Quantitative and Qualitative identification of Phytochemical Constituents of *Sida rhombifolia* leaves extract

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**Abstract:** Anti-inflammatory, analgesic, antimicrobial, anti-arthritic, antibacterial, antispasmodic, hypoglycaemic and hepatoprotective characteristics of *Sida rhombifolia* are included in the Malvaceae family. Most of the plant belongs to the Malvaceae family, as they comprise a number of phytochemicals and biological compounds, are potential sources of different medications. This is study on *Sida rhombifolia* leaf extract's tophytochemical constituents. Phytochemical screening results in herbal standardization and preparation and may relate the components to their medicinal/pharmacological uses. The qualitative phytochemical analysis has shown that the extract is positive for saponins, flavonoids, alkaloids, phenols and same extract is negative for carbohydrate, tannins, glycosides, cardiac glycosides, terpenoids, coumarins, steroids, phytosteroids, phlobatannins, and anthrquinones. Quantitative analysis of phytochemicals includes the estimation of flavonoid, tannin and total content of phenol. The result suggest that the *Sida rhombifolia* leaves extract consist plenty of phytochemicals beneficial in alternative medical and pharmaceutical industries.

**Index Terms:** *Sida rhombifolia*, Malvaceae, Phytochemicals, Phytochemical analysis.

I. INTRODUCTION

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One of the two hundred species in the *Sida* genus is *Sida rhombifolia* (Figure 1). It was discovered in warm and humid areas and dispersed all over the tropics [1]. *Sida rhombifolia* belongs to the Malvaceae native to the new world tropics and climatic zone. It’s usually referred to as arrow leaf Sida, jellyleaf etc. *S. Rhombifolia* might be somewhat erect woody, variable yearly or perpetual bush concerning 1.5 meters high with harsh branches and symmetrical hairs. Leaves region unit frightly factor in get along 5 mm by 18 mm, short petiole, rhomboid-lanceolate to pointed, unpleasant towards the most astounding, whole towards the base. The blossoming and develop inside the plant start from september to december. Blossoms are yellow or white, axillary, lone or two by two. The leaves are decreased on the blooming branches. The natural products are discouraged, globose, schizocarpic, encased inside the curl, isolating into one-seeded indehiscent unit. Seeds are dark and wash [2].

**Figure 1:** *Sida rhombifolia*

*Sida rhombifolia* is asserted for the treatment of various diseases such as rheumatism, seminal weakness and diarrhoea[3]. *Sida rhombifolia* is far used for treating ulcers, inflammation, swellings and ant nociceptive[4]. *S.rhombifolia* is thought for its great choice of meditative uses. This plant's infusion is used locally to treat skin illnesses and infected wounds[5]. The roots are used to treat rheumatism and abdomen illnesses, digestive disorders, infectious disease, chickenpox, blood purification and tiredness[6] headache and migraine headache (fruits), fever, infection with gum, inflammation, tonsillitis, cuts, injuries and ophthalmia[7]. The infusion of dried leaf of *S. rhombifolia* is used for diabetes, chest pain and
diarrhoea on oral administration. S.rhombifolia showed many pharmacological operations, including antibacterial ones, antifungal, anti-arthritis, anti-inflammatory, anti-diarrheal, anti-diabetic, wound healing, hypotensive, nephrotoxicity, anti-malarial, antioxidant, hepatoprotective [8]. The World Health Organization (WHO) presently inspires, recommends and encourages traditional remedies in health care plans as they're simply obtainable at low value, relatively harmless and traditionally common[9].

The plant growths leads to the production various chemical compounds are called phytochemicals and refer as “secondary metabolites” that consist, flavonoids, alkaloids, coumarins, tannins, phenols, phlobatannins, anthraquinones, terpenoids, cardiac glycosides, steroid and phytosteroid [10]. It is known that the phytochemical compounds identified have medicinal significance. Alkaloids have been recorded as potent poisons, for instance, and many alkaloids from medicinal plants demonstrate biological activities such as antispasmodic and pharmacological impacts antimalarial, antimicrobial cytotoxicity, anti-inflammatory[11]. Similarly, steroids derived from plants are known to have cardiotonic impacts and also have antibacterial and insecticide properties [12]. Because of their well-known biological activities, they are very often used in drugs. According to research, tannins have antibacterial actions, antitumor and antiviral [13]. Other phytochemicals called resp iratory glycosides were handled for congestive heart failure and cardiac arrhythm. [14].

The medical uses S.rhombifolia lies within the bioactive components, that shows diverse physiological properties, could be detected through phytochemical analyses[15]. Therefore, the aim of this study to identifying qualitative and quantitative photochemistry from the leaf extract of Sida rhombifolia. Phytochemical studies help in standardization of herbal preparation and understanding the importance of phytoconstituents in terms of their medical uses.

II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

2.1 Sample Preparation:
The blossoming plant of Sida rhombifolia leaves were gathered from street sides and around the Vellore locale, Tamil nadu during December, 2018 . The sample was authenticated from botanical survey of India. Thoroughly washed the leaves with tap water, After which washed with refined water. Air dried and grounded to coarse powder at that stage and placed away in an impermeable compartment.

2.2 Sequential Extraction:
Sida rhombifolia leaves about (100gm) of sample and 300ml of hexane for extraction kept for 24 hours. The sample was filtered after extraction using whatmann's filter paper. The filtered thus obtained was cool and concentrated to dryness. Then dry leaf powder (100gm) was placed in 300ml of ethyl acetate for added 24 hours in maceration. After 24 hours mixed and then filtered thus obtained was cooled and concentrated to dryness. Then dry powder of leaves in (100gm) was placed 300ml of ethanol for 24 hours maceration. After 24 hours mixed and filtered thus obtained to cool. Then the extraction mixture was filtered and red concentrated of distilling unit. Then its residues were weighed and kept in bottle to use phytochemical and other biological screening methods. Then collected to filtrate.

2.3 Qualitative Phytochemical Tests:

2.3.1 Test for carbohydrate:
Added to 2ml of leaf extract 1ml of molish reagent and a few drops of concentrated sulphuric acid, appearance of purple or reedish shading demonstrates the presence of carbohydrate. Fehling A 1ml and Fehling B 1ml boiled for 10 minutes, presence of reddish darker (brown) shading.

2.3.2 Test for tannins:
Added to 1ml of leaf extract and 2ml of 5% ferric chloride lead to the appearance of dark greenish or dull blue shows the conformation of tannins.

2.3.3 Test for saponins:
In a graduated flask, 2ml of distilled water was added to 2ml of leaf extract and shaken for 15 minutes. Appearance of 1cm layer of a lather shows the conformation of saponins.

2.3.4 Test for flavonoids:
Added 1ml of 2N sodium hydroxide to 2ml of leaf extract. Yellow shading appearance shows the existence of flavonoids.

2.3.5 Test for alkaloids:
Added to 2ml of leaf extract 2ml of concentrated HCL. At that point, few drops of Mayer's reagent were added, the appearance of green or white precipitate shows the alkaloid conformation.

2.3.6 Test for quinones:
Added 1ml of concentrated sulphuric acid to 1ml of leaf extract. A red color appearance indicates the existence of quinones.

2.3.7 Test for phenol:
Mixed with 1ml of leaf extract and a few drops of phenol CI ocalteacus reagent followed by a few drops of 15% sodium carbonate. Blue (or) green appearance.

2.3.8 Test for glycosides:
Adding 3ml of chloroform and 10% ammonia solution to 2ml of leaf extract contributes to the formation of pink colour shows appearance of glycosides.

2.3.9 Test for cardiac glycosides:
Added 2ml of glacial acetic acid and a few drops of 5% ferric chloride to 0.5ml of leaf extract. This was under layered with 1ml of concentrated sulphuric acid and dark colored ring growth at the interface suggests the existence of he art glycosides.

2.3.10 Test for terphenoids:
2ml of chloroform was added to 0.5ml of leaf extract, then concentrated sulphuric acid was closely added to the red brown color formation at the interface indicating terpene noid existence.

2.3.11 Test for anthraquinones:
Added 1ml of leaf extract and few drops of 10% of ammonia solution. The appearance of pink color precipitate shows the presence of anthraquinones.

2.3.12 Test for coumarins:
Added 1ml of leaf extract and 1ml of 10% of sodium hydroxide leads to yellow color formation suggests presence of coumarin.

2.3.13 Test for steroid and phytosteroid:
Added to 1ml of leaf extract and equal volume of chloroform then exposed with few drops of concentrated sulphuric acid leading to brown ring formation shows the existence of steroids and bluish brown ring appearance suggests the existence of phytosteroids.

2.3.14 Test for phlobatannins:
Added 1ml of leaf extract and few drops of 2% of HCL suggests the existence of phlobatannins, leading to the appearance of red color precipitate.

2.4. Quantitative Phytochemical Tests:

2.4.1 Determination of flavonoid content:
Total flavonoid content was determined in the extract (ethyl acetate) by using this technique mentioned by sankanaka (2005). Aluminum chloride technique used quercetin as normal determined the flavonoid content.

The extract and quercetin were prepared in ethyl acetate (10mg/ml). 0.1ml of extract was blended in test pipes with 0.9ml of distilled water accompanied by an addition of 75μl of 5% sodium nitrate.

Added 10μl of 10% aluminum oxide solution after 6 minutes and mixture was allowed to stand for 5 minutes. After 0.5ml of 1M sodium hydroxide was added to the response mixture. The reaction mixture was carried to 2.5ml distilled water and blended well. The absorbance was immediately evaluated by the spectrometer at 510 nm. A calibration curve was obtained using distinct quercetin concentration and the sample equivalence (QE) was represented in the extract’s μg / mg.

2.4.2 Determination of tannin content
Foliniciocalteu technique was used to determine the content of tannin extract. 0.1ml of 1 mg leaf extract added to the test tube. Then added 7.5ml of distilled water, 0.5ml of folin-ciocalteu reagent, 1ml of 35% Na2CO3, It is diluted up to 10ml with distilled water. Then shaken well and held for 30 minutes at room temperature. Added a collection of standard tannic acid solution (20, 40, 60, 80, 100)(μg/ml). Standard solution absorbance calculated with respect to absorbance of blank at 725 nm with UV visible spectrometer and the concentration of tannin measured in mg of extract tannic acid equivalence (TE) μg / mg.

2.4.3 Determination of total phenol content:
The concentration of phenolic content in the epoxide compound was found by the calorimetric technique of folin-ciocalteu and calculated as standard from the calibration curve attained with gallic acid (10mg/10ml).

Different test tubes were taken from the standard solution 20-100μgml and added. Leaf extract was added to separate test tubes at concentrated 10mg/ml and then folin-ciocalteu dilution (1:10) of 5ml was added and mixed thoroughly. 0.7M sodium carbonate was added in 4ml quantity followed by mixing and 30minutes incubation. The absorbance was measured at 765 nm UV visible spectrometer resulting in sample gallic acid equivalence (GE) μg / mg extract.

III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Qualitative phytochemical test:
In addition, the dried powdered sample was taken to qualitative testing according to conventional operation for the identification of phytochemical constituents.
Figure 1: The preliminary phytochemical investigation shows the presence of phytoconstituent such as the saponins, flavonoids, alkaloids, phenols was subjected to qualitative analytical test are present plant extract.

Phytochemical screening of crude hexane, ethylacetate and ethanol extracts from S.rhombifolia leaf samples disclosed the existence of certain secondary metabolites such as tannins, saponins, carbohydrates, alkaloids, quinones, flavonoids, glycosides, terpenoids, heart glycosides phenols, coumarins, phytosteroid, anthraquinones, phlobutinins, as shown in Table 1. Sida rhombifolia (L.) leaves have been subjected to the plant's qualitative analytical test. Flavonoids, steroids, glycosides and alkaloids have been detected to be the most effective principles in plant. These phytoconstituents can be liable for many the pharmacological activities such as ant diabetic, cholesterol lowering and wound healing.

3.2 Quantitative analysis of Sida rhombifolia:

In addition that, dried powder sample was exposed to quantitative tests for the identified of phytochemical components according to standard procedure. The primary phytochemical investigation showed the occurrence of phytoconstituents flavonoid, tannin and phenolic content. The leaves of Sida rhombifolia was subjected to quantitative analytical tests for the plant.

3.2.1 Flavonoids estimation:

Flavonoids are very important because they assist the human body combat disease. Flavonoids’ capacity to behave as powerful antioxidants relies on their molecular structures, hydroxyl group position, and further characteristics in their biochemical structure. As their glycoside they are discovered abundantly in plants [35]

| Sl. No | Test         | Hexane | Ethyl acetate | Ethanol |
|--------|--------------|--------|---------------|---------|
| 1.     | Carbohydrate | No     | No            | No      |
| 2.     | Tannins      | No     | No            | No      |
| 3.     | Saponins     | Yes    | Yes           | No      |
| 4.     | Flavonoids   | Yes    | No            | Yes     |
| 5.     | Alkaloids    | Yes    | Yes           | No      |
| 6.     | Quinones     | No     | No            | No      |
| 7.     | Glycosides   | No     | No            | No      |
| 8.     | Cardiac glycosides | No | No | No | |
| 9.     | Terpenoids   | No     | No            | No      |
| 10.    | Phenols      | Yes    | Yes           | Yes     |
| 11.    | Coumarins    | Yes    | No            | Yes     |
| 12.    | Steroids & Phyto-teroids | No | Yes | No | |
| 13.    | Phlobatanins | No     | No            | No      |
| 14.    | Anthraquinones | No | No | No | |

Table 1: Phytochemical screening of the leaf extract of Sida rhombifolia

Table 2: Concentration of flavonoids content in Sida rhombifolia (L.)
| Quercetin calibration | Absorbance |
|----------------------|------------|
| Hexane               | 2.57%      |
| Ethanol              | 16.85%     |

![Figure 2: The primary phytochemical analysis of flavonoids in the leaf extract of *Sida rhombifolia* (L.)](image)

The result clearly indicate that the flavonoid content in the leaf extract of *Sida rhombifolia* (L.) was found to be more in ethanolic extract (16.85%) when compared to the hexane (2.57%).

### 3.2.2. Phenol Estimation

The phenolic compounds are regarded the number of secondary metabolites that contribute to the plant's antioxidant activity as a significant group. The existence of phenolic compounds in the plant shows that as an anti-microbial agent this plant may have the ability. Plant polyphenols are the important group of complexes that act as free radical scavengers or main antioxidants, so determining phenolic content in plant extract is justifiable.

Polyphenolic compounds, including their functional derivatives, have an aromatic benzene ring with replaced hydroxyl groups. These can absorb free radicals and metal ions that can catalyze the formation of ROS that promotes lipid peroxidation.

Table 3: Concentration of phenolic content in *Sidarhombifolia*(L)

| Gallic acid calibration | Absorbance |
|------------------------|------------|
| Hexane                 | 5.8%       |
| Ethylacetate           | 13.8%      |
| Ethanol                | 24.8       |

![Figure 3: The primary phytochemical analysis of phenol in the leaf extract of *Sida rhombifolia* (L.)](image)

The result clearly indicate that the phenolic content in the leaf extract of *Sida rhombifolia* (L.) was found to be more in ethanolic extract (24.8%) when compared to the hexane (5.8%) and ethyl acetate (13.8%).

### IV. CONCLUSION

*Sida rhombifolia* (L.) encompasses a long history as a meditative plant with numerous therapeutic applications. This research was aimed to analyze the effect of *Sida rhombifolia* (L.) (Family, Malvaceae) leaf extract. The qualitative phytochemical analysis has shown that the extract is positive for saponins, flavonoids, alkaloids, phenols, and same extract negative for carbohydrates, tannins, glycosides, cardiac glycosides, terpenoids, coumarins, steroids & phytosteroids, phlobutannins, anthraquinones. In this research, the recognized phytochemical compounds may be the medically precious bioactive components. Therefore *Sida rhombifolia* leaf extract could be considered as a good source of helpful drugs and further work on isolating, purifying and characterizing these phytochemical constituents. Thus, the above research concludes that its therapeutic properties may be due to the occurrence in this plant of certain flavonoid and phenolic compounds and other phytochemicals.

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