



Antimicrobial Activities of Extracts of Some Species of Mangrove Plants and a New Compound Isolated Towards some Selected Strains

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ABSTRACT

The bio-materials of four marine mangrove medicinal plants viz., *Aegiceras Corniculatum* (AGC), *Excoecariaagallocha* (EA), *Rhizophoramucronata* (RM) and *Xylocarpusgranatum* (XG) are extracted with methanol and hexane. These extracts are submitted to the antibacterial activity towards the strains: *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonaspaucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera* adopting Agar-well diffusion method. It is found that a new Flavone Compound isolated from hexane extract of EA is effective towards *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonaspaucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera* strains while RM MeOH extract is effective towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonaspaucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*. The XG MeOH extract is found to be effective towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonaspaucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera* strains while AGC MeOH extract is found to be effective towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonaspaucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*. The order of effectiveness is found to be: EA Hexane > RM MeOH > XG MeOH > AG MeOH. Finally a new flavone compound is found to be more effective than the extracts.

Keywords: Mangrove plants, extracts, flavone compound, antimicrobial activity on different strains.

INTRODUCTION

The recent investigations are concentrating on the bio-screening of natural products have revived due to the paucity of safe antimicrobial drugs, anti-reverse transcriptase, anti-HIV and the perilous upsurge of new and re-emerging infectious diseases^{1,2,3}. The antibiotics from natural sources are efficacious, biodegradable, less toxic and cost effective and therefore, it could supplement the costly synthesized antibiotic drugs^{4,5,6}. Bio-potentiality of mangrove vegetal makes them as a reserved for the development of pharmaceuticals, fish and animal feed additives, agrichemicals and natural pigments^{7,8,9}. The mangrove preparations used successfully in the hospitalization of infectious diseases and ailments are envisaged to possess antimicrobial potency^{10,11,12}.

In the present investigation, the different biological parts of four mangrove species namely *AegicerasCorniculatum*, *Excoecariaagallocha*, *Rhizophoramucronata* and *Xylocarpusgranatum* have been extracted with different solvents like hexane and methanol. These extractes have been screened for antimicrobial activity towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera* and found to be results are encouraging hence they are presented comprehensively in this article.

MATERIALS and METHODS

Collection of Mangrove Medicinal plants

The different species of mangrove plants viz., *Excoecariaagallocha* and *Xylocarpusgranatum*, were collected from corangi Mangrove forest near Bhiravapalem in Godavary Estuary (Latitude 160

15'N and Longitude 820 15' E) and further , *Aegiceras Corniculatum* and *Rhizophora Mucronata* (Latitude 80 99' N and Longitude 760 87' E) were collected from Kollam mangrove forest near Krishnapatnam Port, Nellore.

Plant preparation and extraction

The fresh plants were washed under running tap water and dried in a warm room for 2 to 6 d. The samples were grinded into fine powder and extracted with n-hexane and methanol successively to get n-hexane and methanol extracts. Then, all the crude extracts were kept at -20 ! until further use. The flavone compound getting By using column chromatography over a column of silica gel (Acme brand, 100-200 mesh, and 450 g) using solvents of increasing polarity from n-hexane through EtoAc. In all 200 Fractions (500 ml) were collected. The fractions displaying similar spots in TLC were combined and the residues from therein were subjected to re-chromatography over silica gel column to yield one pure compound **Fig.I**¹³In the form of an off-white solid.

preparation of a sample

A sample of 100 mg from each extract and compound was dissolved in 1 mL DMSO. The extract and compound was then sterilized by filtration through sterile syringe filter (0.2 µm pore). Finally the filtered extract and compound was stored as aliquots until it was used.

Microbial strains

Bacillus puvuilis, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*.

Agar Ditch diffusion method

The agar disc diffusion method was employed for the determination of antimicrobial activities of the extracts according to Qarallehet al¹⁴some modification. Briefly, inoculum containing 120⁰(15 lb/in2)was spread on Nutrient agar Medium with the respective bacterial strains of bacteria and medium potato dextrose agar for fungus strains. Testing sterile forceps, the sterile filter papers (6 mm diameter) containing the crude extracts (1 or 1.5 mg),

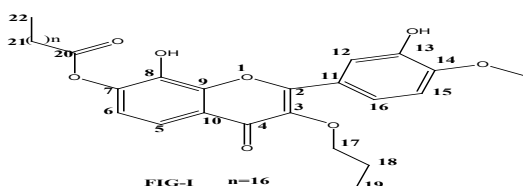


FIG-I n=16

**8-hydroxy-2(3-hydroxy-4-methoxy phenyl)
4-oxo-3-propoxy-4H-chromen-7yl-propionate**

standard antibiotics (30 µg of chloramphenicol or 100 µg of amphotericin B) or negative control (DMSO) were laid down on the coverage of inoculated agar plate. The plates were incubated at 37 ±2! for 24 h for the bacteria and at room temperature 28±2! for 12 h for yeasts strains. Each sample was tested in duplicate and the zone of inhibition was measured as 50 micro liters diameter.

Screening for Antimicrobial Activity

The antimicrobial activity was carried out by the employing 24h young cultures with the given compounds by using Agar-well diffusion method. The medium was sterilized by autoclaving at 120°C (15 lb/in²). About 20 ml of the medium (Nutrient Agar Medium) with the respective bacterial strains of bacteria and medium (Potato Dextrose Agar) for Fungal strains were transferred aseptically into each sterilized petri Plate. The plates were left at room temperature for solidification. Each plate is made 5 wells with equal distance with of 6mm sterile borer. The test compounds were freshly reconstituted with suitable solvents (DMSO) and tested at various concentrations. The samples and the control along with standard (Ciprofloxacin) were places in 6-mm diameter well. In Antimicrobial assays plates were incubated at 28±20c for fungi about 24h and 37±20C



Fig. 2: Mangrove plants extracts and a new flavone compound activity on some selected strains

for bacteria 12h. Standard with 5µg/ml used as a positive control for antibacterial activity. Activity diameter of the zone of inhibition was measured using Himedia antibiotic zone scale. Observations and results were represented in Table 2.

RESULTS and DISCUSSION

The Agar well diffusion method which belongs to Gram positive & Gram negative Bacteria's of different plant extracts and flavone compound towards different strains have been presented in Table 2. The following observations are significant: of all the extracts and compound tested, AGC, EA, RM, XG have shown some remarkable antimicrobial behaviour.

With AGC extract, the antimicrobial activity for strains

Bacillus puvuilis, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*.

The Gram Positive Bacteria's are *Bacillus subtilis* with the values 12 and 10 respectively, *Bacillus coagulans* with the values 13, 11 and 10 respectively. And *Staphylococcus aureus* with the value 7 respectively. These strains have no activity against the Gram Negative Bacteria's.

With EA flavone compound, the antimicrobial activity for strains

Bacillus puvuilis, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*. The Gram Positive Bacteria's

Table 1: Abbreviation of Mangrove Medicinal Plant Extracts & Compound

Name of the Plant Species	Parts used	Extraction of solvent	Abbreviation
AegicerasCorniculatum	Fruits	Methanol	AGC
Excoecariaagallocha (compound)	Roots	Hexane	EA
Rhizophoramucronata	Fruits	Methanol	RM
XylocarpusGranatum	Roots	Methanol	XG

Table 2: Results of Antimicrobial Assay mangrove medicinal plants

Gram Positive Bacteria's							
S. No.	Plant code	Organism/s	500mg/ml	250mg/ml	100mg/ml	Standard	Control
1	AGC	<i>Bacillus puvuilis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	43mm	No Activity
2	AGC	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	12mm	10mm	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
3	AGC	<i>Bacillus coagulans</i>	13mm	11mm	10mm	34mm	No Activity
4	AGC	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	7mm	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
5	AGC	<i>Bacillus licheniformis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	34mm	No Activity
6	AGC	<i>Corynebacteriumdiphtheriae</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	36mm	No Activity
7	EA	<i>Bacillus puvuilis</i>	19mm	18mm	17mm	43mm	No Activity
8	EA	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
9	EA	<i>Bacillus coagulans</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
10	EA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	13mm	12mm	11mm	40mm	No Activity
11	EA	<i>Bacillus licheniformis</i>	14mm	12mm	11mm	32mm	No Activity
12	EA	<i>Corynebacteriumdiphtheriae</i>	11mm	10mm	No Activity	43mm	No Activity
13	RM	<i>Bacillus puvuilis</i>	12mm	No Activity	No Activity	43mm	No Activity
14	RM	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
15	RM	<i>Bacillus coagulans</i>	15mm	13mm	11mm	40mm	No Activity
16	RM	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	38mm	No Activity
17	RM	<i>Bacillus licheniformis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	28mm	No Activity
18	RM	<i>Corynebacteriumdiphtheriae</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	34mm	No Activity
19	XG	<i>Bacillus puvuilis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	43mm	No Activity
20	XG	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	12mm	10mm	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
21	XG	<i>Bacillus coagulans</i>	15mm	11mm	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
22	XG	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	14mm	13mm	12mm	40mm	No Activity
23	XG	<i>Bacillus licheniformis</i>	11mm	10mm	No Activity	35mm	No Activity
24	XG	<i>Corynebacteriumdiphtheriae</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	34mm	No Activity
Gram Negative Bacteria's							
S. No.	Plant code	Organism/s	500mg/ml	250mg/ml	100mg/ml	Standard	Control
1	AGC	<i>Klebsiellapneumoniae</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	32mm	No Activity
2	AGC	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	38mm	No Activity
3	AGC	<i>Shigella flexneri</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	38mm	No Activity
4	AGC	<i>Sphingomonaspaucimobilis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	31mm	No Activity
5	AGC	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
6	AGC	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	29mm	No Activity
7	EA	<i>Klebsiellapneumoniae</i>	11mm	No Activity	No Activity	28mm	No Activity
8	EA	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	10mm	No Activity	No Activity	38mm	No Activity
9	EA	<i>Shigella flexneri</i>	11mm	No Activity	No Activity	32mm	No Activity
10	EA	<i>Sphingomonaspaucimobilis</i>	15mm	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
11	EA	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
12	EA	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	13mm	12mm	11mm	40mm	No Activity
13	RM	<i>Klebsiellapneumoniae</i>	20mm	13mm	10mm	32mm	No Activity
14	RM	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	15mm	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
15	RM	<i>Shigella flexneri</i>	16mm	12mm	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
16	RM	<i>Sphingomonaspaucimobilis</i>	19mm	13mm	11mm	30mm	No Activity
17	RM	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	16mm	12mm	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
18	RM	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	19mm	13mm	10mm	35mm	No Activity
19	XG	<i>Klebsiellapneumoniae</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	32mm	No Activity
20	XG	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
21	XG	<i>Shigella flexneri</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
22	XG	<i>Sphingomonaspaucimobilis</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	31mm	No Activity
23	XG	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	12mm	11mm	No Activity	40mm	No Activity
24	XG	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	No Activity	No Activity	No Activity	40mm	No Activity

Diameter of the well = 06mm

Volume of the Compound = 50 Micro liters.

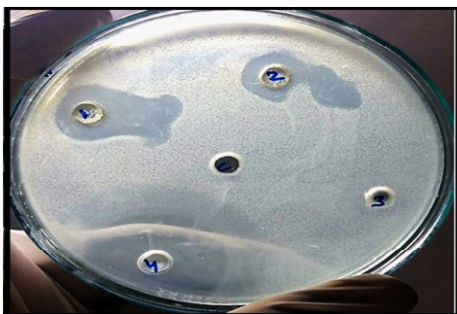


Fig. 3: Mangrove plants extracts and a new flavone compound activity on some selected strains

are *Bacillus subtilis* with the values 19, 18 and 17 respectively. These strains are no activity was found against *Bacillus subtilis* and *Bacillus coagulans*. *Staphylococcus aureus* with the values 13, 12 and 11 respectively. *Bacilluslicheniformis* with the values 14, 12 and 11 respectively. *Corynebacterium diphtheria* with the values 11 and 10 respectively. The Gram Negative Bacteria's are *Klebsiella pneumonia* and *Shigella flexneri* with the value 11 respectively. And *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* with the value 10 respectively. And *Vibrio cholera* & *Sphingomonas paucimobilis* with the values 13 & 15 respectively.

With RM extract, the antimicrobial activity for strains

Bacillus puvuilis, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*. The Gram Positive Bacteria's are *Bacillus subtilis* & *Bacillus coagulans* with the values 12 & 15, 13, 11 respectively. These strains have no activity was found against *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis* and *Corynebacteriumdiphtheria*.

The Gram Negative Bacteri's *Klebsiella pneumonia* with the values 20, 13 and 10 respectively. And *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* with the value 15 respectively, *Shigella flexneri* with the values 16 and 12 respectively, *Sphingomonaspaucimobilis* with the values 19, 13 and 11 respectively. *Escherichia coli* with the values 16 and 12 respectively. And *Vibrio cholera* with the values 19, 13 and 10 respectively.

With XG extract, the antimicrobial activity for strains

Bacillus puvuilis, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*. The Gram Positive Bacteria's are *Bacillus puvuilis* & *Corynebacterium diphtheria* these strains are no activity. And *Bacillus subtilis* with the values 12 and 10 respectively, *Bacillus coagulans* with the values 15 and 11 respectively, *Staphylococcus aureus* with the values 14, 13 and 12 etc. And *Bacillus licheniformis* with the values 11 and 10 respectively. The Gram Negative Bacteria's are *Escherichia coli* with the values 12 and 11 respectively. Remaining in all Negative Strains has no activity.

Finally the order of effectiveness is found to be: EA Hexane > RM MeOH > XG MeOH > AG MeOH. Finally a new flavone compound is found that more effective than the extracts.

The order of Activity is: EA Hexane (4) > RM MeOH (1) > XG MeOH (2) > AG MeOH (3).

CONCLUSION

The extracts and new flavone compound of parts of different species of mangrove plants have been tested for their antimicrobial activity towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera* adopting Agar-well diffusion method. It is found that EA Hexane Flavone Compound is effective towards *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera* strains while RM MeOH extract is effective towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas*

aeruginosa, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*. The XG MeOH extract is found to be effective towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Shigella flexneri*, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera* strains while AGC MeOH extract is found to be effective towards the strains *Bacillus puvuilis*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus coagulans*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus licheniformis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheria*, *Klebsiella pneumonia*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*,

Shigella flexneri, *Sphingomonas paucimobilis*, *Escherichia coli* and *Vibrio cholera*. The order of effectiveness is found to be: EA Hexane > RM MeOH > XG MeOH > AG MeOH. Finally a new flavone compound is found that more effective than the extracts.

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