The Role of Faculty of Pharmacy as an Implementing Partner in Natural Active Ingredients for Food, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics

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Main points

- Introduction
- Overview of the project
- Outlines for R & D
- The Role of Faculty of Pharmacy as an Implementing Partner

Origin and habitat of medicinal plants used in Traditional Medicine of Afghanistan

Origin	Number species	%		
Imported	62	22		
Cultivated	75	26		
Indigenous	43	16		
Wild, arid, steppic	17	6		
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Wild, humid region	28	10		
Central high region	23	8		
SW mediterranean	17	6		
Cotal	281	100		

MAPs in Public health and economy of Afghanistan

- Traditional Medicine(Unani &Folk medicine):
 - Legislation,
 - Complementary medicine,
- Export:
 - mainly regional
 - 18-45 products
 - Quality
- Pharmaceutical production: NMP, Law of Pharmacy, Essential Drugs List, Registered List of Medicines.

Traditional Medicine

 Unani Medicine: based on ancient systems and theories (Combination of Greek,

Indian, Persian and Islamic Medicines)



 Folk Medicines: based on oral transmission and empiric knowledge and practiced by healers of all kinds and community.

Selected MAPs for the screening.

Rank	Selected products		Local name	Market	Ecol	Socec.	Techn.	Total
				18	14	12	12	56
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1	Glycyrrhiza glabra	Licorice	Bayan	16	9	10	9	44
2	Cuminum cyminum	Cumin	Zire asel	13	7	10	8	38
3	Pistacia vera L.	Pistachio	Pista	13	7	9	8	37
3	Ferula asa foetida	Hing	Heng	14	7	9	7	37
5	Carum carvi	Caraway	Carabia, Zire kajak	12	7	10	7	36
5	Artemisia cina Berg.	Levant, Wormseed	Terkh	13	7	8	8	36
7	Armeniaca vulgaris	Apricot	Zardalu	12	7	8	8	35
7	Ziziphus jujuba	Beer	Onab	10	7	9	9	35
7	Coriandrum sativum	Coriander	Gashniz	11	7	9	8	35
10	Carum copticum	Bishops weed	Jawani, Sperghai, Aje gon	11	9	7	7	34
11	Punica granatum	Pome granade	Anaar	10	6	7	10	33
12	Ephedra sp.	Ephedra	Bandak	8	7	9	8	32
12	Astragallus sp.	Milk vetch, Tragagand	Katira	10	7	7	8	32
14	Sysimbrium	Hedge mustard	Khok Shir	8	6	8	8	30
14	Hippohaë rhamnoides	Seabuckthorn	Safid khar, Sya khar	11	7	7	5	30
14	Juglans regia	Walnut	Charmaghz	8	8	6	8	30
17	Amygdalus communis var. dulcis	Almonds sweet	Baddame-shireen	10	5	8	6	29
18	Rosa spp.	Rose	Gulab	7	7	7	7	28
19	Pistacia khinjak	Pistachio	Pisti khinjak	5	9	7	6	27
19	Cichorium intybus	Chicory	Qosni	10	4	7	6	27
21	Amygdalus communis var. armara	Bitter Almond	Baddame-talkh	8	5	6	4	23

Selected products:

- Glycyrrhiza sp. (Licorice)
- Cuminum sp.(Cumin)
- Ferula sp. (Devil's dung, hing)
- Carum sp.(Caraway)
- Artemisia sp. (levant wormseed)
- Ziziphus sp. (Ber, Indian jujube, jujube, Chinese date).

Geographical distribution

Province	Implementing Organisation	Products					
		Artemisia	Caraway	Cumin	Hing	Liquorice	Jujube
Khost	TLO	xx	xx	xx	x	x	
Paktia	TLO	Xx		x	х	×	
Badaksh an	AKF	Xxx	xxx	xx		xx	
Baghlan	AKF	xxx	xx	x	xxx	Xxx	
Bamyan	AKF	Xxx	×	x	х	x	
Herat	СНА	Xxx	xx		ххх	Xxx	xx
Ghor	СНА	Xxx	xx	x	xxx	Xxx	х
Farah	СНА	Xxx			х	Xx	Xxx
Faryab	СНА	Xxx	Хx	х	Xxx	Xxx	Хx

Outlines for R & D (1)

- Resource assessment:
 - Botanical identification with development of herbarium,
 - Assessment of Geographical distribution,
 - Evaluation of traditional harvesting practices
- Quality analysis:
 - Anatomo- morphological evaluation
 - Identification of bioactive compounds
 - Assay of pharmacologically active and other interested substances: ecology and vegetation phase
 - Determination of physical parameters
- Resource management:
 - Training and Education ,
 - Economic mapping,
 - Organization (Rational use, Duties & responsibilites),
 - Technical issues (Rational collection, GACP, GMP),
 - Policy and legal framework (Policy, Law, regulations, Manual and guidelines),
 - Breeding and cultivation.

Outlines for R & D (2)

- Good collection practice/guidelines:
 - collectors manual
 - Plant monographs
- Development of National standards
 - Unani requirements, export requirements
 - collectors manual
 - plant monographs
- Technology development for local design and construction of harvesting and post-harvest technologies

Definition of RA questions:

- What is the contents of plant flora?
- What is the capacity?
- Does the traditional harvesting affect the resources?
- What were the effects of war on plant population and their habitats?
- What are the effects of expanding human populations, urbanization on plant population?
- What conditions will be needed to maintain medicinal plants?
- Which kinds of policies, regulations and laws improve/ affect resources and their management?
- What role do medicinal plants play in employment and community economies of the country?
- What are the historical and projected future impacts of resource management on ecosystem?

Resource Assessment

Pre-requisite
for
sustainable and controlled
wild collection

Resource management

- Economic mapping
- Organization (rational use, duties & responsibilities)
- Technical issues: Rational collection, GACP, GMP
- Policy and legal framework: Policy, regulations, Manuals and Guidelines
- Cultivation

Natural Resource Management



The Role of the Faculty of Pharmacy as an Implementing Partner

- Training and capacity building
- Resource assessment
- Development of SOPs
- Quality analysis
- Development of standards
 - National standard (Unani requirements, export requirements)
 - collectors manual
 - plant monographs
- Develops intermediate processing technologies that are suitable for community based processing.

