

## Pharmacognostic Studies of Jalapippali (*Phyla nodiflora* (Linn.) Green.)

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*'Jalapippali' (Phyla nodiflora (Linn.) Green), a plant drug of Ayurveda, is considered quite effective in treatment of ischurry, stoppage of bowel movements and pain in knee joints etc. The leaves and fruits are recommended in gonorrhoea and piles alongwith some other drugs. The present communication deals with the detailed pharmacognosy of its root, stem and leaf. The study includes morphological, microscopical and phytochemical observations including physical constant values, behaviour of powder drug on treatment with different chemical reagents, fluorescence analysis etc. Diagnostic characters are given which will help in proper identification of the drug.*

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