Antioxidant and Antiproliferative Activities of *Tiliacora triandra* Leaf Extract Against Melanoma Cells

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Abstract

Melanoma is among the most aggressive and treatment-resistant forms of skin cancer, necessitating the exploration of novel therapeutic strategies. This study investigated the antioxidant potential and antiproliferative effects of *Tiliacora triandra* leaf extract on B16F10 melanoma cells. The ethanolic extract showed high total phenolic (7.52 \pm 0.14 mg GAE/g dry extract) and flavonoid (7.50 \pm 0.44 mg QE/g g dry extract) contents. In antioxidant assays, the water extract demonstrated SC₅₀ values of 319.30 \pm 10.80 μ g/mL (DPPH) and 134.63 \pm 6.53 μ g/mL (ABTS), compared to 3.72 \pm 0.14 μ g/mL and 2.53 \pm 0.01 μ g/mL for ascorbic acid, respectively. Cytotoxicity assessment using the MTT assay revealed a dose-dependent reduction in B16F10 cell viability, with IC₅₀ values of 198.50 \pm 1.00 μ g/mL at 24 hours and 133.53 \pm 17.80 μ g/mL at 48 hours. These findings suggest that *Tiliacora triandra* leaf extract exhibits significant antioxidant and anticancer activities, supporting its potential as a promising natural agent for melanoma therapy.

Keywords

Melanoma, antioxidant activity, melanin, Tiliacora triandra.