



## Studies on antioxidant activity of *Cissampelos pareira* L. with different solvents

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### Abstract

The present investigation of antioxidant activity with three methods such as hydrogen peroxide scavenging assay, DPPH assay and Thiobarbituric acid were performed. The *Cissampelos pareira* leaf with aqueous extract antioxidant results represented when compared with acetone extract of thiobarbituric acid was maximum antioxidant results represented when compared with methods with higher concentration was excellent activities recorded respectively. The effect of *Cissampelos pareira* leaf with aqueous extract by various methods were performed. The hydrogen peroxide scavenging assay was better antioxidant activities than that of the other methods. In this technique 500 µg/mL concentration was extraordinary all binding of molecules were determined with ascorbic acid as a standard for the activity. The ethanolic leaf extract of antioxidant properties of thiobarbituric acid with higher concentration found to be exhibited when compared with other two methods respectively. The methanolic leaf extract of *Cissampelos pareira* with hydrogen peroxide scavenging assay (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) maximum antioxidant properties were observed at higher concentration then the DPPH assay were analysed. However the antioxidant properties of *Cissampelos pareira* leaf extract of aqueous solvents was excellent results represented. The *Cissampelos pareira* leaf phytochemicals for more suitable in antioxidant activities.

**Keywords:** *Cissampelos pareira*, antioxidant, scavenge free radicals and ailments

### Introduction

*Cissampelos pareira* is perennial climbing shrubs 2 to 5 m high commonly known as "Patha" in Ayurveda. It belongs to family Menispermaceae and has significant importance for the treatment of urinary problems, fever and skin infection (Jain *et al.*, 2015) [8]. Antioxidants contain free radicals and properties of breaking chain reactions. The most effective part of their defence mechanism and reduce the action of free radicals which cause stress of oxidation (Pourmorad *et al.*, 2006) [11]. Antioxidants are reported to play a central role in preventing oxidative stress (Ali *et al.*, 2008; Mazhar *et al.*, 2015) [4, 9]. Since the ancient times, all over the world traditional people depended upon medicinal plants having less toxicity and cost effectiveness due to their biological properties, against various viral infections and ailments caused by oxidative stress (Ajaib *et al.*, 2017) [2].

The antioxidant effect was evaluated by using 1, 1-diphenyl-2-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) radical scavenging assay, total phenolic and total flavonoid content. The stem extract of plant displayed good antioxidant potential as compared to the leaf extract. The percentage of DPPH free radical scavenging activity was maximum of the stem extract. The maximum result of antioxidant activity was observed by total phenolic content. The antioxidant potential was expressed as the amount of the extract needed to decrease 50% of the initial concentration of the free radical. The plant leaf extracts were found to be active antioxidants in the

concentration range of scavenge free radical. (Ebrahimzadeha *et al.*, 2010) [7].

### Materials and Methods

#### Collection of plant

The fresh, healthy plant materials of *C. pareira* leaf collected from the Mannargudi regions of Thiruvavur Dt, Tamilnadu, India. The leaves were washed thoroughly under running tap water then with distilled water and shade dried at room temperature and remove the moisture completely. The dried leaves are then homogenized into fine powder using a mixer grinder and stored in airtight containers for further study

#### Sample preparation

Ten gm of the dried powder of leaves of *Cissampelos pareira* were taken separately in labelled airtight bottles and 50 ml of solvents such as acetone, aqueous, methanol and ethanol were individually added and prepared.

#### Hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) radical scavenging activity assay (Singh and Singh 2008) [13]

Solution of 0.2 M potassium dihydrogen phosphate and 0.2 M sodium hydroxide solutions were prepared as per the Indian Pharmacopoeia 1996 standards. 50 ml potassium dihydrogen phosphate solution was placed in a 200 ml volumetric flask and 39.1 ml of 0.2M sodium hydroxide solution was added and finally volume was made up to 200

ml with distilled water to prepare phosphate buffer (pH-7.4). 50 ml of phosphate buffer solution was added to equal amount of hydrogen peroxide and generate the free radicals and solution was kept aside at room temperature for 5min to complete the reaction. Extracts (1 ml) in distilled water were added to 0.6 ml hydrogen peroxide solution and the absorbance was measured at 230 nm in a spectrophotometer against a blank solution containing phosphate buffer solution without hydrogen peroxide. The percentage of scavenging of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> of extract was measured. The ability to scavenge the H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> radical was calculated using the following equation:

$$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \text{ scavenging activity (\%)} = (A_0 - A_1) / A_0 \times 100$$

Where

A<sub>0</sub> is the absorbance of the control and A<sub>1</sub> is the absorbance in the presence of extract sample. A standard of ascorbic acid was run using same concentrations as that of extract. The antioxidant activity of the sample was expressed as IC<sub>50</sub> value was defined as concentration (mg/ml) of sample that inhibited the formation of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> radicals by 50%.

#### DPPH assay (Brand-Williams *et al.*, 1995)

The antioxidant activity of the *Cissampelos pareira* on the basis of the scavenging activity of the stable 2, 2-diphenyl-2-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) free radical was determined according to the method described with slight modification. The following concentrations of aqueous and methanol extract were prepared 100, 200, 300, 400 and 500 µg/mL. All the solutions were prepared with methanol. Five ml of each solution prepared and concentration was mixed with 0.5mL of 1ml DPPH solution. Experiment was done in triplicate. The test tubes were incubated for 30 min at room temperature and the absorbance measured at 517nm. Lower the absorbance of the reaction mixture indicated higher free radical scavenging activity. Vitamin C (0.1 mg/ml) was used as a standard and the same concentrations were prepared as the test solutions. The different in absorbance between the test and the control (DPPH in methanol) was calculated and expressed as % scavenging of DPPH radical.

$$\% \text{ Scavenged [DPPH]} = [(AC - AS)/AC] \times 100.$$

#### Thiobarbituric acid (TBA) assay (Alam Zeb and Fareed Ullah 2016)<sup>[3]</sup>

Preparation of TBA Reagent. The standard solution of 4.0 mm of TBA was prepared in glacial acetic acid. For this purpose, 57.66 mg of TBA was dissolved in 100 mL of glacial acetic acid. Samples of *Cissampelos pareira* plant leaf extract with 100% glacial acetic acid (AA) and 50% glacial acetic acid with water (AW). The extract of leaf sample (1 mL) was mixed with 1 mL TBA reagent and the above procedure was repeated five times (*n* = 5). The

TBARS was calculated using the formula as µM/g of the sample:

$$\text{TBARS (\mu M/g)} = (Ac \times V) / W, (1)$$

Where

Ac is the amount determined from the calibration curve and *W* is the weight of the sample taken while *V* is volume in mL or dilution factor of the total leaf extract prepared.

#### Results and discussion

The present investigation suggested that the antioxidant activity of acetone, aqueous, ethanol and methanol of leaf of *C. pareira*. The antioxidant activity was evaluated by using Hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) radical scavenging activity assay, DPPH radical scavenging activity and Thiobarbituric acid (TBA) assay. Several methods were used for analysis of the antioxidant compounds. The result obtained by H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> hydrogen peroxide radical scavenging activity had recognized that the aqueous extract of leaf showed maximum radical scavenging potential 42.3±0.04 µg/ml and lowest value of 17.3±1.12 µg/ml in acetone extract. According to the results, established in the investigation, it was found that all of the test plant extracts showed notable scavenging activities against DPPH model in a concentration dependent manner, that is, the higher the concentration, the highest scavenging potential (Table-1-4). The leaf with methanol extract value of 37.2±0.16 µg/ml and lowest value of 19.5±0.21 µg/ml in acetone. The TBA assay were carried out from the aqueous, acetone, ethanol and methanol extracts of leaf. The IC<sub>50</sub> value of TBA aqueous extracts of leaf 35.3±0.03 µg/ml and lowest value of 20.4 ±0.12 µg/ml in aqueous extract.

Seetharaman *et al.* (2018)<sup>[12]</sup> were also reported that methanolic extracts of *C. pareira* leaf exhibited highest free radical scavenging activity. The antioxidant assays were carried out from the methanolic extracts of leaf, stem, root and callus (Uthpala and Raveesha 2019)<sup>[14]</sup>. The IC<sub>50</sub> value of DPPH (325.62 µg/ml) and ABTS (55.17 µg/ml) radical activity was found to be maximum in methanolic extract of stem compared to other extracts. The extracts exhibited concentration dependent hydrogen peroxide scavenging activities. The scavenging efficiency increased as follows: CPW < CPA < CPH < CPE. CPE was most efficient with the lowest IC<sub>50</sub> value, 75.79±1.63 µg/ml (Mir Zahoor Gul *et al* 2016). Therefore, *C. pareira* extracts quench hydrogen peroxide which can be due to the existence of phenolic groups that exhibited proton donating ability thereby, neutralizing it into water. The CPE scavenged as much as 80.7% of DPPH radicals at a concentration of 50 µg/mL (Amresh *et al* 2007) The antioxidant activities of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, DPPH and TBA assays leaf of *C. pareira* was maximum and over all performed aqueous extract compared to other extracts. (Table: 1-4)

**Table 1:** Analysis of antioxidant activity of *Cissampelos pareira* L. leaf with acetone extract by various methods

Different concentration of leaves extract (µg/ml)	Standard (ascorbic acid)	Hydrogen peroxide scavenging (H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) assay (%) activity	Standard (ascorbic acid)	DPPH assay (%) activity	Standard (ferictho cayante)	Thiobarbituric acid
100	15.4±0.05	17.3±1.12	10.3±0.04	19.5±0.21	12.4±0.10	20.5±0.16
200	13.5±0.10	21.4±0.15	14.0±0.11	23.5±0.10	15.3±1.14	25.3±0.09
300	16.3±0.15	24.6±1.12	16.2±0.14	27.3±1.14	16.4±0.13	27.6±1.12
400	17.2±0.12	29.5±0.14	18.3±0.13	29.4±1.12	19.4±1.13	29.4±0.10
500	18.4±0.14	32.3±1.10	21.4±0.21	30.2±1.11	21.4±0.16	32.5±0.23

Standard deviation ±error

**Table 2:** Analysis of antioxidant activity of *Cissampelos pareira* L. leaf with aqueous extract by various methods

Different concentration of leaves extract (µg/ml)	Standard (ascorbic acid)	Hydrogen peroxide scavenging (H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) assay (%) activity	Standard (ascorbic acid)	DPPH assay (%) activity	Standard (ferictho cayante)	Thiobarbutaric acid
100	18.2±0.14	24.9±0.03	14.4±0.04	19.8±0.13	10.3±0.01	20.4±0.05
200	21.1±1.03	28.5±1.05	18.8±0.10	20.7±0.16	14.5±0.03	24.3±0.03
300	27.4±1.02	32.3±0.03	21.3±0.06	21.8±1.09	13.2±0.06	26.7±0.04
400	32.7±0.25	35.4±1.04	23.2±0.10	24.5±0.04	15.4±0.13	30.4±0.03
500	39.8±0.03	42.3±0.04	25.7±0.04	28.7±0.05	17.8±0.03	35.3±0.03

Standard deviation ±error

**Table 3:** Analysis of antioxidant activity of *Cissampelos pareira*,L. leaf with ethanol extract by various methods

Different concentration of leaves extract (µg/ml)	Standard (ascorbic acid)	Hydrogen peroxide scavenging (H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) assay (%) activity	Standard (ascorbic acid)	DPPH assay (%) activity	Standard (ferictho cayante)	Thiobarbutaric acid
100	13.2±0.12	19.2±0.14	12.0±0.14	20.4±0.14	10.2±0.12	22.4±0.12
200	15.4±0.12	21.3±0.21	15.5±0.13	22.3±0.12	13.4±0.15	25.2±0.19
300	16.2±0.10	23.0±0.15	16.2±1.13	25.6±1.06	15.3±0.16	28.4±0.12
400	14.1±0.15	25.3±0.10	19.2±0.21	28.4±1.13	18.3±1.21	30.2±0.11
500	14.5±0.10	34.5±1.12	22.3±0.19	32.2±0.11	23.5±0.13	33.4±0.20

Standard deviation ±error

**Table 4:** Analysis of antioxidant activity of *Cissampelos pareira* L. leaf with methanol extract by various method

Different concentration of leaves extract (µg/ml)	Standard (ascorbic acid)	Hydrogen peroxide scavenging (H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) assay (%) activity	Standard (ascorbic acid)	DPPH assay (%) activity	Standard (ferictho cayante)	Thiobarbutaric acid
100	13.3±0.04	22.4±0.14	11.4±0.10	23.4±0.05	13.2±0.13	19.3±0.05
200	18.5±0.03	24.2±0.13	15.2±0.16	25.2±0.04	15.3±0.15	22.4±0.07
300	21.6±0.02	27.3±0.21	19.3±1.14	28.3±0.12	17.3±0.17	24.6±0.06
400	24.3±0.05	32.4±0.14	21.3±0.10	30.4±0.08	20.4±0.13	28.3±0.03
500	27.5±0.03	35.2±0.19	24.2±0.12	37.2±0.16	22.3±0.14	32.5±0.04

Standard deviation ± error

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