



# Phytochemical Analysis and *in vitro* Anti-Inflammatory and Anti-Bacterial Activities *Curcuma Pseudomontana* J.Graham

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## Abstract

**Aim:** The present study is aimed to evaluate the Phytochemical analysis and *In-vitro* Anti-inflammatory and Anti-bacterial activity of *Curcuma pseudomontana* J.Graham. **Materials and methods:** In the present investigation, the rhizomes of *curcuma pseudomontana* powder was extracted by successive soxhlation extraction method with ethyl acetate and methanol. The ethyl acetate extracts responded positively to all the tests for carbohydrates and also to the tests for flavonoids and glycosides and methanolic extracts produced positive test for the presence of carbohydrates, proteins, steroids, flavonoid glycosides, tannins and phenol compounds. The extracts were used for testing the *in-vitro* anti-inflammatory activity by using albumin denaturation assay, proteinase inhibitory activity at a concentration of 20, 40, 60, 80 and 100mg/ml and Anti-bacterial activity against two gram positive microorganisms (*Bacillus subtilus* and *Staphylococcus aureus*) and two gram negative microorganisms (*Salmonella typhi* and *Escherichia coli*) at concentrations 100 mg/ml and 200 mg/ml by adopting cup plate method.

**Results:** The extracts exhibited significant *in-vitro* anti-inflammatory effect and inhibited the growth of both Gram positive and Gram-negative microorganisms at 100 mg/ml and 200 mg/ml concentrations. **Conclusion:** The findings of this study showed that the effectiveness of methanol extract shows more Anti-inflammatory and Anti-bacterial activity compared to ethyl acetate extract. Because of methanol extract contains more bioactive compounds comparatively then ethyl acetate extract and bioactive components justifying its traditional use.

## Keywords

*Curcuma pseudomontana*, Anti-inflammatory activity, Anti-bacterial activity, Phytochemical analysis.

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## INTRODUCTION

*Curcuma pseudomontana* J. Graham is an extremely rare Zingiberaceae species found so far only in the Naikongchhari forest area of Bandarban district in the southeastern hilly area of Bangladesh<sup>1</sup>. *C. pseudomontana* is endemic to the Western and Eastern Ghats, of peninsular India, the species found

in Karnataka, Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh in English it is known as hill turmeric<sup>2</sup>. Dried rhizomes of *C. pseudomontana* J. Graham., used in skin diseases and impurities of blood<sup>3</sup>. Rhizomes boiled in oil and used as an application to sprain and useful on snake bite<sup>4</sup>. Rhizome powder are useful in leucoderma, scabies, smallpox, and intestinal worms as well as

juice strong remedy against rheumatism and in combination of ginger used for smooth delivery in North East India<sup>5</sup>. Boiled tubers along with a pinch of salt in oral administration increase the secretion of milk among new mothers and lactating woman in Andhra Pradesh<sup>6</sup>, The Bagata and Valmiki tribes of Munchingiputtu Mandal, Visakhapatnam district, Andhra Pradesh use *C. pseudomontana* rhizome in the treatment of jaundice and diabetes<sup>7</sup>. The rhizome are used for skin problems and coughs by the tribals of Achampet Forest Division in Nallamalais, Telengana, India<sup>8</sup>, The Kattunaikan tribe of Malappuram district in Kerala, India, uses the rhizomes for cardiac disorders<sup>9</sup>. The rhizomes are used for muscle pain, leprosy and debility by tribal communities residing in Gundlabrahmeswaram Wildlife Sanctuary (Eastern Ghats), Andhra Pradesh, India<sup>10</sup>.

## MATERIAL AND METHOD

### Plant Material

The fresh rhizomes are collected from the chikmagalur, Western Ghats of Karnatana, India and authenticated by Dr. Madhavashetty, Dept of Botany; Sri Venkateshara University, Trupathi, Andhra Pradesh and the Voucher specimen was deposited in the herbarium of School of Pharmacy, Anurag Group of Institutions, Venkatapur, Ghatkesar, Medchal, Telengana.

### Preparation of Extract:

Freshly collected rhizomes were dried at room temperature and coarsely powdered. The rhizomes powdered 500 gm were extracted successively with ethyl acetate and methanol using Soxhlet apparatus. The crude extract was evaporated to dryness and found to be 30 and 20gms respectively. Preliminary phytochemical screening was performed. ethyl acetate extract of *Curcuma pседomonota* revealed the presence of carbohydrates, steroids, Phenol compounds and flavonoids, methanol extract tested positive for carbohydrates, proteins, glycosides, Phenol compounds and Flavonoid. The constituents present in the ethyl acetate extract and methanol extracts are carrying out the In-vitro Anti-inflammatory and Anti-bacterial activity.

## RESULTS

### *In-vitro* Anti-inflammatory activity effect of *Curcuma pseudomontana* on heat induced protein denaturation

Concentration ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )	% inhibition of protein denaturation		
	Diclofenac sodium (standard)	Ethyl acetate extract of <i>Curcuma pseudomontana</i>	Methanol extract of <i>Curcuma pseudomontana</i>
20	58.24 $\pm$ 3.12	33.14 $\pm$ 3.16	35.48 $\pm$ 5.18
40	65.32 $\pm$ 1.24	35.18 $\pm$ 2.35	38.74 $\pm$ 3.24
60	72.40 $\pm$ 2.24	48.90 $\pm$ 2.04	59.20 $\pm$ 2.42

### *In-vitro* Anti-inflammatory

#### Inhibition of albumin denaturation

The reaction mixture (5 ml) consisted of 0.2 ml of egg albumin (from fresh hen's egg), 2.8 ml of phosphate buffered saline (PBS, pH 6.4) and 2 ml of varying concentrations of the extract was added to reach final concentrations (20, 40, 60, 80, and 100 mg/ml). Similar volume of double distilled water served as control. Then the mixtures were incubated at 37 $\pm$ 2 $^{\circ}$ C in an incubator for 15minutes and then heated at 70 $^{\circ}$ C for 5 minutes. After cooling down, their absorbance was measured at 660 nm using vehicle as blank. The Diclofenac sodium at the final concentration of (20, 40, 60, 80, and 100 mg/ml) was used as reference drug and treated similarly for determination of absorbance<sup>11</sup>.

#### Anti-proteinase action

The reaction mixture (2 ml) include 0.06 mg trypsin, 1 ml 20Mm Tri HCL buffer (pH 7.4) and 1 ml test sample of different concentrations (20-100  $\mu\text{l/ml}$ ).The mixture was incubated at 37 $^{\circ}$ C for 5 minutes and then 1ml of 0.8% casein was added. The mixture was incubated for an additional 20 minutes.2ml of 70% perchloric acid was added to arrest the reaction. The cloudy suspension was centrifuged, and the absorbance of the supernatant was read at 210 nm against buffer as blank. The experiment was performed in triplicate. The percentage inhibition of proteinase inhibitory was calculated<sup>12</sup>.

### *In vitro* Anti-bacterial activity

#### Test organisms

Two strains of gram-negative bacteria *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, and two strains of gram-positive bacteria *Bacillus subtilis* and *Staphylococcus aureus* were used in our experiment to evaluate the Anti-bacterial activity.

#### Disc diffusion Method

Disc diffusion method for antimicrobial susceptibility testing was carried out to assess the presence of antibacterial activities of the ethyl acetate and methanol extract.<sup>9,10</sup>

80	76.65±3.54	62.05±1.40	72.10±3.4
100	83.15±2.26	68.60±1.53	78.12±1.82

Each value represents the mean ± SD. N=3, Experimental group were compared with control \*\**p* < 0.01 considered extremely significant; \**p* < 0.05, non-significant.

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Concentration (µg/ml)	% inhibition of proteinase action		
	Diclofenac sodium (standard)	Ethyl acetate extract of <i>Curcuma pseudomontana</i>	Methanol extract of <i>Curcuma pseudomontana</i>
20	60.25±3.64	34.44±2.52	35.98±.84
40	70.02±4.62	22.4±1.48	26.5±2.88
60	71.49±2.54	31.6±3.62	33.00±2.84
80	76.35±4.12	42.2±2.84	48.1±2.60
100	84.10±2.20	54.6±1.84	58.8±2.64

Each value represents the mean ± SD. N=3, Experimental group were compared with control \*\**p* < 0.01 considered extremely significant; \**p* < 0.05, non-significant.

**STATISTICAL ANALYSIS**

Results are expressed as Mean ± SD. The difference between experimental groups was compared by One Way Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) followed by Dunnet Multiple comparison test (control Vs test).

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Name of organism	Zone of inhibition (mm)					
	Streptomycin		Ethyl acetate extract of <i>Curcuma pseudomontana</i>		Methanol extract of <i>Curcuma pseudomontana</i>	
	100µg/ml	200µg/ml	100mg/ml	200mg/ml	100mg/ml	200mg/ml
<i>E. coli</i>	10.8±0.22	12.2±0.27	6.6±0.24	8.2±0.12	8.0±0.40	9.2±0.50
<i>K. pneumonia</i>	9.5±0.4	11.2±0.12	6.1±0.24	8.0±0.32	8.1±0.22	9.0±0.54
<i>B. subtilis</i>	10.4±0.32	12.6±0.12	5.6±0.12	7.2±0.12	7.1±0.40	8.1±0.42
<i>S. aureus</i>	10.6±0.74	11.8±0.44	5.5±0.22	6.8±0.16	7.2±0.72	8.4±0.30

ZI were expressed as mean+ standard deviation of three replicates.  
 Low activity (1-6 mm), moderate activity (7-10mm), high activity (11-15 mm).  
 Represents mean ± S.D. mm; *p* < 0.05.

**CONCLUSION**

The above results of preliminary phytochemical analysis and anti-inflammatory and anti-bacterial activity of *Curcuma pseudomontana* rhizomes extracts confirmed as a useful Anti-inflammatory and Antimicrobial agent. The present study provides evidence that *Curcuma pseudomontana* rhizomes extracts contains medicinally important bioactive compounds like carbohydrates, proteins, alkaloids, glycosides, flavonoids and phenol compounds and this justifies the use of plant species as traditional medicine for treatment of inflammation and bacterial infections.

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