An investigation on phytochemical analysis of fruits of Withania coagulens in different solvents.

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Abstract:
Medicinal plants are those plants that contain properties or compounds that can be used for therapeutic purposes, or those that synthesize metabolites to produce useful drugs. (WHO 2002) Phytochemicals are biologically active naturally occurring chemical compounds found in plants, which provides health benefits for humans. The present study was performed to study the phytoconstituents of alcoholic & aqueous fruit extract of Withania coagulens. This plant shows free radical scavenging, cardiovascular hypoglycemic, central nervous system depressant anti-inflammatory, antitumor, wound healing effect. (Gupta & Keshari 2013). Qualitative phytochemical screening showed the presence of carbohydrate, Alkaloids, glycosides, saponins, Flavonoids, tannins, sterol & proteins. From the research we conclude that aqueous is the best solvent for extraction of phytoconstituents. The presence of tannins & flavonoids justifies the use of the plant in the Indian traditional systems of medicine. The proposed plant contains a wide variety of the chemical constituents which are very beneficial to the mankind. Thus the extraction of the essential oils from the phytochemical analysis, both qualitative and quantitative, has shown the significant presence of large number of important phytochemical in the fruits of Withania coagulans L. Dunal plant. Withanolide are the major biologically active group of compounds in W. coagulans, showing a wide range of therapeutic and antioxidant effects which can be used in treatment of Diabetes.

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