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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS/SYMBOLS

BAP	Benxylaminopurine
DMSO	dimethyl sulfoxida
NA	nutrient agar
L	Liter
ml	milliliter
μ l	microliter
mm	millimeter
nm	nanometer
g	gram
mg	milligram
μ g	microgram
mg/L	milligram per liter
mg/ml	milligram per milliliter
$^{\circ}$ C	degree Celsius
CFUmL ⁻¹	colony forming units per milliliter

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ABSTRACT

The antimicrobial activities of methanol extract of *Aglaonema simplex* cultures were investigated. The crude samples were obtained from dried leaves and petioles of 30 and 60-day plants macerated in 45ml of 60% methanol. The antimicrobial activity was evaluated using Kirby-Bauer method and the minimal inhibition concentration (MIC) values on eleven species of bacteria. Both extracts had inhibitory effects on the growth of eight types of bacteria including *Bacillus cereus*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus agalactiae*, *Aeromonas hydrophila*, *Proteus mirabilis* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. The inhibition zones and MIC values for the microorganisms sensitive to the methanol extracts of *A. simplex* cultures were in the range of 7-17 mm and 20- 500 mg/ml, respectively. The lowest MIC value of 30-day extract was 25 mg/ml and for 60-day extract was 20 mg/ml. This may indicate that the 60-day extract showed higher antibacterial activity than 30-day extract. The highest activity was shown against *Bacillus cereus*. The overall results suggested that longer cultivation time may be needed to produce high quantitative and qualitative antimicrobial of this plant.

ANTI-MIKROORGANISMA AKTIVITI BAGI TUMBUHAN KULTUR, *Aglaonema simplex*

ABSTRAK

Penyaringan aktiviti anti-mikroorganisma bagi tumbuhan kultur, *Aglaonema simplex* telah dikaji. Ekstrak telah dihasilkan daripada bahagian batang dengan daun bagi tumbuhan berusia 30 dan 60 hari masing-masing yang direndam dalam 45ml methanol 60%. Penyaringan aktiviti anti-mikroorganisma dapat ditaksir dengan menggunakan Kaedah Kirby-Bauer dan juga nilai-nilai MIC bagi 11 spesies bakteria. Kedua-dua ekstrak dapat merencatkan pertumbuhan lapan jenis bakteria yang dikaji iaitu *Bacillus cereus*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Streptococcus agalactiae*, *Aeromonas hydrophila*, *Proteus mirabilis* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. Saiz bagi zon perencatan dan nilai MIC tercatat adalah dalam lingkungan 7-17 mm dan 20-500 mg/ml masing-masing. Nilai MIC yang paling rendah tercapai bagi ekstrak 30 hari ialah 25 mg/ml dan bagi ekstrak 60 hari ialah 20 mg/ml. Maka, ekstrak 60 hari dibuktikan mempunyai kesan anti-bakteria yang lebih tinggi daripada ekstrak 30 hari. Aktiviti anti-mikroorganisma yang paling berkesan adalah terhadap *Bacillus cereus*. Keputusan keseluruhan kajian ini mencadangkan bahawa masa tempoh kultur yang lebih panjang diperlukan bagi tumbuhan ini untuk menghasilkan sebatian anti-mikroorganisma yang lebih dan berkualiti.