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PHYTOCHEMICAL AND ANTIOXIDANT ACTIVITY OF ACTINIOPTERIS RADIATA LINN.-AN IMPORTANT PTERIDOPHYTIC MEDICINAL PLANT OF GULBARGA REGION

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ABSTRACT

The present study was under taken to evaluate the $In\ vitro$ antioxidant property and phytochemical constituents of different solvent extracts of $Actiniopteris\ radiata$. The scavenging activity of DPPH, H_2O_2 and reducing power including phenols, flavonoids, alkaloids and tannin contents were determined. The extracts exhibited scavenging activity towards all radicals tested due to the presence of relatively high alkaloids and flavonoids content. The present study suggests that $Actiniopteris\ radiata$ is endowed with antioxidant phytochemicals and could serve as a base for future drugs.

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