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Antibacterial Activity Test Ethanol Extract Leaf Ageratum conyzoides Linn against Staphylococcus aureus and Escherichia coli Bacteria

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Abstract: Ageratum conyzoides Linn (Bandotan) which is known as a weed plant can be used as a traditional medicine. The ethanol extract of A. conyzoides leaf contains secondary metabolite compounds, like flavonoids, alkaloids, and antibacterial saponins. The aim of this research is to test the antibacterial activity of ethanol extract of A. conyzoides leaf. The first step of the analysis is extracting secondary metabolite compounds with 96% ethanol solvent and tested their antibacterial activity against Staphylococcus aureus and Escherichia coli by jell diffusion Kirby-Bauer method to know their inhibitory activity. The inhibitory activity at concentrations of 200 mg/ml, 150 mg/ml, 100 mg/ml, 5 mg/ml against S. aureus and E. coli were 8.7mm, 7.1mm, 7.9mm, 6.64mm, and 10.9 mm, 7.8mm, 7.33mm, 6.89mm. The results show us that ethanol extract of A. conyzoides leaf has antibacterial activity against S. aureus and E. coli in medium category.

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