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REVIEW OF PHARMACOLOGICAL ACTIVITY OF GENUS MYXOPYRUM

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ABSTRACT

Myxopyrum genus, native to South Asia belongs to the family of oleaceae. They are large woody climbing shrub with quadrangular stems and simple, opposite, elliptical and serrate leaves. Flowers yellow in axillary or terminal panicles. Fruits are obovoid berries with 2 seeds. This review focuses on the pharmacological activity of two species of this group namely, *Myxopyrum serratulum* and *Myxopyrum smilacifolium Blume*.

KEYWORDS: Screening, Myxopyrum, Activity.

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Parts used	Pharmacological method of screening	Activity	
Myxopyrum serratulum			
Aerial	1.Human red blood cell membrane stabilization (HRBC) method. 2.protein denaturation method	Anti-arthritic Anti-inflammatory ^[1]	
Stem and leaves	Carrageenan induced paw edema in rats.	Anti-inflammatory ^[2]	
Aerial	DPPH nitric oxide scavenging activity	Anti-oxidant ^[3]	
Leaves	Agar diffusion assay on fungi, gram positive and negative bacteria	Antimicrobial ^[4]	
Leaves	Excision and dead space wound models in rat.	Wound healing ^[5]	
Myxopyrum smilacifolium Blume			
Leaves	HRBC method protein denaturation	Anti-flammatory ^[6]	

Leaves	1.carrageenan and formalin induced rat paw edema,	Anti-inflammatory and
	2.Brewer's yeast induced hyperpyrexia Wistar rat	antipyretic ^[7]
Root, callus	Hydroxyl radical scavenging assay(DPPH)	Antioxidant ^[8]
and fruit	Nitric oxide scavenging assay	
root, callus,	Agar well diffusion method for bacterial strains	Antimicrobial ^[9]
and fruit		
Leaves	Disk diffusion method on gram positive bacteria	Antimicrobial ^[10]
	DPPH assay	
	Superoxide anion scavenging activity	Anti-oxidant ^[11]
	Hydroxyl radical scavenging activity	

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