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ANTIOXIDANT AND ANTIDEPRESSANT ACTIVITIES OF ETHANOLIC LEAF EXTRACT OF *MANILKARA ZAPOTA*

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ABSTRACT: Aim: The present investigation deals with the preliminary phytochemical screening, *in vitro* antioxidant, and *in vivo* antidepressant activity of ethanolic leaf extract of *Manilkara zapota*. **Materials and Methods:** *In-vitro* antioxidant activity was evaluated using AS free radical scavenging parameters using Hydroxyl radical scavenging assay, phosphor molybdenum antioxidant assay and NO scavenging activity, and H₂O₂ scavenging assay. The forced swim test, tail suspension test and locomotor activity using a digital Photoactometer were used to investigate the extract's antidepressant activity further. AA, fluoxetine (10 mg/kg) and imipramine (4 mg/kg, p.o) were used as reference drugs for comparison. **Results and Discussions:** The presence of these bioactive constituents is linked to the plant's antioxidant and antidepressant activity. The IC₅₀ values of Hydrogen peroxide and Hydroxyl radical scavenging were found to be 24.5 and 81.28 ug/ml for extract and 7.94 and 40.7 ug/ml for AA. In our study, the extract showed a significant (P < 0.01) reduction in immobility in the tail suspension and forced swim models of depression, comparable to imipramine. **Conclusion:** psychostimulant effect comparable to standard fluoxetine in locomotor activity testing. The results showed that ethanolic leaf extract of *M. zapota* has comparable *in-vitro* antioxidant activity against phosphor molybdenum antioxidant assay, NO scavenging activity, H₂O₂ scavenging and hydroxyl radical scavenging to standard AA.

INTRODUCTION: During the past decade, giant attention has been centered on the involvement of reactive oxygen species in numerous illnesses. The technology of unfastened radicals causes cumulative damage to DNA, proteins and lipids brought about oxidative strain.

This oxidative strain has been suggested to cause growing older and numerous human illnesses, including most cancers, hepatic disorders and diabetes. DNA harm mediated by way of unfastened radicals might also result in mutation or chromosomal aberrations main to carcinogenesis¹.

The usage of the medicinal herb within the remedy and prevention of diseases is attracting attention through scientists globally^{7, 8}. Active oxygen species and loose radicals play an position in the initiation and evolution of severe sicknesses. The use of compounds with antioxidant activity is expected to be useful for the remedy of these

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diseases. Therefore, there has been a developing interest in locating novel antioxidants to fulfill the requirements of pharmaceutical industries². Scanty paintings have pronounced an antimicrobial hobby of the complete plant. *Manilkara zapota* has been used to remedy ulcers, despair the inflammation of most cancers, lithiasis, hepatotoxicity, and diabetes^{3,6}. Therefore, the examination is aimed to illustrate and decide the antioxidant and antidepressant effects of *M. zapota* leaves on numerous free radical scavengers. According to the sector fitness corporation document, mood disorders are the second main purpose global of incapacity-adjusted existence years and the main motive of years lived with incapacity in all ages. Every drug used to deal with this sickness has a success charge of about 60%.

Similarly, most treatments require several weeks of remedy before the development of symptoms and symptoms is found, and there are various aspect effects due to antidepressants^{9,11}. Thus, the excessive occurrence of depression and the fact that many individuals no longer reply properly to any currently marketed antidepressants or remedies support the want for new therapeutics to treat melancholy. Severe antidepressant compounds are actually available, probably appearing through different mechanisms along with serotonergic, noradrenergic, and/or dopaminergic systems³. Medical plant treatments can be powerful options within the treatment of despair and have improved drastically in the past decade⁴. Therefore, the present work aimed to evaluate the antioxidant and antidepressant-like effect of the ethanolic leaf extract of *M. zapota*.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

Collection of Plant Material: Collection of *M. zapota* leaves was done from the Peddapuram area of the East Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh. The plant authentication was done by Dr. T. Raghuram, Taxonomist, Maharani College, Peddapuram, and the voucher specimen number given is 12216.

Extract Preparation: *M. zapota* leaves were shade dried at room temperature for 4-5 days. The dried leaves were then powdered in a mixture and weighed. 100 g powder was taken from the obtained fine powder, and it is macerated in 200 ml

of ethanol for 3 days. The hot percolation process is carried out for about 3 h. later on, the filtration was done and distillation is performed to get the concentrated product.

Instruments and Chemicals:

- Acacia (1%), ascorbic acid (AA), ethanol (90%), fluoxetine, imipramine, and normal saline were used AS drugs.
- **Experimental** The following instruments were used: a digital photoactometer, a pH meter, and an ultraviolet spectrophotometer.

Animals: Albino rats (75-100 g) of either sex were used throughout the study. The animals were kept in standard laboratory conditions, including humidity, temperature, and light. The animals were fed a standard laboratory diet and were given a clean water.

In-vitro Antioxidant Activity

Phosphomolybdenum Antioxidant Assay: The concentrates of *M. zapota* was assessed by the phosphor molybdenum strategy for cancer prevention agent action SAS indicated by procedure¹³. The test depends on the decrease of Mo (VI)- Mo (V) by the concentrate and the resulting development of a green phosphate/Mo (V) complex at corrosive pH. Concentrates of 0.3 ml (0.05, 0.1, 0.3 and 0.5 mg/ml) were joined with 3 ml of the blend (0.6 M sulfuric corrosive, 28 mM sodium phosphate and 4 mM ammonium molybdate **Table 4**. The cylinders containing the response arrangement were brooded at 95 °C for 90 min. The absorbance of the arrangement was estimated at 695 nm against clear utilizing spectrophotometer **Fig. 6**.

Nitric Oxide Antioxidant Assay: Nitric oxide was created from sodium nitroprusside and estimated by the Greiss response, as depicted already. Sodium nitroprusside in the fluid arrangement at physiological pH unexpectedly creates nitric oxide, which cooperates with oxygen to deliver nitrite particles that the utilization of Greiss reagent can assess. Foragers of nitric oxide rival oxygen, prompting diminished creation of nitric oxide¹⁴. Sodium nitroprusside (5 mM) in phosphate-supported saline was blended in with various convergences of the concentrates (0.05, 0.1, 0.3,

and 0.5 mg/ml) disintegrated in the reasonable dissolvable frameworks and brooded at 25 °C for 150 min. The examples were added with Greiss reagent (1% sulfanilamide, 2% H₃PO₄, and 0.1% naphthyl ethylenediamine dihydrochloride **Table 3**. The chromophore absorbance blended during the nitrite diazotization with sulfanilamide and resulting response with naphthyl ethylenediamine was perused at 546 nm, and the absorbance of standard arrangements of SA was done in comparable. Every one of the tests was acted in three-fold. AS a kind of perspective compound, AA was utilized. The rate decline in absorbance was determined **Fig. 5**.

$$\text{Nitric oxide scavenged (\%)} = [(A_0 - A_1) / A_0] \times 100$$

Where A₀ is the absorbance of the control reaction (containing all reagents except the sample extract), and A₁ is the absorbance of the sample extract. AA was used as a positive control.

Scavenging of Hydrogen Peroxide: Hydrogen peroxide to search the capacity of the concentrates was determined ¹⁵. Hydrogen peroxide (40 mM) arrangement was set up in a phosphate cushion (pH 7.4). The centralization of hydrogen peroxide was controlled by ingestion at 230 nm utilizing a spectrophotometer. Concentrates (0.05, 0.1, 0.3, and 0.5 mg/ml) in refined water were added to a hydrogen peroxide arrangement (0.6 ml and 40 mM) **Fig. 4**. The absorbance of hydrogen peroxide at 230 nm was resolved after 10 min against a clear arrangement containing phosphate cradle without hydrogen peroxide. The hydrogen peroxide rummaging rate by the concentrates and standard builds was determined as follows in **Table 2**.

$$\% \text{ Scavenged [H}_2\text{O}_2] = [(A_0 - A_1) / A_0] \times 100$$

Where A₀ is the absorbance of the control reaction (containing all reagents except the sample extract), and A₁ is the absorbance of the sample extract. AA was used as a positive control.

Hydroxyl Radical Scavenging Assay: The searching capacity of the five examples extricates on hydroxyl revolutionaries was resolved by the strategy for certain changes. Momentarily, singular example extricates (1 mL) at various fixations (50, 100, 300 and 500 µg/ml) were added to the reagent containing 1 mL 1.5 mM FeSO₄, 0.3 mL 20 mM

sodium salicylate and 0.7 mL 6 mM H₂O₂. Later on, the example was brooded at a temperature of 37 °C for 1 h, and absorbance of the response combination was perused at 562 nm **Fig. 4**.

$$\text{Scavenging ability on hydroxyl radicals (\%)} = [(A_0 - A_1) / A_0] \times 100$$

Where, A₀ indicates the control reaction (containing all reagents except the sample extract) absorbance and A₁ is the sample extract absorbance. Ascorbic acid was used as positive controls **Table 2**.

Antidepressant Activity:

Experimental Design for Antidepressant Activity: Five groups of rats (n = 3) were formed. The animals were given drugs/vehicles 60 min before the study.

Group I: AS a negative control, saline (2 mL/kg) was administered orally.

Group II: Oral administration of *M. zapota* ethanolic leaf extract at a dose of 150 mg/kg.

Group III: Oral administration of *M. zapota* ethanolic leaf extract at a dose of 300 mg/kg.

Group IV: Imipramine standard drug (4 mg/kg orally) is given.

Forced Swim Test (FST): Rats of either sex had to swim in a holder (breadth 10 cm and height 25 cm) containing 19 cm of water at 25 ± 1 °C. 60 min before the examination, all animals had to swim for 6 min, and the immobility duration was noticed and estimated during the last 4 min time interval test. Stationary methods when the creature stopped battling and stayed in the water gliding unmoving, making just those developments to keep its head above water **Fig. 1**. A decrease in the term of idleness is characteristic of an upper-like effect ¹⁶ **Table 5**.

Tail Suspension Test (TST): The tail suspension strategy utilized in this examination was like those portrayed by Steru *et al.* ¹⁷ **Fig. 2**. Treatment was given 60 min before the investigation, as depicted by the examination plan.

Mice were suspended on the edge of the table, 50 cm over the floor, with the assistance of sticky tape, put around 1 cm from the tip of the tail.

The absolute term of stability prompted by tail suspension was recorded during a 6 min of the 10 min time frame.

The creature was viewed AS stationary when it didn't show any development of the body, hanged inactively, and still **Table 5**.

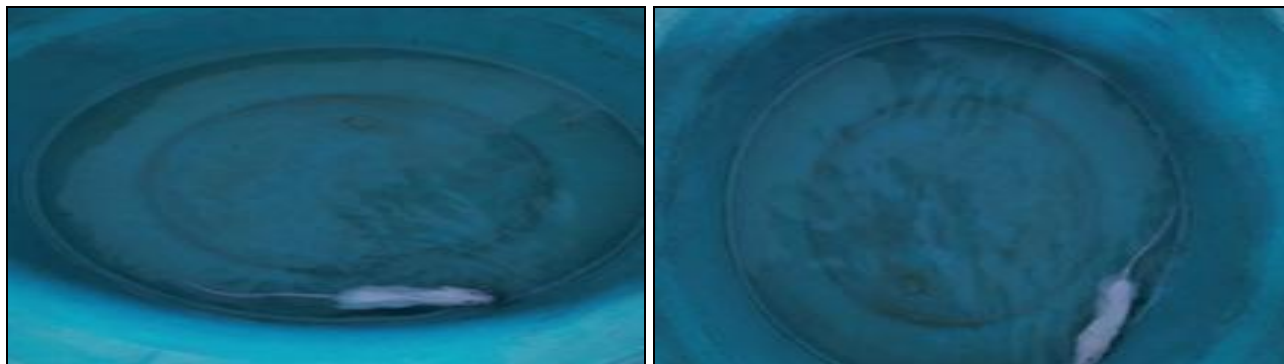


FIG. 1: FORCED SWIM TEST (FST)

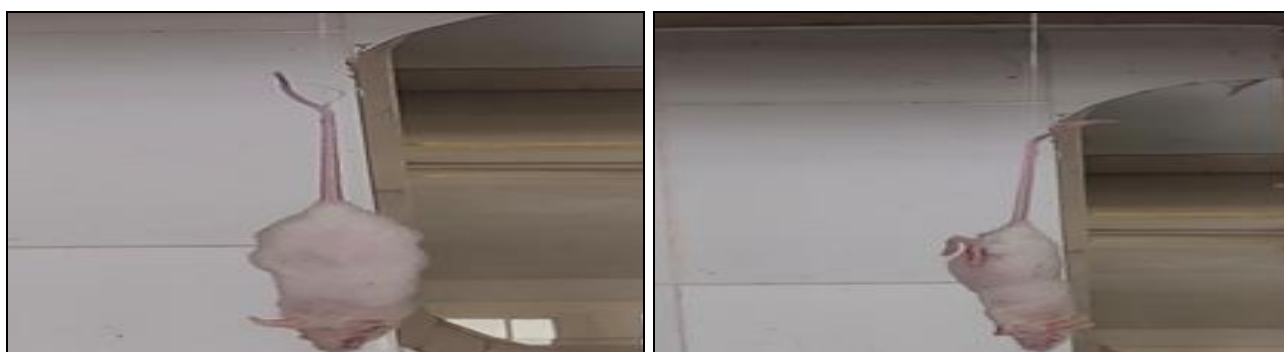


FIG. 2: TAIL SUSPENSION TEST

Locomotor activity using Photo Actometer test:

Actophotometer test: The locomotor activity can be easily studied with the help of actophotometer; the rats were grouped and treated with the drugs. Turn on the gear (check and ensure that every one of the photocells is working for an exact account) and set each rodent exclusively in action confine for 10 min. Note the basal movement score of the multitude of creatures. Inject the drug diazepam

(Dose: 5 mg/kg, i.p; make a stock solution containing 0.5 mg/ml of the drug and inject 1 ml /100 g body weight of mouse) and after 30 min re-test each mouse for activity scores for 10 min **Fig. 3**.

Take note of the difference in activity before and after the addition of chlorpromazine. Determine the percentage decrease in motor activity **Table 6**.



PHOTOACTOMETER



RAT-IN PHOTOACTOMETER

FIG. 3: LOCOMOTOR ACTIVITY USING PHOTOACTOMETER TEST

Statistical Analysis: A one-way analysis of variance was used, followed by Dunnett's multiple tests, for statistical analysis. For each group of six

rats, the results are expressed as the mean, standard deviation. Differences between groups were deemed statistically significant at the P 0.001 level.

Phytochemical Analysis Table 1: The qualitative determination of major phytoconstituents, such as alkaloids, carbohydrates, glycosides, phenolic compounds, saponins, steroids,

tannins and flavonoids, was performed on powdered leaf¹². Antidepressant Activity Using TST, FST and Spontaneous Locomotor Activity **Tables 5 and 6.**

RESULTS:

Phytochemical Analysis:

TABLE 1: RESULTS OF PHYTOCHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF ETHANOLIC LEAF EXTRACT OF MANILKARA ZAPOTA

Compounds	Chemical Tests	Ethanollic Extract
Alkaloids	Dragendroff's test	+ve
	Mayer's test	+ve
	Hager's test	+ve
Glycosides	General test	+ve
	Legal's test	+ve
	Modified Borntrager's test	+ve
Flavonoids	Lead acetate test	+ve
	Zinc hydrochloride test	+ve
	NaOH test	+ve
Saponins	Froth formation test	+ve
Triterpenoids	Salkowski test	+ve
	Liebermann-Buchard's test	+ve
Tannins	Ferric chloride test	+ve
Carbohydrates	Molisch's test	+ve
	Benedict's test	+ve
	Fehling's test	+ve
Proteins	Xanthoproteic test	-ve
	Millon's test	-ve
	Biuret test	-ve

+ = Presence-ve = Absence

In-vitro Anti-Oxidant Activity:

TABLE 2: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC LEAF EXTRACTS OF MANILKARA ZAPOTA ON HYDROGEN PEROXIDE METHOD (H₂O₂) AND HYDROXYL RADICAL SCAVENGING METHOD

Tested Material	Concentration (µg/ml)	(H ₂ O ₂) method		Hydroxyl method	
		%Inhibition	IC ⁵⁰ (µg/ml)	%Inhibition	IC ⁵⁰ (µg/ml)
<i>Manilkara Zapota</i>	50	52.71 ± 0.35	24.5	43.84 ± 0.25	81.28
Ethanolic Leaf Extract	100	63.73 ± 0.18		52.48 ± 0.29	
	300	70.45 ± 0.13		65.04 ± 0.15	
	500	78.29 ± 0.16		70.77 ± 0.25	
	Ascorbic Acid	50	58.45 ± 0.23	7.94	51.22 ± 0.32
	100	70.07 ± 0.22		60.08 ± 0.36	
	300	71.76 ± 0.32		65.15 ± 0.19	
	500	74.84 ± 0.13		75.19 ± 0.18	

Values are indicated in terms of Mean ± SEM; n=3 in each concentration

TABLE 3: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC MANILKARA ZAPOTA LEAF EXTRACT USING NITRIC OXIDE METHOD

Tested Material	Concentration (µg/ml)	Nitric oxide method	
		%Inhibition	IC ⁵⁰ (µg/ml)
<i>Manilkara zapota</i> Ethanolic leaf extract	50	43.56 ± 0.002	71.44
	100	56.45 ± 0.001	
	300	70.49 ± 0.005	
	500	79.75 ± 0.003	
Ascorbic Acid	50	55.36 ± 0.22	33.11
	100	60.32 ± 0.27	
	300	70.85 ± 0.13	
	500	80.32 ± 0.12	

Values are indicated in terms of Mean ± SEM; n=3 in each concentration

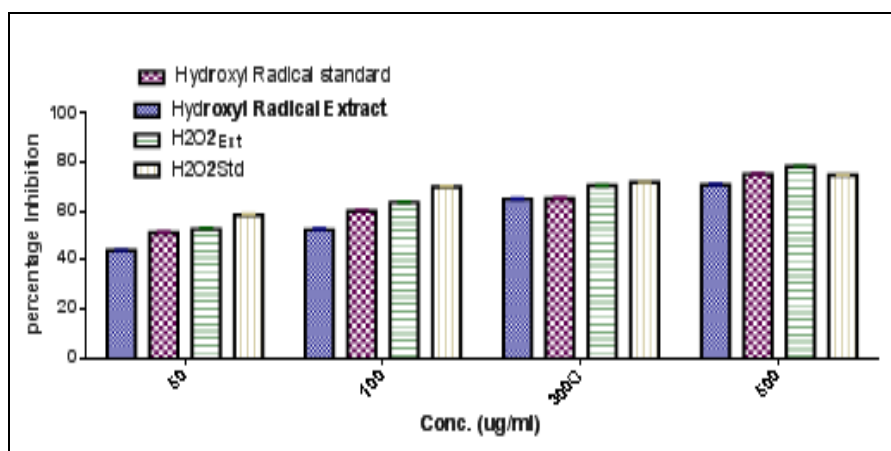


FIG. 4: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC LEAF EXTRACT OF *MANILKARA ZAPOTA* ON HYDROGEN PEROXIDE METHOD (H₂O₂) AND HYDROXYL RADICAL SCAVENGING METHOD

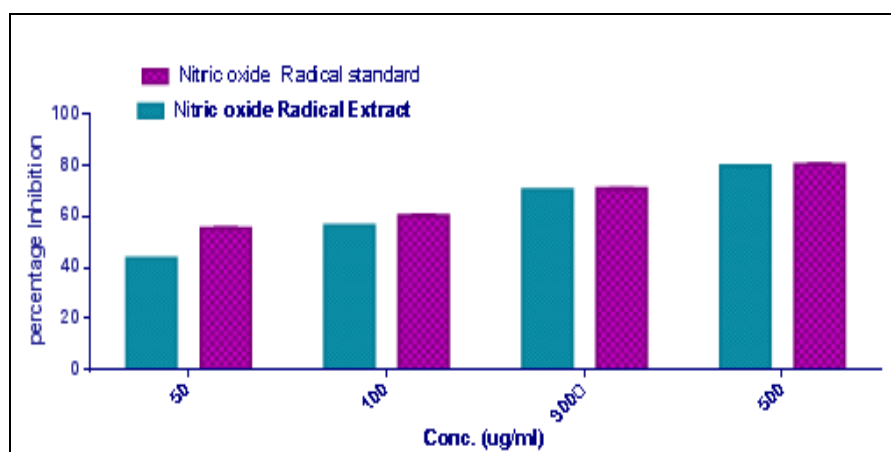


FIG. 5: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC *MANILKARA ZAPOTA* LEAF EXTRACT USING NITRIC OXIDE METHOD

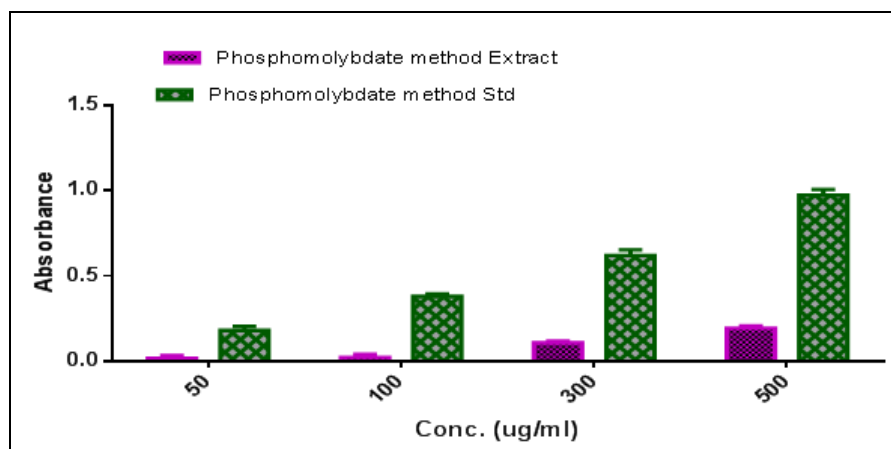


FIG. 6: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC *MANILKARA ZAPOTA* LEAF EXTRACT USING PHOSPHOMOLYBDEUM METHOD

The stimulant impact of *Manilkara zapota* (150, 300 mg/kg), imipramine was concentrated by noticing the progressions in the length of idleness in the two models, the Forced swim test (FST) and Tail suspension test (TST). In Tail suspension test, *Manilkara zapota* (150 and 300 mg/kg), p.o. created critical decrease in fixed status time of 116.14 ± 3.45 & 80.16 ± 1.25 individually when

contrasted and that of control bunch creatures accepting just vehicle of stationary period 175.38 ± 2.36 . The standard medication imipramine shows a fixed status period of 78.90 ± 1.12 . The outcomes are genuinely critical when contrasted and control with $p < 0.001$. In Forced swim test, *Manilkara zapota* (150 and 300 mg/kg), p.o. created a huge decrease in fixed status time of 97.20 ± 1.42 &

66.62 ± 1.23 individually when contrasted and that of control bunch creatures getting just vehicle of stationary period 143.55 ± 1.25.

The standard medication imipramine displays a fixed status period of 62.21 ± 2.05. The outcomes are genuinely huge when contrasted and control with $p < 0.001$.

The concentrate (300 mg/kg) was discovered to be successful and display the movement like that of ordinary medication imipramine and results are arranged in **Table 5**.

TABLE 4: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC MANILKARA ZAPOTA LEAF EXTRACT USING PHOSPHOR MOLYBDEUM METHOD

Tested Material	Concentration (µg/ml)	Phospho Molybdenum Method
<i>Manilkara zapota</i>	50	0.017 ± 0.016
<i>Manilkara zapota</i>	100	0.023 ± 0.018
Ethanol leaf extract	300	0.108 ± 0.011
Ethanol leaf extract	500	0.194 ± 0.013
Ascorbic Acid	50	0.181 ± 0.023
	100	0.381 ± 0.015
	300	0.621 ± 0.032
	500	0.973 ± 0.034

Values are indicated in terms of Mean ± SEM; n=3 in each concentration

TABLE 5: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC LEAF EXTRACT OF MANILKARA ZAPOTA ON DURATION OF IMMOBILITY TIME IN THE TAIL SUSPENSION TEST (TST) AND FORCED SWIM TEST (FST)

Treatment	Tail Suspension Test (Tst) Duration of Immobility (In sec)	Forced Swim Test (Fst) Duration of Immobility (In sec)
Vehicle (Water)	175.38 ± 2.36	143.55 ± 1.25
<i>Manilkara Zapota</i> (150 mg/kg, P.O.)	116.14 ± 3.45	97.20 ± 1.42
<i>Manilkara Zapota</i> (300 mg/kg, P.O.)	80.16 ± 1.25	66.62 ± 1.23
Imipramine (15 mg/kg, P.O.)	78.90 ± 1.12	62.21 ± 2.05

Test solutions were administered orally 60 minutes prior to the test. Values represented Mean ± SEM, (n=3), ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$ vs control.

TABLE 6: EFFECT OF ETHANOLIC LEAF EXTRACT OF MANILKARA ZAPOTA ON LOCOMOTOR ACTIVITY BY ACTOPHOTO METER

Treatment	Mean Activity Score Before Treatment (10 min)	Mean Activity M score After Treatment (10 min)	Reduced Locomotor Activity (%)
Control	334.0 ± 0.035	316.6 ± 0.126	5.38%
<i>Manilkara zapota</i> (150 mg/kg, p.o)	261.2 ± 0.155	170.4 ± 0.465	34.76%
<i>Manilkara zapota</i> (300mg/kg, p.o)	298.8 ± 0.226	140.0 ± 0.830	53.14%
Diazepam (3 mg/kg, p.o)	327.21 ± 0.428	86.21 ± 0.896	73.65%

Test solutions were administered orally 60 mins prior to the test and standard 30 prior to the test. Values represented as Mean ± SEM, (n=3), *** $p < 0.001$ vs control.

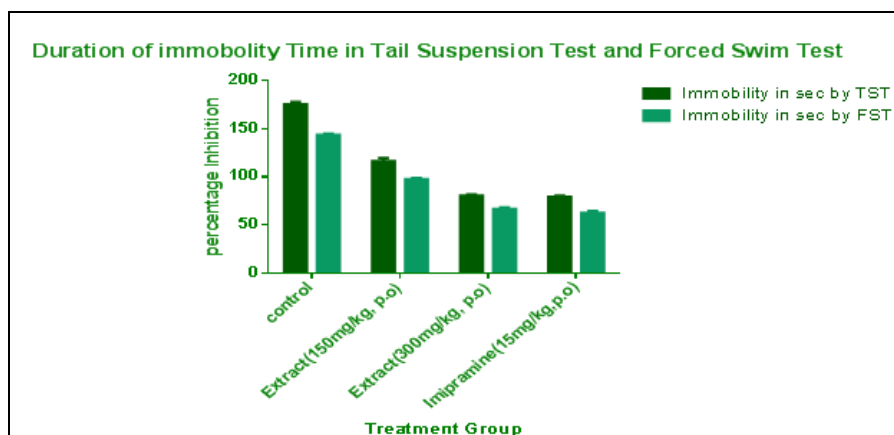


FIG. 7: DURATION OF IMMOBILITY TIME IN TAIL SUSPENSION AND FORCED SWIM TEST

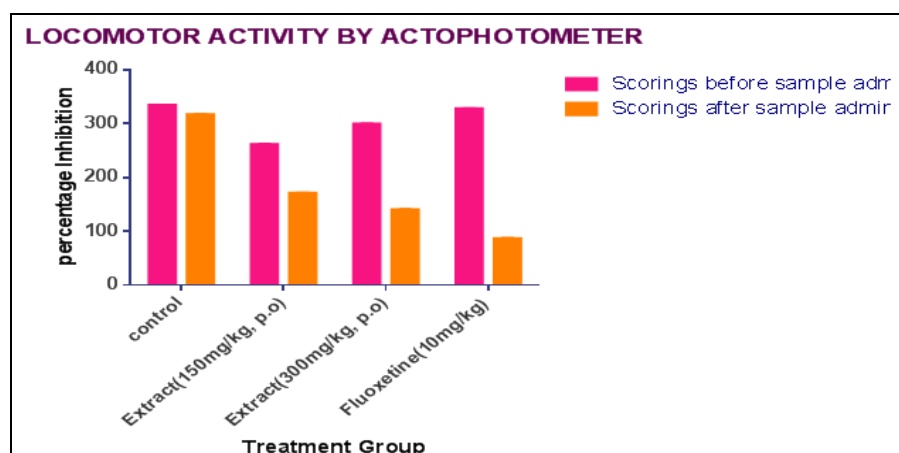


FIG. 8: ETHANOLIC LEAF EXTRACT OF *MANILKARA ZAPOTA* ON LOCOMOTOR ACTIVITY BY ACTOPHOTOMETER

Manilkara zapota (300 mg/kg, p.o, only) exhibited a slight reduction in locomotor activity (53.14%) compared to animals receiving vehicles. The Fluoxetine (10 mg/kg) treated group exhibited a statistically significant decrease in locomotor activity (73.65%) when compared with the control. The results of the extract are not statistically significant when compared with the control. These are statistically significant, with a *p-value* <0.001. Results are tabulated in **Table 6**.

DISCUSSION: The results obtained from this study clearly indicate that the Ethanolic Leaf Extract of *Manilkara zapota* possesses Antioxidant activity and Antidepressant activity. The Antioxidant activity was performed by Hydroxyl radical scavenging activity, hydrogen peroxide scavenging activity, Nitric oxide method, and Phosphomolybdenum antioxidant assay. The results of antioxidant activity were expressed in terms of IC_{50} values using different antioxidant methods. The calculated IC_{50} values for Ethanolic leaf extract of *Manilkara zapota* and reference standard used as Ascorbic acid. The calculated IC_{50} values using Nitric oxide, Hydroxyl radical method, and Hydrogen peroxide method for *Manilkara zapota* are 71.44 μ g/ml, 81.28 μ g/ml, and 24.5 μ g/ml, and for Ascorbic acid, it is 33.11 μ g/ml, 40.7 μ g/ml, and 7.94 μ g/ml. The results are indicated in **Tables 2** and **3**. In the Phosphomolybdenum antioxidant assay, absorbance increases with concentration. From the outcomes acquired, it very well might be proposed that *Manilkara zapota* Leaf separation lessens the revolutionaries to the comparing hydrazine when it responds with the hydrogen giver in the cell

reinforcement standards. Free revolutionary rummaging movement of the *Manilkara zapota* is focus subordinate, SAS the convergence of the test compound expands, the extremist searching action increments and lower IC_{50} esteem reflect the better defensive activity. H_2O_2 is exceptionally significant AS A result of its capacity to enter natural films. H_2O_2 itself isn't responsive; however, it can now and then be poisonous to cells since it might bring about hydroxyl extremist in the cells¹⁸. **Table 2** shows that ethanolic leaf concentrate of *M. zapota* had solid hydrogen peroxide movement and hydroxyl extremist rummaging action like that of AA.

Nitric oxide produced from sodium nitroprusside in the fluid arrangement at physiological pH precipitously creates nitric oxide^{19,20}. Nitric oxide scroungers contend with oxygen, bringing about diminished nitric oxide creation. Ethanolic leaf concentrate of *M. zapota* had more nitric oxide extremist searching movement than AA equivalently, as introduced in **Table 3**. The absolute cancer prevention agent limit of ethanolic leaf concentrate of *M. zapota* was dictated by phosphomolybdenum examination, AS demonstrated in **Table 3**. The antioxidant capacity of the ethanolic extract was determined using the phosphomolybdenum method, which is based on the reduction of molybdenum by the sample analyte and subsequent formation of green compounds containing phosphate/Mo (V) with a maximum absorption wavelength of 695 nm. The antioxidant capacity of extracts was discovered to increase with concentration. Depression is a significant mental issue that influences people's

personal satisfaction and social relations straightforwardly. Enthusiastic manifestations like misery, detachment portray depression, loss of fearlessness, blame, hesitation and inspiration, just AS organic indications like psychomotor hindrance, libido loss, sleep disturbances and appetite loss. When the symptoms are very severe, major depression is considered. Prescriptions like tricyclic antidepressants, particular serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs), specific reversible inhibitors of monoamine oxidase A and explicit serotonin-noradrenaline reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs) are clinically utilized for drug therapy²¹.

However, these meds can cause heart poisonousness, hypopnesia, sexual brokenness, body weight gain, and rest problems^{22, 25}. Formalized reword There will be a decrease in noradrenaline and serotonin reuptake, bringing about expanded accessibility in the neurotransmitter and, accordingly, an increment in adrenergic and serotonergic neurotransmission by imipramine²⁶.

We utilized two creature models in this investigation: FST and TST; the two standards are broadly acknowledged social models for surveying the adequacy of pharmacological antidepressants. Trademark conduct scored in these tests is named stability, reflecting social sadness as found in human depression¹⁷. Also, it is notable that numerous energizer drugs can lessen the idleness time in rodents¹⁶. Ethanolic leaf concentrate of *M. zapota* created a checked decrease in idleness time at dosages of 150 and 300 mg/kg in the rodent FST and TST, with a profile equivalent to that noticed for the traditional stimulant medication ESC and imipramine. FST has not customarily been seen as a reliably delicate model for identifying SSRI action, though these antidepressants are, for the most part, revealed as dynamic in the TST²⁷.

CONCLUSION: *M. zapota* ethanolic leaf extract exhibits dose-dependent antioxidant activity. This study discovered that an ethanolic leaf extract of *M. zapota* has antidepressant properties.

Because the effect of the extract was similar to that of imipramine, this effect may be due to inhibition of norepinephrine uptake, which leads to increased availability of norepinephrine in synapses. Further research is underway.

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