

Editorial

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Dear Readers and Authors,

I am pleased to bring you Volume 15, Issue 1 of Pharmacognosy Communications. In this issue, we present a study which evaluates the effects of postharvest treatment on the antioxidant properties of *Hylocereus* spp. (white and red dragon fruit). We also present an evaluation of the antibacterial activity of *Eucalyptus major* (Maiden) Blakely extracts against some axillary and foot odor producing bacteria. Additionally, we present a study reporting the immunomodulatory activity of *Lythrum salicaria* L. (commonly known as purple loosestrife) extracts by evaluating their effects on the release of some proinflammatory cytokines. Finally, this issue also presents a review of the potential of some South African plants for the treatment of bacterial-induced gastrointestinal diseases. That study examines the ethnobotanical knowledge and traditional uses of the plants, as well as the previous research into their antibacterial activities.

Our regular features are also continued in this issue. 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/submitted 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.



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