibacterial, antifungal, and anthelmintic properties. According to estimates from the World Health Organization (WHO), eighty percent of individuals on Earth still get their primary medical care from herbs and other traditional medicines. Herbal remedies are nutritional supplements that people consume to enhance their health. They can be pills, capsules, powders, teas, extracts, and dried or fresh botanicals etc. More and more people are using herbal remedies—which are traditionally believed to be safe—not using a prescription medicine.⁴

Chromatographic Techniques for Examining Herbal Drugs

The most flexible and easily obtainable technique for separation is the process of chromatography. Chromatography is the method of identifying as well as separating specific elements or mixtures of them utilizing a mobile phase as well as a fixed phase. Plant materials are separated and purified using a variety of chromatographic methods. Herbal medicine is a complex web of mixtures. Consequently, as well as suggested methods for “botanical drug” identification focus mostly on identifying a plant's unique fingerprint, which suggests a certain chemical is present that defines its characteristics component. Chemical fingerprints produced by chromatographic techniques—in particular, In order to maintain quality, hyphenated chromatography is strongly recommended since it can provide an accurate depiction of the herbal remedies' "chemical integrities." Herbal medications it is possible to detect as well as authenticate other herbal goods because they can properly reflect other herbal remedies' "chemical integrities." Herbal medication can be identified and verified using Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) and High-Performance Thin Layer Chromatography (HPTLC), which could reliably demonstrate the “chemical integrities” of the herbal remedy. Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) and High Performance Thin-Layer Chromatography (HPTLC)⁵

1. Chromatography Thin-Layer (TLC)

Thin layer chromatography, or TLC as it is commonly known, is the process. For chemical separation, it's among the most straightforward and widely used chromatographic techniques. With tender loving care, the phytochemical analysis of herbal remedies is carried out. Thin layer chromatography, or TLC, is the acronym for it. It is one of the easiest and most often used chromatographic techniques for separating chemicals. With tender loving care, the phytochemical analysis of herbal remedies is carried out.

Widely used for the reasons listed below:

1. It makes it possible to analyse herbal extracts quickly and with little requirement for a sample cleanup;
2. It offers qualitative and semi-quantitative information on the compounds that were resolved.
3. It makes it possible to quantify the constituent chemicals. Additionally, fingerprinting using GLC and HPLC is done in

Certain instances/given case

The following information can be recorded in a TLC fingerprinting process chromatogram, color of split bands, utilizing a high-performance TLC (HPTLC) scanner, each resolved band's shoulder inflection(s), λ max, and absorption spectra were determined. the sample's TLC fingerprint profile is made up of these and the derivatization profiles with different reagent applications. this data may be utilized to differentiate between real drugs from adulterants, keep the drug's consistency and quality intact, and identify genuine drugs. Herbal analysis was typically done using TLC prior to the development of instrumental chromatography methods such as HPLC and GC. Even now, a lot of herbal medication analysis is done using TLC. This is due to the fact that a number of pharmacopoeias still rely on it to offer the initial unique fingerprints of herbs, including the People's Chinese pharmaceutical monographs and analyses, the American Herbal Pharmacopoeia (AHP), and the Herbal

Pharmacopoeia (PRC). Instead, TLC is a more direct preliminary screening method that is combined with other approaches and uses an assessment that is semi-quantitative.⁶

Chromatographic methods

Table No. 1: Chromatographic method

Sr. No.	Analyte	TLC System parameters
1.	Haridra (Terminalia Chebula and Gallic acid)	Stationary phase: Silica gel Mobile phase: Toluene- ethyl acetate- formic acid, 5:5:1
2.	Azadirachta indica, Catharanthus roseus and Momordica	Stationary phase: Silica gel Mobile phase: Dichloromethane- methanol, 2:8
3.	Mushroom extracts	Stationary phase: Silica gel Mobile phase: Dichloromethane- ethyl acetate- methanol, 3:1:1
4.	Strychnus nux vomica	Stationary phase: Silica gel Mobile phase: Chloroform-ethyl acetate- diethyl amine, 0.5:8.5:1
5.	Constituent from the fruit of piper chaba (piperine, piperamine, piperlonguminine, and methyl piperate)	Stationary phase: Silica gel Mobile phase: n-hexane- ethylacetate, 1:1
6.	Quinones	Stationary phase: Silica gel 60 Mobile phase: Dichloromethane- n-hexane, 8:2

2. Column chromatography

In chemistry, column chromatography is a technique used to separate a single chemical element from a mixture. The chemicals can move down the column at varying speeds and form fractions because of their variable adsorption on the adsorbent, chromatography is able to separate substances. The technique is effective with a wide range of adsorbents (normal phase, reversed phase, and other kinds) and solvents. using this technology, measurements in micrograms to kilograms are possible. Relatively cheap and conveniently removed stationary phase is the primary benefit of column chromatography. Recycling-related stationary phase deterioration and cross-contamination are avoided by the latter. When performing column chromatography, the solvent can be forced through the column by compressed gas or by gravity.

3. High Performance Thin Layer Chromatography (HPTLC)

Pharmacies make use of the HPTLC technology extensively to guarantee the standard of herbal and nutritious meals items, pesticide content identification, adulterant detection and identification in herbal goods, and process development. It is well known that several Compared to HPLC, samples can be run concurrently when less mobile phase is used. Moreover, it has been reported that HPTLC can be performed with mobile phases that are pH 8 or higher. Another advantage of HPTLC is its capacity to repeatedly detect (scan) the chromatogram under the same or different conditions. As a result, research has been done on using HPTLC to assay multiple components simultaneously in a multicomponent formulation. Several plant species can be verified using this technique, which also allows evaluation of the durability and uniformity of preparations produced by different

producers. The HPTLC method was developed by numerous researchers for phytoconstituents such as bergenin, gallic acid, and catechine in *Bergenia lingulata* and *Bergenia cilliata* that are present in crude medicines or herbal formulations.

4.High performance liquid chromatography (HPLC)

Analyte dispersion in the sample between a stationary stage (column packing) what the analyte's chemical composition is. The specific intermolecular interactions that take place sample's "on-column" time is influenced by the interaction between its molecules and the packing material. The sample's constituent parts elute at different points in time. The example components are consequently divided. After the analytes exit the column, they are identified via a detection device, such as a UV detector. a data management system (computer software) converts and records the signals, which are then shown in chromatogram. the period of mobility might come into contact with debris, another detection unit, or a fraction collection device after exiting the detection unit. The following elements typically make up an HPLC system: a pump, a column, data processing unit, a detecting apparatus and a solvent reservoir and an injection valve. The eluent, or solvent, is pumped via the system while maintaining a steady speed and high pressure. Reducing Signal drift and noise in the detector depends on this pump's flow remaining steady and uninterrupted. The injection valve provides the eluent with the analyte (sample).⁸

NUMEROUS EXTRACTION TECHNIQUES

Including innovative methods such as supercritical fluid Using a liquid solvent to treat an insoluble residue—liquid or solid—is known as extraction in order to remove soluble components. As a result, it relies on the mass transfer phenomenon and is a solution process. The rate at which the solute diffuses via the contact at the extraction rate is typically stratum of liquid barrier.

The primary extraction techniques are as follows

Percolation, maceration, soxhlet extraction and ultrasound assisted extraction. the pace at which the solute is extracted is often what determines the extraction rate.

The following are the main extraction techniques:

1. Maceration
2. Percolation
3. Soxhlet Extraction
4. Ultrasound Assisted Extraction

1. Maceration

Maceration is the process of placing fine-grained materials in a tightly sealed glass container with the proper solvent once the solvent has been poured and filtered. Keep in an incredibly modern instrument system. Use: Appropriate for both bulk and initial extraction. Know about these three more goods: herbal cosmetics, which are skincare products; nutraceuticals, which are foods that offer health advantages.⁹ natural sweeteners—natural sweeteners derived from natural sources—and cosmetic products manufactured with natural components.

2. Percolation:

Put the ground material in a very large coffeepot and allow it to absorb the extraction solvent. Add a little more solvent on top of everything and let the extract slowly (drop by drop) seep out of the coffeepot's bottom. To extract the stuff completely, do serial percolations and refill the coffeepot with modern solvent. Combine all of the extracts together. One drawback is that the procedure takes a long time because a lot of solvents are needed.

3. Soxhlet Extraction

For Soxhlet Extraction, Cover the ground material with cotton wool and place it in a very thick thimble. Inside the extraction part of the Soxhlet chamber, place as well as thimble. Put the Place the Soxhlet extraction chamber on top of an aggregation flask to bring it together. Keeping a tiny quantity of anti-Bumping granules in reserve. The Soxhlet chamber should be filled with a suitable solvent. The solvent is sucked into the flask beneath the thimble when a specific quantity has built up within it. It is necessary to join the reflux condenser and the Soxhlet chamber. Arc the aggregation flask in a very hot mantle to warm the equipment beneath the reflux.¹⁰

4. Ultrasound Assisted Extraction:

To facilitate ultrasound-assisted extraction, place the ground-up materials in a glass instrument container with a solvent, then place the instrument container inside a supersonic tub. Establish a suitable time and temperature. Filter the Extract after using the technique Use: Harvesting plant cell cultures' intracellular metabolites To facilitate ultrasound assisted extraction, place the ground-up materials in a glass instrument container with a solvent, then place the instrument container inside a supersonic tub. Establish a suitable time and temperature. Filter the Extract after using the technique Use: Harvesting plant cell cultures' intracellular metabolites. Preparation Solvent extraction is an approach to dividing chemicals according to how easily they dissolve in two distinct immiscible liquids, often water and an organic solvent. another name for well, it is liquid-liquid partitioning and extraction. It is a removal of stuff. Changing from one phase of liquid to another. This is a fundamental method carried out in chemical laboratories with a separatory funnel. To put it another way, this is the procedure wherein a material is dissolved to separate it from a mixture preferentially an appropriate solvent. Analytical applications of solvent extraction include mixture separation, concentration or rejection of specific substances. Liquid-liquid extraction and partitioning, or solvent extraction, is a technique for separating substances according to their in an appropriate solvent. Analytical applications of solvent extraction include mixture separation and the concentration or rejection of specific substances. Typically, this procedure separates an insoluble substance from a soluble one. Nuclear processing, ore processing, the synthesis of fine organic compounds, perfume processing, and other industries all use solvent extraction. In an appropriate solvent. Analytical applications of solvent extraction include mixture separation and the concentration or rejection of specific substances. Typically, this procedure separates an insoluble substance from a soluble one. Solvent extraction is used in many industries, including perfume processing, mineral processing, nuclear processing, and the production of fine chemical molecules.¹¹

5. Supercritical fluid extraction

In many cases, the analysis of complex materials requires the removal of the sample matrix's analyte or analytes in the beginning. Quick, simple, and inexpensive are the ideal characteristics of an analytical separation method. Analyte recovery without loss or degradation is provided, and the analyte solution generated can be concentrated enough to eliminate the necessity for concentration in the final measurement. Last but not least, the procedure ought to produce very little garbage that requires disposal in the lab. Using a Soxhlet extractor to extract it was usual practice to undertake complicated environmental, pharmaceutical, food, and

petroleum sample analytical separations employing bulk samples and long-term hydrocarbon or chlorinated organic solvents. Sadly, fluid extraction usually does not meet all of the perfect parameters.

6. Supercritical liquid:

A supercritical fluid is any substance that is over its critical point at any temperature or pressure. It is able to dissolve objects like a liquid and penetrate materials like a gas. Furthermore, many characteristics the “tuning” of a supercritical fluid can be done in the vicinity of the critical point due to the large variations in density that occur from small changes in pressure or temperature. Organic solvents can be substituted with supercritical fluids in numerous procedures used in laboratories and industries. The two supercritical fluids that are used most frequently are carbon dioxide and water with applications ranging from power generation to decaffeination. One kind of solvent utilized in the extraction of plants is CO₂. Nothing hazardous is left behind. Its extraction characteristics can be carefully controlled with minor temperature and pressure changes and extensively regulated.

EXTRACTION

Extraction aided by microwave

Microwaves have wavelengths between one centimetre and one meter, and they are located between 300 MHz and 300 GHz in the electromagnetic spectrum of light. These waves, which are used to transport energy and information, comprise two oscillating fields that are perpendicular to each other. When microwaves contact with specific materials, some of its electromagnetic energy can be absorbed and converted the original use of microwaves was for heating. For this purpose, commercial microwaves require energy at 2450 MHz, or roughly 600–700 W.

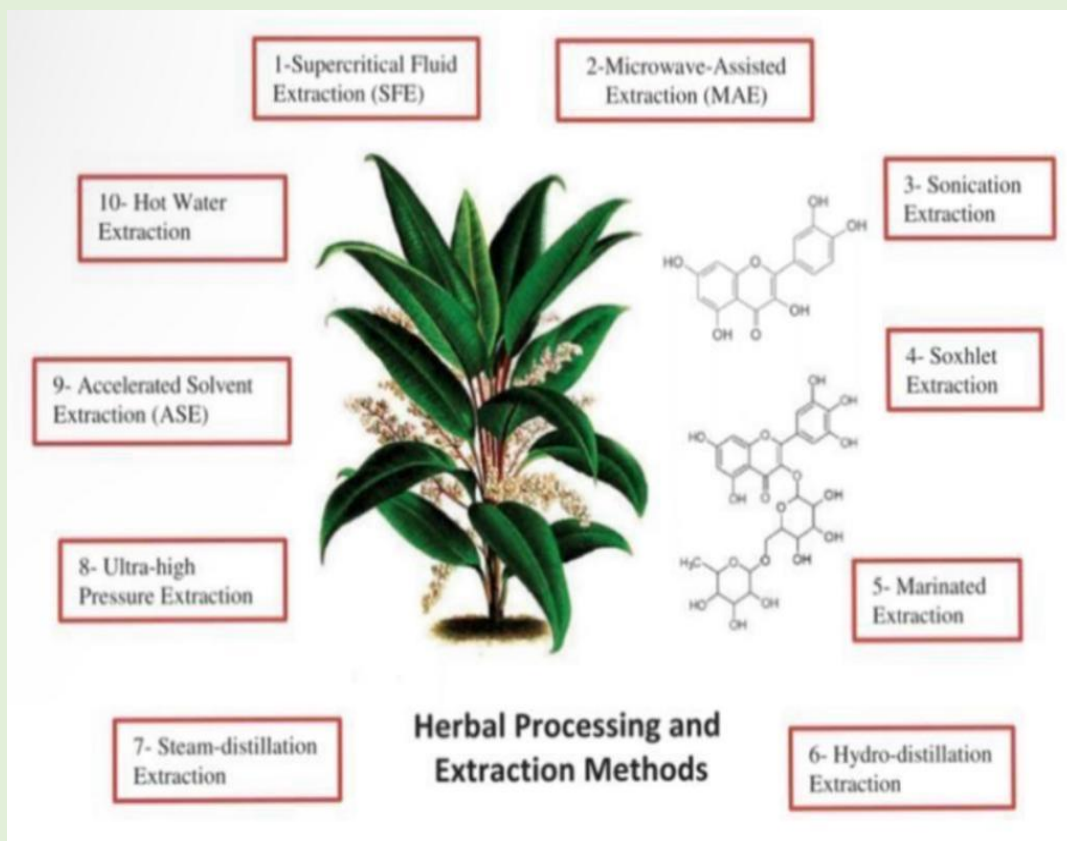


Fig.1: The 10-extraction method described in the test

Techniques for purification and isolation

- 1) Generally used separation methods
- 2) Methods of Extraction
- 3) One crucial stage during the division and purification of organic plant materials is called extraction of plant material.
- 4) Plant matrices are complex by nature, made up of a range of substances with various physical properties
- 5) Chemical properties¹²

Techniques for purifying isolated phytoconstituents:

Phytochemical isolated is the process a separating specific ingredients or effective sections of plant extracts and utilizing both physical and chemical methods to purify them into monomer molecules. Dialysis, fractional distillation, precipitation, crystallization, salting out, and solvent extraction are examples of traditional isolation techniques that are still widely employed today. The phytochemical separation process does, however, also require using modern separation methods such ultrafiltration, column chromatography, high performance liquid chromatography, and high-performance liquid drop counter current chromatography. Common methods and their particular uses in phytochemical isolation are covered in this section.

Technique for Solvents

1. Acid & the fundamental solvents technique

Acid and this fundamental solvent technique It is done based on the various alkalinity and acidity of every component in the mix. Salts that's distinguishable from non-alkaline and Alkaloids are examples of water-insoluble, alkaline organic components. bases have the ability to slake acid components that include carboxyl or phenolic hydroxyl groups. which makes them soluble in aqueous solutions. One can achieve saponification and dissolve components having lactone or lactam substructures in water, followed by their isolation from other components that are insoluble in water.

The extract can be extracted with acid water or alkali water to separate it by dissolving it in organic solvents that are lipophilic (ethyl acetate is a typical solvent) to create acidic, alkaline, and neutral components. Naturally, when the pH is lower, another option is to dilute the whole extract in water and extract it using organic solvents level has been adjusted. By using pH gradient extraction, the fractions can be further divided according to how different they are in terms of alkalinity or acidity. When employing the basic solvent and acid method, care should be exercised to avoid creating certain chemical structures that are irreversibly altered. Observing the degree of acidity or alkalinity, the duration of time they are in touch with one another, the temperature at which they are heated, and the quantity of time.

2. Technique for extracting polarity gradients

This technique makes advantage of the fluctuating polarity of every component in plant extracts and the different partition coefficients in two-phase solvents to achieve the separation objective. While selecting various two-phase solvent systems, emphasis is usually given to the components of plant extracts' polarity. Using an the strongly polar components may be distinguished from the components with medium polarity in an n-butanol-water system, for example. be separated using a system of water and ethyl acetate, thus it is possible to separate the components with weak polarity using a system of water and chloroform (or ether). Plant extracts should always be dissolved in water before being extracted using a different organic solvent that isn't miscible with water due to polarity differences in a separating funnel. ethyl acetate (or chloroform) and petroleum ether (or cyclohexane) were typically used in the extraction procedure as the first two steps. as the second step, and

water-saturated n-butanol as the final step, as shown in Figure 1. Minimal Polarity, the Lipid-soluble materials are present in the layer of petroleum ether. Medium-polar substances including monoglycosides, flavonoids, and substances with more polar functional groups are present in the ethyl acetate layer. polar in strength compounds found in the N-butanol layer may be separated with the use of a water-ethyl acetate system and chloroform (or ether)-water system, respectively.

Components having a low polarity. In order to extract throughout the process, it is necessary to dissolve the plant extract in water first. Then, using a different organic solvent that is not miscible with water due to polarity differences, the solution or suspension is put in a separating funnel. The extraction procedure is depicted in Figure 1. Usually taken out with three steps: ethyl acetate (or chloroform) after cyclohexane (or petroleum ether) and last, n-butanol saturated with water. The petroleum ether layer is composed of low-polarity, lipid-soluble molecules. The ethyl acetate layer is made up of flavonoids, monoglycosides, and molecules with highly polar functional groups are examples of medium-polar substances. The layer of N-butanol is made up of strongly polar substances like oligoglycosides and other additional substances that dissolve in water. Compounds in the water layer, such as proteins, carbohydrates, amino acids, and other water-soluble materials, as well as glycosides with extra glycosyl groups, have the strongest polarity.¹³

Precipitation method:

This technique works by either precipitating certain elements from the mixture by incorporating certain reagents, which may make certain components less soluble in the solution, or precipitating specific phytochemicals through a reaction with particular reagents. In order to require the target components, reversibility of the precipitation process is required for the precipitation to develop. However, since the precipitation produced will be destroyed, In the event that the components are nontarget, It's possible that the precipitation process won't stop. Utilizing reagents or solvents, this technique falls into one of the following categories: One can change and precipitate by mixing in a certain solvent that the mixed component solution can dissolve in together. The gradual accumulation brought on by moving the term "fractional precipitation" describes the polarity or volume of additional solvent. To raise the water extraction concentrate's alcohol content above 80%, for example, ethanol is added. As a result, proteins, starch, gum, and polysaccharides precipitate and are eliminated during filtering. Phytochemicals are extracted using water as an extracting solvent. The prior procedure involved the precipitation of ethanol and the extraction of water. This method is often used to remove crude polysaccharides from plants.

THE VALUE OF UNIFORMITY

Herbal Formulation Standardization

Good Manufacturing Practices must be implemented in order to standardize herbal mixture (GMP). Moreover, a number of factors, Investigations on topics including important considerations for herbal formulations are believed to be toxicity evaluation, chemical profile, dosage, stability, self-life, pharmacodynamics, and pharmacokinetics. Aflatoxin concentration, pesticide residue, contaminated with heavy metals, and the application of Using GAP stands for good agricultural practices in the standardization of herbal medications are additional equally significant considerations¹⁴

Exceptions and qualities herbal crude drugs

Controlling Specifications, The WHO (1996a and b, 1992) defines standardization and quality control of herbals as the process of physiochemically evaluating crude drugs, including aspects such as raw material

selection and handling, final product safety, efficacy, and stability assessment, documentation of safety and risk based on experience, consumer education about the product, and product promotion. Generally, factors such as these quality indicators are taken into account: Evaluation of morphology and organoleptic properties: When evaluating an entire drug, morphological characteristics are crucial for differentiation. It mostly consists of things like color, taste, smell, shape, and size. Specifics Features include venation, texture, and fractures, among others. Histological and microscopic analysis: These are valuable when the drug is whole or in powder form. It primarily involves the study of features such as trichomes, parenchyma, stomata, fibers, vascular bundle arrangements, and calcium oxalate crystals. Quantitative examination of microbes: microscopic measures, including counts of vein islets, vein terminations, stomatal index, length of fiber and palisade ratio. This kind of research facilitates the differentiation of closely linked species.

Actual assessment

An analysis of many actual parameters such as well as amount of ash, extractives, moisture level, optical rotation, melting point, solubility, viscosity, and refractive index is conducted. Palisade ratio and fiber size. Research of this type helps distinguish closely related species.

Evaluation of chemicals qualitatively

The identification and characterisation of crude materials are included in qualitative chemical assessment pharmaceuticals in relation from phytochemical ingredients. it separates and identifies the active components using a variety of analytical techniques. Phytochemical screening methods encompass plant identification and extraction techniques. Utilizing the proper solvents to purify and characterize the active compounds of medicinal importance.

Quantitative analysis of chemicals

To determine the proportionate amounts of the primary component classes.¹⁵

MEDICATIONS FOR MODERN TECHNOLOGY

JASMINE (JASMINUM)



Fig. 2: Jasmine

The limbic system, which controls the brain system, sends messages to your body when you inhale jasmine molecules. You might place a plant in your room or use a Diffuser to fill the air with the aroma of jasmine essential oil to aid with depression and anxiety. In addition to reducing anxiety and depression, jasmine can help you focus, sleep better, balance hormones, and reduce the chance of infection. This demonstrates how flexible it is to learn about the jasmine plant and how it may improve your life.¹⁶

LURICAULIS CONVOLVULUS, SHANKPUSHPI



Fig.3: Shankpushpi

Strong memory booster and brain tonic, Shankpushpi (also called Sankhaphuli, Sadaphuli, Samkhapushpi, Shankhini, and Kambumalini) actively improves intelligence and cognitive function. Because of its conch- or shankh-shaped blossoms, the plant was given the name Shankpushpi. It also helps with difficulties including depression, anxiety, stress, insomnia, mental tiredness, focus, and memory. It encourages mental wellbeing and may be helpful in the treatment of depression due to its antidepressant qualities. Shankpushpi is said by Ayurveda to ease tension, anxiety, and aid in brain quieting. Its Medhya (intelligence-boosting) quality also functions as a brain tonic, enhancing memory. Shankpushpi powder can be taken add Warm milk or water can improve memory and focus.^[17]

CONCLUSION

For centuries, people have used ethnobotanicals, plants, and herbs to treat and improve their health. all around the world from the beginning of human history. Plants and other natural resources are the foundation of modern medicine, and they are also used extensively in the creation of pharmaceutical formulations for commercial use. The source is plants of about 25% of medications that are given globally. Herbs are still frequently utilized in medicine instead of pharmaceuticals. Herbal medicine is the recommended treatment option for certain individuals. Herbs are utilized by some as a complementary treatment to traditional medications. But in many impoverished nations, the only accessible or reasonably priced medical system is conventional medicine, with herbal therapy serving as a keystone. Those who use herbal medicines for whatever reason either a certain herb

or a precise amount of a particular herb component, consumers should be satisfied that the items they are purchasing are safe and contain what is intended to be there. It is important to provide consumers with evidence-based information on dose, contraindications, and efficacy. Harmonizing laws around the globe is necessary to accomplish this goal and ensure that herbal medicines are produced and marketed responsibly. If an herb's health benefits are sufficiently supported by science, then such legislation should permit this. employed suitably to encourage the usage of that plant in order to achieve these advantages for the treatment of illness and the advancement of public health.

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