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## Studies on Growth of Macrophomina Phaseolina with Effect of Methanolic Leaf Extract of Ashwagandha (Withania Somnifera L.)

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### MATERIALS AND METHODS

In order to study of antifungal activity of Ashwagandha (Withania somnifera L.) leaf extract on Macrophomina phaseolina. Locally available Ashwagandha (Withania somnifera L.) used i.e., leaves of Ashwagandha (Withania somnifera L.) was tested by poisoned food technique in vitro as used by Shiva et.al, (2008) and Francis Borgio, et.al, (2008) to know their inhibitory effect on the growth of Macrophomina phaseolina.

### PREPARATION OF METHANOLIC PLANT PART EXTRACTS

Healthy fresh leaves of Ashwagandha (*Withania somnifera L.*) was taken, washed thoroughly with fresh water and finally rinsed with sterile distilled water and dried.

Fifty grams leaves of Ashwagandha (Withania somnifera L.) were cut into small pieces and grinded in a grinder to make fine powder and then extracted in 50 ml Methanol. Extracts thus obtained were filtered through double layered muslin cloth in 150 ml flasks and plugged. The

extracts then autoclaved at pressure 15 lbs for 20 minutes. Potato Dextrose Agar (PDA) medium was prepared and sterilized at 15 lbs pressure for 20 minutes. The sterilized extract was considered as standard plant extract and used for the testing their antifungal activity.

The different concentrations were prepared i.e. 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00 and 10.00 percent. The 10 ml extracts of different concentrations were individually added in 10 ml melted, cooled and sterilized PDA at the time of pouring in the petriplates and incubated at room temperature. After solidification a 5 mm disc of actively growing 7 days old pure culture of Macrophomina phaseolina was incubated aseptically in the centre of plate. Three repetitions were made for each treatment. Medium without phytoextracts served as control. The fungal growth in diameter were observed and recorded and percent growth inhibition was also calculated as per the procedure given by Syeda Fakehha et.al. (2012).

### EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The effect of Withania somnifera (L.) leaf extract against Macrophomina phaseolina was studied by using Methanol as solvent at different concentrations i.e., 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 and 5,00% for their antifungal efficacy.

concentration somnifera efficacy at 1% Withania shows 13.67 to 83.72%, at 2% concentration gives 23.72 to 85.27%, at 3% concentration shows 28.14 to 87.98%, at 4% concentration gives 28.90 to 90.00% and at 5% concentration gives 28.98 to 92.47% inhibition of the pathogen i.e., growth with Methanol solvent recorded at 1 to 7 days of incubation. The efficacy of Withania somnifera, at 5% concentration gives maximum inhibition of growth of the pathogen. The observation shows in table -1 and fig.-1 that increase in the concentration gives maximum inhibition of the growth with increase in incubation period.

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	7.15 (4.64)	13.67 (7.85)	23.72 (13.72)	28.14	28.90 (16.79)	28.98 (16.84		
2	9.25 (5.30)	24.09 (13.93)	30.35	33.40	34.54	35.80 (20.97)		
3	12.10 (6.94)	42.70 (25.27)	45.38 (26.98)	48.37 (28.92)	50.73 (30.48)	52.84 (31.89)		
4	15.35 (8.82)	57.80 (35.30)	55.97 (34.03)	56.20 (34.19)	66.50 (41.68)	68.74 (43.80)		
5	18.44 (10.62)	69.29 (44.25)	70.32 (45.04)	74.38 (48.63)	76.06 950.04)	79.90 (53.03)		
6	21.56 (12.45)	71.41 (46.04)	75.98 (49.44)	78.81 (52.00)	79.17 (52.96)	86.65 (62.16)		
7	22.75 (13.14)	83.72 (56.84)	85.27 (59.64)	87.98 (63.87)	90.00 (64.17)	92.47 (67.64)		
S.E ±	0.40	2.64	3.14	3.73				
.D at 5%	100	8.15	9.66	11.48	9.15	3.51		

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