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GC-MS profiling of bioactive components from aqueous extract of *Pterocarpusmarsupium*

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Abstract: Medicinal plants are sources of important therapeutic aids for alleviating human ailments. Pterocarpusmarsupium belongs to the family Fabaceae is well known in Indian system for its traditional uses. The present investigation was carried out to determine the possible bioactive components of aqueous bark extract of Pterocarpusmarsupiumusing GC-MS analysis, while the mass spectra of the compounds found in the extract was matched with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) library. The results of the GC-MS analysis have provided different peaksdetermining the presence of 27 phytochemical compounds. The major phytocomponents present in the extractare2-Pentanone,4-hydroxy-4methyl,Furan-2-one,3,4-dihydroxy-5-[1-hydroxy-2-fluoroethyl], Benzoic acid, 2,6bis[(trimethylsilyl)oxy]- trimethylsilyl ester, a-d-Mannofuranoside, methyl, Phthalic acid, di (oct-3-yl)ester, 1-Monolinoleoylglyceroltrimethylsilyl ether, Ethyl iso-allocholate andMilbemycin b,13-chloro-5-demethoxy-28-deoxy-6,28-epoxy-5-(hydroxyimino)-25-(1methylethyl) with different therapeutic activities. The presence of these bioactive compounds justifies *Pterocarpusmarsupium* is an excellent source of phytocomponentwhich helps to treat various diseases and health complications in human beings. However, isolation of individual phytochemical constituents might be useful to formulate a novel drug.

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