GC-MS analysis on ethanolic and water extract of coastal medicinal plant Pedalium murex

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ABSTARCT

The plant samples of *Pedalium murex* was made to work in Soxhlet apparatus for conquering its alcoholic and aqueous extracts. They were subjected to GC-MS examination under column Elite – 1 (100% methyl polysiloxane). Gas chromatography combined with Mass Spectrum (GC-MS) of the purified isolated compounds was recorded by direct inlet method. The constituents were identified by comparing GC-MS data with those given in library and reported in literature. Of the 28 compounds of PM alcoholic extract, Oleic acid constituted the major part and propanoic acid, 1-methylpropyl ester was the least part. In aqueous extracts of PM of 22 compounds, oleic acid is in larger amount and the compounds like 2,5- dimethyl-4-hydroxy-3(2H)-furanone; 2(3H)-Furanone, dihydro-4-hydroxy-; (+)-3,5-di-O-methyl-Z-deoxy-D-ribono-1,4-lactone; 1,6; 3,4-dianhydro-2-deoxy-a-d-lyxo-hexopyranose; Hexadecanal and cyclohexane, 1,1'-(2-tridecyl-1-3-propanediyl) bis are present in trace amounts. The presence of above mentioned bioactive secondary metabolites of *Pedalium murex* reveals the medicinal value of the plant and its significance in the treatment of skin diseases, piles, heart troubles, leprosy, asthma etc.

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