

Supporting Information

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Chemical Composition, Antibacterial, Antioxidant and Cytotoxic Activities of the Essential Oil of *Dianella ensifolia*

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S1: Isolation and Identification of the Essential Oils

Aerial parts of the plant material were dried in the shade at room temperature (about 25 °C) and hydro-distillation was used to isolate the essential oils from 300 g of air-dried plant samples using a Clevenger apparatus for 3 h. The yield was calculated in % (v/w) of dry plant material. The obtained essential oil was extracted with diethyl ether, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and stored in airtight container at 4 °C until use.

The GC-FID and GC-MS analysis were carried out using an Agilent 6890 gas chromatograph which was equipped with a flame ionization detector (FID) and HP-5MS capillary column (30 m × 0.25 mm × 0.25 µm film thickness). Analysis conditions and identification of the oil components are similar to our earlier studies [1]. Identification of compounds was based on retention indices (relative to C₈-C₃₀ *n*-alkanes, under the same experimental conditions), computer matching their mass spectra with NIST 14 and Wiley 10 library data, and comparisons of their Kovats retention indices with reference libraries (Adams, 2017; Andriamaharavo, 2014; Babushok, 2011) [2, 3, 4]. Percentage composition was computed from GC peak areas on HP-5MS column without applying correction factors.

S2: Antibacterial Activity Test

The *in vitro* antibacterial activity of the essential oil was determined against two gram-positive bacteria, *Staphylococcus aureus* (ATCC 6538), *Bacillus subtilis* (ATCC 6633) and two gram-negative bacteria, *Escherichia coli* (ATCC 25922), and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (ATCC 27853) by using the agar-disc diffusion and broth micro-dilution methods (MIC and MBC) previously described by us [1].

S3: Antioxidant Activity Test

The essential oil was subjected to screening for the antioxidant activity by three methods namely DPPH (2,2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl) radical-scavenging assay, ABTS (2,20-azinobis-3-ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulphonate) radical cation scavenging assay and ferric reducing antioxidant power (FRAP) assay according to previously published procedures [1,5].

S4: Cytotoxic Activity Test

The *in vitro* cytotoxic activity of the essential oil was evaluated in the cell lines HepG2 and MCF-7 using the MTT method previously described by us [1]. Cytotoxicity was expressed as the concentration of the essential oil producing 50% inhibition of cell growth (IC₅₀). All tests were performed in triplicate.

S5: References

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