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Antimicrobial Activity of Black Fruit Variant of Solanum nigrum L.

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Solanum nigrum L. generally known as black nightshade is one of the common Indian medicinal plants, which belongs to family Solanaceae. All parts of the plant i.e., leaf, stem, root, flower and fruits are used for the treatment of various diseases. The members of this taxon differ from each other on the basis of some important morphological characters like fruit colour, size of seeds, pollen grains and stomata. For the present investigation, entire plant of black fruited variant of Solanum nigrum was selected and antimicrobial activity was screened. The antimicrobial activity of three different concentrations, $25 \mu g/ml$, $50 \mu g/ml$ and $100 \mu g/ml$ of 50% of ethanol extract of Solanum nigrum (black fruited) was screened against two Gram negative bacteria, Escherichia coli and Pseudomonas aeruginosa, a Gram positive bacterium, Staphylococcus aureus and

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