

## **Nighantus (Ayurvediclexicons) and their Contributions towards Shalakya (E.N.T) Related Disorders - A Comprehensive Review**

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### **Abstract**

Ayurveda, the oldest system of medicines, describes the disease conditions under eight branches. The diseases related to supraclavicular region have been described under the category of *urdhajatrugata* rogas of *Shalakya* (E.N.T) tantra. Many of the diseases related to head, eye, ear, and nose have been dealt under these headings. However, the *nighantu granthas* (Ayurvedic lexicons), the compendia describing the pharmacological properties of plants, have not described the drugs based on the organ system specific actions. Very few texts are available till date which gives vivid description regarding the exclusive management of *Shalakya* (E.N.T) related disorders. It is observed that *nighantus* (Ayurvedic lexicons) of medieval periods have described many herbal drugs in the context of *urdhajatrugata chikitsa*, but in a scattered way. Single hand information regarding the drugs used in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) related disorders is not available. In the present study, an attempt has been made to review all the drugs indicated in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) related disorders from available 12 *nighantugranthas*(Ayurvediclexicons). It is observed that, out of total 179 drugs indicated in *urdhajatrugata vikaras*, 131 are of herbal origin, 25 of mineral origin and 19 of animal origin. Among them, 95 drugs have been reported for *netra chikitsa*, out of which *chakushya* drugs contribute maximum in numbers i.e., 45. To this context, 26 drugs have been described in *mukharoga chikitsa*, 24 in *kantha roga chikitsa*, 14 in *siroroga chikitsa*, 11 drugs in *karna roga chikitsa*and, and 09 drugs in *danta chikitsa*. Many of these drugs have been well studied scientifically for their classical claims and many yet to be evaluated scientifically. The present observation may give a lead to the researcher to explore new drugs in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) related disorders.

### **Keywords**

*Chakshushya, Nighantu, Shalakya (E.N.T), Urdhajatrugata Vikara*



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## INTRODUCTION

Man with highly evolved biological system is regarded to be the most conscious social creature of world who has developed all his special senses to a higher degree of perception. *Shalakya* (E.N.T) *tantra*, a branch of Ayurveda remains at upper hand in treating all the ailments resulting out of these sense organs of supraclavicular region. It is constantly advisable to take consideration of these sense organs. History reveals that much significance has been laid upon the care taking of these sense organs which is well evident in all *vedas*, *puranas*, *samhitas* and so forth *nighantus* also. *Nighantus* (Ayurveda lexicons) have been stayed as an incredible wellspring of knowledge and information since time immemorial. They give lot of information with respect to drugs and their usages. Its portrayal in regards to the utilization of medications in all *Shalakya* (E.N.T) issues have been very much depicted in various *vargas* (chapters) of *nighantu*.

Going through all the *nighantus* clearly tosses light upon unfurling numerous unexplored or less portrayed drugs. The significance of *Shalakya*(E.N.T) is well obvious in *nighantus* as various usefulness of numerous herbal drugs have been

depicted thoroughly at various *Vargas*(chapters) of *Nighantus*. A single hand information about the drugs indicated in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) related disorders is lacking in today's available ayurvedic literatures. Hence the present study has been undertaken with an aim to study the drugs highlighted for the management of *Shalakya*(E.N.T)related disorders fromavailable *Nighantus*.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

Twelve available *nighantus* of *Dravyaguna* namely *Asthanga Nighantu*(A.N)<sup>1</sup>, *Dhanvantari Nighantu*(D.N)<sup>2</sup>, *Dravyagunasamgraha*(D.G.S)<sup>3</sup>, *Shodhala Nighantu*(S.N)<sup>4</sup>, *Madhava Dravyaguna*(M.D)<sup>5</sup>, *Madanapala Nighantu*(M.P.N)<sup>6</sup>, *Kaiyadeva Nighantu*(K.N)<sup>7</sup>, *Bhavaprakasha Nighantu*(B.P.N)<sup>8</sup>, *Raja Nighantu*(R.N)<sup>9</sup>, *Shaligrama Nighantu*(Sha.Ni)<sup>10</sup>, *Priya Nighantu*(P.N)<sup>11</sup> and *Gunaratnamala*(G.R)<sup>12</sup> were scrutinized chapter by chapter and drugs by drugs to compile the drugs indicated for the managements of *Shalakya*(E.N.T) related disorders. The botanical equivalent of each drug have been collected from Ayurvedic

Formulary of India (AFI) and obtained data are presented in tabular format.

## RESULTS

In this review, it is observed that total 179 drugs of herbo-mineral and animal origins have been described with pharmacological properties in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) disorders. Out of which 95 are indicated *innetra rogas* (diseases of eye), 26 for *mukharogas* (diseases of oral cavity), 14 for *sirorogas* (diseases of head), 13 for *kantharogas* (diseases of throat), 11 for *karna vikaras* (diseases of ear), 10 for *swara*

*vikaras* (diseases of larynx). Out of the total drugs described in the context of *Shalakya* (E.N.T) *chikitsa*, the botanical sources of 111 drugs have been reported and botanical sources of 10 drugs are yet to be explored. The list of herbal drugs indicated in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) *chikitsa* have been tabulated in table-1, drugs of mineral origin in table-2, drugs of animal origin in table-3. The compiled drugs were grouped according to their indications in various *Shalakya* (E.N.T) disorders and tabulated in table-4. Evidence based pharmacological and clinical research studies of certain drugs are presented in table-05.

**Table 1:** List of drugs of herbal origin indicated in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) related disorders

SLN o	Drug	Latin name	Family name	Shallakya indications	Referen ce
1.	Vacha	<i>Acorus calamus</i> Linn.	Araceae	<i>Kanthyashya roga nrit</i>	D.N 01/07
2.	Brihata ela	<i>Amomum subulatum</i> Roxb.	Zingiberaceae	<i>Kantha roga</i>	D.N 01/47
3.	Tvaka	<i>Cinnamomum zeylanicum</i> Blume.	Lauraceae	<i>Kanthabaktra ruja hantri</i>	D.N 01/51
4.	Dhanyaka	<i>Coriandrum sativum</i> Linn.	Umbelliferae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	D.N 01/64
5.	Aamalaki	<i>Emblica officinalis</i> Linn.	Euphorbiaceae	<i>Chakshusya</i>	K.N 1/240
6.	Ardraka	<i>Zingiber officinalis</i> Linn.	Zingiberaceae	<i>Swarya</i>	D.N 01/94
7.	Agaru	<i>Aquillaria agallocha</i> Roxb.	Thymelaceae	<i>Karna-akhroganrit</i>	K.N 1/1271
8.	Ajamoda	<i>Apium graveolens</i> Linn.	Umbelliferae	<i>Netraamayahara</i>	M.P.N 01/7
9.	Ajashrungi	<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i> R.Br.	Asclepiadaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 09/34
10.	Arjaka	<i>Ocimum basilicum</i> Linn.	Labiatae	<i>Netaramayahara</i>	R.N 8/159
11.	Aswakshura	<i>Clitoreae ternatea</i> Linn.	Leguminosae	<i>Chakshusya</i>	K.N 09/89

<b>12.</b>	<i>Balwaja</i>	<i>Pollinidium.angustifolium</i> Comb.	Gramineae	<i>Kanthashodhana</i>	K.N 01/1255
<b>13.</b>	<i>Bhabya</i>	<i>Dillenia indica</i> Linn.	Dilleniaceae	<i>Ashyasodhanam</i>	K.N 01/332
<b>14.</b>	<i>Bhringaraja</i>	<i>Eclipta alba</i> Hassk.	Asteraceae	<i>Sirorti-,Netrarujahara</i>	B.P 03/241
<b>15.</b>	<i>Bhurja</i>	<i>Betula utilis</i> D.Don.	Betulaceae	<i>Karna-rogavishapnruta</i>	K.N 01/818
<b>16.</b>	<i>Bhutumbi</i>	-	-	<i>Dantargalananasana</i>	R.N 05/168
<b>17.</b>	<i>Bibhitaka</i>	<i>Termenalia belerica</i> Roxb.	Combretaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/244
<b>18.</b>	<i>Chakshusya</i>	<i>Cassia absus</i> Roxb.	Fabaceae	<i>Netrasravahara</i>	D.N 03/141
<b>19.</b>	<i>Chameli</i>	<i>Jasminum grandiflorum</i> Linn.	Oleaceae	<i>Netrarogahara</i>	R.N 08/76
<b>20.</b>	<i>Chinaka karpura</i>	<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i> Nees. & Eberm.	Lauraceae	<i>Kanthadoshahara</i>	R.N 08/69
<b>21.</b>	<i>Choraka</i>	<i>Angelica glauca</i> Edgew.	Umbelliferae	<i>Nasamukharujahara</i>	R.N 08/138
<b>22.</b>	<i>Dadima</i>	<i>Punica granatum</i> Linn.	Punicaceae	<i>Kanthaasyaroghaghna</i>	K.N 01/308
<b>23.</b>	<i>Daruharidra</i>	<i>Berberis aristata</i> Roxb.	Berberidaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 01/01
<b>24.</b>	<i>Devasarshapa</i>	-	-	<i>Vaktraamayavishodhan</i>	R.N 07/295
<b>25.</b>	<i>Dhanwanga</i>	<i>Grewia tilliafolia</i> Vahl.	Tilliaceae	<i>Kanthaamayanaspaprada</i>	R.N 07/111
<b>26.</b>	<i>Dharini Kanda</i>	-	-	<i>Vakradoshasamana</i>	R.N 05/92
<b>27.</b>	<i>Dirghasuka</i>	<i>Oryza sativa</i> Linn.	Poaceae	<i>Netrabhighatnasana</i>	K.N 03/14
<b>28.</b>	<i>Drakshya</i>	<i>Vitis vinifera</i> Linn.	Vitaceae	<i>Swarya</i>	D.N 05/50
<b>29.</b>	<i>Eraka</i>	<i>Typha elephanatania</i> Roxb.	Typhaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/1229
<b>30.</b>	<i>Ghontapugapha la</i>	<i>Areca catechu</i> Linn.	Araceae	<i>Kanthasudhikara</i>	R.N 08/245
<b>31.</b>	<i>Graishmi</i>	<i>Jasminum Species.</i>	Oleaceae	<i>Netraroganam nashini mata</i>	D.N 05/130
<b>32.</b>	<i>Guduchi</i>	<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i> Willd.	Menispermaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/11
<b>33.</b>	<i>Guggulu</i>	<i>Commiphora mukul</i> Hook.	Burseraceae	<i>Swarya</i>	D.N 03/117
<b>34.</b>	<i>Gunja</i>	<i>Abrus precatorious</i> Linn.	Fabaceae	<i>Netraamayahara</i>	M.P.N 01/26
<b>35.</b>	<i>Haritaki</i>	<i>Terminalia chebula</i> Retz.	Combretaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/224
<b>36.</b>	<i>Hingu</i>	<i>Ferula narthex</i> Regel.	Umbelliferae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 04/74
<b>37.</b>	<i>Indivara</i>	<i>Nelumbo nucifera</i> Willd.	Nymphaeae	<i>Chakshusya</i>	K.N 09/65

<b>38.</b>	<i>Irimeda</i>	<i>Acacia fernesiana</i> Willd.	Leguminosae	<i>Mukharogaharam</i>	D.N 05/122
<b>39.</b>	<i>Jalapippali</i>	<i>Phyla nodiflora</i> Linn.	Verbenaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/732
<b>40.</b>	<i>Jambira</i>	<i>Citrus lemon</i> Linn.	Rutaceae	<i>Vaktrasodhi,asyavairasya nasana</i>	K.N 01/317- 60
<b>41.</b>	<i>Jati</i>	<i>Jasminum grandiflora</i> Linn.	Oleaceae	<i>Chakhusya</i>	D.N 05/127
<b>42.</b>	<i>Jatipatra</i>	<i>Myristica fragrans</i> Houtt.	Myristicaceae	<i>Vaktra dourgandhya nasanam</i>	D.N 03/32
<b>43.</b>	<i>Jivanti</i>	<i>Leptadenia reticulate</i> W &A	Asclepiadaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/100
<b>44.</b>	<i>Kadali</i>	<i>Musa sapientum</i> Linn.	Musaceae	<i>Karnasoola Netragadahrita</i>	K.N 01/285- 55 B.P 05/34
<b>45.</b>	<i>Kadamba</i>	<i>Anthocephalus cadumba</i> Edgew.	Rubiaceae	<i>Karnapuraka</i>	R.N 07/98
<b>46.</b>	<i>Kakadani</i>	-	-	<i>Urdhagadapaha</i>	D.N 04/25
<b>47.</b>	<i>Kakamachi</i>	<i>Solanum nigrum</i> Linn.	Solanaceae	<i>Swarya</i>	D.N 04/19
<b>48.</b>	<i>Kankola</i>	<i>Piper cubeba</i> Linn.	Piperaceae	<i>Vaktra vairashya nasanam</i>	D.N 03/36
<b>49.</b>	<i>Kapitha</i>	<i>Feronia elephantum</i> Correa.	Rutaceae	<i>Kanthashodhana</i>	K.N 01/416
<b>50.</b>	<i>Karavira</i>	<i>Nerium indicum</i> Mill.	Apocynaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	D.N 04/03
<b>51.</b>	<i>Kashamarda</i>	<i>Cassia occidentalis</i> Linn.	Caesalpinaeae	<i>Kanthalasodhana</i>	K.N 10/172
<b>52.</b>	<i>Kataka</i>	<i>Strychnos potatorum</i> Linn.f.	Loganiaceae	<i>Chakhusya</i>	D.N 03/154-
<b>53.</b>	<i>Kataphala</i>	<i>Myrica esculenta</i> Buchh.	Myricaceae	<i>Kantha-amayaaruchi nasana</i>	M.P.N 01/203
<b>54.</b>	<i>Ketaka</i>	<i>Pandanus odoratissimus</i> Roxb.	Pandanaceae	<i>Drusthidayak, Netrya</i>	K.N 01/1485
<b>55.</b>	<i>Khadira</i>	<i>Acacia catechu</i> Willd.	Leguminoseae	<i>Dantya</i>	K.N 01/824
<b>56.</b>	<i>Kousumbha saka</i>	<i>Carthamus tinctorius</i> L.	Asteraceae	<i>Drusthiprasadam</i>	R.N 05/143
<b>57.</b>	<i>Kramuka</i>	<i>Areca catechu</i> Roxb.	Araceae	<i>Chakushya</i>	D.N 03/158
<b>58.</b>	<i>Krishna jiraka</i>	<i>Cuminum cyminum</i> Linn.	Umbelliferae	<i>Chakhusya</i>	D.N 01/71
<b>59.</b>	<i>Kshudra champaka</i>	<i>Michelia champak</i> Linn.	Magnoliaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 08/62
<b>60.</b>	<i>Kulatha</i>	<i>Dolichos biflorus</i> Linn.	Leguminoseae	<i>Netra-amayaghna Drusthiroganasanam</i>	D.N 06/95 K.N 03/77

<b>61.</b>	<i>Kumkuma</i>	<i>Crocus sativus</i> Linn.	Iridaceae	<i>Drusthi-sirorogahrit</i>	D.N 3/12
<b>62.</b>	<i>Kundah</i>	<i>Jasminum pubeseens</i> Willd.	Oleaceae	<i>Siroragapaha</i>	K.N 1/1516
<b>63.</b>	<i>Palandu</i>	<i>Allium cepa</i> Linn.	Alliaceae	<i>Kantha sossa samana</i>	R.N 05/61
<b>64.</b>	<i>Langala</i>	-	-	<i>Drusthikara</i>	K.N 03/19
<b>65.</b>	<i>Lavanga</i>	<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i> , Linn	Myrtaceae	<i>Chakshusya, murdharogahrit</i>	D.N 03/40 R.N.08- 83
<b>66.</b>	<i>Lodhra</i>	<i>Symplocos racemosus</i> Roxb	Symplocaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 01/254
<b>67.</b>	<i>Madhu Karkati</i>	<i>Citrus decumana</i> Linn.	Rutaceae	<i>Karna sothavinasanam</i>	M.P.N 6/78
<b>68.</b>	<i>Mahasatavari</i>	<i>Asparagus sarmentosus</i> Linn.	Liliaceae	<i>Nayanamayanasan</i>	M.P.N 1/181
<b>69.</b>	<i>Mahavari vacha</i>	<i>Alpinia galanga</i> Willd.	Zingiberaceae	<i>Hrit-kantha mukha shodhini</i>	B.P 01/105
<b>70.</b>	<i>Malati</i>	<i>Jasminum grandiflora</i> Linn.	Oleaceae	<i>Siroakhimukha-dantarti nasana</i>	B.P 04/28
<b>71.</b>	<i>Mallika</i>	<i>Jasminum sambac</i> Ait.	Oleaceae	<i>Netrotharujaharam</i>	D.N 05/124
<b>72.</b>	<i>Manjistha</i>	<i>Rubia cordifolia</i> Roxb.	Rubiaceae	<i>Akhisulanrit</i>	M.P.N 01-01
<b>73.</b>	<i>Meshashringi</i>	<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i> R.Br.	Asclepiadaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/739
<b>74.</b>	<i>Muchukunda</i>	<i>Pterocarpus acerifolium</i> Willd.	Sterculiaceae	<i>Sirortinasana</i>	K.N 01/1520
<b>75.</b>	<i>Mugda</i>	<i>Phaseolus aureus</i> Roxb.	Leguminoseae	<i>Netrya</i>	D.N 06/71
<b>76.</b>	<i>Mugdaparni</i>	<i>Phaseolus trilobus</i> Linn.	Leguminoseae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 09/36
<b>77.</b>	<i>Munja</i>	<i>Saccharum munja</i> Roxb.	Gramineae	<i>Akhirogajit</i>	K.N 1/1244
<b>78.</b>	<i>Nagadanti</i>	<i>Artimisia vulgarissyn</i> Willd.	Euphorbiaceae	<i>Kanthadosantikrit</i>	R.N03/8 8
<b>79.</b>	<i>Nalika</i>	<i>Litsea monopetala</i> Roxb.	Lauraceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/256
<b>80.</b>	<i>Nepali</i>	<i>Jasminum species.</i>	Oleaceae	<i>Netraashyakarna rogaghni</i>	K.N 01/1528
<b>81.</b>	<i>Shobhanjana</i>	<i>Moringa oleifera</i> Lamk.	Moringaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 05/29
<b>82.</b>	<i>Nimbuka</i>	<i>Citrus medica</i> Linn.	Rutaceae	<i>Asyasodhanam</i>	K.N 01/329
<b>83.</b>	<i>Nirgundi</i>	<i>Vitex negundo</i> Linn.	Verbenaceae	<i>Netrahita</i>	M.P.N 01/164
<b>84.</b>	<i>Nispavika</i>	<i>Dolichos lab-lab</i> Linn	Fabaceae	<i>Kanthasudhikara</i>	R.N 05/193
<b>85.</b>	<i>Paribhadra</i>	<i>Erythrina indica</i> Lam.	Leguminaceae	<i>Karnavyadhidivinasanam</i>	K.N 01/896

86.	<i>Patulika</i>	-	-	<i>Kanthy</i>	R.N 08/254
87.	<i>Prapoundarika</i>	<i>Hedychium flavescens</i> Carey	Scitaminae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	B.P 02/131
88.	<i>Priyangu</i>	<i>Callicarpa .macrophylla</i> Vahl.	Verbenaceae	<i>Vaktrajadyavinasini</i>	B.P 02/104
89.	<i>Puga</i>	<i>Areca catechu</i> Linn.	Araceae	<i>Vaktravairasyasan</i>	K.N01/5 16
90.	<i>Putranjiva</i>	<i>Putrajiva roxburghii</i> Wall.	Euphorbiaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 07/139
91.	<i>Rajika patra</i>	<i>Brassica juncea</i> Linn.	Brassicaceae	<i>Kantha-amayahara</i>	R.N 05/146
92.	<i>Rajataruni</i>	-	-	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 05/128
93.	<i>Raktachandana</i>	<i>Pterocarpus santalinus</i> Linn.	Leguminoseae	<i>Netrahitam</i>	M.P.N 03/10
94.	<i>Rohini</i>	<i>Soymida febrifuga</i> A.Juss	Meliaceae	<i>Kanthashudhikaram</i>	R.N 08/148
95.	<i>Rohitaka</i>	<i>Tecoma undullata</i> Seem.	Bignoniaceae	<i>Karnarogaharam</i>	D.N 05/120- 171
96.	<i>Sala</i>	<i>Shorea robusta</i> Gaertn.	Dipterocarpaceae	<i>Netrrogahara</i>	K.N 01/80
97.	<i>Salarasa</i>	<i>Liquidamber orientalis</i> Miller.	Hamamelidaceae	<i>Kanthy</i>	B.P 02/205
98.	<i>Sarala</i>	<i>Pinus longifolia</i> Roxb.	Pinaceae	<i>Karkkantha-akhirogahara</i>	B.P 01/27-
99.	<i>Sarvakshara</i>	-	-	<i>Chakshushya, Vaktravishodhana.</i>	R.N 04/259
100.	<i>Satapatri</i>	<i>Rosedama scena</i> Desf.	Rosaceae	<i>Mukhasphotahara</i>	R.N 08/80
101.	<i>Shalidhanya</i>	<i>Oryza sativa</i> Linn.	Poaceae	<i>Chakshushya,swarya</i>	K.N 03/10
102.	<i>Shaluka</i>	-	-	<i>Netra-amayahara</i>	D.N 04/52-
103.	<i>Shatavari</i>	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Willd.	Liliaceae	<i>Chakshushya,ratrandhyaha ra</i>	K.N 01/196
104.	<i>Shruta shruni</i>	-	-	<i>Netraamayakrintani</i>	K.N 10/37
105.	<i>Srivesthaka</i>	-	-	<i>Sirsharoganrita</i>	D.N 03/121
106.	<i>Sweta jiraka</i>	<i>Cuminum cyminum</i> Linn.	Umbelliferae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 04/59
107.	<i>Sweta kantakari</i>	<i>Solanum xanthocarpum</i> S & W.	Solanaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 10/67
108.	<i>Sweta lasuna</i>	<i>Allium sativum</i> Linn.	Lilliaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 05/51
109.	<i>Sweta maricha</i>	<i>Piper nigrum</i> Linn.	Piperaceae	<i>Drusthirogaghna</i>	R.N 04/34
110.	<i>Sweta vrihati</i>	<i>Solanum indicum</i> Linn.	Solanaceae	<i>Nana netra amayapaha</i>	K.N 10/66
111.	<i>Swyonaka</i>	<i>Oroxylum indicum</i> Vent.	Bignoniaceae	<i>Netrahitam</i>	R.N 07/29

<b>112.</b>	<i>Tagara</i>	<i>Valeriana wallichii</i> DC.	Valerianaceae	<i>Netra,Siroroga</i>	D.N 03/52
<b>113.</b>	<i>Talisha</i>	<i>Abies webiana</i> , Nees.	Pinaceae	<i>Mukharogaharam</i>	R.N 54-79
<b>114.</b>	<i>Tamalaki</i>	<i>Phyllanthus niruri</i> Linn.	Euphorbiaceae	<i>Chakshushya</i>	D.N 03/94
<b>115.</b>	<i>Taruni</i>	<i>Rosa centifolia</i> DC.	Rosacea	<i>Mukhapakaghni</i>	R.N 08/126
<b>116.</b>	<i>Tila</i>	<i>Sesamum indicum</i> Linn.	Pedaliaceae	<i>Dantyo</i>	K.N 03/316
<b>117.</b>	<i>Tilaka</i>	<i>Wendlandia exerta</i> DC.	Rubiaceae	<i>Dantarogajit</i>	D.N 05/145
<b>118.</b>	<i>Tumbura</i>	<i>Zanthoxylum .alatum</i> DC	Rutaceae	<i>Mukharogajit</i>	M.P.N 06/74
<b>119.</b>	<i>Tuni</i>	<i>Cedrelatoona</i> Roxb.	Meliacea	<i>Sirortinasan</i>	R.N 08/74
<b>120.</b>	<i>Vadara patra</i>	<i>Zizyphus jujuba</i> Lamk.	Rhamnaceae	<i>Netra-amayapaham</i>	R.N 08/139
<b>121.</b>	<i>Vakula</i>	<i>Mimusops elengi</i> Lam	Sapotacea	<i>Sthirikaram Dantanam</i>	D.N 05/143
<b>122.</b>	<i>Valamuli</i>	-	-	<i>Kanthya</i>	R.N 05/22
<b>123.</b>	<i>Vallika</i>	-	-	<i>Netrarogapahantri</i>	R.N 08/84
<b>124.</b>	<i>Varshiki</i>	<i>Jasminum sambac</i> Linn.	Oleaceae	<i>Karna-akhi mukha rogaghni</i>	B.P 04/26
<b>125.</b>	<i>Vijapura</i>	<i>Citrus medica</i> Linn.	Rutacea	<i>Kanthya</i>	M.P.N 06/75
<b>126.</b>	<i>Vrihati</i>	<i>Solanum xanthocarpum</i> Schrad and Wendll	Solanacea	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/61
<b>127.</b>	<i>Vrintaka</i>	<i>Solanum melongena</i> Linn	Solanacea	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/580
<b>128.</b>	<i>Yasthimadhu</i>	<i>Glycyrrhiza glabra</i> Linn	Leguminosea	<i>Swarya</i>	R.N 04/148
<b>129.</b>	<i>Yuthika</i>	<i>Jasminum auriculatum</i> Vahl.	Oleacea	<i>Dant-akshi-siroroga</i>	K.N 08/1479
<b>130.</b>	<i>Jivaniya panchamoola</i>	-	-	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N 01/76
<b>131.</b>	<i>Triphala</i>	-	-	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 01/33

**Table 2:** List of drugs of mineral origin indicated in *Shalakya*(E.N.T) disorders

Sl. No	Drug	English Name	Karma	Reference
1.	<i>Anjana</i>	Galena	<i>Netrya</i>	D.N03/137
2.	<i>Gairika</i>	Red ochre	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 04/28
3.	<i>Girisindura</i>	Red oxide of mercury	<i>Netrya</i>	D.N 03/100

<b>4.</b>	<i>Gorachana</i>	Cow bezoar	<i>Netra ruja jayeta</i>	D.N 03/20-94
<b>5.</b>	<i>Haritala</i>	Orpiment	<i>Ashyaroganrit</i>	K.N02/47
<b>6.</b>	<i>Hemamakshika</i>	Cupper pyrite	<i>Chakshushya</i>	D.N03/115
<b>7.</b>	<i>Hingula</i>	Cinnabar	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 04/33
<b>8.</b>	<i>Kacha Lavana</i>	White salt	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N02/112
<b>9.</b>	<i>Kamsya</i>	Bronze	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 04/08
<b>10.</b>	<i>Kaparda</i>	Cowry	<i>Netradoshantikrit</i>	R.N 09/125
<b>11.</b>	<i>Kashisha</i>	Green Vitrole	<i>Netrarogeshu</i>	R.N 09/80
<b>12.</b>	<i>Khatika</i>	Chalk	<i>Netranikruntini</i>	R.N 09/131
<b>13.</b>	<i>Kulathanjana</i>	-	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 09/90
<b>14.</b>	<i>Makshika</i>	Copper pyrite	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N02/37
<b>15.</b>	<i>Neelanjana</i>	Galena	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 09/89
<b>16.</b>	<i>Parada</i>	Mercury	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N02/28
<b>17.</b>	<i>Puspanjana</i>	Zinc oxide	<i>Sarvnetrapaham</i>	R.N09/92
<b>18.</b>	<i>Rasanjana</i>	Indian berberis	<i>Mukhanetravikarnrit,Naktandhyahara</i>	K.N02/72
<b>19.</b>	<i>Saindhava Lavana</i>	Rock salt	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N02/96
<b>20.</b>	<i>SamudraPhena</i>	Cuttle fish internal shell	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 04/47
<b>21.</b>	<i>Shankha</i>	Conch	<i>Netrahita</i>	M.P.N 04/62
<b>22.</b>	<i>Soubiranjana</i>	Galena	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N02/73
<b>23.</b>	<i>Suvarna</i>	Gold	<i>Netrya,vagshudhikaram</i>	K.N02/05
<b>24.</b>	<i>Suvarchal lavana</i>	Black salt	<i>Swarya</i>	D.N 04/88
<b>25.</b>	<i>Tutha</i>	Blue vitriole	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 09/103
<b>26.</b>	<i>Tuvari</i>	Ferrous sulphate	<i>Chakshushya</i>	R.N 09/63

**Table 3** List of drugs of animal origin indicated in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) disorders

Sl. NO	Drug	English Name	Karma	Reference
<b>01.</b>	<i>Aaja navanita</i>	Fresh butter of Goat	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N6/259
<b>02.</b>	<i>Arghya madhu</i>	Honey	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N01/192
<b>03..</b>	<i>Aswa mamsa</i>	Horse	<i>Chakshyushya</i>	M.P.N12/05
<b>04.</b>	<i>Bhramara</i>	Black bee	<i>Karna-siro-mukharoga</i>	D.N 06/09
<b>05.</b>	<i>Ghreetamanda</i>	-	<i>Akshiroga</i>	K.N06/293
<b>06.</b>	<i>Hasti dugdha</i>	Elephant Milk	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N05/141
<b>07.</b>	<i>Hastini dadhi</i>	Female elephant	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N06/196
<b>08.</b>	<i>Kakabhasa</i>	-	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 12/67

<b>09.</b>	<i>Kasturika</i>	Musk Deer	Netrya	M.P.N03/05
<b>10.</b>	<i>Kokila mamsa</i>	Hens-sparrow	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 12//64
<b>11</b>	<i>Kukuta mamsa</i>	Hen	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N12/33
<b>12</b>	<i>Mayura mamsa</i>	Peacock	<i>Chakshyurogavinasanam</i>	06/351-240
<b>13</b>	<i>Nari Dadhi</i>	FemaleCurd	<i>Netrhitam</i>	K.N06/195
<b>14</b>	<i>Oudhaalaka madhu</i>		<i>Swarya</i>	K.N01/196
<b>15</b>	<i>Sarpa mamsa</i>	Snake	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 12/107
<b>16</b>	<i>Simha sardula</i>	Lion	<i>Vataakhirogajit</i>	M.P.N 12/15
<b>17</b>	<i>Usthra</i>	Camel	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 12/08
<b>19.</b>	<i>Malaya Jala</i>	-	<i>Kantha-Galarogeshu</i>	M.P.N 08/27
<b>20.</b>	<i>Sandhyakalika dugdha</i>	-	<i>Chakshushya</i>	M.P.N 08/126
<b>21.</b>	<i>Latakasturi</i>	Musk mallow	<i>Chakshushya</i>	K.N01/1298

**Table 4** Categorizations of drugs as per various *Shalakya*(E.N.T)disease conditions**A. Netra-Roga**

Sl. No	Conditions	Drugs	No.of Drugs	
<b>01.</b>	<i>Chakshushya</i>	HerbalDrugs	Dhanyaka, Krishna agaru, Lavanga, Jiraka, Karpura, Tamalaki, Kataka, Kramuka, Jalapippali, Karavira, Jati, Daruharaaidra, Lodhra, Guduchi,Vrihati, Jivanti, Haritaki, Aamalaki, Bibhitaki, , Vrintaka, Meshasringi, Gunja, Shatavari, Kataka, Eraka, Tagaram, Karpura, Latakasturi, Lavanga, Nalika, Shalidhanya, Mugdaparni Aswakshura, Indivara, Swetakantakari, Jiraktraya, Yasthimadhu, Sobhajana, Lasuna, Ajasrungi, Putranjiva, Rajataruni  Jivaniyapanachamoola, Trphala	45
<b>02.</b>	<i>Netrya</i>	Mineral Drugs	Saindhava,Kachalavana,Puspakasisha,Hemamakshika,Anjana, Shankha,Puspanjana,Kamsya,Gairika,Tutha,Hingula,Parada,Makshika,Soubiranjana, Tutha, Samudraphena	08
<b>03.</b>	<i>Netrarogananasana</i>	Animal Drugs	Arghyamadhu	05
<b>04.</b>	<i>Netraroganrit</i>		Mudga, Nirgundi, Kasturika, Raktacandana,Yuthika, Ketaka, Langala, Girisundara	05

<b>05.</b>	<i>Nayanamaya</i>	<i>Satavari, Mahasatavari, Sweta vrihati</i>	<b>04</b>
<b>06.</b>	<i>Netra-amayahara</i>	<i>Gunja, Kulatha, Vanyakulatha, Ajamoda</i>	<b>04</b>
<b>07.</b>	<i>Netrarujahara</i>	<i>Bhringraja, Krishnaagaru</i>	<b>04</b>
<b>08.</b>	<i>Netrarujahara</i>	<i>Mallika, Malati, Gorachana, Kasisha</i>	<b>04</b>
<b>09.</b>	<i>Netraprasadana</i>	<i>Nirmali, Koushumbhasaka</i>	<b>02</b>
<b>11.</b>	<i>Akshirujahara</i>	<i>Manjistha, jati</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>12.</b>	<i>Dristhidosanasana</i>	<i>Tagara</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>13.</b>	<i>Dristhidosaghna</i>	<i>Sveta maricha</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>14.</b>	<i>Dristhiroganrit</i>	<i>Kumkuma</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>16.</b>	<i>Kanduhara</i>	<i>Guduchi</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>17.</b>	<i>Drusthidayaka</i>	<i>Ketaka</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>18.</b>	<i>Naktandhyanasi</i>	<i>Darvi</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>19.</b>	<i>Nayanartinasana</i>	<i>Karanja</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>20.</b>	<i>Nayanrujahara</i>	<i>Mulaka, Shaluka</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>21.</b>	<i>Netrakanduhara</i>	<i>Punarnava</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>22.</b>	<i>Netrasravahara</i>	<i>Chakshushya</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>23.</b>	<i>Ratrandhyahara</i>	<i>Satavari</i>	<b>01</b>

**B. Mukharoga**

<b>1.</b>	<i>Mukhavairasya Nasana</i>	<i>Jatipatra, Kankola, Jambira, Nimbuka, Bhabya, Puga, Tamravalli, Dharani kanda, Devasarshapa, Javitri, Haritala, Shobhajana.</i>	<b>13</b>
<b>2.</b>	<i>Ashyaroganrit</i>	<i>Vacha, Dadima, Nepali.</i>	<b>03</b>
<b>3.</b>	<i>Ashyashodhanam</i>	<i>Nimbukam, Bhabya, Tamravalli.</i>	<b>03</b>
<b>4.</b>	<i>Mukharoganrit</i>	<i>Talisha, Bhramara, Dadima, Tvak, Irimeda, Varshika.</i>	<b>03</b>
<b>5.</b>	<i>Mukhasphotaha</i>	<i>Satapatri, Taruni.</i>	<b>02</b>
<b>6.</b>	<i>Mukhasravaharm</i>	<i>Sarala.</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>7.</b>	<i>Vaktradourgandhya nasan</i>	<i>Jatipatra.</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>8.</b>	<i>Vaktrajadyahara</i>	<i>Priyangu, Malati.</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>9.</b>	<i>Vaktrakledamalapa ham</i>	<i>Puga.</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>10.</b>	<i>Vaktrarujaharam</i>	<i>Tvaka.</i>	<b>01</b>

**C. Siroroga**

<b>01</b>	<i>Siroroganrit</i>	<i>Kumkuma, Lavanga, Tagara, Srivesthaka, Bhramara, Sarala, Bhringraja, Varshiki, Yuthika, Kundaha, Muchukunda, Tuni, Malati</i>	<b>14</b>
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**D. Danta**

<b>01.</b>	<i>Dantya</i>	<i>Shatapatri, Bhringraja, Bakula, Nimba, Khadira, Bhutumbi, Yuthika, Bhutumbi</i>	<b>08</b>
<b>02.</b>	<i>Dantasthirikarana</i>	<i>Tila</i>	<b>01</b>

**E. Swara**

<b>01.</b>	<i>Swarya</i>	<i>Yasthimadhu, Guggula, Kakamachi, Ardraka, Drakshya, Souvarchala, Oudhlaka madhu, Madhu</i>	<b>09</b>
<b>02.</b>	<i>Swarbhramsa</i>	<i>Sarala</i>	<b>01</b>

**F. Kantha**

<b>01</b>	<i>Kanthya</i>	<i>Vacha, Mahavarivacha, Bhadraela, Kataphala, Vijapura, Tamravalli, Nagadanti, Valamuli, Lalpiaja, Rajikapatra, Khadirasara, Karavira,</i>	<b>17</b>
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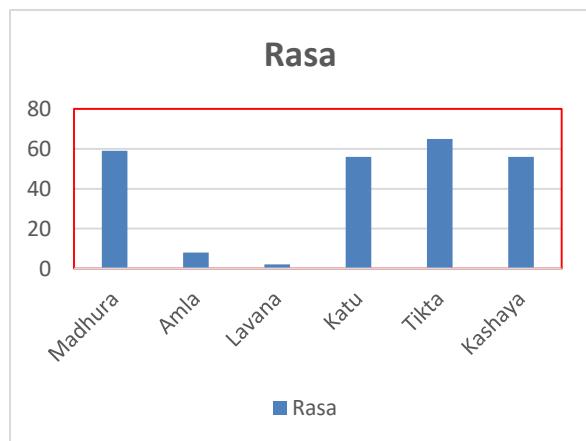
<b>02</b>	<i>Kanthashodhana</i>	<i>Kashmarda, Balwaja, Nimbuka, Ghontapugaphala</i>	<b>04</b>
<b>03</b>	<i>Kanthaloganrit</i>	<i>Dadima, Sarala</i>	<b>02</b>
<b>04</b>	<i>Kanthalujahara</i>	<i>Tvaka</i>	<b>01</b>

#### G. Karna

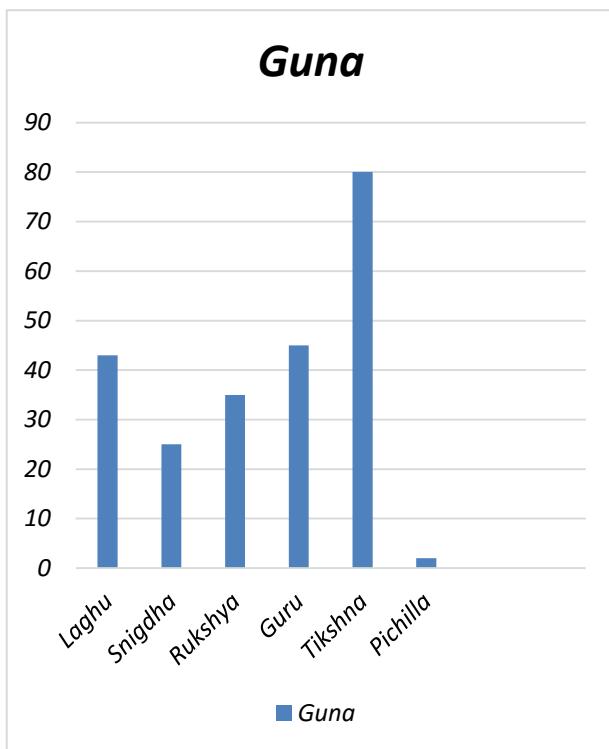
<b>01.</b>	<i>Karnarogahara</i>	<i>Rohitaka, Bhurja, Paribhadra, Sarala, Nepali</i>	<b>05</b>
<b>02.</b>	<i>Karnarujahara</i>	<i>Agaru, Nirgundi, Krishnaagaru</i>	<b>03</b>
<b>03.</b>	<i>Karnapaka</i>	<i>Samudraphena</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>04.</b>	<i>Karnasophanasana</i>	<i>Madhukarkatinasani</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>05.</b>	<i>Karnasoola</i>	<i>Kadali</i>	<b>01</b>

### AYURVEDIC PHARMACODYNAMIC

*Katu rasahas* been proclaimed for possessing *Chakshuvirechayati* property (Clearing micro channels of eye) (*Ch.su.26/43*). *Madhura rasahas* been described by *Vaghbataas Akshaprasadana*. *Chakshu* (Eye) is the site of *Shleshmamahabhuta* (*ch.su.05/16*). *Madhura rasa* nourishes the eye. *Tikshna* property posseses *shodhana Shakti*. It helps in eliminating the accumulation of vitiated *doshas* through purification and excitation. Maximum diseases of *Shalakya*(E.N.T) are originated due to involvement of *kaphavata dosha*. As the drugs compiled from Various *nighantu* possesses *katu-vipaka* and *madhura rasa* in maximum numbers (graph 01-04), it can be claimed that these drugs are helpful in treating *Shalakya*(E.N.T)disorders.



**Graph 1** Shows that most of the drugs *Tikta, Kashaya* *Madhura rasa* property,



**Graph 2** Shows the maximum number of the drugs posseses *tikshna, laghu* property

### Reported evidence based research activity

Analysis of information obtained from various research journals reveals that out of

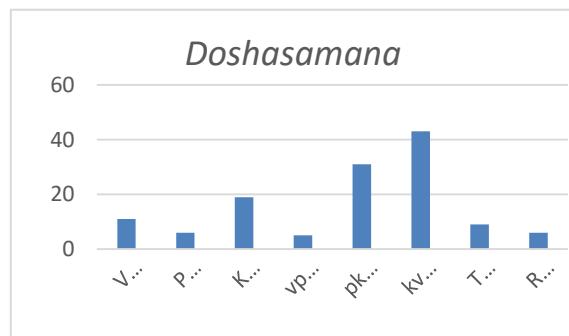
132 herbal drugs, 25 have been experimentally proved for their efficacy in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) disorders. Among them, 8 drugs are reported for possessing antimicrobial property against the bacteria.

Like *Salmonella typhi*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Staphylococcus aureus* which are known for causing maximum supraclavicular diseases (Table-05).

## CONCLUSION

Sense organs play an essential role in human life. *Shalakyatantra* mainly deals with the managements of these sense organs located above supraclavicular (E.N.T) region. At present, a lot of expedite attempts are anticipated highly to interpret the ayurvedic terminology used in *Shalakya* ( E.N.T ) tantra into scientific presentation. This review article may enlighten the fields of *Shalakya* (E.N.T) and promote research activities to generate more evidence base research on certain unexplored drugs of *Nighantus* (Ayurvedic lexicons) reported in this review research article.

**Graph 3** Shows maximum drugs posseses *Katuvipaka* property.



**Graph 4** Shows maximum drugs posseses *kaphavata samana* and *kapha pita samana* property.

**Table 5** Evidence based research activity of certain drugs from Ayurvedic lexicons indicated in *Shalakya* (E.N.T) disorders.

S. No	Plant	Activity	Part Used/Extract /Dose	Animal Model	Result
01	<i>Acorus calamus</i> <sup>14</sup>	Antibacterial	Rhizome, Leaf/ Methanolic	Male Rat	Inhibitory the bacterial strains of <i>Salmonella typhi</i> , <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> , <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> , <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> .
02	<i>Amomum subulatum</i> <sup>15</sup>	Antimicrobial, Analgesic	Seeds /Methanolic extract/ dose 100&300mg/kg	Rat	Showed significant P<0.001 Analgesic property.
03	<i>Emblica officinalis</i> <sup>16</sup>	Antiinflammatory	Dryfruit/Seeds	Clinical study/Collyrium	The dried fruit decoction / infusion of the seeds used as collyrium relieves inflammations of the conjunctive and other eye complaints. The exudates collected from incisions made on the fruit are applied externally on inflammation of the eye.
04	<i>Zingiber officinalis</i> <sup>17</sup>	Antimicrobial	Root/Ethanol extract/0.4mg/ml	In assay	The ethanolic extract (0.4mg/ml) gave highest activity against <i>Klebsiella pneumonia</i> , <i>Proteus vulgaris</i> , <i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i> and <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> . The zone of inhibition shows better than the standard reference antibiotic like nalidixic acid, Gentamycin etc
05	<i>Apium graveolens</i> <sup>18</sup>	Antimicrobial	Petiole/Ethanol	In study	The extract showed tested strains of microorganism and the inhibition zones ranged between 20.00+2.00 to 6.67+0.58 against <i>N. gonorrhoea</i> .
06	<i>Eclipta alba</i> <sup>19</sup>	Antinociceptive ,Analgesic	Stem/Alcohol extract/200mg/kg	Pig	The results from this study show that both the ethanol extract as well as the total alkaloids produce good analgesic activity in all the different models of analgesia used.
07	<i>Terminalia bellerica</i> <sup>20</sup>	Antimicrobial	Fruit/Crude extract/4mg	In study	<i>T. bellerica</i> was highly effective against <i>S. aureus</i> with lower MIC values ranged from 300 to >2400 µg/ml and 250 µg to >2000 µg/ml. These results indicate that <i>T. bellerica</i> dry fruit possesses potential broad spectrum antimicrobial activity.
08	<i>Punica granatum</i> <sup>21</sup>	Antibacterial	Pericarp/Aqu eos	In assay	Hot aqueous, methanolic and ethanolic extracts of <i>Punica granatum</i> pericarp show an average inhibitory zone diameter of 23.3, 22.3 and 24.5mm against <i>E.coli</i> , <i>S.aureus</i> respectively which is greater than that of the standard antibiotic Tetracycline (20.1mm).
09	<i>Berberis aristata</i> <sup>22</sup>	Antiinflammatory	Topical instillation with 2% Aqueous extract of <i>B. aristata</i> T.I.D For 3 days	Rabbit	<i>B. aristata</i> -treated groups: The inflammatory cell count: ( $P = 0.001$ vs. control) cells/mL The protein content $8.24 \pm 1.42$ ( $P < 0.01$ vs. control) mg/mL. The aqueous TNF-α level $654.09 \pm 47.66$ ( $P < 0.001$ vs. control) pg/mL <i>B. aristata</i> -treated groups, respectively.

10	<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i> <sup>23</sup>	Clinical study in Allergic rhinitis	Herbal extract	75 Patients/8 weeks duration	TLC increased in 69% patients in drug treated group and in only 11% with placebo. After TC, eosinophil and neutrophil count decreased and goblet cells were absent in nasal smear. TC significantly decreased all symptoms of allergic rhinitis.
11	<i>Commiphora mukul</i> <sup>24</sup>	Antimicrobial	Ethanolic extract/gum resin/5mg/ml	In vitro assay	An active compound, 5(1-methyl,1-aminoethyl)-5-methyl-2-octanone, of the methanolic extract of <i>Guggula</i> gum possessed significant antibacterial activity against Gram-positive bacteria and moderate activity against Gram-negative bacteria
13	<i>Leptadenia reticulata</i> <sup>25</sup>	Immunomodulatory & Antioxidant	Leaf/Ethanol ic extract/100.200 mg/kg	Rodent	Significant dose-dependent increase in antibody titre values; DTH reaction, potentiated percentage neutrophil adhesion to nylon fibers, as well as phagocytosis in carbon clearance assay, significant increase in haematological profile, GSH, SOD, CAT activity
15	<i>Acacia catechu</i> <sup>26</sup>	Anti-S. pyogenes activity	Core/Ethaolic extract/		5.60 % Extract produces inhibition zone of 11 with MIC >1000/>1000(µg/ml) produces significant better activity against <i>S. pyogenes</i>
16	<i>Dolichos biflorus</i> <sup>27</sup>	Antiallergic	Seed/Ethanol c extract/	Wistar rats/Swiss Albino mice.	DB extract inhibited milk-induced leukocytosis and eosinophilia and also the compound 48/80 induced mast cell degranulation, significantly reducing passive paw anaphylaxis in a dose-dependent manner..
17	<i>Crocus sativus</i> <sup>28</sup>	Antidepressant clinical study	Petal/capsule/ 30mg /day BD	Clinical study weeks /6	At 6 weeks, petal of <i>C. sativus</i> produced a significantly better outcome on Hamilton Depression Rating Scale than placebo (d.f.=1,F=16.87, p<0.001).
18	<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i> <sup>29</sup>	Oral Antibacterial activity	Leaf/Aqueous and Ethanolic Extract/	Clinical study	<i>Ethanol Extract of Syzygium aromaticum</i> (10.5–78.0 µg/mL) showed the highest inhibitory effect against <i>Streptococcus mutans</i> and <i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i>
19	<i>Symplocos racemosa</i> <sup>30</sup>	Antihistaminic	Bark/eye drop/24gm/0.5ml	Guinea pig ileum	The magnitude of the contraction of the tissue with addition of 0.1 ml of histamine in organ bath was 48 mm, the magnitude of the contraction of the tissue with increasing dose (0.1, 0.2, 0.3 and 0.4 ml of histamine) was found to be 4 mm, 6 mm, 4 mm and 2 mm respectively.
20	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> <sup>31</sup>	Anti-Cataract	Root/Aqueou s extract/ 250 µg/ml and 500µg/ml	Goat lens	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> root (AEAR) significantly prevented the glucose induced changes in biochemical parameters and Catalase. Photographic evaluation also indicated that AEAR prevented the opacity of the lens compared to model control group in vitro.
21	<i>Rubia cordifolia</i> <sup>32</sup>	Antihistaminic effect against allergic conjunctivitis	Stem/dried water soluble extract/500 mg/kg, p.o. for 7 days)	Wister Rat	<i>Rubia cordifolia</i> showed significant (P < 0.05) inhibition by reduced level of histamine content in tears suggesting antihistaminic activity of RC.

22	<i>Gymnema sylvestris</i> <sup>33</sup>	Antiinflammatory	Leaf/aqueous extract/ 300mg/kg.	carageenan induced rat paw oedema	The aqueous extract decreases the paw edema volume by 48.5% at the dose of 300mg/kg. Extract produced significant reduction in the granuloma formation.
23	<i>Tecoma undulata</i> <sup>34</sup>	Analgesic	Whole plant/Methanol extract	hot water tail immersion test	<i>T. undulate</i> showed significant analgesic potential when compared with aspirin.
24	<i>Piper nigrum</i> <sup>35</sup>	Antiallergic	Fruit	Mice	Piperine strongly inhibits hepatic aryl hydrocarbon hydroxylase and UDP-glucuronyl transferase activities, thus prolonging hexabartital sleeping time and zoxazolamine paralysis time in mice
25	<i>Valerian wallii</i> <sup>36</sup>	Central analgesic property	Ethanolic extract/3mg/ml	Clinical study	100 µM valerenic acid induced a 22.2% ± 3.4% inhibition with an IC <sub>50</sub> of 23 ± 2.6 µM (both P < 0.01). valerenic acid decreased the brainstem inhibitory effects produced by muscimol (both P < 0.05).
26	<i>Mimosops elengi</i> <sup>37</sup>	antimicrobial agent against salivary micro flora	Bark/Acetone extract/450 µg	In vivo	A concentration of 450 µg of acetone extract is found to inhibit most of the salivary samples.130 µg is the dose required to attain 50 % inhibition of mixed micro flora.
27	<i>Glycyrrhiza glabra</i> <sup>38</sup>	Antibacterial activity against oral pathogens	Root/Ethanol extract/500gm	In vitro	Antibacterial activity of chlorhexidinas a well-known antibacterial agent was not significantly greater than <i>Glycyrrhiza glabra</i> extract (p value more than 0.05).

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