

## Editorial

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Dear Readers and Authors,

I am pleased to bring you volume 9, issue 1 of Pharmacognosy ommunications. In this issue we present new research reports examining the pharmacognosy of several important medicinal plants including the antibacterial activity of *Melodorum leichhardtii* (F.Muell.) Benth. extracts against the growth of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*; the potential of *Brachyhiton rupestris* (T.Mitch. ex Lindl.) K.Schum. extracts to inhibit the growth of *Streptococcus pyogenes* and thereby inhibit the induction of rheumatic fever, pharyngitis and impetigo. We also include a pharmacognostic standardisation study into the important Auyverdic plant *Prosopis cinceraria*. We also present a study examining the antibacterial, anti-giardial and anticancer properties of *Buchanania obovata* Engl. fruit extracts.

Our regular features are also continued in this issue. The Janus Corner presents short notifications of interest to readers of Pharmacognosy Communications. I encourage all readers to get involved with this section by sending in short notifications of work that may be of interest to your fellow readers, book reviews and letters to the editor. Two more high quality medicinal plant images are also included in this issue and a listing of upcoming conferences and meetings is also included. I encourage any conference organisers who would like to publicise their event to contact me with details so they can be included in future upcoming events sections of this journal. I look forward to bringing you the next issue of Pharmacognosy Communications in 3 months' time. Keep submitting your quality research manuscripts and reviews and also consider becoming involved/submitting to the other sections (Janus Corner, Medicinal Plant Images etc.) of the journal. On behalf of the editorial board, we look forward to bringing you the next issue of Pharmacognosy Communications in 3 months' time.