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EVALUATION OF ANTIBACTERIAL ACTIVITY OF Spirulina plantensis AGAINST VARIOUS BACTERIAL ISOLATES

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Abstract

Spirulina – Filamentous blue green algae used as a source of food and it has high nutritional value. Spirulinahaving anti-aging, anti-inflammatory, anti-oxidant, anti-tumor, anti-bacterial, anti-viral, fungicidal property. It has many commercial applications in food and pharmaceutical industry. The present study was to evaluate the antibacterial activity of S. plantensiswere studied against five different organisms namelyP.aeruginosa, N.meningitidis, B.cereus, E.coli and Brucella Spp. The crude extract of S. plantensis were obtained using methanol was combined with silver nitrate and copper sulphate and screened for their anti-bacterial activity using agar well diffusion method was studied.Crude Spirulina with Silver nitrate showed maximum anti-bacterial activity (45±0.7mm) against E.coli and P. aeruginosa. Spirulina with Silver nitrate and Copper sulphate showed maximum activity (40±0.5mm) against Brucella Spp. The results showed that S. plantensis extracts exhibit great potential antibacterial activity.

Key words: Spirulina, Bacterial isolates, Antibacterial activity, Silver nitrate, Copper sulphate, Agar-well diffusion.

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