IN VITRO ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITIES OF SOURSOP (Annona muricata) LEAVES EXTRACT AGAINST COMMON HUMAN PATHOGEN

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ABSTRACT

IN VITRO ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITIES OF SOURSOP (Annona muricata) LEAVES EXTRACT AGAINST COMMON HUMAN PATHOGEN

Annona muricata commonly known as soursop from the family annonaceae have used in this study. Global population used medicinal plant as disease healing and antibiotic. The crucial fact about the treatment of the human pathogen is the ability of this pathogen to develop resistance to antibiotic. This research was conducted to evaluate the antibacterial and antifungal activities of A. muricata leves extract against known human pathogenic microorganisms. This study also conducted to determine the minimal inhibitory concentrations of A. muricata leaves extract that able to inhibit the growth of tested bacterial and fungal pathogen. The phytochemical analysis was also conducted to determine the presence of active secondary metabolite that act as antimicrobial agents. The bacterial that used in this study were Staphylococcus aureus and Escherichia coli whereas the fungal pathogen used were Aspergillus niger and Candida albican. A. *muricata* leaves were extracted using distilled water and methanol as solvent for extraction. Results showed that methanol yielded about 4.4% (8.8 g) of extract whereas distilled water yielded about 3.1% (6.2 g) of extracts. The antimicrobial study showed that methanol leaves extract of A. muricata gave the larger zone of inhibition against E. coli and C. albican with 11.6 mm and 2.3 mm zone inhibition respectively. Meanwhile distilled water leaves extract of A. muricata gave the larger diameter of zone of inhibition only against S. aureus with 2.2 mm diameter. The determination of minimal inhibitory concentration (MIC) of A. muricata leaves extract showed that, methanol leaves extract gave the MIC at 800 µg/mL against E. coli and 200 µg/mL against C. albican. For distilled water leaves extract of A. muricata, the MIC was at 600 µg/mL against S. aureus only. The analysis of A. muricata methanol leaves extract revealed the presence of flavonoid, glycoside, tannin, steroid and phenol, while in A. muricata distilled water leaves extract showed the presence of flavonoid, glycoside, saponin and phenol.