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## ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITY AND MINIMUM INHIBITORY CONCENTRATION OF EHRETIA LAEVIS LEAVES EXTRACTS



AGAINST DIFFERENT MICROORGANISMS

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## ABSTRACT

Ehretia laevis is a medicinal plants belonging to the Boraginaceous or Borage family. The present study aimed to evaluating the in vitro antimicrobial activity of acetone and isopropanol extracts of Ehretia laevis plants dried leaves against Escherichia coli, Staphylococcus aureus and Pseudomonas aeruginosa. The extract was effective against Escherichia coli and Staphylococcus aureus. The minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) of the all the extracts were found out by broth dilution method by taking extracts volume 1 ml and 5 ml respectively. The minimum inhibitory concentration of isopropanol

extract was 1 ml and 2.5 ml, and for acetone extract was 2.5 ml and 1.25 ml respectively for S. aureus and E. coli.

KEYWORDS: Ehretia laevis, Escherichia coli, Staphylococcus aureus and Pseudomonas aeruginosa, minimum inhibitory concentration.

## INTRODUCTION

Many medicinal plants are already explored for medicinal purpose, but more and greater still remains, which has great medicinal potential for social benefit. Ehretia laevis is a small tree belonging to the Boraginaceous or Borage family.

It is native tree of Asia, and found in China, Bhutan, India, Pakistan, Laos, Burma, and Vietnam. This plant is mainly used for wound healing, joint pain and minor fractures by local people with promising results and commonly known as khandu chakka in Maharashtra. The plants of this genus have significant medicinal importance and find uses in traditional medicine as a remedy for the treatment of diarrhea, cough, cachexia, syphilis, toothache,