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PREPARATION OF NATURAL PESTICIDES FROM CUSTARD APPLE SEEDS

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Introduction



- A **pesticide** is mixture of substances that **prevents, destroys, repels, or mitigates** any **pest**.
- A pest is an **animal or plant** that can **injure the environment or the health** of populations in that environment.
- Custard Apple (*Annona reticulata*) seed oil contains **ACETOGENIN** i.e. responsible to act as **bio-pesticide**.
- Pesticides are **vital tools** that help farmers require for growing **healthy crops, protecting the food supply** against damage caused by the **weeds and insects**.
- **Natural** pesticides can also be called **organic or biopesticide**. These are **derived** from the **ground, plants or even animals**.
- Organic pesticides are being **promoted** heavily in **recent years** due to its **benefits and risk** as well.

BIOPESTICIDES

VS

CHEMICALS

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Friendly to non-target species

1

Harmful to non-target species

Do not cause pollution

2

Serious pollution to the environment

Relatively cheaper

3

Relatively expensive

Pests never develop resistance

4

Pests eventually become resistant

Growing market preference

5

Diminishing market



Problem statement:

- Synthetic pesticide is **dangerous** to human **health and environment**.
- Consuming foods from chemical pesticide sprayed plantations will give **adverse health effects** by disrupting our **hormonal growth** and leads to **cancer**.
- **Environmentally**, it effects our **food chain** besides **creating and worsening land pollutions**.

Objective:

Therefore, we aim to **develop natural pesticide** from **custard apple seed oil** to help **reduce and stop this poisoning** to **species, organisms, risk of human health and environment** from further prolong disaster.



Chemicals Required

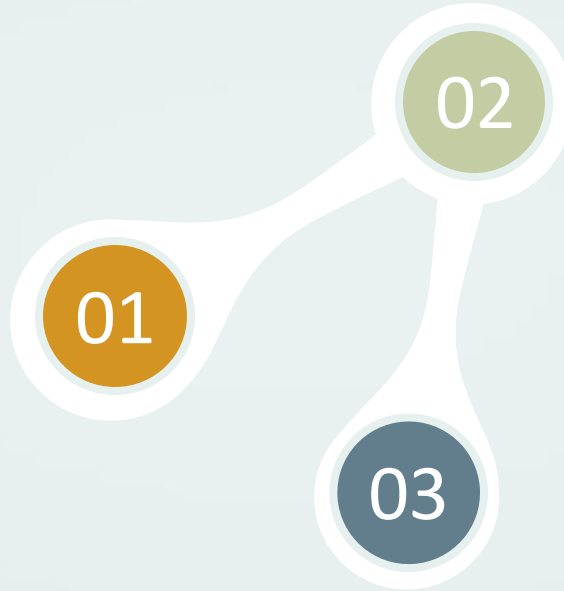
Distilled water and Methanol

Instruments Required

Mortar and pestle , Funnel, Filter paper, Spatula, Small Beaker, Soxhlet, cotton wool, Custard Apple Seeds, Round bottom flask , Condenser, Retort Stand , spray bottle , Heating Mantle, Thermometer, Burner, Weighing scale

Methodology

**SOXHLET
EXTRACTION**
Continuous extraction of
seed oil from mixture.



**SIMPLE
DISTILLATION**
Seperation of oil and
Methanol.

FILTRATION
Removal of Impurities.

Procedure

Solvent selection

Take around 135 ml of methanol into a beaker. Weighing of powder.

Simple Distillation

Separation of oil and Methanol.

01

Seeds into Powder

Seeds were washed, sundried, crushed and grounded into fine powder.

02

Soxhlet Extraction

Setting up Soxhlet apparatus and start continuous extraction of seed oil from mixture.

03

04

Filteration

Removal of Impurities from oil using filter paper.

05



Washing seeds



Grinding seeds



Weighing powder



Soxhlet Extraction



Simple Distillation

Testing on Plants



Before

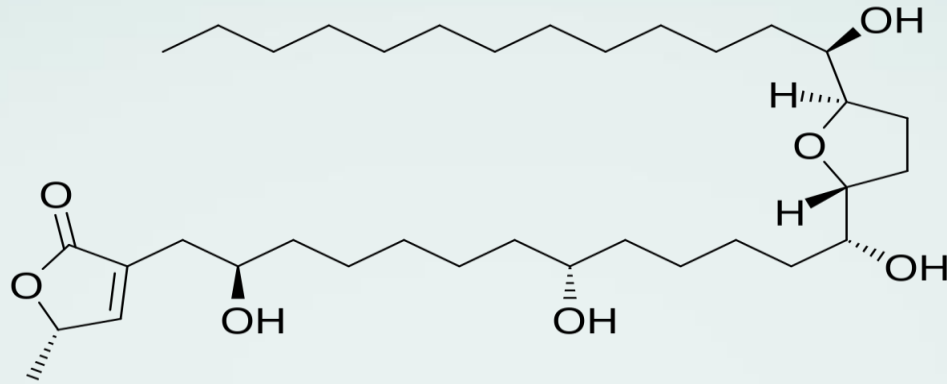


Spraying of pesticide



After

ACETOGENIN



Acetogenins are a class of polyketide natural products found in plants of the family Annonaceae. They are characterized by linear 32- or 34-carbon chains containing oxygenated functional groups including hydroxyls, ketones, epoxides, tetrahydrofurans and tetrahydropyrans. They are often terminated with a lactone or butenolide. Many acetogenins are characterized by neurotoxicity. Structurally, acetogenins are a series of C-35/C-37 compounds usually characterized by a long aliphatic chain bearing a terminal methyl-substituted α,β -unsaturated γ -lactone ring, as well as one to three tetrahydrofuran (THF) rings.

Function: Acetogenins are versatile anticancer molecules causing tumor cell death by different mechanisms. They can modulate the exclusion of chemotherapeutics drugs out of cancer cells and are strong apoptosis inducers.



Results



- **Natural pesticide** is produced from custard apple seed.
- **Amount of methanol** solvent used **does not affect** function of pesticide.
- Pesticide was in **liquid form** which enables the **photosynthesis**.
- If the pesticide produced was **in oil form**, it would have **block** the leaf from **trapping sunlight** to produce food.
- Pesticide produced proves itself **efficient, advantageous, cheap, safety** to handle.

This oil can be used against given pests:



White mealybug



Aphids



Termite



Southern Armyworms



Pea Aphids



Head lice



FUTURE SCOPE AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Consumption of bio pesticide in 2017-18 in all India consumption was 6560 tons which increased to 7505 tons in year.
- India is the second one under agricultural land of 159.7 million of hectares hence there is the opportunities for the bio pesticide.
- Pollution problem due to the synthetic Pesticide, can be reduced by bio pesticide.
- Numbers of diseases for human as well as animal can be avoided with biopesticide uses.
- Some state like Uttaranchal and Sikkim have declared as an organic so will be wide scope for bio Pesticide.
- This pesticide material can make easily available for every former thought the India without taking much more efforts.
- The raw material will be very cheap which minimizes the total cost of processing along with solvent recovery.
- Beneficial for farmers as well as producer.



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Any Questions?

