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### ABSTRACT

Traditionally, Senna Alata (L.) Roxb (Ketepeng Cina) has been used as an alternative medicine for typhus, diabetes, malaria, herpes, eczema, asthma, stomach ulcers, syphilis, influenza, bronchitis, intestinal worms, fungal skin diseases such as tinea versicolor, ringworm and scabies. The study's objective was to determine the active compounds, antioxidant potency and antifungal activity of mna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract. Samples were extracted using the maceration method with 70% ethanol, ethyl aceta 13 and N-hexane as solvents. Phytochemical analysis used the Harbone method, antioxidant testing using 2,2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) method and antifungal testing using the agar di sion method. Phytochemical results proved that all Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract contained alkaloids, saponins, tannins, flavonoids, triterpenoids, steroids, glycosides. While the antioxidant test stated that ethanol and ethyl acetate solvents had solid antioxidant potential with the Inhibition Concentration (IC<sub>50</sub>) values obtained were 66.01 ppm and 78.23 ppm respectively. While the solvent N-hexane has a 111 derate antioxidant potential, the IC<sub>50</sub> value obtained is 138.80 ppm. The diameter inhibition zones of ethanol, ethyl acetate, and N-hexane extracts against the Candida albicans were 8.66 mm, 10.22 mm and 8.84 mm, respectively. Cryptococcus neoformans was only inhibited by ethyl acetate and N-hexane Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts with diameter inhibition zones of 4.84 mm and 4.44 mm, respectively.

Keywords: Antifungal, Antioxidant, Candida albicans, Cryptococcus neoformans, Phytochemical, Senna alata (L.) Roxb

### INTRODUCTION

Indonesia is a tropical country with a high level of humidity so that it supports the growth of various plants and microorganisms well: one microorganisms that grouped in a tropical climate is a fungus. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), there are millions of species of fungi, but only a few hundred species are capable of infecting humans and causing disease. The most common species infecting humans are Aspergillus, Candida, Trichophyton, Blastomyces, Cryptococcus, Histoplasma, Mucormycetes, and Coccidioides survive in human hosts [1].

Candidiasis is an infection caused by Candida, either primary or secondary to other diseases, generally occurring in the skin, oral mucosa, gastrointestinal tract, vagina, and penis. Candida has 200 species, but only a few are opportunistic pathogens. Candida albicans is the most common species that causes candidiasis worldwide. C. albicans cause about 60% of candidiasis [2]. The prevalence of candidiasis is high in developing countries and mainly occurs in tropical areas with high Candidiasis cases in Indonesia rank third in the incidence of dermatomycosis, with a prevalence of around 20-25% [3].

There are many types of treatment for fungal infections, but only a few groups of drugs can treat mucosal and systemic infections caused by *C. albicans*. Over time, it was found that some Candida species became resistant to azole antifungal drugs. It triggers the development of new antifungal drugs as the main challenge currently continues to overcome antifungal resistance [4]. So it is necessary to develop alternative drugs that are more efficient and tolerant than drugs on the market, which are pretty urgent.

Besides C. Albicans, which infects superficially, some fungi infect systemically, such Cryptococcus as neoformans. Cr. neoformans is a fungus that causes lung disease and can spread to other body parts, such as the brain's lining, both in humans and animals. Infections due to Cr. neoformans are termed cryptococcosis [5]. Cr. neoformans has characteristics similar to that of C. Albicans, which is opportunistic in that it infects hosts with weak immune systems, such as in hosts with chronic diseases (AIDS, cancer) and immunosuppressive treatments such as corticosteroids. Source of infection Cr. neoformans in nature comes from bird droppings, especially pigeons that are dry and rarely exposed to sunlight. The droppings can be a source of infection if carried with dust through the air and then inhaled by humans.

Fungal infection therapy takes a long time and is still limited, so alternative therapies are needed. Alternative therapy can be in the form of traditional medicine. Traditional medicine has convenience. Namely, the price is lower than conventional medicine and access to available. One of the plants often used as an alternative treatment for fungal oliseases is Senna Alata (L.) Roxb [6]. The Senna Alata (L.) Roxb plant is a plant from the leguminosae family that grows in tropical and humid areas like Asia and Africa. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb has a different name in each region in Indonesia, such as tabankun.

Traditionally, Senna Alata (L.) Roxb has been used to treat typhus, diabetes, asthma, malaria, herpes, eczema, constipation, gastric ulcers, syphilis, herpes, influenza, bronchitis, intestinal worms, and especially fungal skin diseases such as tinea versicolor, ringworm and scabies. Several studies have shown that the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb plant has pharmacological activities. It includes antibacterial, antioxidant, antifungal, dermatophytes, anticancer, antilipogenic, hepatoprotective, anticonvulsant, antidiabetic, antihyperlipidemic, antimalarial, antihelmintic, and antiviral. The pharmacological activity the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb is closely related to the content of the active compounds contained in the plant [7].

Senna Alata (L.) Roxb is an alternative medicine for fungal diseases because it contains active compounds that act as antifungals. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves are fungistatic because they contain acid (dehydroxymethylchrysophanic anthraquinone). Tannins, phenols, glycosides, alkaloids, saponins, anthraquinones. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb stems also has fungistatic properties because contains 1,5,7-trihydroxy-3-methylanthraquinone (alatinone), free aglycone, kaempferol, -sitosterol and sennoside. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb also has antioxidant activity because it is rich in flavonoids [8].

Based on the community's practical use of the *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* plant, the research aimed to determine the class of active compounds, antioxidant activity, and antifungal potential of *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves extract against 50 albicans and *Cr. neoformans*. The study aims to determine the active compounds, antioxidant activity, and antifungal potency of various extracts of *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves.

### LITERATURE REVIEW

Senna Alata (L.) Roxb is a plant that comes from Argentina, South America. Then spread pantropically, especially in Asia and Africa, one in Indonesia. Indonesia

is a country with a tropical climate, which has a dry season and a rainy season that allows to growth of wild, abundant and fertile Senna Alata (L.) Roxb plants. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb plants usually grow in lowland to mountainous areas 1,400 meters above sea level [9]. Ketepeng plants in Indonesia have various regional names, such as kupang leaves (Malay), ringworm leaves, ura'kap (Sumatra), ngganggang (Tapanuli), ki manila, ketepeng gede, katepeng (Sunda), Chinese Ketepeng, ketepeng kebo, ketepeng rhino (Central Java), acong-acong (Madura), tabakum (Tidore), and kupang-kupang (Ternate). The foreign names for the are seven ketepeng plant golden candlesticks (English), candle bush, crawcraw plant, Acapulco, ringworm bush, or ringworm plant chum-het-thet (Thailand), and dui ye dou (China).

The Senna Alata (L.) Roxb plant is classified as a dicotyledonous plant with a taproot system, i.e. the root continues to grow into the primary root and has smaller branches, which function to expand nutrient absorption and strengthen the erection of the stem. The stem is round, can grow about 3-4 meters, has a sympodial branching system, has yellowish-green leaves with a slightly wide shape with a length of 50-80 cm, bright yellow flowers, and brownish yellow fruit that reaches 25 cm long: unpleasant odour, spicy taste and warm when consumed. The seeds are considered an alternative to nuts because of their high protein and carbohydrate content [10].

Senna Alata (L.) Roxb lives in open and humid areas, usually growing on roadsides, riverbanks, waterways, forests, bushes, meadows, lakesides, and ponds. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb grows best in full sun and moisture [11]. Grows well in fertile to sandy, acidic to slightly lkaline soils, with good drainage; with a pH ranging from 5.6 to 7.8. This plant is reported to grow in areas with an annual rainfall of 600-4300 mm and an average annual temperature of 15-30 °C. The metabolists contained in Senna Alata (L.) Roxb are tannins, alkaloids, flavonoids, terpenes, anthraquinones, saponins, phalolics, cannabinoid alkaloids. Besides, *1,8-cineole*, *caryophyllene*, *limonene*, *-selinene*, *-caryophyllene*, *germacrene D*, *cinnamic acid*, *pyrazole-5-ol*, *methaqualone*, *isoquinoline*, *quinones*, reducing sugars, steroids, and essential oils. Metabolites are more often found in the leaves [12].

Senna Alata (L.) Roxb has antifungal activity, especially fungi that cause skin infections in humans, such as A. niger, A. flavus. A. candidus, P. patulum, C. albicans and R. stolonifer, T. mentagrophytes, T. tubrum, M. gypseum and M. canis. However, the antifungal activity of Senna (L.)Roxbwas higher Alata dermatophytes than in non-dermatophytes. The secondary metabolites of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb are mainly tannins, saponins, flavonoids, and alkaloids. The traditional use of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves by the community is to boil the water and then drink it, or it can be ground and then added a little water and then rubbed on the infected skin surface area. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves are often used by Indonesian people, especially South Sulawesi, to treat fungal skin diseases by mashing and applying directly to infected skin; it has been proven to be effective in relieving itching caused by fungi [13].

Several studies showed that the 25nna Alata (L.) Roxb extract showed antibacterial activity against Gram-positive harmful bacteria, Staphylococcus aureus, Bacillus subtilis, Bacillus cereus, Shigella boydii, Shigella dysenteriae, Pseudomonas aureus, Vibrio mimicus, Salmonella paratyphi, Vibrio parahaemolyticus, Salmonella typhi, Vibrio cholera, Streptococcus sp. and Escherichia coli. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb egract showed antibacterial activity close to penicillin, chloramphenicol, fluconazole, ciprofloxacin. It is due to the secondary metabolite compounds possessed by Senna Alata (L.) Roxb, especially tannins, phenolics, and flavonoids [14]. Previous studies have shown that Chinese Ketepeng extract has anti-inflammatory activity. The results showed that 1 mg of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb extract could inhibit cytokines and T lymphocytes 39 that the production of TNFα decreased. Tumour Necrosis Factor Alpha (TNF-α) is a cytokine produced mainly by monocytes or macrophages and is also produced by mast cells, endothelial cells, nervous tissue and lymphocytes such as T and B lymphocytes and natural killer cells. TNF- is a pro-inflammatory mediator, the higher TNF- levels in the wound, indicating an ongoing inflammatory process. When an injury occurs, inflammation will occur. Inflammation has a function to remove nonvital tissue and prevent infection [15]. Nane Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract showed strong anti-inflammatory potential by significantly reducing rat knee swelling, and N-hexane Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract was also able to relieve diarrhoea and too ache [16].

Several studies have reported that the biological activity of Senna Mata (L.) Roxb L. Crude extract of the leaves of 2nna Alata (L.) Roxb has a robust antioxidant activity with an IC50 value of 2.27 g/mL. It is because Senna Alata (L.) Roxb contains flavonoid compounds, especially in the leaves. With the presence of antioxidants in Senna Alata (L.) Roxb, this has the potential that Senna Alata (L.) Roxb, this has the potential that Senna Alata (L.) Roxb can be an alternative treatment for diabetes mellitus. Oxidative stress can damage body tissues which can cause diabetes mellitus [17].

Research on mice with diabetes due to strep zotocin induction was given ethanol extract of *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves. The results showed a significant increase in the antioxidant system in the system in the control with the system in the system in E, catalase, glutathione peroxidase and glutathione-s-transferase. In addition, there were several changes in typical biochemical parameters such as protein, urea, uric acid, and creatinine levels from abnormal to regular in control mice and induced mice. It indicates that the *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves extract has shown its inhibitory effect on unnecessary protein

degradation due to decreased cell damage caused by free radicals. From the above observations, it is clear that Senna Alata (L.) Roxb has helped regulate oxidative stress in diabetic rats, which could significantly support the hypoglycemic potential of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb. Besides being a potential alternative treatment of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb have the potential to prevent cancer [18].

The results of studies havesteen carried out using the hydro-methanol extract from Senna Alata (L.) Roxb in mice to see the degranulation ability of mast cells showed anti-allergic activity through mast stabilization and inhibition of cell lipoxygenase The enzymes. active ingredients in Senna Alata (L.) Roxb can be a potential alternative treatment for allergic diseases 44uch as itching, urticaria and asthma.  $\overline{C}$ . albicans is the  $\overline{B}$  st common fungal pathogen in humans.  $\overline{C}$ . Albicans is an opportunistic, harmless, and commensal pathogen in approximately 50% individuals. C. albicans is a normal microflora in the mucous membranes of the oral cavity, respiratory tract, digestive tract and genital organs and its growth is controlled by the immune system and protective bacteria on the intestines and other m<sub>20</sub> osal surfaces [19].

Cryptococcus is an invasive fungus transmitted by inhalation of spores. It causes cryptococcosis, an infection commonly associated with immunosupfussed individuals with diseases such as AIDS, diabetes, chronic liver disease, chronic kidney disease, prolonged use of steroids, and patients undergoing organ transplantation usually associated with the development of cryptococcal disease [20].

The genus Cryptococcus consists of 37 species and belongs to the phylum Basidiomycota. Of the many species, only 550 cause cryptococcosis, namely Cryptococcus neoformans and Cryptococcus ga 18 Cr. neoformans is divided into three varieties; Cr. neoformans var. grubii (serotype A), Cr. neoformans

var. neoformans (serotype D) and *Cr. neoformans* var. gattii (serotypes B and C). The most comm<sub>36</sub> isolate causing infection in humans was *Cr. neoformans* var grubby serotype A. Varieties Cr. neoformans are distinguished by their biochemical properties and the antigenic composition of the capsular polysaccharide [21].

Cr. Neoformans most commonly infect through spores inhaled by the host and then captured by alveolar macrophages. The host response to cryptococcal infection volves the response of helper T cells with cytokines including tumour necrosis factor (TNF), interferon-γ, and interleukin-2, which result in granulomatous inflammation that kills and inhibits Cr. Neoformans. The capsule protects the fungus from phagocytosis and oxidative injury along with melanin [22].

### RESEARCH METHOD

This research is an experimental study to determine the class of active compounds (phytochemical analysis) and bioactivity (antioxidant and antifungal) from ethanol extract, ethyl acetate and N-hexane from Senga Alata (L.) Roxb leaves. The research was conducted from January to March 2021 at the Parasitology Laboratory, Faculty of Medicine, Christian University of Indonesia and the Research Institute for Spices and Medicinal Plants (BALITTRO) Bogor-West Java. The test material in this study was the leaves extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb 16 hich was obtained from the garden of the Research Institute for Spices and Medicinal Plants, Bogor, West Java. Then it was determined at the Research Institute for Biology, Herbarium Bogoriense Bogor Indonesian Institute of Sciences. While the isolates of C. albicans and Cr. neoformans used were obtained from the Parasitology Laboratory of the Faculty of Medicine, Christian University of Indonesia. The number of replications from each treatment group was calculated using the Federer formula. The treatment group consisted of 5 groups consisting of 50% ethanol extract, ethyl acetate and N-hexane

from *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves, a negative control group using aqua dest solution and a positive antifungal control using fluconazole. Determination of repetition is determined by the Federer formula [27] follows:

Federer formula :  $(n-1)(k-1) \ge 15$ Description : n = number of repetitions 24 = number of grouping = 5  $(n-1)(5-1) \ge 15$   $(n-1)(4) \ge 15$   $4n-4 \ge 15$   $4n \ge 19$  $n \ge 4,75$ 

Based on these calculations, the result of the sample size is 4.75. To avoid errors, they were rounded to 5. So each treatment group was repeated five times using Saboraud Dextrose Agar (SDA) which had been cultured by Candida consideration in the second control of the s tools used in this research are autoclave, rotary evaporator, blender, ose, sterile cotton swab, handscoen, mask, cotton, tissue, cloth, sterile petri dish, marker, Erlenmeyer flask, chemical funnel, glass bottle, test tube, dropper, tweezers, syringe, Bunsen, lighter, analytical balance, stir bar, calliper, and paper disc. The materials used in this study were cultures of C. albicans and Cr. neoformans, Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract in 70% ethanol, technical ethyl acetate. technical N-hexane. Sabouraud Dextrose Agar (SDA) media, chloramphenicol antibiotics, Chrom agar, sterile distilled water. 0.9% sterile NaCl, 0.5 McFarland standard, and 10% KOH. Procedure The research was carried out through several stages as follows: 1) Making simplicia and extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves; 2) Phytochemical analysis by Harborne Manhod, through identification of alkaloid saponins, tannins, flavonoids, triterpenoids/steroids, glycosides; 3) antioxidant test by DPPH Method; 4) Antifungal activity test through sterilization, manufacture of Sabouraud Dextrose Agar (SDA) media, fungal rejuvenation, and antifungal testing by diffution agar method.

### RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The phytochemical analysis is a qualitative measurement method to determine the secondary metabolites' class in plants. The phytochemical analysis included alkaloids, saponins, tannins, flavonoids, triterpenoids, steroids, glycosides. The results of the phytochemical analysis of the *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves extract can be seen in Table 1.

Table 1. Results of Phytochemical Analysis of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb Leaves Extract

Test	Extract		
	Ethanol	Ethyl acetate	N-hexane
Alkaloids			
- Mayer	+	+	+
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<ul> <li>Dragendor</li> </ul>	+	+	+
Flavonoids	+	+	+
Tannins	+	+	+
Saponins	+	+	+
Triterpenoids	+	+	+
Steroids	+	+	+
Glycoside	+	+	+

Description: (+) contains the class of compounds tested
(-) does not contain the class of compounds tested

The results of the phytochemical analysis showed that all *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves extracts with 70% ethanol, ethyl acetate, N-hexane as solvents contained alkaloids, saponins, tannins, flavonoids, triterpenoids, steroids, glycosides.

Antioxidant activity is the ability of a compound or extracts to inhibit oxidation reactions which the percentage of inhibition can express. The parameter used to show antioxidant activity Inhibition Concentration (IC<sub>50</sub>), the concentration of an antioxidant substance that can cause 50% of DPPH to lose its radical character or the concentration of an antioxidant substance that gives 50% inhibition. The IC<sub>50</sub> value determined by calculating the regression analysis of % inhibition of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract concentration. The results of the antioxidant activity of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract using the DPPH method in 70% ethanol, etall acetate and N-hexane as solvents can be seen in Figure 2.

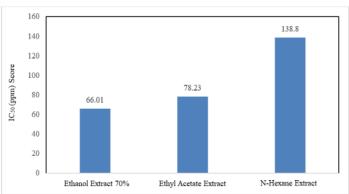


Figure 1. Antioxidant Test Results of Various Senna Alata (L.) Roxb Leaves Extracts

Based on Figure 1, it is known that the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract has antioxidant activity. Ethanol and ethyl acetate solvents have strong antioxidant potential, with  $IC_{50}$  values obtained are 66.01 ppm and 78.23 ppm, respectively. While the solvent N-hexane has a moderate antioxidant potential, the  $IC_{50}$  value obtained is 138.80 ppm.

The antioxidant test data obtained from Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves were processed using the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test to show the normality of the (23)a. The inhibition zones in all groups were normally distributed (p > 0.05). The normality test results are used to determine the test method used. Because all variables are normally distributed, the test method used is parametric analysis with the Anova method.

The Anova test showed a significant difference in antioxidant strength between solvents (p = 0.952). The antifungal test method is the diffusion method using disc paper. The formation can see the potential of *Senna Alata* (*L.*) *Roxb* leaves extract as an antifungal of a clear zone around the

paper disc, which is an inhibition zone for the growth of *C*. *Albicans* and *Cr*. Neoformans. The diameter of the inhibition zone of each Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract on the growth of *C*. *Albicans* and *Cr*. Neoformans can be seen in Figure 2.

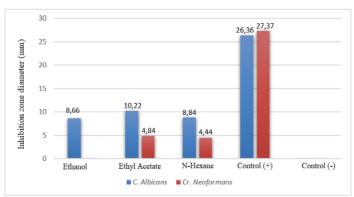


Figure 2. Inhibitory Zone Diameter of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb Leaves Extracts on C. Albicans and Cr. Neoformans

Based on Figure 2, it is known that all Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts could inhibit the growth of the fungus C. Albicans. The diameter of the inhibition zones of ethanol, ethyl acetate, and Nhexane extracts against the fungus C. Albicans were 8.66 mm, 10.22 mm and 8.84 mm, respectively, while the diameter of the inhibition zones of the positive control (fluconazole) against C. Albicans was of 26.36 mm. Antifungal test of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extra 42 against Cr. Neoformans only showed inhibition by ethyl acetate, and N-hexane extracts inhibition zone diamete 40 of 4.84 mm and 4.44 mm, respectively. The diameter of the inhibition zone produced by the positive control of fluconazole against Neoformans of 27.37 mm.

Data on the antifungal potential of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves against C. albicans obtained were processed using the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test to show the normality of the  $d_{23}$ . The inhibition zones in all groups were normally distributed (p > 0.05). The normality test results are used to determine the test method used. Because all variables are normally distributed, the test

method used is parametric analysis with the Anova method. The ANOVA test showed a significant difference in the mean zone of inhibition between groups (p = 0.000).

Data on the antifungal potential of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves against [43]. neoformans were processed using Kolmogorov-Smirnov test to show normality of the data. The inhibition zone in ethyl acetate and N-hexane groups were not normally distributed (21 < 0.05), while the inhibition zone of the control group (+) was normally distributed (p > 0.05). The normality test results are used to determine the test method used. Because more variables are not normally distributed, the test method used is non-parametric analysis with the Kruskal-Wallis mod. The Kruskal-Wallis method showed a significant difference in the mean zone of inhibition between the extract groups (sig = 0.001).

Phytochemical analysis was carried out to identify and identify the secondary metabolite compounds in the *Senna Alata* (*L.*) *Roxb* leaves extract with various solvents. The solvents used in this study were 70% ethanol, ethyl acetate, and N-hexane. The use of several solvents in the

extraction process is based on the difference in the level of polarity possessed by the three solvents used to extract the active compound. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves. Ethanol is polar, ethyl acetate is semi-polar, and N-hexane is non-polar. The difference in the polarity level of each solvent used in the extraction affects the semondary metabolites dissolved in the extract [23].

Secondary metabolites are organic mpounds resulting from plant metabolism that do not have direct functions in photosynthesis, growth or respiration, solute transport, translocation, protein synthesis, assimilation, differentiation, nutrient formation of carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids. Secondary metabolite compounds are not essential for these plants' life processes and growth but function in certain activities, for example, functioning as emergency nutrients for the survival of these plants. Secondary metabolites have many benefits for the benefit of human life, for example, in the fields of food (colourants, flavours, preservatives, etc.), health (antioxidants, anticancer, antimalarial), environment (anti mosquitoes, anti-weeds, etc.), agriculture (alelopathy, attractan 47 etc.), and so on) [24; 25]. Based on the results of the phytochemical analysis in Table 1, it can be seen that all of the Senna Alata [34].) Roxb leaves. extracts contain secondary metabolites in the form of alkaloids, saponins, tannins, phenolics, flavonoids, triterpenoids, steroids, and glycosides.

Several phytochemical tests on Senna Alata (L.) Roxb with different dosage forms showed somewhat different results. Phytochemical tests of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb simplicia showed the presence of flavonoid, alkaloid, anthraquinone, saponin and tannin compounds. The ethanolic fraction of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract contains alkaloids, flavonoids, tannins, saponins and terpenoids, while the chloroform fraction contains tannins. saponins, alkaloids, and flavonoids, and the n-hexane fraction contains alkaloids, saponins, tannins, and terpenoids. Another study found that the ethanolic extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb had active metabolites of flavonoids, alkaloids, saponins, tannins, and terpenoids [24].

Alkaloids are one of the secondary metabolites found in plants, which can be found in the leaves, twigs, seeds, and bark. compounds Alkaloid have many pharmacological effects, namely antiantimicrobial, inflammatory. hepatoprotective, anticancer and increase the antioxidant effect of cells. Alkalogs affect the health sector in the form of triggering the nervous system, raising blood pressure, reducing pain, antimicrobials, sedatives, drugs for heart disease and others. In plants, saponins are evenly distributed in their parts, such as roots, stems, tubers, leaves, seeds and fruits. The content of saponins was more found in young plants than in old plants. Saponins have pharmacotherapy anti-inflammatory, effects, namely vasoprotective, gastroprotective, hemolytic, anticancer and antimicrobial. In addition, function also hypercholesterolemia. Saponins reduce body cholesterol by preventing reabsorption and increasing excretion. Binding saponins obtain anti hypercholesterolemia with cholesterol and bile acids [26].

Flavonoid compounds are phenolic compounds. Flavonoids are now considered indispensable components in various nutraceutical, pharmaceutical, drug and cosmetic applications because pharmacologically, they function as antiinflammatory, antioxidant, antibacterial, antifungal, antiviral, and anticancer. Flavonoids specifically function antioxidants that can increase self-defence from diseases induced by free radicals. The antioxidant properties of flavonoids can diseases prevent such as cancer, Alzheimer's, atherosclerosis, and 37thers. Tannins are phenolic compounds. Tannins are divided into two groups, namely hydrolyzed tannins and condensed tannins. Tannins have properties as antiinflammatory, antibacterial, antifungal, antidiarrheal, antioxidant. Condensed tannins have other pharmacological effects as hypocholesterolemic. Antidiarrheal and antibacterial properties because when tannins meet the intestinal mucosa, they will have a spasmolytic effect that shrinks the intestines to reduce intestinal peristalsis. However, this spasmoly ceffect may also shrink the bacterial cell wall or cell membrane, thereby interfering with the permeability of the cell itself. Due to the disruption of permeability, cells cannot carry out living activities so that the growth of living cells is inhibited or even dies [27].

Triterpenoid compounds compounds whose carbon skeleton is derived from isoprene units biosynthetically derived from the acyclic hydrocarbon, namely squalene. Triterpenoid compounds have certain physiological activities, such as antifungal, antiviral, antibacterial, anticancer, overcoming liver damage, overcoming menstrual disorders, and overcoming diabetes. Steroid compounds are a class of lipids derived from saturated compounds and are insoluble in water. Steroids have broad pharmacological effects, including hormone regulators, antioxidants, antiasthmatics, bronchodilators and normalized blood. The biological activity of steroids is to increase or control reproduction in humans, for example, estradiol progesterone. Steroid compounds are also used in medicine as cardiotonic, vitamin D precursor, oral contraceptive and antiinflammatory [28].

Glycosides are natural compounds consisting of two parts, namely sugars (glycones) and non-sugars (aglycones). The function of glycosides for humans is as a means of treatment, including cardiac drugs, laxatives, local irritants, analgesics and surface tension lowering agents how glycosides work as cardiac drugs by affecting the sodium pump mechanism. In this case, cardiac glycosides control the body's electrolyte balance (potassium, sodium and calcium ions) in heart cells [29]. The properties of this drug are to maintain heart tone, increase adrenergic nerve tone, and maintain circulating blood volume.

Thus, conformation and heart rate will increase. Free radicals are highly 29 active molecules because they have an unpaired electron in their outer orbital. Free radicals have unpaired electrons, so they are reactive unstable and will continue to look for their electron pair. These radicals can form a chain reaction in the body to form new free that cause continuous continuous cell damage. Free radicals can neutralized with antioxidants. Antioxidant compounds can donate one or more electron molecules to free radicals so that these molecules become stable again and do not cause cell damage.

One of the plants with the otential as an antioxidant is Senna Alata ( $\overline{L}$ .) Roxb. The antioxidant activity of Senna Alata (L.) *Roxb* leaves can be carried out in vitro using 1,2-dephosyl2-picrylhydrazine method. DPPH is a free radical that is stable at room temperature, so it is used to assess antioxidant activity. If all the electrons in DPPH are paired and turn into a stable molecule, the colour of the solution will change from dark purple to yellow. The colour change that occurs is due to the presence of compounds that can give hydrogen radicals to DPPH radicals so that they are reduced to DPPH-H. The antioxidant activity of the sample can be assessed from the absorbance value using a spectrophotometer with a waveleusth of 517 nm. The parameter used to show antioxidant activity is Inhibition Concentration (IC50) which is the congentration of an antioxidant substance that causes a loss of 50% of DPPH activity, 22 sing DPPH to lose its radical character. The smaller the IC<sub>50</sub> value, higher the antioxidant activity. Classification of antioxidants is divided into 5, namely <50 ppm (very strong), 50-100 ppm (strong), 100-150 ppm (moderate), 150-200 ppm (weak), and >200 ppm is very weak. It happens because the DPPH radical is reduced when it encounters antioxidant more antioxidant compounds. The compounds possessed by the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract, the lower the absorbance value of these antioxidant compounds [30].

Based on the graph in Figure 1, it is known that the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract has antioxidant activity. Based on the IC50 value of each tested Senna Alata **21.**) Roxb leaves extract, the ethanol and ethyl acetate of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract had strong antioxidant potential with IC<sub>50</sub> values in the range of 50-100 ppm, while the N-hexane extract of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves had moderate antioxidant potential. Because it has an IC<sub>50</sub> value in the range of 100-150 ppm, this is following previous research, which stated that the crude extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb showed antioxidant activity with an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 73.57 ppm. Based on this, the crude extract of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves is classified as a moderate or moderate antioxidant because it is in the range of 100-150 ppm. Based on the IC<sub>50</sub> value of each Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract, it is known that the ethanol extract of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract has a lower IC<sub>50</sub> value than the other two extracts. Because it has the smallest IC<sub>50</sub> the antioxidant activity value. proportional to the IC50 value. Then a statistical test was performed using a Kolmogorov Smirnov (Appendix 6.) The IC50 value for the treatment of ethanol, ethyl acetate, and N-hexane extracts gave a value (p > 0.05), indicating no significant difference between the three extracts.

The difference in antioxidant activity in the extract was thought to be due to the difference in solvent polarity. Antioxidant activity is highly dependent on the type of solvent used because compounds with different polarities show different levels of antioxidant activity.76 Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract with ethanol solvent showed the highest antioxidant activity, presumably because there were many polar bioactive compounds in the samples of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves. Such as flavonoids. Following the principle of like dissolves like, a compound will dissolve in a solvent with the same properties, so that

polar ethanol solvents will attract polar bioactive compounds. Based on the phytochemical analysis of each Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract, it is suspected that secondary metabolites that have the potential as antioxidants in Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves are active compounds of the flavonoid alkaloid and saponin groups. Alkaloids can efficiently stop free radical chain reactions. Saponin compounds can reduce superoxide by forming hydroperoxide intermediates to prevent biomolecular damage by free radicals, while flavonoids are phenic compounds. The antioxidant activity of phenolic compounds is formed due to the ability to form phenoxide ions which can donate one electron to free radicals [31].

The antifungal potential of the antifungal extract of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves was determined from the clear zone around the paper disc containing the extract. Based on Figure 2, it is known that all Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts were able inhibit the two test fungi used, except for the ethanol extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb, which was unable to inhibit the growth of Cr. neoformans. The classification of fungal growth inhibition responses can be seen in Table 2.

Table 2. Classification of Fungal Growth Inhibitory Responses

Clear Zone Diameter	Fungal Growth Inhibition Response
> 20 mm	Very strong
11-20 mm	Strong
6-10 mm	Currently
≤ 5 mm	Weak

The results showed that the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract in 70% ethanol, ethyl acetate, and N-hexane had moderate inhibitory power against C. albicans because it had a clear zone diameter in the range of 6-10 mm. While the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract in 70% ethanol, technical ethyl acetate, and technical N-hexane had a weak inhibitory power against Cr. neoformans because it had a clear zone diameter in the range of 5 mm.

Based on the research results on the antifungal potential of *Senna Alata (L.) Roxb* leaves extract against *C. albicans*,

ethyl acetate solvent has the largest inhibition zone compared to ethanol and Nhexane extracts; this is related to the level of the polarity of the solvent used for the extraction process. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb extract with 70% ethanol solvent produced a clear zone against C. albicans of 8.66 mm. The results obtained to follow the results of previous studies, which state that the ethanol extract of the leaves of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb can inhibit the growth of C. albicans. The study using the broth microdilution technique showed that the concentration of the ethanolic extract of gnna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves was 200mg/mL; 100mg/mL; 50mg/mL; 25mg/mL; 12.5 mg/mL; 6.25mg/mL and 3.125 mg/mL can reduce the growth of C. albicans.

Senna Alata (L.) Roxb extract with ethyl acetate as a solvent produced a clear zone against C. albicans 10.22 mm. The results obtained to follow the results of previous studies, which stated that the ethyl acetate extract of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves was known to have antifungal activity with 2.5%, 5% and 10% against C. albicans. Inhibition zones of 7.62 mm, 7.66 mm and 7.88 mm. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb extract with N-hexane as solvent produced a clear zone against C. albicans 8.84 mm. The results obtained to follow the results of previous studies, which stated that the nhexane extract of the leaves of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb had an antifungal activity with concentrations of 10%, 30%, 50% showing antifungal activity against C. albicans. 10.6 11.3 and 12.6 mm [32].

Fluconazole antibiotic as a positive control produced a clear zone with an average diameter of 26.36 mm; this value indicates that fluconazole has a very strong inhibitory effect on *C. albicans* because it has a clear zone diameter greater than 20 mm. The use of positive control in experimental research ensures the validity of a study because it is expected to have a positive effect on the test. The results obtained are somewhat different from the results of previous studies, which stated that

the ethanolic extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves had antifungal activity against Cr. neoformans. In this study ging the microdilution method, the minimum inhibitory concentration of the ethanolic extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb ranged from 500-1000 g/ml at acidic pH. The antifungal activity decreased at neutral pH, and the smallest activity was at pH 8. In addition, the extract was noted to be heat resistant. Differences in research results can be caused by several factors, especially differences in test methods that need to be controlled by researchers. Other factors that can affect the study results are the extraction process of the test sample, disc paper, quality of the test fungus, inoculum size, incubation time, medium, pH and ambient temperature [33].

The type of solvent used has a major role in the extraction process. The solvent used must have the same polarity as the compound to be drawn. It is presumably because the specific secondary metabolite compounds that act as antifungals were not extracted with ethanol as a solvent so that the secondary metabolites obtained are unable to inhibit the growth of the fungus Cr. neoformans. Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract with ethyl acetate as a solvent produced inhibition against Cr. neoformans with an inhibition zone diameter of 4.84 mm. While the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract with N-hexane as solvent resulted in inhibition against Cr. neoformans with an inhibition zone diameter of 4.44 mm. Based on the diameter of the clear zone produced by the ethyl acetate and N-hexane extract against Cr. neoformans, it was known that the two Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts had low inhibitory properties.

Fluconazole disc paper as a positive control produced a clear zone with an average diameter of 27.37 mm. Fluconazole as a positive control had very strong inhibition against Cr. neoformans because it had a clear zone diameter of >20 mm. In this study, the positive control used fluconazole because fluconazole can be used as a treatment for meningitis due to Cr.

neoformans, so its inhibitory a least has been clinically tested and can be used as a positive control in this study [34]. The difference in the inhibition between the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extract with different solvents on the growth of the test fungus was influenced by the type and levels of chemical compounds in each extract. The type of solvent used in the study also affects the compounds present in the extract. The solvent used must have the same polarity as the compound to be drawn.

### CONCLUSION

Based on the study results, it was and that all of the Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts contained secondary metabolites of alkaloids, flavonoids, saponins, tannins, triterpenoids, steroids and glycosides. All Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts have potential as antioxidants, ethanol extract of Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves has the greatest antioxidant power with an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 6 ppm. All Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts were able to significantly inhibit the growth  $\Pi f$  C. Albicans with inhibition zones of ethanol, ethyl acetate and N-hexane extracts of 8.66 mm, 10.22 mm, 8.84 mm, respectively. But Cr. neoformans was only inhibited by ethyl acetate and N-lisoane Senna Alata (L.) Roxb leaves extracts with inhibition zones of 4.84 mm and 4.44 mm, respectively.

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