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Institute of Pharmaceutical
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This review aims to quickly examine and assess the pharmaceutical, phytochemical and substance building articles and licences of *Tagetes minuta* and provide prospective views on this plant. Green plants organise and store a range of biochemical combinations that may be extracted as crude material and used for various logical exams. Different plant components have different consequences, as they often contain distinguishing dynamic components. The analysis consisted of disengaging and depicting the biologically dynamic and unstable *tagetes minuta* combinations. *Tagetes minuta* basic oils (EOs) have been extremely important in study and their phytochemicals,

bioactivities and uses remain the focus of outstanding logical research. Therefore, Oil of *Tagetes minuta* is a vital expert to guarantee foodstuffs on ranches and animals, so improving food security and working on human occupations. It is therefore advised that the plant should use other existing techniques such as partitioning and sanitising mixes that may be used for drug definition. Although it is important to support its clinical usage to demonstrate its unique nature and clinical appropriateness, *Tagetes Minuta* is an extremely effective, protected and mild therapy for aggressive diseases.

KEYWORDS: *Tagetes minuta*, Plant profile, Phytochemical constituents, Pharmacology.**INTRODUCTION**

Since ancient times humans have been searching for medicines in nature in quest of their illness. As with animals, the start of the use of therapeutic herbs was instinctual.^[1] Based on experience, all was not adequate at the time, either on the reasons behind the diseases or on which plant and how it might be used as a remedy.^[1] In time it was known why particular

medicinal plants were used to cure various ailments. Thus, the use of medicinal plants progressively abandoned the empirical framework and was established on explanatory facts. Plants were the source of therapy and prevention until the emergence of iatrochemistry in the 16th century.^[2] The declining effectiveness of synthetic medications and the ever-growing contraindications of their use nonetheless re-act to the use of natural drugs.

The interest in phytomedicine has increased in recent years. Several plants and herbs were in reality utilised not only as natural additions in meals for treatment of preventative and curative illnesses. Many plants have been utilised for many years in traditional medicine. Although scientific evidence (for example double-blind testing) may not be adequate to establish their effectiveness, some seem to work. These plants ought to describe themselves as medicinal plants. Pharmacists and pharmacologists use the phrase 'crude medicines of natural or biological origin' to designate entire or part of plants with therapeutic qualities.^[3,4]

At present, the quest for "natural" items has returned that have never stopped. The compositional study of several medicines indicates that almost 50 percent of clinically used individuals are naturally produced chemicals. The focus of many pharmacological research aimed at proving their traditional usage has been on medicinal products.^[5]

Plant profile

Tagetes minuta is a large upright marigold plant, with tiny blooms, endemic to South America's southern half, from the genus *Tagetes*.^[6] It has been imported worldwide and has naturalised in Europe, Asia, Australasia, North America, and Africa since Spanish colonialism. *Tagetes minuta* has many local names, which vary according to location. Huacatay, or Wacatay, is known in the Andes and chinchilla, chiquilla, chilca, zuico, suico and anisillo are widespread in other places.^[7] Muster John Henry,^[8] South of the marigold,^[9] khakibos, rock roger,^[10] wild marigold, and black mint are other names.

In Peru, Ecuador, and portions of Chile and Bolivia, it is utilised as a culinary herb. It is called Huacatay in Peru or Wakataya in Bolivia. It is called Quechua.^[11] It is often offered as a black mint paste at Latin food stores in a bottled paste version.^[12]

This marigold species may grow from 0.6 to 2 metres in height.^[13]

**Scientific classification**

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Clade: Tracheophytes
- Clade: Angiosperms
- Clade: Eudicots
- Clade: Asterids
- Order: Asterales
- Family: Asteraceae
- Genus: Tagetes
- Species: *T. minuta*

Binomial name

- *Tagetes minuta*

Synonyms

- *Tagetes bonariensis* Pers.
- *Tagetes glandulifera* Schrank
- *Tagetes glandulosa* Schrank ex Link
- *Tagetes porophyllum* Vell.
- *Tagetes tinctoria* Hornsch.

Habitats

Waste places and cultivated ground.

Origin

Tagetes is a genus in the Asteraceae family, consisting of 56 species, 27 grow annually and 29 grow forever. This genus comprises of 45 species each.^[14] Tagetes tenuifolia, Tagetes erecta, Tagetes minuta and Tagetes patula are among the most frequent species in the family.^[15] The xhosa native to temperate grasslands, the southern portion of South America and North America. Tagetes minuta is commonly referred to as nuclear. Around Europe, Asia, Africa, India, Australia, Madagascar and Hawaii the project was executed. It often spreads over the road in woodland and generally grows along the forest edge like a common weed. T minuta is one of 1-2 metre tall annual plants, with straight erect stems up to 15 cm long, glued-green in colour with 19-17 leaflets and 10 mm long and 2 mm width in creamy-yellow flowers.^[16,17]

Tagetes minuta plant is used as flavouring component in candy, beverages, milk, cheese, desserts, baked foods as well as gelatins and it also finds uses in cooking.^[18] Medicinally, T. minuta whole plant is reported to be used as condiment, stomachstrengthenener, diaphoretic, purgative and hysteria remedy. The different parts of the plant have different uses, thus its leaf are used for wound-healing, bronchodilatory, microbial, inflammatory conditions. It is also used for kidney problems, piles and muscular pain. Whereas leaf extract can be useful in earache, hemorrhoids, insecticide and as snuff. Its flowers are used for fevers, indigestion and gastritis, mild laxative and for epileptic fits.^[19] Essential oil of T. minuta is commercially produced in countries like South Africa, Australia and Brazil.^[20]

Uses

Tagetes minuta has been eaten in various forms since pre-contact times. Dried leaves may be used as a seasoning and huacatay paste is used to make the popular Peruvian potato dish called ocopa. An herbal tea can be brewed from the leaves. An extraction of the plant, "Marigold oil", is used in the perfume, tobacco, and soft drink industry.^[21]

In addition to food, the plant can be used to produce dye and as a green manure crop for biomass and a bio-fumigant for control of selected species of nematodes.^[22]

This plant is commonly used for complementary planting. Secretions from the roots of cultivating plants produce an insecticidal, nematodic and somewhatsched-sluggish impact on the ground. These secretions are produced around 3 to 4 months after they are sown.^[23] The herbicidal effects of these root fluids also limit the development of certain plants growing

nearby. Perennial weeds such as *Ranunculus ficaria* (Celandine) and *Aegopodium podriaagraria* Ground elder, *Glechoma hederacea* (Ground ivy), *Agropyron repens* (Couch Grass) and *Convolvulus arvensis* have been shown to be effective against. An essential oil extracted from the blooming stems is utilised for insect repellent when the plant forms seeds.^[24,25] It is also utilised in fragrance production.^[26] Dry plants can be strung as repellents for insects indoors. Accumulator dynamics.

Medicinal uses

Plants for the future shall not be liable for any harmful consequences resulting from the usage of plants. Always ask a specialist for guidance before medicinally utilising a plant. The whole herb is anthelmintic, fragrant, diaphoretic, diuretic, purgative and stomachic. Interior is used to treat gastritis, indigestion and inner worms. Externally, haemorrhoids and skin infections are treated. The plant is collected and dried for further use in the flora.^[26]

The amount of secondary metabolites including flavonoids, terpenoids, thiophenes, monocyclic, bicyclic and acyclic monoterpenes, *Tagetes minuta* has been observed to be variable. Previous research show that *T. minuta* essential oil consists of important ingredients, including cis-ocimen (28.5%), betaocimen (16.83%) and rosefuran (11.94 percent).^[27] The primary components, like limonene, dihydrotageton, trans-tagetone and cis tgeton and cis-tagetonone were reported in the phytochemical study of such essential oils.

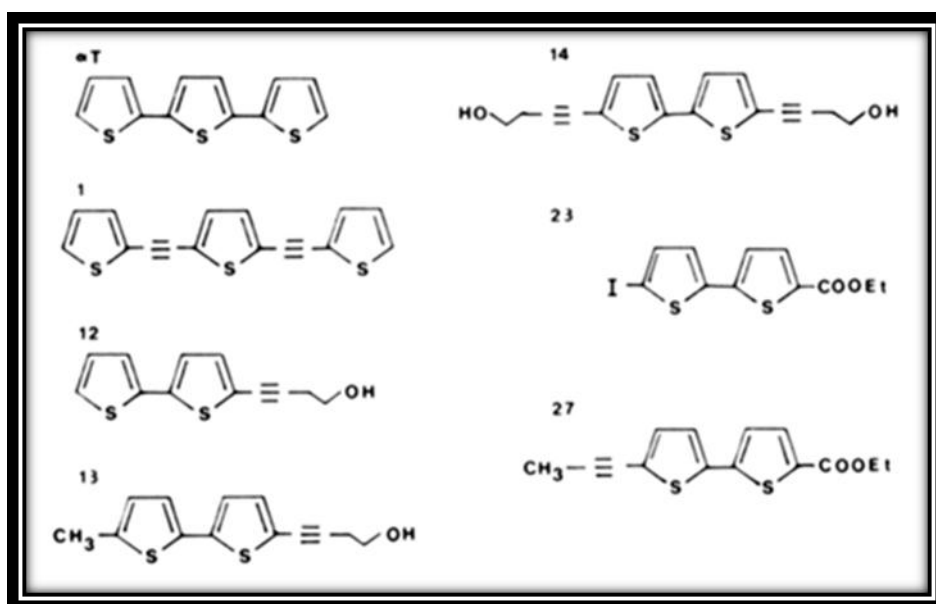
Compounds

Tagetes minuta is rich in a variety of chemicals such as acyclic, monocyclic, bicyclic monopenes, sesquiterpenes, flavonoids or thiophenes.^[28] It has been demonstrated that the secondary chemicals in *Tagetes* are efficient dissuasives of several species, including human fungus^[29] fungi, bacteria^[31] round worms, trematode^[32] nematodes^[33] and many insect pests via various methods.^[34,35,36] Many similar secondary plant chemicals have shown therapeutic usefulness in human beings,^[37,38] In vivo human investigations of *Tagetes minuta* secondary chemicals were not published, however other *Tagetes* species proved to be therapeutically safe and effective.^[39]

Hethelyi *et al.*, (1986) Five secondary *Tagetes minuta*: beta-ocimen, dihydrotageton, tagetone (Z)-ocimenone, and (E)-ocimensone have an anti-microbial action as determined. The essential *T. minuta* oil was evaluated with a 100% inhibitory impact on bacteria of

grammes and fungi, a 95% inhibitory effect on Gram negative bacteria and a 100% inhibitory effect on fungus.^[40]

Hudson *et al.*, (1990) Tested the various secondary compounds for anti-viral activity and established the best anti-viral effect at the lower dosages and with the least overall toxicity. The greatest activity among thiophenes was demonstrated by molecules with 2 or more units of thiophene. In every case, envelope viruses were the best success. 32 thiophenes were examined, their effectiveness analysed and the 10 most effective were identified by Hudson.^[41]



Chemical formula of 7 thiophenes found in *Tagetes minuta* with antiviral activity. Alpha-T indicates alpha-thiophene, numbers indicate numbers in Hudson (1990).

Atkinson *et al.* (1964) Thiophenes discovered in *Tagetes minuta* have first been reported. A comparison between Atkinson's and Hudson's findings indicates 7 out of the 10 most effective antiviral thiophen in *Tagetes minuta*.^[42]

Toxicology

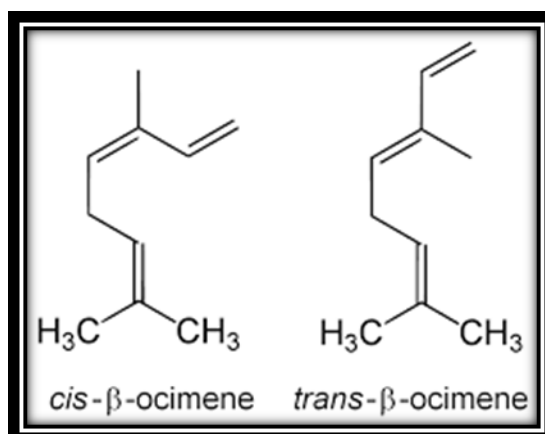
There are several unfounded reports of *Tagetes minuta* poisoning. It is mentioned in the book of Watt and Breyer-Brandwijk (1932) that child death is supposedly attributed to sleep in the *Tagetes Minuta* state: "They have unfortunately not been well investigated and there is much doubt that the plant has caused death." Given the high alleged infanticide incidence among female children in Africa a half century ago, it is extremely improbable that *Tagetes minuta*

causes mortality.^[43] Hurst (1942) states that the plant was suspected in Australia in 1935, "although there was very thin proof" when many of the cows were killed. "A significant dosage of the herb had no impact on sheep during the blooming stage."^[44]

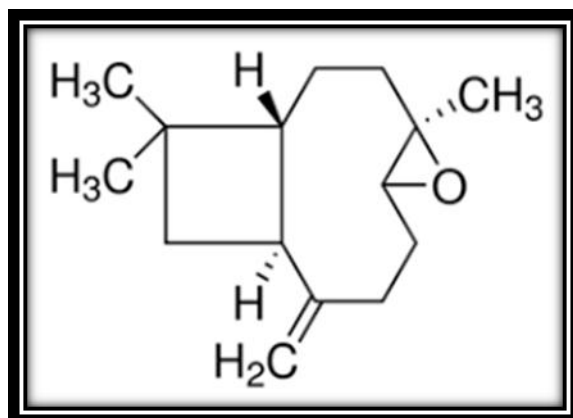
Chandhoke et al.,(1969) Work with experimental animals has established hypotensive, bronchodilatoric, space-based, anti-inflammatory, and reassuring effects of *Tagetes Minuta* oil. These activities correspond to the stated usage as medicinal decoction of the beverage by the people. As generations of South Americans have used *Tagetes minuta* as drink and condiment, consumption in moderation does not appear to have adverse effects, but further studies on toxicity are needed before the plant may be marketed as a beverage.^[45]

Phytochemicals of plant

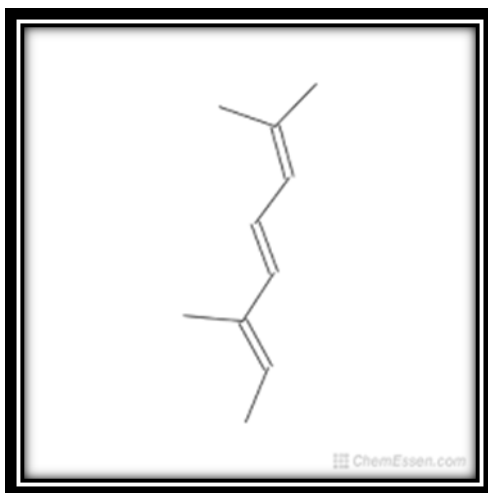
Cis-B-Ocimene Trans-B-Ocimene



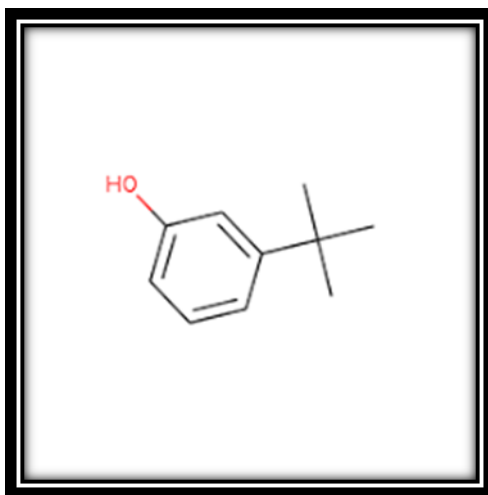
Caryophyllene Oxide



Alloocimene



M-Tert-Butyl-Phenol



Were the major components of essential oil analyzed from fresh stem, dried stem, fresh leaf, dried leaf, fresh flower and dried flower respectively.

Sadia et al.,(2013) Studied the identification as a possible medicinal plant of tagetes minuta, an annual ornamental plant containing allelochemicals and essentially multifunctional oils for usage and applications like weedicides, germicides, nematocides, insectizides, fungicides etc. In addition, the percentages of these substances are also present in other medications. This plant is often used as an ornamental plant for embellishment and landscape. However, in lawns, parks and agriculture fields, it occasionally seems like a weed. The techniques of mechanical, cultural and chemical control should in such a scenario be handled. In conclusion, extensive study is necessary in the future to uncover more features and uses of the beneficial plant.^[46]

Gakuubi et al.,(2016) It was founded to include: antihelmintic, carminatory, arthropode repellency, weedicidal, antiseptic, sceptic, diaphanous, spasmolytic, germicidal, stomachic, antispasmodic, anti-protozoal, bactericidal, emmenagogic, nematocidal, insecticidal, antiviral and any other microbicidental properties for a wide range of plant species and therapeutic properties to *Tagetes minuta*: Oil of *T. minuta* thus constitutes a potentially helpful agent for preserving farm and livestock food crops, thereby boosting food security and improving livelihoods for people. However, the adding of added values and the necessity to validate the use and use of *Tagetes minuta* via thorough scientific research should be given priority to position this plant as a new-generation plant internationally.^[47]

Kumari et al.,(2018) It was founded that *tagetes minuta* is an aromatic plant that is less vulnerable to illnesses, insects and neamtodes and is affected by vermins such as monkeys etc. Although it is considered harmful in many nations, because of the commercial worth of oil, it is progressively being used in agricultural operations in India.^[48]

Walia et al.,(2020) Her investigation indicated that *tagetes minuta* is a cultivation of the world's recent domestication. The plant is cultivated and collected for its high quality essential oil, which is found in leaves and flowers in a number of nations and makes it an important crop from temperate climates. The most important components of its essential oil are (Z)- β -ocimen, (Z) and (E)-tageton, dihydrotageton, and (Z)- and (E)-tagetanone that have attracted considerable importance and are in great demand in the food, taste and perfume sector. In this review, the focus has been on various aspects of *tagetes* world-wide including biological, chemical, pharmacological and use of various agricultural practises such as methods such as plantation, time of planting, cropping, irrigation, spacing, nipping and harvesting, to improve on-field use and improvement of *tagetes*. Agronomic variables are thus key considerations in order to exploit their full potential for further approval of these systems in order to satisfy the need of large scale agriculture on the global market.^[49]

Igwaran et al.,(2017) The results of this investigation suggested that *T. minuta* flower EO might be a suitable option for the synthesis of novel powerful antibacterial and antioxidant components in the quest of plum components. Analysis of GC-MS identified 98 chemicals that are the primary chemical components of the EO flora *T. minuta* and β -occimen (14.0%). DPPH radical was most affected, followed by its ABTS effects, whereas IC₅₀ values for LP radical were less sensitive at 2.45 mg/mL, 2.76 mg/mL and 3.23 mg/mL, respectively. Exhibited antibacterial activity against every test organism with MIC value. EO revealed 0.06

mg/mL for *S. uberis* and 0.125 mg/mL for *Vibrio* spp for MBC against *E. cloacae* and *E. coli*.^[50]

Muyima et al.,(2004) The findings of this investigation demonstrated the outstanding antibacterial capabilities of *T. minuta*, *L. javanica*, and *F. violgare* oils. However, the antifungal activity of *L. javanica* and *F. vulgare* oils is higher than *T. minuta* oil, perhaps because to the combined effects of well recognised antimicrobial chemicals such as ketones, α pine and myrcene. The *P. aeruginosa*, known to be resistant to most natural antimicrobial agents, was all three oils effective. While ethanol-diluted oils occasionally looked to have more antibacterial action, the antimicrobial activity in general depends on the content and kind of oil employed.^[51]

Irum et al.,(2015) The Conclusion stated that the extracts and purified plant components were regarded acceptable for the creation and promotion of antibacterial medication and their economical commercialization qualities for *Tagetes minuta*. The main goals of the current investigation were to identify, characterise flavonols and establish their antibacterial activity. These discoveries will assist to avoid the harmful effects of synthetic medicinal products and to detect novel antibacterial medicines from natural resources (plants) in the future. This species has isolated a total of 19 flavonols. Among those, 17 consisted of butanol and two extracts of ethyl acetate. Eight possible flavonols were identified and structurally characterised based on concentration and purity. Four flavonols, 7-O- β -(6''-galloylglucopyranoside; 2), 7-O- β -glucopyranoside-6-Hydroxykaempferol (5), 7-O- β -O- β -(6''-galloylglucopyranoside; 7), 7-O- β -(6''-Caffeoylglucopyranoside; 9) were originally discovered by *T. minuta*. Extracts of the flowers and seeding of butanol and ethyl acetate have demonstrated strong antibacterial activity against *Micrococcus luteus*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus subtilis* and *Pseudomonas pikettii*. Only 1, 2 and 18 of the isolated flavonols have shown substantial antibacterial action against *M.luteus*. *T. minuta* can be prospective antibacterial drug development targets and supports ethnopharmaceutical usage using extracts and pure flavonol.^[52]

CONCLUSION

Our study of papers reveals the anti-microbial, antihelminthic, carminative, repellent, narcomatic, medicidal and sterile characteristics of *Tagetes minuta* and its many natural concentrates, along with diaphoretic and spasmolytic qualities. We also discovered *Tagetes minuta* as a basic oil and its various natural concentrations to have antispasmodic,

antiprotozoal and bacterial effects. Conduct in vivo tests to confirm this natural impact The acknowledgement of such oils in drugs, vegetables, foodstuffs, and scent fields, alongside their worthy jobs, may be verified by a thorough understanding of the science underlying the attributes of *Tagetes minuta* basic oil and their components The basic oil from *Tagetes minuta*, according to the research, exhibited enormous mobility of cancer prevention agents in the DPPH and FRAP tests. Monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes that are used by experts in cell reinforcement and reduction are responsible for this activity. *Tagetes minuta* is reported to be an intriguing new harvest with exceptional guarantees for usage by business as well as through methods.

Conflict of interest

The authors declare that they have no conflict of interest.

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