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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

| S.N       | Sanskrit name                              |
|-----------|--|
| C.S       | Charaka Samhita                            |
| S.S       | Susruta Samhita                            |
| R.N       | Raj Nighantu                               |
| N.A       | Nighantu Adarsh                            |
| B.N       | Bhavprakash Nighantu                       |
| P.N       | Priya Nighantu                             |
| Sh.N      | Shankar Nighantu                           |
| D.N       | Dhanvantari Nighantu                       |
| TLC       | Thin Layer chromatography                  |
| HPTLC     | High performance thin layer chromatography |
| Rf        | Retention factor                           |
| E.coli    | Escherichia coli                           |
| T.S       | Transverse section                         |
| Ck        | Cork                                       |
| Ct        | Cortex                                     |
| Ph        | Phloem                                     |
| Xy        | Xylem                                      |
| Pi        | Pith                                       |
| U.V light | Ultra violet light                         |

#### **ABSTRACT**

Various plants are used by individual as a source of medicine. Jatamansi (*Nardostachys jatamansi*) belongs to family Valerianaceae, is an important herb of the Ayurveda which is mainly used for nervous disorders. The plant is known by various synonyms like: jatila, krishnjata, peshi, bhootjata, krishnjata, mrigbaksha, jatavati, tapsvani etc and its properties are *medya*, *haridya*, *balya*, *keshvardhak*, *vednasthapak*, *kusthaghan* etc. Seasons play a very important role in the activity of drug and the concentration of its active constituents. The present study aims to compare the three samples of the plant *Nardostachys jatamansi* collected in three different seasons. Pharmacognostically no much difference was observed expect for xylem cells. In sample 1 they were found to be less in number. On physiochemical evaluation, sample 3 shows the better results than the sample 1 and 2. Phytochemical screening, all the samples shows the presence of alkaloids, carbohydrates, steroids and glycosides. HPTLC studies conducted with standard Jatamansone and sample 2 and 3 showed Rf close to standard. Methanolic extract of sample 2 shows maximum inhibition. This research concludes that there are differences according to seasons and sample 2 collected in the month of September (Sharad ritu) shows better results.

Key words: Jatamansi, Nardostachys jatamansi, Antimicrobial activity, Sharad ritu

#### INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Introduction to Ayurveda

Ayurveda is the oldest and traditional system or healing originated in India many years ago. Various evidences of Ayurveda are present in the ancient books, like vedas etc. The word 'Ayurveda' comprises of two words i.e. 'ayu' + 'veda'. The meaning of "ayu" is all aspects of life from birth to death and "veda" means knowledge, so the meaning of Ayurveda is science of life. Ayurveda helps to maintain the health of healthy person and also cure disease of diseased person. 'Among these origins 20,000 are used for curing various disorders. Various plants commonly reported are *Withania somnifera* (Solanaceae), *Glycyrrhiza glabra* (Leguminosae), *Rauwolfia serpentina* (Apocynaceae), *Nardostachys jatamansi* (Valerianaceae).

### 1.2 Introduction to Dravyaguna

It is the branch of science which deals with the name, synonyms, distribution, varieties and uses of medicinal plants. The word dravyaguna comprises of two words dravya + guna. This branch gives the full information about the plant which is used for the medicinal purpose. In dravyaguna,dravya is the substance in which guna and karma shared the inseparable connection with each other and it should secure that wellbeing of individual and kill the ailments. This is also known as Ayurvedic pharmacology of plants.

द्रव्याणांनामरुपाणिगुणकर्माणिसर्वशः। प्रयोगाश्चापिवर्ण्यन्तेयस्मिन्द्रव्यगुणंहितत्॥

#### 1.3 Importance of Seasons for collection of plants

In Ayurveda different parts of plant are collected in different seasons because amount of chemical constituents varies in different seasons so it is important to collect the plant at specific time. Different Acharya mentioned different seasons for the collection of different parts of plants.

Table 1.1: Collection of the parts of plants according to different seasons

| S. No | Plant parts      | Charaka     | Sushruta  | Raj      | Dravyaguna | Others    |
|-------|------------------|-------------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|
|       |                  | Samhita     | Samhita   | Nighantu | Vigyan     |           |
| 1.    | Shakha           | Varsha,     | -         | -        | Varsha,    | -         |
|       | (Branches)       | Vasant      |           |          | Vasant     |           |
| 2.    | Patra (Leaves)   | Varsha,     | -         | Varsha   | Varsha,    | Varsha    |
|       |                  | Vasant      |           |          | Vasant     |           |
| 3.    | Mool (Root)      | Greeshma,Si | Pravrutta | Sishir   | Greeshma,  | Pravrutta |
|       |                  | shir        |           |          | Sishir     |           |
| 4.    | Kand (Rhizome)   | Sarad       | -         | Hemant   | Sarad      | -         |
| 5.    | Tvak (Bark)      | Sarad       | Sarad     | -        | Sarad      | Sarad     |
| 6.    | Kshir (Latex)    | Hemant      | -         | -        | Sarad      | Hemant    |
| 7.    | Sar (Heart wood) | -           | Vasant    | -        | Yatharitu  | -         |
| 8.    | Pushpa (Flower)  | Yatharitu   | -         | Vasant   | Yatharitu  | -         |
| 9.    | Phala (Fruit)    | Yatharitu   | Greeshma  | -        | Yatharitu  | Greeshma  |
|       |                  |             |           |          |            |           |

### 1.4 Endangered species and role of government for their protection

The plants having high risk to extinct by the humans or the natural environment by this the number of plant is reduced in the nature due to the destructions of plants. Today there are several of the plants are in the risk to be endangered. The protection of such plants is necessary. The endangered plants are categorized by international union for conservation of nature, such as: *Acacia catechu* (Leguminaceae), *Mesuaferra* (Guttiferae), (Mangoliaceae) *Micheliachampaka* (Mangoliaceae), *Ephedra geradiana* (Ephedraceae), *Aconitum hetrophyllum* (Runuculaceae), *Nardostachys jatamansi* (Valerianaceae) is also one of the endangered plant. For the protection of endangered species, the endangered species act is passed in 1973. This act protects the species worldwide. It provides the protection to the endangered flora by providing them natural habitat. The endangered species act provides the solutions government agencies and concern citizens to conserve the endangered species with their habitats. It helps us to protecting the essential habitat of the species.

# **TERMINOLOGY**

| DravyagunaVijnana   | It is the branch of Ayurveda which give the knowledge about plants,     |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
|                     | its origin, properties and effects of drugs.                            |  |  |  |  |
| Samhita             | Samhita are the classical texts which are used as references.           |  |  |  |  |
| Nighantu            | Nighantus are the vocabulary which includes description of plants and   |  |  |  |  |
|                     | other definitions   |  |  |  |  |
| Rasa (taste)        | Rasa is the taste of any dravya of gustatory sense which is located in  |  |  |  |  |
|                     | the tongue  |  |  |  |  |
| Guna (property)     | Guna are the properties of the dravya                                   |  |  |  |  |
| Virya (potency)     | Effectiveness of guna is called as potency                              |  |  |  |  |
| Vipaka (metabolism) | Vipaka is the final taste which is which is obtained after digestion    |  |  |  |  |
| Prabhav (effect)    | Specific effect of dravya is prabhav                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Standardization     | The process of making any drug or other preparation. A set of           |  |  |  |  |
|                     | techniques used to remove as far as possible the effects of differences |  |  |  |  |
|                     | in age or other confounding variables when comparing two or more        |  |  |  |  |
|                     | populations   |  |  |  |  |

# CHAPTER 3 REVIEW AND LITERATURE

Review of literature is very important for the research. It helps the researcher by many ways, like it helps to encouraging the deep learning and assesses the various cognitive levels etc. In this the researcher followed the chronological methods to describe the *Nardostachys jatamansi* described in various texts.

#### Classical literature

Jatamansi is extensively described in various literatures, such as: Charaka Samhita, Susruta Samhita, Nighantu Adarsh, Bhavpraksh Nighantu, Priya Nighantu, Shankar Nighantu, and Raj Nighantu.

#### 3.1 Ancient literature

#### 3.1.1 Charaka Samhita

चन्दननलकृतमालनक्तमालनिम्बकुटजसषर्पमधुकदारुहरिद्रामुस्तानीतिदशेमानिकण्डूध्नानिभवन्ति(१४) Kandughanamahakashaya (Anti-Purities)-Chandan (safed), Nalad (jatamansi), Amaltas, Nakmal, Neem, Kutaj, Sarson. Mulethi, Darruharidra, Nagarmotha. These ten plants remove itching <sup>1</sup>.

#### 3.1.2 Susruta Samhita

वचांवयःस्थांगोलोमीजटिलांचापिधारयेत्। उत्सादनंहितंचात्रस्कन्दापस्मारनाशनम्॥६॥

Vacha, vayastha:(giloye and kshirkakoli), golomi (durva) and jatamansi are tie on thread and given to children.

पुराणसिपर्लशुनंहिङ्गुसिद्धार्थकंवचा। गोलोमिचाजलोमिचभूतकेशीजटातथा॥४६॥ कुक्कुटासर्वगन्धाचतथाकाणविकाणिके। वज्रप्रोक्तावयःस्थाचशृङ्गीमोहनवल्लिका॥४७॥ अर्कमूलंत्रिकटुकंलतास्त्रोतोजमञ्जनम्। नैपालीहरितालञ्चरक्षोघ्नायेचकीर्तिताः॥४८॥

Ten years old ghee, lahsun, hing, swetasarson, vacha, durva, swetadurva, jatamansi (bhootkeshi), jata (gandhmansi), kutkutshimbi, sarpgandha, kanvika (kakoli), aanika

(kshirkakoli), vajraprokta, guduchi, kakadsingi, mohanvalika, sunthi, marich, pippali, priyangupushap, strotoanjan, manshila, hartal, swetasarshap are rakshoghan dravya<sup>2</sup>.

# 3.1.3 Sarangdhar Samhita

लवङ्गंशुद्धकर्पूरमेलात्वङ्नागकेशरम्॥६७॥ जातीफलमुशीरंचनागरंकृष्णजीरकम्। कृष्णागरुस्तुगाक्षीरीमांसीनीलोत्पलंकणा॥६८॥ चन्दनंतगरंबालंकङ्कोलंचेतिचूर्णयेत्।

In which lavang, sudhakarpur, badiela, dalchini, nagkesar, jaiphal, khas, sonth, kala jeera, kala agru, vanshlochan, jatamansi, nilakamal, peepal, safedchandan, tagar, netrabala, sheetalchini, are in same quantity and half quantity of sugar is mixed that powder is known as 'lavangadi churna'<sup>3</sup>.

#### 3.2 Medieval literature

# 3.2.1 Raj Nighantu

मांसीतुजिटलापेशीक्रव्यादीपिशितामिशी। केशिनीचजटाहिंस्त्राजटामांसीचमांसिनी॥९३॥ जटालानलदामेषीतामसीचक्रवर्तिनी। माताभूतजटाचैवजननीचजटावती। मृगभक्षाऽपिचेत्येताएकविंशतिधाभिधाः॥९,४॥॥

Various synonyms of jatamansi are mansi, jatila, peshi, karvyadi, pishita, mishi, keshani, jata, histra, jatamansi, mashini, jatala, nalda, maishi, tamshi, chakravartini, mata, bhootjata, janini, jatavati, and mrigbaksha.

सुरभिस्तुजटामांसीकषायाकटुशीतला। कफहद्भूतदाहघ्नीपितघ्नीमोदकान्तिकृत्॥१५॥

Jatamansi is aromatic, kashsya and katu rasa yukta. It is sheetal and removes kaphavikar, bhutabadha, dosha and pittaj vikar<sup>4</sup>.

#### 3.3 Modern literature

# 3.3.1 Nighantu Adarsh

# जटा- जटाअस्तिअस्थाः, यद्वाजटतित्रिदोषनाशकगुणसमुदायंगच्छतिः; 'जट्संघाते' ।

Jatamansi is having jata i.e. hair and have the property of pacifying the tridoshas and it is also a brilliant brain tonic, that's why it is called as Jata+mansi= Jatamansi<sup>5</sup>.

# 3.3.2 Bhavprakash Nighantu

# जटामांसीभूतजटाजटिलाचतपस्विनी।

मांसीतिक्ताकषायाचमेध्याकान्तिबलप्रदास्वाद्वीहिमात्रिदषास्त्रदाहवीसर्पकुष्ठनुत्॥८९॥

Jatamansi (balchad) has different sanskrit names such as jatamansi, bhootjata, jatila, tapsvani, mansi. It is tikta and kashaya rasa, medyajanan, kantikarak, balprad, ruchikar, sheetavirya, tridoshar and used in raktaprakopa, daha, visarp and kustha<sup>6</sup>.

# 3.3.3 PriyaNighantu

जटामांसीभूतजटाजटिलाचपलङ्कषा। हिमवद्गिरिप्रान्तेषुशीतलेषुप्रजायते॥३५॥

Jatamansi, bhootjata, jatila, phaldanksha are the synonyms of jatamansi and it is present in cold region of Himalayas.

मांसीमेध्यातुतिक्तास्यादनुष्णावर्णकारिणी। रक्तवातहरीनिद्राजननीकुष्ठहारिणी॥३६॥

Jatamansi is medyavardhak, tikta, ishadushna, and beneficial for complexion. It is used for rakatchap (blood pressure), anidra (insomnia) and charmrog (skin diseases) <sup>7</sup>.

# 3.3.4 Shankar Nighantu

The text contains various synonyms of jatamansi (balchad) like jatamansi, bhootjata, (Sanskrit), sanbultib (Arabia) spikenard (English) etc. Various properties are kadvi, medyajanan, kantikarak, baldayak, sheetal, rudhirvikar and it removes bhootbadha, visarp and kusthroga<sup>8</sup>.

# 3.3.5 DhanvantariNighantu

मांसीकृष्णजटाहिंस्त्नानलदाजटिलामिशी। जटाचिपशितापेशीकव्यादीचतपस्विनी॥४३॥ मांसीस्वादुकषायास्यात्कफिपत्तास्त्ननाशिनी। विषमारुतहृदुबल्यात्वच्याकान्तिप्रसादनी॥४४॥

**Synonyms-**hinstra, nalda, jatila, mishi, jata, kavyadi, tapasvani, krishnajata, pishita, peshi**Properties and actions-** Jatamansi is madhurkashya, kapha-pitta, raktavikar, cures visha and vayu, balavardhak, twagroganashak and kantivardhak<sup>9</sup>

# 3.3.6 Introduction of plant

Botanical name: Nardostachys jatamansi

Family Valerianaceae



Fig: 3.1 Whole plant of Nardostachys jatamansi



Fig: 3.2 Rhizome of Nardostachys jatamansi

Table 3.1: Vernacular names of Nardostachys jatamansi

| Language or place | Name   |
|-------------------|--|
| Sanskrit          | mamsi <sup>10,13,14</sup> , jaa <sup>10</sup> , jaila <sup>10</sup> , bhytajata <sup>11,12,13</sup> , jatamansi <sup>4,5,7,8,11,12,13,15</sup> , mansi <sup>4,5</sup> , jatila <sup>4,5,7,9</sup> , pishita <sup>4</sup> , mishi <sup>4,9</sup> , kravyadi <sup>4,9</sup> , paishi <sup>4,9</sup> , kaishini <sup>4</sup> , jata <sup>4,9</sup> , hinsha <sup>4</sup> , mata <sup>4</sup> , nalda <sup>4,9,14,15</sup> , maishi <sup>4</sup> , jatavati <sup>4</sup> , tamsi <sup>4,5</sup> , sugandhmansi <sup>5</sup> , sulomsa <sup>5,15</sup> , akash mansi <sup>5</sup> , bhootjata <sup>7,8,15</sup> , kaishini, jata <sup>14</sup> , mansini <sup>4</sup> , jtala <sup>4</sup> , chakarvartani <sup>4</sup> , phalkasha <sup>7</sup> , tapasvani <sup>9,11,12,13,14,15</sup> , krishnajata <sup>9</sup> , pishita <sup>9,14</sup> , vilomasa <sup>14</sup> , mura <sup>14</sup> , bhootjata <sup>4</sup> , janni <sup>4</sup> , mrigbaksha <sup>4</sup> . |
| Hindi             | balchara <sup>5,6,12,13</sup> , bal-chir <sup>11</sup> , jatamansi <sup>5,6,11,12,14</sup>   |
| English           | nardus root <sup>10</sup> , musk root <sup>11,12,13</sup> , Indian spikenard <sup>11,12,13</sup> , Indian nard <sup>11,12</sup> , spike nard <sup>5,8,14,15</sup>  |
| Bengali           | jatamamsi <sup>5,6,10,11,12,13</sup> , balchara <sup>5</sup>   |
| Guajarati         | baalchad <sup>10,13</sup> , kalichad <sup>10</sup> , jatamansi <sup>6,11,14,15</sup>   |
| Kannada           | bhootajata <sup>10,13</sup> , ganagila maste <sup>10</sup> , jatamansi <sup>14,15</sup>  |
| Kashmiri          | bhutijata <sup>10,12,13</sup>  |
| Malayalam         | manchi <sup>10,13</sup> , jatamanchi <sup>10</sup> , jatamansi <sup>5,6,8,15</sup> , balchara <sup>5</sup>   |
| Marathi           | jatamansi <sup>8,10,13,14</sup> , jatamavshi <sup>11,12</sup>  |
| Oriya             | jatamansi <sup>10,13</sup>   |
| Punjabi           | billilotan <sup>6,10,12,13</sup> , balchhar <sup>10</sup> , chharguddi <sup>10</sup> , jatamansi <sup>11</sup>   |
| Assamese          | jatamamsi <sup>10,12</sup> , jatamangshi <sup>10</sup> , jatamansi <sup>13</sup>   |
| Telugu            | jatamansi <sup>5,13,15</sup> , jatamams <sup>10</sup> , balchara <sup>5</sup> , jatamanshi <sup>6</sup> , jatamanis <sup>14</sup>  |
| Urdu              | sambul-ut-teeb <sup>10,15</sup>  |
| Tamil             | jatamashi, jatamanji <sup>10,12,13</sup> , jatamansi <sup>14,15</sup>  |

Table 3.2: Sanskrit Names of *Nardostachys jatamansi* in various literatures

| S.N           | C.S | S.S | R.N | N.A | B.N | P.N | Sh. N | D.N |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| Mamsi         | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Jatila        | -   | -   | +   | +   | +   | +   | -     | +   |
| Jaa           | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Jatamansi     | +   | +   | +   | +   | +   | +   | +     | -   |
| Bhytajata     | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Jaila         | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Mansi         | -   | -   | +   | +   | +   | -   | -     | -   |
| Kravyadi      | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | +   |
| Pishita       | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | +   |
| Mishi         | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | +   |
| Jata          | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -     | +   |
| Kaishini      | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Mata          | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Hinshtra      | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | +   |
| Maishi        | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Tamshi        | -   | -   | +   | +   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Jatavati      | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Sulomsa       | -   | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Sugandhmansi  | -   | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Akash mansi   | -   | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Kaishini      | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Bhootjata     | -   | -   | +   | -   | +   | +   | +     | -   |
| Jatala        | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Mansini       | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |
| Chakarvartani | -   | -   | +   | -   | -   | -   | -     | -   |

| Jata        | - | - | + | - | - | - | - | - |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Phaldanksha | - | - | - | - | - | + | - | - |
| Tapasvani   | - | - | - | - | + | - | - | + |
| Krishnajata | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | + |
| Peshi       | - | - | + | - | - | - | - | + |
| Mura        | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Vilomasa    | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mrigbaksha  | - | - | + | - | - | - | - | - |
| Janini      | - | - | + | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nalda       | + | - | + | - | - | - | - | + |
| Balchad     | - | - | - | + | + | - | + | - |

S.N: Sanskrit Name, C.S: Charaka Samhita, S.S: Susruta Samhita, R.N: Raj Nighantu, N.A: Nighantu Adarsh, B.N: Bhavprakash Nighantu, P.N: PriyaNighantu, Sh.N: Shankar Nighantu, D.N: Dhanvantari Nighantu

#### 3.3.7 Taxonomic classification

Kingdom: Planate

Division: Mangnoliophyta

Class: Mangnoliopsida

Order: Dipsacales

Family: Valerianaceae

Genus: Nardostachys

Species: jatamansi<sup>11, 12, 16</sup>

#### 3.3.8 Habitat

It is perennial herb propagated by its underground parts. It is distributed throughout the alpine and a sub alpine region of India at the height of 3300-5000m. The plant grows on the open stony and the grassy slope. It is also distributed in South West China, Sikkim, Afghanistan, Nepal, and Pakistan<sup>12, 17, 18</sup>.

# 3.3.9 Morphological characters

Leaves are long pink or blue, rosy in dense cymes, ovate and sessile.

**Flowers** are usually oblong, bracts having white creamy sometimes rosy or slightly pink in color present in clusters. Corolla is 4 in number and having 5 lobes capitate stigma, acuminate apex. Calyx is present a top of the ovary.

**Rhizomes** of the plant are dark grey in color, covered with brown hairs. Internally it is reddish brown in color.

Fruit of the plant is shaggy small up 4mm in length 12, 13, 14, 16, 19.

# 3.3.10 Microscopical characters

The transverse section of the rhizome shows the several layers of flattened polyhedral cells. It also contains the prismatic crystals with it. Oil cells with the brown color are prominent, it also contains vascular bundles, in periphery number of spiral vessels, endosperm, parenchymatous cells and idoblasts and starch grains are present <sup>10, 20</sup>.

# 3.3.11 Ayurvedic properties

• Rasa (taste) : Tikta (pungent)<sup>14,15</sup>, Kashya (astringent)<sup>14,15</sup>, Madhur (sweet)<sup>14,15</sup>,

Katu(bitter)<sup>16</sup>

• Guna (properties) : Laghu (lightness) 14,15,16, Snigdha (unctuousness) 14,15,16

• Virya (potency) : Sheeta (cold)<sup>14,15,16</sup>

• Vipak (metabolism): Katu (bitter)<sup>14,15</sup>

• Doshkarma : Tridoshahar<sup>15</sup>

# 3.3.12 Different actions of Nardostachys jatamansi

The plant *Nardostachys jatamansi* posses various actions which is mentioned in table 2.3.

Table 3.3: Different actions of Nardostachys jatamansi

| Sr. No | Karma (Actions) | English meanings                     |  |  |
|--------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1.     | Dahaprasmanan   | Which subsides the burning sensation |  |  |
| 2.     | Vednasthapan    | Analgesics                           |  |  |

| 3.  | Vranya        | Which improves the color and complexion                |  |
|-----|---------------|--|--|
| 4.  | Sangyasthapan | Which restoring the consciousness                      |  |
| 5.  | Medya         | Brain tonic  |  |
| 6.  | Nidrajanan    | Which induce sedation                                  |  |
| 7.  | Balya         | Which improves the muscular strength                   |  |
| 8.  | Deepan        | Stomachic (promoting the appetite)                     |  |
| 9.  | Pachan        | Digestives (help in digestion)                         |  |
| 10. | Anuloman      | Carminative (which prevent the formation of gas in GIT |  |
| 11. | Yakritutejak  | Which stimulate the liver                              |  |
| 12. | Haridya       | Cardio-protective                                      |  |
| 13. | Vajikaran     | Aphrodisiac  |  |
| 14. | Jwarghan      | Anti-pyretic   |  |
| 15. | Artavjanan    | Which encourages menstrual bleeding                    |  |
| 16. | Swedjanan     | Which promoting sweat                                  |  |
| 17. | Kusthaghan    | Which prevent the skin diseases                        |  |
| 18. | Keshvardhak   | Which promote hair growth                              |  |
|     |               |  |  |

# **3.3.13 Part used**

Root, rhizome<sup>12, 14, 15</sup>

# 2.3.14 Dose

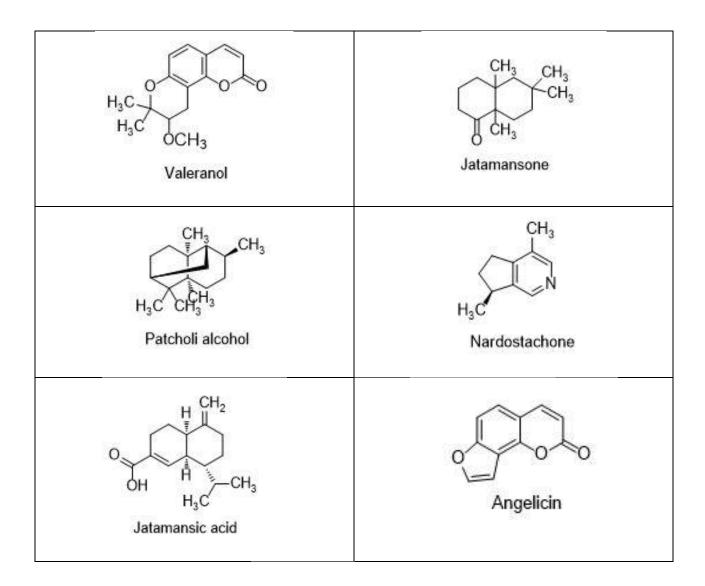
1-3gm or 2-4gm <sup>14, 15</sup>

# 3.3.15 Chemical constituents

Rhizomes and roots of the plant contains number of chemicals such as essential oil which is pale yellow in color and having pleasant odour i.e. rich in coumarins and sesquiterpines (jatamansone, valerone, jatamansol, jatamansic acid, dihydrojatamansin, nardosatchone). Some other

constituents are jatamol A, jatamol, nardosinone, spirojatamol, jatamansinone, oreoseoloi, oroseolol, oreselone, valeranal, seselinnardostachyins, seychelane, sugar, resins, starch etc. volatile essential oil (0.5%) (oleumjatamansi),gum, sugar, resin, starch, bitter extractive matter<sup>21</sup>.

**Table 3.4: Chemical structure of chemical constituents** 



### 3.3.16 Adulterant

This plant is adulterated with rhizomes of *Selinum vaginatum* (Apiaceae) which contains a volatile oil<sup>12</sup>.

#### 3.3.17 Few formulations

Rakshoghan ghrit, sarvoshadhisanan, mansyadi kwath, madhuparnyadi taila, cangeri ghrta, trutyadi yoga, kuluthadi ghrta, hriberadighrta, khadiradi gutika, padmataila, amrtaditaila. madhuparnyaditaila, tapaswinivati, chandsnadicurana, jestalabangadi, rachhognaghrit, jatamansi ark, madhuparnyaditaila and mansi churan<sup>5,14,15,22</sup>.

#### 3.3.18 Recent studies

# 3.3.18.1 Pharmacognostical study

Various investigations on *Nardostachys jatamansi* like morphological characters, microscopical, physicochemical evaluation, phytochemical screening and TLC profile of powdered crude drug were carried out and salient qualitative and quantitative parameter were reported<sup>22</sup>.

# 3.2.18.2 Analytical studies

Different 29 compounds are identified in the essence of *Nardostachys jatamansi*; the essence was prepared in clevenger apparatus by hydro-distillation. Gas chromatography-mass spectroscopy method is used to identify the essence compounds<sup>24</sup>. Essential oil from the two species of *Nardostachys jatamansi* determined by GC-MS technique for the analysis of essential oils. Both the oils contain high amount of sesquiterpenes in which jatamansone were the major sesquiterpine and α-gurjunene. Physical and chemical parameters are also done on both species such as refractive index, specification rotation, iodine number, specific gravity, saponofication value, acid number etc<sup>22</sup>. New sesquiterpene acid, pyranocoumarin and nardin were isolated from the rhizomes of *Nardostachys jatamansi* which were characterized by spectral studies. X-ray crystallographic studies are used for the stereochemistry of nardin<sup>25</sup>. RP-HPLC GMS used to analyze the metabolite profile of *Nardostachys jatamansi*, the 70 % ethanolic extract showed the presence of polyphenols and flavoinds and hexane extract showed fatty acids, sesquiterpines etc. Ethanolic extract had showed more potent reducing anti-oxidant activity then hexane extract<sup>26</sup>.

#### 3.3.18.3 Pharmacological studies

# 3.3.18.3.1 Hepatoprotective activity

Ethanolic root extract of *Nardostachys jatamansi* posses the hepato protective activity by reducing the serum level alkaline phosphatase and transaminase<sup>12, 16, 18, 27</sup>. Ethanolic extract of *Nardostachys jatamansi* is evaluated for the hepatoprotective activity by using D-galactosamine

induced hepatoprotective model. The activity was evaluated by using different biochemical parameters like alanine aminotransferase (ALT), albumin (ALB), aspartate aminotransferase (AST), lactate dehydroginase (LDH), total protein (TP) and serum cholesterol (CHL).<sup>28</sup>

# 3.3.18.3.2 Cardio protective activity

When the doxorubicin is given to the rats shows the myocardial damage which is demonstrated by the elevation of serum enzymes. Then the treatment of plant extract is given which restores the antioxidant enzyme activity and lowers the lipid peroxides level to the normal <sup>12, 17</sup>.

# 3.3.18.3.3 Antifungal activity

The essential oil which is present in the plant shows the activity against the *Aspergillus nige*r, *Aspergillus flavus*, and *Fusariumoxysporum* etc<sup>12, 16, 27</sup>.

# 3.3.18.3.4 Nootropic activity

When the ethanolic extract of the plant is given to the young and aged mice it improves the learning as well as the memory and also reversed the amnesia which is induced by the diazepam and scopolamine. So the plant has proved that memory restorative activity. Ethanolic extract of plant show the activity by improving the memory and learning of the young mice <sup>16, 27</sup>.

# 3.3.18.3.5 Anti-inflammatory activity

The methanolic extract of plant shows anti-inflammatory activity by inhibiting the endotoxin shock and reducing the production of IL-1, IL-6, TNF, and IFN. Extract of *Nardostachys jatamansi* shows anti- inflammatory activity against LPS induced inflammatory responses<sup>29, 30</sup>.

### 3.3.18.3.6 Neuroprotective activity

Alcoholic extract of *N. jatamansi* in the dose of 250mg/kg (for 15 days) protected rats against focal ischemia. It improving the inhibiting the lipid peroxidation, glutathione content and activity on the Na+/K+ATPase and catalase enzyme systems<sup>13, 16</sup>.

# 3.3.18.3.7Antidepressant activity

Root extract of jatamansi shows antidepressant activity which is indicated as the increased levels of inhibitory amino acids, central monoamines, serotonin, gamma-amino butaric acid, taurine and 5-hydroxyindoleacetic acid. Alcoholic root extract of *Nardostachys jatamansi* shows the anti-depressant activity by increasing the inhibitory amino acids, levels of serotonin, central monoamines<sup>12, 27</sup>.

### 3.3.18.3.8 Antioxidant activity

Antioxidant activity is showed by the aqueous root extract of the plant in haloperidol-induced catalepsy rat model. Activity is investigated by number of biochemical and behavioral parameter. Ethanolic extract of jatamansi were given to the Wister rats in two doses. Study show the radical scavenging activity showed by low IC<sub>50</sub> value. Pre-treatment with the extract decrease the nitrite level and lipid peroxidation level Aqueous root extract of jatamansiposses the anti-oxidant activity by measuring biochemical parameters and behavioral parameters and provide protection against the lipid peroxidation. Hydro-alcoholic extract of *Nardostachysjatamsnsi* for the antioxidant property in wistar rats. The extract also shows the anti-stress activity due to is anti-oxidant activity<sup>10, 12, 16, 3</sup>.

# 3.3.18.3.9 Anti-Parkinson activity

Hydro-alcoholic root extract of jatamansi is investigated for the activity in haloperidol induced Parkinsonism which is compared with combination of L-dopa and carvidopa. The altered levels were restored<sup>27</sup>.

#### RATIONALE AND SCOPE OF STUDY

### 4.1 Rationale of study

Calculation of maximum active constituents in a plant is laborious task as various factors like climate, light, rain fall, soil, temperature, humidity etc plays an important role in evaluation of active constituents in a particular plant. It is reported that seasons play an important role in the activity of drug. It is well explained in the classical literature like Charak Samhita, Susruta Samhita etc. The present work deals comparative pharmacognostic, analytical and in-vitro antimicrobial study of *Nardostachys jatamansi* collected in three different seasons.

### **OBJECTIVE OF THE STUDY**

# 5.1 Aim and objective

#### 5.1.1 Aim

Comparative study of *Nardostachys jatamansi* (Valerinaceae) with special reference to three seasons.

# **5.1.2** Objectives

- 1. Collection of plant according to seasons
- 2. Authentication of plant from Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
- 3. Pharmacognostic study (macroscopic characters, microscopic characters, powder characters)
- 4. Preliminary phytochemical investigation
- 5. Identity, Purity and Strength (extractive value, ash value etc)
- 6. TLC and HPTLC study
- 7. Anti-microbial activity

# MATERIALS AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

# 6.1 Equipment used

# **Table 6.1 List of equipments**

| Sr. No. | Material              |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 1.      | Weighing balance      |
| 2.      | Grinder               |
| 3.      | Sieves                |
| 4.      | Plastic containers    |
| 5.      | Beakers               |
| 6.      | Crucible              |
| 7.      | China dish            |
| 8.      | Simple Microscope     |
| 9.      | Dissecting Microscope |
| 10.     | Electronic Microscope |
| 11.     | Hot plate             |
| 12.     | Water bath            |
| 13.     | Hot air oven          |
| 14.     | Magnetic stirrer      |
| 15.     | UV                    |
| 16.     | Measuring cylinders   |
| 17.     | TLC Plates            |
| 18.     | TLC Chamber           |
| 19.     | HPTLC                 |
| 20.     | UV Chamber            |
| 21.     | Micropipettes         |
| 22.     | Volumetric flasks     |

# 6.2 Chemical used

**Table 6.2 List of Chemicals** 

| S. No. | Material                           | S. No. | Material                  |
|--------|------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| 1.     | Nardostachys jatamansi (jatamansi) | 20.    | Sodium picrate            |
| 2.     | Methanol                           | 21.    | Pyridine                  |
| 3.     | Petroleum ether                    | 22.    | Sodium nitroprusside      |
| 4.     | Chloroform                         | 23.    | Glacial acetic acid       |
| 5.     | Hydrochloric acid                  | 24.    | Phloroglucinol            |
| 6.     | Ferric chloride                    | 25.    | Bromine                   |
| 7.     | Lead acetate                       | 26.    | Acetic acid               |
| 8.     | Sodium hydroxide                   | 27.    | Potassium permanganate    |
| 9.     | Copper sulphate                    | 28.    | Potassium dichromate      |
| 10.    | Ninhydrin                          | 29.    | Fehling's A & Fehling's B |
| 11.    | Gallic acid                        | 30.    | Benedict's reagent        |
| 12.    | Tannic acid                        | 31.    | Magnesium turnings        |
| 13.    | Gelatin                            | 32.    | Sodium bicarbonate        |
| 14.    | Hager's reagent                    | 33.    | Wagnar' reagent           |
| 15.    | Dragandroff's reagent              | 34.    | Mayers reagent            |
| 16.    | Conc. Sulphuric acid               | 35.    | Silica gel g              |
| 17.    | Sudan III                          | 36.    | Nutrient Agar             |
| 18.    | Iodine                             | 37.    | Ethanol                   |
| 19.    | E coli                             | 38.    | Di ethylamine             |

# **6.3 Research Methodology**

**Table 6.3: Research Methodology** 

| Sr. No. | Methodology   |  |  |  |  |
|---------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 1.      | Selection of crude drug   |  |  |  |  |
| 2.      | Literature review   |  |  |  |  |
| 3.      | Collection of crude drug  |  |  |  |  |
|         | The sample of Nardostachys jatamansi will be collected from Barot valley of     |  |  |  |  |
|         | Himachal Pradesh Distt. Mandi.  |  |  |  |  |
| 4       | Authentication  |  |  |  |  |
|         | The authentication of the rhizome sample of Nardostachys jatamansi will be done |  |  |  |  |
|         | from Department of Botanical & Environmental Sciences Guru Nanak Dev            |  |  |  |  |
|         | University, Amritsar (India)  |  |  |  |  |
| 5       | Pharmacognostical work  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Macroscopic study   |  |  |  |  |
|         | Microscopic study   |  |  |  |  |
|         | Powder characters   |  |  |  |  |
| 6       | Analytical study  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Foreign matter  |  |  |  |  |
|         | • LOD   |  |  |  |  |
|         | Ash value   |  |  |  |  |
|         | Acid insoluble ash value  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Water soluble ash value   |  |  |  |  |
|         | Extractive values   |  |  |  |  |
|         | Water soluble extractive values   |  |  |  |  |
|         | Alcohol soluble extractive values   |  |  |  |  |
| 7.      | Chromatographic studies   |  |  |  |  |
|         | <ul> <li>Performance of TLC &amp; HPTLC study</li> </ul>                        |  |  |  |  |
| 8.      | Pharmacological activity  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Antimicrobial study   |  |  |  |  |

#### **EXPERIMENTAL WORK**

#### 7.1 Material and Methods:

# 7.1.1 Identification of plants

*Nardostachys jatamansi* is identified by referring the morphological and microscopical characters in different nighantus and books related to medicinal plants.

# 7.1.2 Collection of plant

Nardostachys jatamansi is collected according to seasons (in the month of August, September and October) from Barot valley, Distt. Mandi, Himachal Pradesh

# 7.1.3 Authentication of plant

The collected drugs are submitted in Guru Nanak Dev University, Department of Botanical and Environmental sciences, Amritsar for authentication purpose.

# 7.1.4 Preparation of powder

Dried samples of *Nardostachys jatamansi* is coarsely powdered using mixture grinder.

# 7.1.5 Storage of plant material

The dried samples are stored in air- tight plastic containers.

# 7.2 Pharmacognostic study

### 7.2.1 Macroscopic characters

**Size:** The measurement of the sample is measured with the help of a graduated ruler.

**Color:** Samples is examined under diffused day light.

**Surface:** The material is touched to determine if it is smooth or rough.

**Fracture:** The material is bending or ruptured.

**Odor:** The plant material is powdered then its odor is determined.

#### 7.2.2 Microscopic characters

#### **Entire material:**

Transverse section of sample is taken and mounted on slides and the stained with reagent phloroglucinol and conc. HCL and examined under binocular microscope under 10x and 45x and then images are taken with the help of micromax A107, 8 megapixel camera.

#### **Powdered material:**

For evaluation the powder characters of the samples sufficient amount of powder is mounted on microscopic slides and stained with phloroglucinol and conc. HCL and examined under binocular microscope under 10x and 45x and images are taken with the help of micromax A107, 8 megapixel cameras.

# 7.3 Identity, Purity and Strength

#### 7.3.1 Determination of Foreign matter

Foreign matter is determined by weighing the sample about 100-500 mg or the amount which is specified in the monograph and spread in the thin layer. The unwanted material is identified by means of lens (6x) or naked eye. Separated material is collected and calculated the percentage of foreign matter.

#### 7.3.2 Determination of Total ash

Incinerate 2 to 3 gm of drug in tarred silica dish at a temperature not above 450<sup>0</sup> C till it become free from carbon, cool and weigh. Then determination of the percentage of ash is done with reference to the air dried drug.

#### 7.3.3 Determination of Acid insoluble ash

Acid insoluble ash is determine by boiling the ash which is obtained in (7.3.2) with 25 ml of HCL for 5 minutes. Then collect the insoluble material on filter paper (ash less filter paper). After that it is washed with warm water and ignition is done to the constant weight. Then calculate the percentage of ash.

#### 7.3.4 Determination of Water soluble ash

The obtained ash is boiled for 5 minutes by adding 25 ml of water and then collects the insoluble material in gooch crucible, and then washing is given with warm water and ignites for 15 minutes at 450°C temperature. Deduct the weight of insoluble material from the weight of ash and calculate the percentage.

### 7.3.5 Determination of Alcohol soluble extractive value

5g of powder is macerate with 100 ml alcohol in the closed flask of specified strength for 24 hours. The shaking of flask repeatedly throughout six hours and then it is placed undisturbed for 18 hours. Filter it quickly and evaporate to dryness in flat bottom dish and dry at the temperature of 105°C. Then calculation of extractive matter is done.

#### 7.3.6 Determination of Water soluble extractive value

For water soluble extractive value, maceration of 5 g drug is done with chloroform water in closed flask for 24 hours. Shaking of flask is done repeatedly for 6 hours. Then it is placed for 18

hours untouched. Evaporate off the 25 ml filtrate in a dish, and dry at the temperature of 105 °C. Then calculation of extractive matter is done.

#### 7.3.7 Determination of Ether soluble extractive value

Transfer the appropriate quantity of drug in the thimble for extraction. Extraction is done with the help of ether. The process is continued for 6 hrs. The extract is filtered quantitatively in evaporating dish. Vaporization of solvent is with the help of water bath. Residue which is obtained is dry at 105°C to constant weigh. Calculate the ether soluble extractive value.

#### 7.3.8 Determination of Moisture content (Loss on drying)

For determination of moisture content, 1.5 g of powder drug is taken in porcelain dish and dry it at the temperature of 105°C for 5 hours. The process of weighing and drying is continued for 1 hour till the difference of two weighing is less than 0.25%. After the constant weight is reached dry it in desiccators.

#### 7.4 Preliminary phytochemical investigation

- **7.4.1 Test for alkaloids**: The ethanolic extracts is dissolved in dilute Hydrochloric acid and filtered. These filtrates are used for following tests:
  - Mayer's test: When extracts is treated with Mayer's reagent (potassium mercuric iodide). Development of cream colored precipitate indicates the existence of alkaloids.
  - Wagner's test: When extracts is treated with Wagner's reagent (iodine in potassium iodide), there is formation of reddish brown precipitate which indicates the presence of alkaloids.
  - **Dragendroff's test**: Extracts are treated with Dragendroff's reagent (solution of potassium bismuth iodide). Reddish brown precipitate is obtained which indicates the presence of alkaloids.
  - **Hager's test**: When extracts are treated with Hager's reagent (saturated picric acid solution). Yellow colored precipitate is obtained which identifies the presence of alkaloids.

#### **7.4.2 Test for carbohydrates**: Ethanolic extract are treated with following tests:

• **Molisch's test**: Extracts are treated with 2 drops of alcoholic alpha napthol solution in a test tube. If there is the formation of violet ring at the junction it indicates the existence of carbohydrates.

- **Benedict's test**: Benedict's reagent is treated with extracts and heated gently formation of orange red precipitate indicates the presence of reducing sugars.
- **Fehling's test**: Extracts are hydrolyzed with dil. HCL, and neutralized with alkali and then heated with Fehling's A and B solution formations of red precipitate indicate the presence of reducing sugars.

#### 7.4.3 Test for glycosides

#### 7.4.3.1 Test for cardiac glycosides

- Baljet's test: Thick section shows yellow to orange color with sodium picrate.
- Legal's test: 1ml pyridine and 1ml sodium nitroprusside is added to alcoholic or aqueous extract gives red to Pink color.
- Test for deoxysugars (Keller-Killiani test): To the extract add one drop of 5% FeCl<sub>3</sub>, glacial acetic acid and conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Gives reddish brown color at the junction of two layers. Upper layer appear to bluish green color.

#### 7.4.3.2 Test for anthraquinone glycosides

#### • Borntrager's test:

Take 3 ml of extract and add dil. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> in to it and then boil and filter. When the filtrate is become cool, then add equal volume benzene or chloroform in to it and shake well and then separate the organic solvent and add ammonia in to it then ammonical layer turns pink or red. Then shake it well. Separate organic layer, add equal volume dilute ammonia. Ammonical layer shows pinkish red color.

• Modified Borntrager's test for C-glycosides: Take 5 ml extract and add 5 ml 5% FeCl<sub>3</sub> and 5 ml dil. HCL then heat it for 5 min in boiling water bath. After cooling add benzene or any organic solvent.

#### 7.4.3.3Test for saponin glycosides

- **Foam test:** Drug extract or dry powder is shaking vigorously with water. Persistent foam observed.
- **Heamolytic test:** To the drug extract or dry powder add one drop of blood on glycolsidal slide. Heamolytic zone appears.

#### 7.4.3.4 Test for cynogenetic glycoside

• Guidnard reaction or sodium picrate test: Firstly soak a filter paper strip in 10% picric and then in 10% sodium carbohydrate, dry. Moistened powdered is placed in a conical

- flask drug and cork it, and then place the above filter paper strip in the slit in cork. Then the filter paper turns brick red or maroon color
- 3% aqueous mercurous nitrate solution is adding in the dry powder or extract then metallic mercury forms.
- A piece of filter paper dips in guaiacum resin and moist it with dilute copper sulphate solution and then expose it to freshly cut surface of the drug, then blue stain is produced.

#### 7.4.3.5 Test for coumarin glycosides

- Coumarin glycosides have aromatic odor.
- When alcoholic extract is made alkaline, then it shows blue or green fluorescence.
- Dry powder is taken in test tube and cover with filter paper and then soaked in dilute NaOH add keep in water bath. After sometimes it shows yellowish-green fluorescence when exposed to ultra violet light.

#### 7.4.4 Test for tannins and phenolic compound

- To 2-3ml of aqueous or alcoholic extract, add few drops of following reagents:
- 1. 5% FeCl<sub>3</sub> solution: deep blue-black color.
- 2. Lead acetate solution: White ppt.
- 3. Gelatin solution: White ppt.
- 4. Bromine water: discoloration of bromine water.
- 5. Acetic acid solution: red color solution.
- 6. Potassium dichromatic: red ppt.
- 7. Dilute iodine solution: transient red color.
- 8. Dilute HNO<sub>3</sub>: reddish to yellow color.
- 9. Dilute NH<sub>4</sub>OH: and potassium ferricyanide solution: red color solution.
- 10. One drop NH<sub>4</sub>OH, excess 10% AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution. Heat for 20 min. in boiling water bath. White ppt. observed then dark silver mirror deposits on wall on test tube.
- 11. Dil. Potassium permanganate solution: discoloration.
- Shinoda test: To dry powder or extract and add 5ml 95% ethanol, 0.5g magnesium turnings and few drops of conc.HCL added. Orange, pink, red to purple color appears. Add ethanol before adding the acid to avoid accidents from a violent reaction and to dissolve the colored compounds into the upper phase. Zinc instead of magnesium is used, only flavanols give weak pink to magnetic color or no color.

• Sulphuric acid test: When sulphuric acid (66% or 80%) is added to flavones and flavonol or dissolve into it they give a deep yellow solution. Chalcones and aurones show red or bluish solutions. Flavanes give orange to red colors.

#### 7.5 Thin Layer Chromatography

**Preparation of test sample:** Coarse powder of different samples of *Nardostachysjatamansi* are extracted separately in soxhlet apparatus with ethanol for 6 hours and then these extracts are concentrated using water bath evaporator.

Saturation of TLC chamber: The TLC chamber is saturated with solvent system for 30 min.

#### **TLC plates:**

#### **Application of spots:**

Single spot and band spots

**Development of plates:** The plates are development in TLC jar and development for 7cm and allowed to air dry.

**Visualization:** TLC plates are observed under visible or UV light.

#### Calculation of retardation factor (Rf) value:

Formula for using Rf value:

#### 7.6 High performance Thin layer Chromatography

Examination of HPTLC is performed on aluminum pre coated plates with silica gel  $60F_{234}$ . Samples are placed on the plates and then air dried. Plates are developed with petroleum ether: acetone which is prepared in vapor equilibrated Desaga chamber. Equilibration time of vapor was 25 min. After development, the plates are air dried for 5 min. The samples are scanned at 254 nm with DesagaProquant software.

#### 7.7 Antimicrobial activity

**Preparation of extract:** 250 ml of ethanol is used for the extraction of air dried drug with the help of Soxhlet apparatus. The extracts are collected in sterile bottles.

#### **Collection of Test Microorganisms:**

The pathogenic micro-organisms are collected from Biotechnology lab in Lovely Professional University, Punjab. The micro-organisms are:

Staphylococcus aureus

Staphylococcus epidrmidis

Escherichia coli

Pseudomonas aeruginosa

#### **Antimicrobial Assay:**

The anti- microbial activity of different samples of Nardostachys jatamansi is examined with the help of agar well diffusion method. The sterilize agar media is poured into the petri-plates and allowed for solidification. After solidification, wells are made in to the petri-plate with the help of sterile cork borer (6mm). After that pathogenic cultures are swabbed on the respective agar plates using sterilized cotton swabs. The ethanolic extract are loaded into the respective wells and incubated at 37°C for 24hrs. After incubation the diameter of inhibition zones formed around each wells is measured and expressed in millimeter (mm) to evaluate the antimicrobial activity.

### CHAPTER 8 RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

#### 8.1 Authentication

The sample of *Nardostachys jatamansi* (Valerianceae) is authenticated by Guru Nanak Dev University, Department of Botanical and Environmental Sciences, Amritsar.

#### 8.2 Review of literature

Review of literature of *Nardostachys jatamansi* suggested that it is found in the ancient, medieval and modern period. Various synonyms of *Nardostachys jatamansi* are mentioned in classical texts are mansi, jatila, mata, bhootjata, tapsvani, krishnjata, pishita, peshi, janini, jatavati, mrigbaksha, jatamansi etc.

According to rasa-panchak, the rasa of the plant is tikta (bitter), kashaya (astringent) and madhur (sweet), guna is laghu (lightness) and snigdha (unctuousness), virya is sheeta (cold) and vipak (metabolism) is katu and doshkarma is tridoshahar. Due to its snigdhaguna, it is vatashamak, pittashamak is due to tikta and kaphashamak by kashaya and madhur rasa. So, it is tridoshshamak but mostly it is kapha-pittashamak. It contains number of chemical constituents such as volatile oil, coumarins and sesquiterpines etc. The rhizomes of the plant is used to cure the various disease like: *vednasthapan* (analgesics), *sangyasthapan* (which restoring the consciousness), *medya* (brain tonic), *balya* (strengthen body), *haridya* (cardio-protective), *jwarghan* (anti-pyretic), *kusthaghan* (prevent skin diseases), *keshvardhak* (promote hair growth). It is also investigated for various activities like: hepatoprotective, cardio protective, antifungal, anti-depressant and anti-oxidant activity. Few formulations reported for plant are rakashoghnaghrit, mansyadikwath, tapaswinivati, madhuparnyaditaila, madhuparnyaditaila, madhuparnyaditaila, jatamansi ark, mansichuran etc.

#### 8.3 Pharmacognostic studies

#### 8.3.1 Macroscopic characters of rhizomes

Table 8.1: Macroscopical characters of rhizomes of *Nardostachys jatamansi* of sample 1, 2 and 3

| S. No | Macroscopical character | Sample 1         | Sample 2         | Sample 3         |
|-------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1.    | Color                   | Black            | Brown            | Brown            |
| 2.    | Odor                    | Characteristic   | Characteristic   | Characteristic   |
| 3.    | Dimension               | 7x1cm            | 6x2cm            | 6x2cm            |
| 4.    | Shape                   | Longitudinal     | Longitudinal     | Longitudinal     |
| 5.    | Striation               | Present          | Absent           | Absent           |
| 6.    | Rootlets                | Absent           | Absent           | Absent           |
| 7.    | Surface                 | Rough and        | Rough and        | Rough and        |
|       |                         | consist of hairs | consist of hairs | consist of hairs |
| 8.    | Fracture                | Short            | Short            | Short            |

#### 8.3.1.1 Dried samples



Fig 8.1:Rhizome of Nardostachys jatamansi of sample 1 (collected in August)



Fig 8.2: Rhizome of Nardostachys jatamansi of sample 2 (collected in September)



Fig 8.3: Rhizome of Nardostachys jatamansi of sample 3 (collected in October)

#### 8.3.2 Microscopic characters of rhizomes of Nardostachys jatamansi

The microscopical characters of three samples are moreover similar such as cork, cortex, cambium, phloem, xylem and pith region. Difference is in the layers of xylem cells which are less in sample 1 as compared to sample 2 and 3.

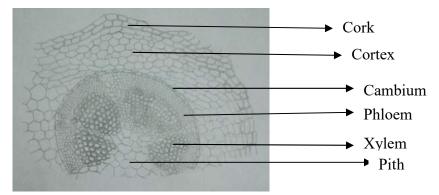
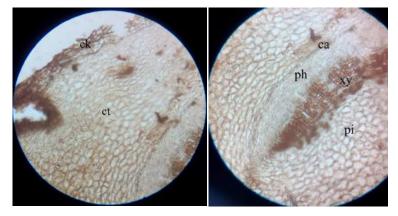


Fig 8.4: Schematic diagram of T.S of rhizomes of Nardostachys jatamansi



**Fig 8.5:** Cork (ck) and cortex (ct) of sample 1

**Fig 8.6:** Cambium (ca), phloem (ph), xylem (xy) and pith (pi) of sample 1

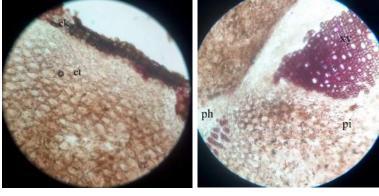


Fig 8.7: Cork (ck) and cortex (ct) of sample 2

**Fig 8.8:** Phloem (ph), xylem (xy) and pith (pi) of sample

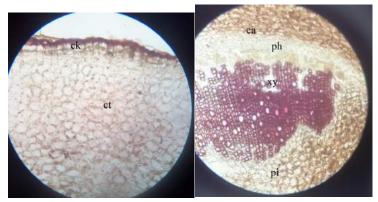


Fig 8.9: Cork (ck) and cortex (ct) of sample 3

**Fig 8.10:** Cambium (ca), phloem (ph), xylem (xy) and pith (pi) of sample 3

#### 8.3.2.1 Powder Character



Fig 8.11: a) Spiral vessels b) Parenchymatous cells c) Fiber observed in sample 1



Fig 8.12: a) Spiral b) Bundle of spiral vessels of sample 2



Fig 8.13: a) Cork cells b) Pitted vessels c) Spiral vessels of sample 3

#### 8.4 Identity, purity and strength

#### 8.4.1 Determination of Total ash

Table 8.2: Determination of Total ash of sample 1

| S. | Weight  | Wt. of empty     | Drug + crucible  | Weight   | Total ash | Mean  | Std.        |
|----|---------|------------------|------------------|----------|-----------|-------|-------------|
| No | of drug | crucible (Before | (After ignition) | of ash   |           |       | value       |
|    |         | ignition )       |                  | obtained |           |       |             |
| 1. | 2.003g  | 23.846g          | 23.744g          | 0.102g   | 5.0%      |       | Not         |
| 2. | 2.006g  | 22.884g          | 22.734g          | 0.150g   | 7.4%      | 6.23% | more than 9 |
| 3. | 2.005g  | 22.884g          | 22.756g          | 0.128g   | 6.3%      |       | %           |

Table 8.3: Determination of Total ash of sample 2

| S. | Weight  | Wt. of empty     | Drug +crucible    | Weight   | Total ash | Mean  | Std.        |
|----|---------|------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|-------|-------------|
| No | of drug | crucible (Before | (After ignition)  | of ash   |           |       | value       |
|    |         | ignition)        | (Tittel Ignition) | obtained |           |       |             |
| 1. | 2.190g  | 20.128g          | 19.967g           | 0.161g   | 7.3%      |       | Not         |
| 2. | 2.005g  | 21.561g          | 21.408g           | 0.153g   | 7.6%      | 6.63% | more than 9 |
| 3. | 2.102g  | 21.095g          | 20.988g           | 0.107g   | 5.09%     |       | %           |

Table 8.4: Determination of Total ash of sample 3

| S.<br>No | Weight<br>of drug | Wt. of empty<br>crucible (Before<br>ignition) | Wt. of crucible<br>+ drug (after<br>ignition) | Weight<br>of ash<br>obtained | Total ash | Mean | Std.<br>Value  |
|----------|-------------------|---|---|------------------------------|-----------|------|----------------|
| 1.       | 2.02g             | 22.23g  | 22.39g  | 0.16g                        | 7.9%      |      | Not            |
| 2.       | 2.08g             | 21.20g  | 21.38g  | 0.18g                        | 8.6%      | 8.3% | more<br>than 9 |
| 3.       | 2.01g             | 19.97g  | 20.14g  | 0.17g                        | 8.4%      |      | %              |

All the three samples lie within the standards which are mentioned in the Ayurvedic Pharmacopoeia of India. The ash value is found to be less in sample 1 than sample 2 and 3.

## 8.4.2 Determination of Acid insoluble ash Table 8.5: Determination of Acid insoluble ash of sample 1

| S.<br>No | Wt. of drug | Wt. of empty crucible | Wt. of crucible<br>+ drug (acid<br>treatment) | Total<br>acid<br>insoluble<br>ash | % age | Mean | Std.<br>Value |
|----------|-------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------|------|---------------|
| 1.       | 2.003g      | 23.846g               | 23.907g                                       | 0.061g                            | 3.04% |      | Not           |
| 2.       | 2.006g      | 22.884g               | 22.987g                                       | 0.103g                            | 5.1%  | 4.1% | more<br>than  |
| 3.       | 2.005g      | 19.864g               | 19.95g  | 0.086g                            | 4.2%  |      | 5%            |

Table 8.6: Determination of Acid insoluble ash of sample 2

| S.<br>No | Wt. of drug | Wt. of empty crucible | Wt. of crucible<br>+ drug (acid<br>treatment) | Total<br>acid<br>insoluble<br>ash | % age | Mean | Std.<br>Value |
|----------|-------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------|------|---------------|
| 1.       | 2.190g      | 20.128g               | 20.218g                                       | 0.09g                             | 4.10% |      | Not<br>more   |
| 2.       | 2.005g      | 21.561g               | 21.663g                                       | 0.102g                            | 5.08% | 4.6% | than<br>5%    |
| 3.       | 2.102g      | 21.095g               | 21.195g                                       | 0.1g                              | 4.98% |      | 570           |

Table 8.7: Determination of Acid insoluble ash of sample 3

| S.<br>No | Wt. of drug | Wt. of empty crucible | Wt. of crucible + drug (acid treatment) | Total<br>acid<br>insoluble<br>ash | % age | Mean | Std.<br>Value |
|----------|-------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------|------|---------------|
| 1.       | 2.02g       | 22.23g                | 22.31g                                  | 0.08g                             | 3.9%  |      | Not<br>more   |
| 2.       | 2.08g       | 21.20g                | 21.30g                                  | 0.1g                              | 4.8%  | 4.0% | than          |
| 3.       | 2.01g       | 19.97g                | 20.04g                                  | 0.07g                             | 3.4%  |      | 5%            |

All the samples lie within the standard which is given in Ayurvedic Pharmacopoeia of India. It is almost same in all samples.

#### 8.4.3 Determination of Moisture content (Loss on drying)

Table 8.8: Determination of moisture content (Loss on drying) of sample 1

| S.<br>No | Weight<br>of drug | Weight of Petri<br>dish+ drug<br>(Before drying) | Weight of Petri<br>dish+ drug<br>(After drying) | Loss on drying | %age | Mean |
|----------|-------------------|--|---|----------------|------|------|
| 1.       | 3.329g            | 31.477g  | 31.162g   | 0.315g         | 9.4% |      |
| 2.       | 3.720g            | 35.560g  | 35.271g   | 0.289g         | 7.7% | 8.5% |
| 3.       | 3.527g            | 31.665g  | 31.36g  | 0.305g         | 8.6% |      |

Table 8.9: Determination of moisture content (Loss on drying) of sample 2

| S.<br>No | Weight<br>of drug | Weight of Petri<br>dish+ drug<br>(Before drying) | Weight of Petri<br>dish+ drug<br>(After drying) | Loss on drying | %age | Mean |
|----------|-------------------|--|---|----------------|------|------|
| 1.       | 3.329g            | 31.439g  | 31.162g   | 0.277g         | 8.3% |      |
| 2.       | 3.720g            | 32.776g  | 32.436g   | 0.34g          | 9.1% | 8.5% |
| 3.       | 3.569g            | 35.09g   | 34.792g   | 0.298g         | 8.3% |      |

Table 8.10: Determination of moisture content (Loss on drying) of sample 3

| S. | Weight  | Weight of Petri | Weight of Petri | Loss on | %age  | Mean |
|----|---------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|-------|------|
| No | of drug | dish+ drug      | dish+           | drying  |       |      |
|    |         | (Before drying) | drug(After      |         |       |      |
|    |         |                 | drying)         |         |       |      |
|    |         |                 |                 |         |       |      |
| 1. | 3.125g  | 32.246g         | 32.081g         | 0.165g  | 5.28% |      |
| 2. | 3.130g  | 33.236g         | 32.996g         | 0.240g  | 7.66% | 6.3% |
| 3. | 3.154g  | 32.114g         | 32.312g         | 0.198g  | 6.2%  |      |

Value of loss on drying is not given in standards but the moisture content is found to be least in sample 3 as compared to other two samples.

#### 8.4.4 Determination of Water soluble extractive value

Table 8.11: Determination of water soluble extractive value of sample 1

| S. | Weight  | Weight of  | Evaporating dish+  | Extractable | %age  | Mean | Std.        |
|----|---------|------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|------|-------------|
| No | of drug | empty dish | extractable matter | matter      |       |      | value       |
| 1. | 1.832g  | 51.240g    | 51.541g            | 0.301g      | 16.4% |      | Not<br>less |
| 2. | 2.795g  | 52.115g    | 52.201g            | 0.086g      | 3.33% | 7.9% | than        |
| 3  | 2.513g  | 50.984g    | 51.086g            | 0.102g      | 4.05% |      | 5%          |

Table 8.12: Determination of water soluble extractive value of sample 2

| S. | Weight  | Weight of  | Evaporating dish+  | Extractable | %age  | Mean | Std.         |
|----|---------|------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|------|--------------|
| No | of drug | empty dish | extractable matter | matter      |       |      | value        |
| 1. | 2.579g  | 52.029g    | 52.169g            | 0.140g      | 5.42% |      | Not          |
| 2. | 2.507g  | 57.519g    | 57.672g            | 0.153g      | 5.9%  | 5.6% | less<br>than |
| 3. | 2.554g  | 52.123g    | 52.269g            | 0.146g      | 5.7%  |      | 5%           |

Table 8.13: Determination of water soluble extractive value of sample 3

| S. | Wt. of | Weight of  | Evaporating dish + | Extractable | % age | Mean | Std.    |
|----|--------|------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|------|---------|
| No | drug   | empty dish | extractable matter | matter      |       |      | value   |
| 1. | 2.00g  | 52.02g     | 52.16g             | 0.14g       | 7%    |      | Not     |
| 2. | 2.00g  | 43.31g     | 43.43g             | 0.12g       | 6%    | 5.8% | less    |
| 3. | 2.00g  | 51.96g     | 52.05g             | 0.09g       | 4.5%  |      | than 5% |
|    |        |            |                    |             |       |      | 270     |

All the samples lie within the standard limits and sample 1 contains more water soluble content in it.

#### 8.4.5 Determination of Alcohol soluble extractive value

Table 8.14: Determination of alcohol soluble extractive value of sample 1

| S. | Wt. of | Weight of  | Evaporating dish + | Extractable | %    | Mean | Std.  |
|----|--------|------------|--------------------|-------------|------|------|-------|
| No | drug   | empty dish | extractable matter | matter age  |      |      | value |
|    |        |            |                    |             |      |      |       |
| 1. | 2.00g  | 51.03g     | 51.08g             | 0.05g       | 2.5% |      | Not   |
|    |        |            |                    |             |      |      | less  |
| 2. | 2.00g  | 53.45g     | 53.51g             | 0.06g       | 3%   | 2.6% |       |
|    |        |            |                    |             |      |      | than  |
| 3. | 2.00g  | 51.49g     | 51.54g             | 0.05g       | 2.5% | ]    | 2%    |
|    |        |            |                    |             |      |      |       |

Table 8.15: Determination of alcohol soluble extractive value of sample 2

| S. | Wt. of | Weight of  | Evaporating dish + | Extractable | % age | Mean | Std.         |
|----|--------|------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|------|--------------|
| No | drug   | empty dish | extractable matter | matter      |       |      | value        |
| 1. | 2.00g  | 45.36g     | 45.40g             | 0.04g       | 2%    |      | Not          |
| 2. | 2.00g  | 45.35g     | 45.40g             | 0.05g       | 2.5%  | 2.3% | less<br>than |
| 3. | 2.00g  | 45.32g     | 45.36g             | 0.04g       | 2%    |      | 2%           |

Table 8.16: Determination of alcohol soluble extractive value of sample 3

| S. | Wt. of | Wt. of     | Evaporating dish + | Extractable | % age | Mean | Std.         |
|----|--------|------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|------|--------------|
| No | drug   | empty dish | extractable matter | matter      |       |      | value        |
| 1. | 2.00g  | 41.34g     | 41.41g             | 0.07g       | 3.5%  |      | Not          |
| 2. | 2.00g  | 42.31g     | 42.38g             | 0.07g       | 3.5%  | 3.6% | less<br>than |
| 3. | 2.00g  | 41.96g     | 42.04              | 0.08g       | 4%    |      | 2%           |

All the samples lie within the standard limits but sample 3 shows better result than sample 1 and 2.

#### 8.5 Preliminary phytochemical investigation

Table 8.17: Preliminary phytochemical investigation

| Water extra              | ct of <i>Nard</i> | ostachys ja | tamansi  | Methanolic extract of Nardostachys jatamansi |             |           |          |  |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------|----------|--|-------------|-----------|----------|--|
| Name of test             | Sample 1          | Sample 2    | Sample 3 | Name of test                                 | Sample 1    | Sample 2  | Sample 3 |  |
| ,                        | Test for ca       | rbohydrat   | tes      | Т  | est for car | bohydrate | es       |  |
| Benedict' test           | +                 | +           | +        | Benedict' test                               | +           | +         | +        |  |
| Barfoed' test            | -                 | -           | -        | Barfoed' test                                | -           | -         | -        |  |
| Bial's test              | -                 | -           | -        | Bial's test                                  | -           | -         | -        |  |
| Tollen's test            | +                 | +           | +        | Tollen's test                                | +           | +         | +        |  |
| Iodine test              | -                 | -           | -        | Iodine test                                  | -           | -         | -        |  |
| Molish'test              | +                 | +           | +        | Molish'test                                  | +           | +         | +        |  |
| Fehling's test           | +                 | +           | +        | Fehling's test                               | +           | +         | +        |  |
| Selwinoff's test         | -                 | -           | -        | Selwinoff's test                             | -           | -         | -        |  |
| Cobalt-<br>chloride test | +                 | +           | +        | Cobalt-<br>chloride test                     | +           | +         | +        |  |

| Iodine test                          | -           | -        | - | Iodine test                          | -           | -      | - |  |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|----------|---|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------|---|--|
| Tannic acid test                     | +           | +        | + | Tannic acid test                     | +           | +      | + |  |
| T                                    | est for pr  | oteins   | 1 | Test for proteins                    |             |        |   |  |
| Biuret test                          | -           | -        | - | Biuret test                          | -           | -      | - |  |
| Million'test                         | -           | -        | - | Million'test                         | +           | +      | + |  |
| Xanthoprotein test                   | -           | -        | - | Xanthoprotein test                   | -           | -      | - |  |
| Test for proteins containing sulphur | -           | -        | - | Test for proteins containing sulphur | -           | -      | - |  |
| 5 % CuSO <sub>4</sub>                | +           | -        | + | 5 % CuSO <sub>4</sub>                | +           | +      | + |  |
| 5 % Lead acetate                     | +           | +        | + | 5 % Lead acetate                     | +           | +      | + |  |
| Tes                                  | st for ami  | no acids |   | Test for amino acids                 |             |        |   |  |
| Ninhydrin test                       | -           | -        | - | Ninhydrin test                       | +           | +      | + |  |
| Test for tyrosine                    | -           | -        | - | Test for tyrosine                    | -           | -      | - |  |
| Test for cysteine                    | -           | -        | - | Test for cysteine                    | -           | -      | - |  |
| ŗ                                    | Test for st | teroid   |   | T                                    | est for ste | eroid  |   |  |
| Salkowski<br>reaction                | +           | _        | _ | Salkowski<br>reaction                | -           | +      | - |  |
| Liebermann-<br>reaction              | -           | -        | - | Liebermann-<br>reaction              | +           | +      | + |  |
| Liebermann-<br>burchard<br>reaction  | +           | +        | + | Liebermann-<br>burchard<br>reaction  | +           | +      | + |  |
| To                                   | est for gly | cosides  |   | Tes                                  | st for glyc | osides |   |  |
| Killer-killiani<br>test              | -           | +        | - | Killer-killiani<br>test              | +           | +      | + |  |

| M. 1.C. 1       |             | I .         | 1 .   | M. 1.C. 1        | 1            |           | T ,   |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------|------------------|--------------|-----------|-------|
| Modified        | +           | +           | +     | Modified         | +            | +         | +     |
| Borntrager'tes  |             |             |       | Borntrager'test  |              |           |       |
| t               |             |             |       |                  |              |           |       |
| Foam test       | -           | -           | -     | Foam test        | -            | -         | -     |
|                 |             |             |       |                  |              |           |       |
| Legal's test    | -           | -           | -     | Legal's test     | -            | -         | -     |
|                 |             |             |       |                  |              |           |       |
| Borntrager'tes  | +           | _           | +     | Borntrager'test  | -            | -         | -     |
| t               |             |             |       |                  |              |           |       |
| Т               | est for all | kaloids     |       | Te               | est for alka | loids     |       |
| Dragenedroff'   | +           | +           | +     | Dragenedroff's   | +            | +         | +     |
| s test          | '           | '           | '     | test             | '            | ,         | ,     |
| Mayer's test    | +           | +           | +     | Mayer's test     | +            | +         | +     |
| Wayer s test    | '           |             | '     | Wayer s test     | '            | '         | '     |
| Hager's test    | +           | +           | +     | Hager's test     | +            | +         | +     |
|                 |             |             |       |                  |              |           |       |
| Wagener's       | +           | +           | +     | Wagener's test   | +            | +         | +     |
| test            |             |             |       |                  |              |           |       |
| Murexide test   | -           | -           | -     | Murexide test    | -            | -         | -     |
| for purine      |             |             |       | for purine       |              |           |       |
| alkaloids       |             |             |       | alkaloids        |              |           |       |
| Test for tannin | s and phe   | enolic comp | ounds | Test for tanning | and phen     | olic comp | ounds |
| Dilute iodine   | +           | +           | +     | Dilute iodine    | +            | +         | +     |
| solution        | '           | '           | '     | solution         | '            | '         | '     |
| Lead acetate    | +           |             | +     | Lead acetate     | +            | +         | +     |
| solution        |             | _           |       | solution         |              |           |       |
| Solution        |             |             |       | Solution         |              |           |       |
| Bromine         |             | _           |       | Bromine water    | +            | +         | +     |
| water           | _           | _           | _     | Diomine water    | '            | '         | '     |
| Acetic acid     |             |             | _     | Acetic acid      |              |           |       |
|                 | _           | _           | _     | solution         | _            | -         | _     |
| solution        |             |             |       | solution         |              |           |       |
| Potassium       |             |             |       | Potassium        |              |           |       |
|                 | -           | -           | -     |                  | -            | -         | _     |
| dichromate      |             |             |       | dichromate       |              |           |       |
|                 |             |             |       |                  |              |           | ]     |

Phytochemical investigations were done for water and methanolic extract and it was found that alkaloids, tannins and phenolic compounds are present in all the samples. Few tests are positive for carbohydrates, steroids and glycosides. Proteins and amino acids are more present in methanolic extracts as compared to water extracts.

#### 8.6 Thin layer chromatography (TLC)

Table 8.18: Rf values of sample 1, 2, 3

| Extract  | Solvent<br>system                       | Rf in day light |   |   | Rf in UV light                                   |  |  | Rf in Iodine<br>chamber                          |  |  |
|----------|---|-----------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|          |   | 1               | 2 | 3 | 1  | 2  | 3                                      | 1  | 2  | 3                                      |
| Methanol | Petroleum<br>ether:<br>Acetone<br>(9:1) | -               | - | - | 0.1,<br>0.20,<br>0.27,<br>0.30,<br>0.94,<br>0.99 | 0.04,<br>0.18,<br>0.27,<br>0.66,<br>0.93,<br>0.9 | 0.03,<br>0.18,<br>0.3,<br>0.7,<br>0.9, | 0.1,<br>0.20,<br>0.27,<br>0.30,<br>0.94,<br>0.99 | 0.04,<br>0.18,<br>0.27,<br>0.66,<br>0.93,<br>0.9 | 0.03,<br>0.18,<br>0.3,<br>0.7,<br>0.9, |



Fig 8.14: TLC of methanolic extract of *Nardostachys jatamansi* of three samples in U.V light 8.7 HPTLC

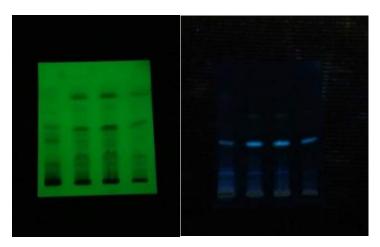


Fig 8.15: HPTLC under 254 nm

Fig 8.16: HPTLC under 366 nm

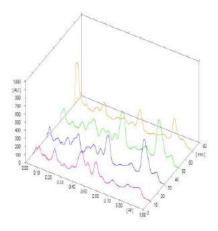


Fig 8.17: Graph of samples 1, 2, 3 with standard

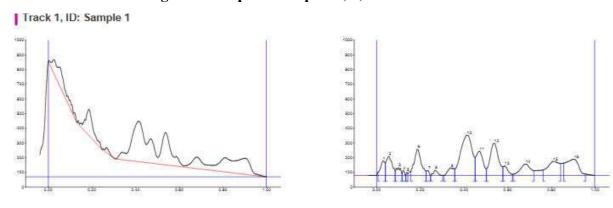


Fig 8.18: Graph of sample 1 at 254 nm

Table 8.19: HPTLC Interpretation of sample 1

| Peak | Start | Start<br>Height | Max<br>Rf | Max<br>Height | Max<br>% | End<br>Rf | End<br>Height | Area    | Area<br>% | Assigned substance |
|------|-------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1    | 0.01  | 22.9            | 0.03      | 99.3          | 6.00     | 0.04      | 87.3          | 1779.8  | 3.31      | unknown *          |
| 2    | 0.04  | 89.0            | 0.06      | 131.7         | 7.95     | 0.08      | 31.9          | 3154.1  | 5.87      | unknown *          |
| 3    | 0.09  | 32.9            | 0.10      | 53.9          | 3.25     | 0.12      | 13.6          | 977.4   | 1.82      | unknown *          |
| 4    | 0.12  | 16.6            | 0.12      | 34.3          | 2.07     | 0.13      | 0.9           | 256.3   | 0.48      | unknown *          |
| 5    | 0.13  | 6.9             | 0.14      | 22.5          | 1.36     | 0.14      | 9.9           | 120.5   | 0.22      | unknown *          |
| 6    | 0.16  | 24.1            | 0.19      | 178.4         | 10.77    | 0.23      | 28.6          | 5044.7  | 9.39      | unknown *          |
| 7    | 0.23  | 29.8            | 0.24      | 33.7          | 2.04     | 0.25      | 0.6           | 359.4   | 0.67      | unknown *          |
| 8    | 0.25  | 1.0             | 0.27      | 37.4          | 2.26     | 0.30      | 0.1           | 609.9   | 1.13      | unknown *          |
| 9    | 0.31  | 0.1             | 0.34      | 52.2          | 3.15     | 0.36      | 45.3          | 1282.0  | 2.39      | unknown *          |
| 10   | 0.36  | 45.6            | 0.41      | 275.4         | 16.63    | 0.45      | 123.5         | 12871.4 | 23.95     | unknown *          |
| 11   | 0.45  | 124.4           | 0.47      | 165.4         | 9.99     | 0.50      | 44.6          | 4757.6  | 8.85      | unknown *          |
| 12   | 0.50  | 45.4            | 0.54      | 219.9         | 13.28    | 0.58      | 59.8          | 7521.8  | 14.00     | unknown *          |
| 13   | 0.58  | 59.9            | 0.59      | 67.2          | 4.06     | 0.62      | 7.6           | 1293.5  | 2.41      | unknown *          |
| 14   | 0.63  | 8.4             | 0.68      | 78.6          | 4.75     | 0.72      | 33.1          | 3316.1  | 6.17      | unknown *          |
| 15   | 0.76  | 37.4            | 0.81      | 95.9          | 5.79     | 0.84      | 80.6          | 4683.7  | 8.72      | unknown *          |
| 16   | 0.86  | 84.0            | 0.91      | 110.1         | 6.65     | 0.96      | 9.8           | 5707.9  | 10.62     | unknown *          |

**Table 8.20: Interpretation of sample 1** 

| Peak | Rf   | Area    |
|------|------|---------|
| 10   | 0.36 | 12871.4 |
| 12   | 0.50 | 7521.8  |
| 16   | 0.86 | 5707.9  |

Sample 1 shows its highest peak at Rf 0.36 with area 12871.4. The other peaks are obserbed at Rf 0.50 and 0.86 with area 7521.8 and 5707.9.

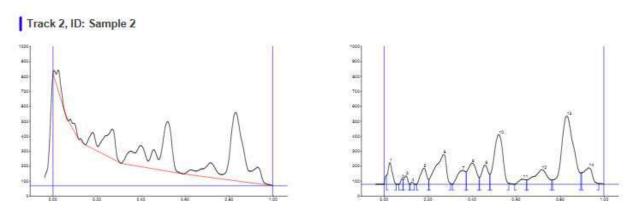


Fig 8.19: Graph of sample 2 at 254 nm

**Table 8.21: Interpretation of sample 2** 

| Peak | Start<br>Rf | Start<br>Height | Max<br>Rf | Max<br>Height | Max<br>% | End<br>Rf | End<br>Height | Area    | Area<br>% | Assigned substance |
|------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1    | 0.01        | 59.7            | 0.03      | 145.6         | 7.45     | 0.05      | 0.2           | 2593.2  | 3.72      | unknown *          |
| 2    | 0.07        | 1.0             | 0.08      | 37.5          | 1.92     | 0.09      | 33.1          | 329.3   | 0.47      | unknown *          |
| 3    | 0.09        | 33.1            | 0.10      | 56.8          | 2.90     | 0.12      | 0.2           | 795.4   | 1.14      | unknown *          |
| 4    | 0.12        | 0.0             | 0.13      | 14.3          | 0.73     | 0.14      | 0.4           | 134.5   | 0.19      | unknown *          |
| 5    | 0.15        | 0.4             | 0.18      | 107.3         | 5.49     | 0.20      | 30.6          | 2644.7  | 3.79      | unknown *          |
| 6    | 0.20        | 31.0            | 0.27      | 198.8         | 10.17    | 0.30      | 5.2           | 8359.3  | 11.98     | unknown *          |
| 7    | 0.31        | 0.3             | 0.36      | 92.7          | 4.74     | 0.37      | 84.0          | 3017.5  | 4.33      | unknown *          |
| 8    | 0.37        | 84.2            | 0.40      | 141.6         | 7.24     | 0.43      | 44.9          | 4846.1  | 6.95      | unknown *          |
| 9    | 0.43        | 45.4            | 0.46      | 128.7         | 6.58     | 0.48      | 67.4          | 3408.5  | 4.89      | unknown *          |
| 10   | 0.48        | 68.7            | 0.52      | 331.6         | 16.97    | 0.57      | 6.7           | 11725.4 | 16.81     | unknown *          |
| 11   | 0.59        | 0.2             | 0.63      | 34.6          | 1.77     | 0.65      | 29.1          | 954.4   | 1.37      | unknown *          |
| 12   | 0.65        | 29.3            | 0.72      | 97.7          | 5.00     | 0.76      | 28.7          | 5206.3  | 7.46      | unknown *          |
| 13   | 0.77        | 29.4            | 0.83      | 456.7         | 23.36    | 0.89      | 75.8          | 21757.3 | 31.19     | unknown *          |
| 14   | 0.90        | 77.4            | 0.93      | 110.7         | 5.66     | 0.98      | 4.0           | 3990.9  | 5.72      | unknown *          |

Table 8.22: Interpretation of sample 2

| Peak | Rf   | Area    |
|------|------|---------|
| 6    | 0.20 | 8359.3  |
| 10   | 0.48 | 11725.4 |
| 13   | 0.77 | 21757.3 |

Sample 2 shows highest Rf at 0.77 with area of 21757.3

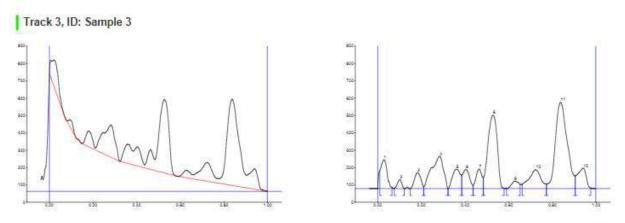


Fig 8.20: Graph of sample 3 at 254 nm

Table 8.23: Interpretation of sample 3

| Peak | Start<br>Rf | Start<br>Height | Max<br>Rf | Max<br>Height | Max<br>% | End<br>Rf | End<br>Height | Area    | Area<br>% | Assigned substance |
|------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1    | 0.01        | 105.2           | 0.03      | 165.4         | 8.20     | 0.06      | 5.6           | 4205.3  | 5.49      | unknown *          |
| 2    | 0.08        | 0.5             | 0.10      | 51.6          | 2.56     | 0.12      | 0.6           | 902.1   | 1.18      | unknown *          |
| 3    | 0.15        | 0.4             | 0.18      | 90.7          | 4.50     | 0.21      | 10.9          | 2366.4  | 3.09      | unknown *          |
| 4    | 0.21        | 11.8            | 0.28      | 186.0         | 9.21     | 0.32      | 0.4           | 9049.5  | 11.81     | unknown *          |
| 5    | 0.32        | 0.7             | 0.36      | 111.1         | 5.50     | 0.38      | 78.4          | 3614.8  | 4.72      | unknown *          |
| 6    | 0.39        | 79.0            | 0.40      | 110.5         | 5.47     | 0.44      | 17.2          | 3056.0  | 3.99      | unknown *          |
| 7    | 0.44        | 18.5            | 0.46      | 113.0         | 5.60     | 0.48      | 63.5          | 2702.1  | 3.53      | unknown *          |
| 8    | 0.48        | 64.3            | 0.53      | 422.9         | 20.96    | 0.58      | 0.1           | 16167.6 | 21.10     | unknown *          |
| 9    | 0.59        | 0.1             | 0.63      | 42.9          | 2.12     | 0.65      | 23.2          | 1256.7  | 1.64      | unknown *          |
| 10   | 0.66        | 24.3            | 0.73      | 108.8         | 5.39     | 0.77      | 25.0          | 5308.2  | 6.93      | unknown *          |
| 11   | 0.77        | 25.3            | 0.84      | 497.4         | 24.65    | 0.91      | 73.3          | 23928.4 | 31.22     | unknown *          |
| 12   | 0.91        | 73.7            | 0.94      | 117.9         | 5.84     | 0.98      | 3.1           | 4083.9  | 5.33      | unknown *          |

Table 8.24: Interpretation of sample 3

| Peak | Rf   | Area    |
|------|------|---------|
| 4    | 0.21 | 9049.5  |
| 8    | 0.48 | 16167.6 |
| 11   | 0.77 | 23928.4 |

Sample 3 shows its highest Rf on 0.77 with area 23928.4

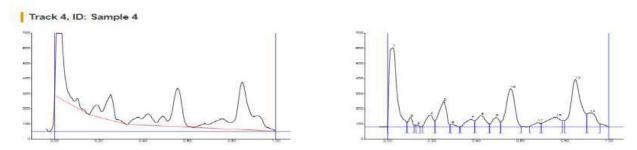


Fig 8.21: Graph of sample 4 (Standard) at 254 nm

**Table 8.25: Interpretation of sample 4 (Standard)** 

|      |             |                 |           |               |          |           |               | 1557    | 5 a 58    | \$ <del>5</del>    |
|------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|--------------------|
| Peak | Start<br>Rf | Start<br>Height | Max<br>Rf | Max<br>Height | Max<br>% | End<br>Rf | End<br>Height | Area    | Area<br>% | Assigned substance |
| 1    | 0.00        | 0.0             | 0.02      | 524.1         | 28.86    | 0.09      | 33.7          | 16170.1 | 26.81     | unknown *          |
| 2    | 0.09        | 34.5            | 0.10      | 63.2          | 3.48     | 0.12      | 12.3          | 1041.3  | 1.73      | unknown *          |
| 3    | 0.13        | 8.4             | 0.13      | 13.7          | 0.75     | 0.15      | 0.0           | 141.8   | 0.24      | unknown *          |
| 4    | 0.16        | 1.4             | 0.19      | 79.1          | 4.36     | 0.21      | 39.7          | 2279.1  | 3.78      | unknown *          |
| 5    | 0.21        | 40.5            | 0.25      | 169.8         | 9.35     | 0.28      | 15.5          | 5077.2  | 8.42      | unknown *          |
| 6    | 0.28        | 16.4            | 0.29      | 17.3          | 0.95     | 0.32      | 0.1           | 326.7   | 0.54      | unknown *          |
| 7    | 0.33        | 0.2             | 0.38      | 50.8          | 2.80     | 0.39      | 41.1          | 1697.8  | 2.82      | unknown *          |
| 8    | 0.39        | 41.5            | 0.42      | 75.7          | 4.17     | 0.46      | 20.5          | 2696.2  | 4.47      | unknown *          |
| 9    | 0.46        | 21.1            | 0.49      | 64.3          | 3.54     | 0.51      | 32.8          | 1800.6  | 2.99      | unknown *          |
| 10   | 0.51        | 33.0            | 0.56      | 252.9         | 13.93    | 0.60      | 4.7           | 8782.2  | 14.56     | unknown *          |
| 11   | 0.64        | 3.6             | 0.68      | 30.8          | 1.70     | 0.69      | 23.4          | 793.7   | 1.32      | unknown *          |
| 12   | 0.69        | 23.7            | 0.76      | 66.4          | 3.66     | 0.79      | 42.2          | 3551.2  | 5.89      | unknown *          |
| 13   | 0.80        | 45.0            | 0.85      | 313.5         | 17.26    | 0.90      | 87.9          | 12637.6 | 20.96     | unknown *          |
| 14   | 0.90        | 87.9            | 0.92      | 94.3          | 5.19     | 0.96      | 19.4          | 3311.3  | 5.49      | unknown *          |
|      |             |                 |           |               |          |           |               |         |           |                    |

**Table 8.26: Interpretation of sample 4 (Standard)** 

| Peak | Rf   | Area    |
|------|------|---------|
| 13   | 0.80 | 12637.6 |

The highest Rf of standard is 0.80 with area 1267.6. On comparison with three samples, 2 and 3 shows highest Rf at 0.77. This can be the Rf of standard jatamansone. The third highest peak of sample 1 at Rf 0.86 is close to Rf 0.80 of standard. It can be the peak of jatamansone.

#### 8.8 Anti-microbial study

Table 8.27: Inhibition zone for aqueous and alcoholic extracts of *Nardostachys jatamansi* on *E.coli* 

| S. No | Extract          | Control | Result   |          |          |  |  |
|-------|------------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
|       |                  |         | Sample 1 | Sample 2 | Sample 3 |  |  |
| 1.    | Water Extract    |         | 0        | 0        | 0        |  |  |
| 2.    | Methanol Extract | 8mm     | 18mm     | 19mm     | 15mm     |  |  |

Water and methanolic extract are taken for the investigation of the anti-microbial activity. Only methanolic extract of the three samples shows the positive results after 48 hours. Sample 1 has 18mm inhibition, sample 2 has 19mm inhibition and sample 3 has 15 mm inhibition. Sample 2 shows maximum inhibition.

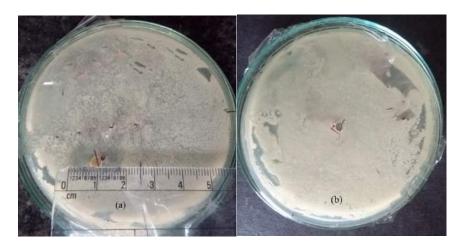


Fig 8.22: (a) Methanolic and (b) water extract of sample 1

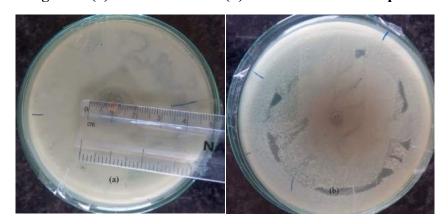


Fig 8.23: (a) Methanolic and (b) water extract of sample 2

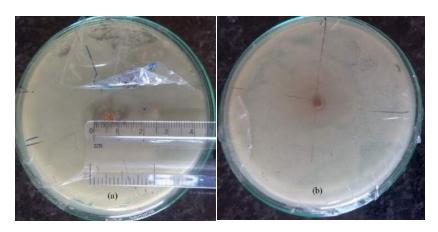


Fig 8.24: (a) Methanolic and (b) water extract of sample 3

#### **CHAPTER 9**

#### CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

The plant *Nardostachys jatamansi* is a reputed Ayurvedic herb and it is the major ingredient in Ayurvedic formulations for treatment of various disorders mainly central nervous disorders. The plant is reported in various classical literatures like Charaka Samhita, Sushruta Samhita, Sarangdhar Samhita etc. Review of literature of the plant discloses the various synonyms and the important properties of the plant. Bhootjata, keshani, mansi, tamshi, nalda, phaldanksha, jatila, pishita, krishnajata and peshi are some of the synonyms of jatamansi and the properties like *medyajanan*, *ruchikar*, *tridoshahar*, *kustha*, *anidra*, *raktachap*, *balprad* etc, are reported in the classics.`

The samples of *Nardostachys jatamans*i is collected in three different seasons such as: varsha, hemant and sarad ritu and investigated for morphological, microscopical, analytical parameters and in-vitro antimicrobial activity. Pharmacognostically they are almost similar except for xylem cells. They are less in sample 1 as compared to sample 2 and 3. On physiochemical evaluation, sample 3 shows the better results than the sample 1 and 2. Phytochemical screening, all the samples shows the presence of alkaloids, carbohydrates, steroids and glycosides. TLC studies shows six Rf values for all samples when observed in UV light and in iodine chamber. HPTLC studies conducted with three samples and their comparison done with standard component "Jatamansone" and sample 2 and 3 showed Rf close to standard (0.80). Methanolic extract of sample 2 shows maximum inhibition (19 mm). This research concludes that three samples have almost similar results but sample 2 collected in the month of September (Sharad ritu) shows better results.

Future scope: In vivo studies are required to further explore the variation of constituents according to seasons which affects therapeutic efficacy of plant.

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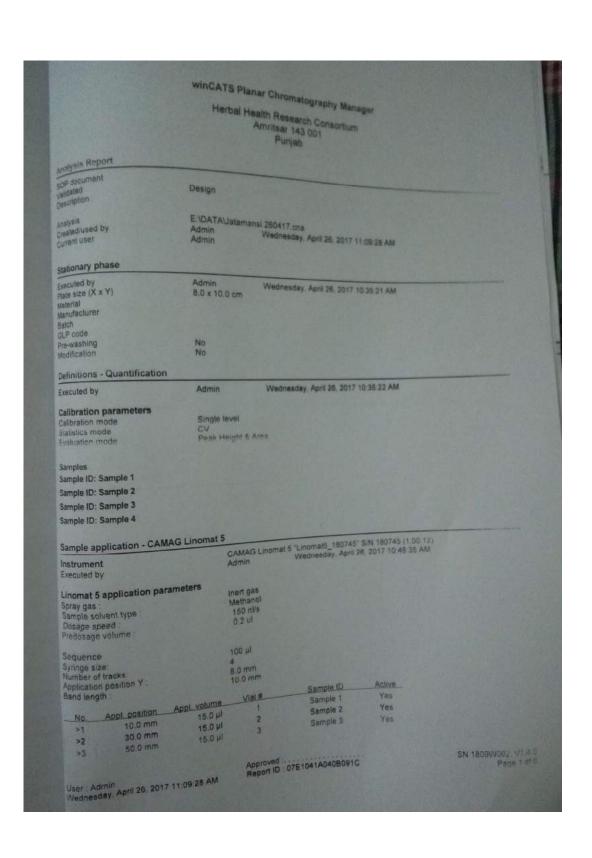
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