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FORMULATION AND EVALUATION OF HERBAL SUNSCREEN

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ABSTRACT:

Sunscreen is a crucial component of skincare, protecting the skin from the harmful effects of ultraviolet (UV) radiation. Traditional chemical sunscreens have raised concerns about their safety and environmental impact. In response to these concerns, there has been a growing interest in formulating herbal sunscreen. Herbal sunscreen also know herbal sunblock. Herbal suntan lotion is a lotion, spray or other topical product that helps protect the skin from the suns UV radiation and which reduced sunburn. Herbal sunscreens leverage the natural properties of plant based ingredients to provide UV protection. The use of herbs and botanicals for sun protection has been practiced for centuries in various cultures. Herbal sunscreens aim to offer a more sustainable and eco-friendly alternative to conventional sunscreens. The formulation of herbal sunscreens is rooted in the principles of natural and holistic skincare. These formulations often utilize a blend of herbs, oils, and other natural ingredients. Herbs like aloe vera, green tea, and lavender are commonly incorporated into herbal sunscreen recipes. The synergy of multiple herbs can enhance the overall UV protection and skin benefits. Sunscreen should contain antioxidant agent in addition to sunblock agent to be effective in prevention of photo aging and skin cancer

Keywords:- Herbal, sunscreen, SPF, Skincare, UV-protection, Herbal-sunblock.

1. Main text (Introduction)

Cosmetics Purpose of Cosmetics is cleansing, beautifying or altering appearance and enhancing the beauty. Exposure of skin to sunlight and other atmospheric condition causes production of Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS). ROS react with DNA, Protein and Fatty acids causing oxidative damage and impairment of antioxidant system.BThe herbs or herbal extracts act on these areas and produce healing, softing, rejuvenating and sunscreen effect. θ Solar spectrum at the earth's surface (sea-level): 290 to 3000 nm. θ Spectrum implicated in human skin reactions involves wavelengths up to 1800 nm. Ultra-violet radiation subdivided into three bands: θ UV-A (320-400 nm) θ UV-B (290-320 nm) and θ UV-C (200-290 nm). Ultraviolet irradiation is involved in the θ Pathogenesis of skin cancers, photosensitive diseases, photoallergic or phototoxic drug reactions and may affect biomolecules of the skin. Sunscreen is a crucial component of skincare, protecting the skin from the harmful effects of ultraviolet (UV) radiation. Traditional chemical sunscreens have raised concerns about their safety and environmental impact. In response to these concerns, there has been a growing interest in formulating herbal sunscreens. Herbal sunscreen also know herbal sunblock. Herbal suntan lotion is a lotion, spray or other topical product that helps protect the skin from the suns UV radiation and which reduced sunburn. Herbal sunscreens leverage the natural properties of plantbased ingredients to provide UV protection. The use of herbs and botanicals for sun protection has been practiced for centuries in various cultures. Herbal sunscreens aim to offer a more sustainable and eco-friendly alternative to conventional sunscreens. The formulation of herbal sunscreens is rooted in the principles of natural and holistic skincare. These formulations often utilize a blend of herbs, oils, and other natural ingredients. Herbs like aloe vera, green tea, and lavender are commonly incorporated into herbal sunscreen recipes. The synergy of multiple herbs can enhance the overall UV protection and skin benefits. Sunscreen should contain antioxidant agent in addition to sunblock agent to be effective in prevention of photo aging and skin cancer 2 Herbal sunscreen is a type of sunscreen formulated using natural plant-based ingredients, herbs, and botanical extracts to provide protection against the harmful effects of ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun. These natural ingredients are used to create a product that offers sun protection while avoiding or minimizing the use of synthetic chemicals found in traditional sunscreens. Herbal sunscreens are often considered a more holistic and ecofriendly approach to sun protection, as they harness the natural properties of herbs and botanicals to shield the skin from UV damage. Sun Protection Factor Efficasy of Sunscreen: The ability of sunscreen to protect the skin against UV-induced burning, with the level of performance. It is characterized by the Sun Protection Factor (SPF). It is a numerical rating system to indicate the degree of protection provided by a sun care products like sunscreen. Sun Protection Factor is defined as: The minimal erythemal dose (MED): "The lowest time interval or dosage of UV light radiation sufficient to produce a minimal, perceptible erythema on unprotected skin. [7][8] The in-vitro methods for assessing the photoprotection: 1. Transpore Tape:

Methods that involve measurement of absorption or transmission of UV radiation through sunscreen product films in quartz plates or biomembrane. 2. Spectrophotometer Measurement: Spectrophotometric analysis of dilute solution of sunscreen.

Nomenclature or types of herbal sunscreen:

There are several types of herbal sunscreens, each with its own formulation and characteristics. The types of herbal sunscreens can vary based on their ingredients, texture, and application methods. Here are some common types of herbal sunscreens:

- Cream-Based Herbal Sunscreen,
- Gel Based Herbal Sunscreen,
- Spray Herbal Sunscreen,
- Powder Herbal Sunscreen,
- Lip Balm Herbal Sunscreen,

Structure

Simple mathematical equation which substitutes the in-vitro methods is:-

SPF = CF \times Σ EE (wavelength) \times I(wavelength) \times abs (\(\lambda\)) (wavelength) Where

CF - Correction factor

EE - Erythmogenic effect of radiation with wavelength

Abs - Spectrophotometric absorbance values at wavelength

Values of EE × I are constant

1.1. Tables

Table 1: Normalized Product function used in the calculation of SPF

Wavelength (λ nm)	EE × I (Normalized)
290	0.0150
295	0.0817
300	0.2874
305	0.3278
310	0.1864
315	0.0839
320	0.0180
Total	1

Materials and Methods

Materials: Almond oil, Vitamin E capsule, Rose water, White beeswax, Liquid paraffin, Borax, Methyl paraben, Water.

Methods:

- 1) Research and Ingredient Selection: Select appropriate herbs, botanicals, and natural oils for the formulation.
- Formulation Development: Develop the sunscreen formulation using appropriate active ingredients and excipients. Determine the SPF level
 and the blend of herbal ingredients for optimal sun protection.
- 3) Safety Testing: Conduct safety tests, to ensure the product is safe for skin application.
- 4) Efficacy Testing: Perform in vitro and in vivo testing to determine the product's effectiveness
- 5) Product Testing: Test the product for stability and resistance to factors like heat, moisture, and light.

Tabel 2: Formula For Herbal Sunscreen Formulation:

Sr.no	Ingredients	Quantity Taken	Role
1	Almond Oil	10ml	Skin-soothing properties
2	White Beeswax	25gm	Moisturizer
3	Liquid paraffin	35ml	Reduce dryness from skin
4	Borax	10gm	Cleaner
5	Vitamin E	4 capsules	Moisturizer
6	Methyl Paraben	0.1gm	Anti-microbeal
7	Water	25ml	Reduce loss of moisture from dry skin

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8	Rose Water	/ml	Perfumary agent, anti-bacteriale

Evaluation Test

Tabel 3:

Sr.no	Parameters	Observation
1	Appearance	Soft cream
2	Color	White
3	PH	7.5
4	Texture	Smooth
5	Viscosity	3060-3684

Sun Protection Factor (SPF):

Procedure:

- 1 gm quantity of formulated cream was weighed, transferred to 100 ml volumetric flask and diluted to volume with ethanolFile naming and delivery
- 2 Further, it was kept for ultra-sonication for 5 minutes and filtered through cotton filter, discarded the initial 10 ml
- 3 Afterwards 5 ml aliquot was transferred to 25 ml volumetric flask and the volume was adjusted with ethanol.
- 4 The absorption spectra of samples in solution were obtained in the range of 290 450 nm using 1 cm quartz cell and ethanol as blank
- 5 The absorption data obtained in the range of 290-320 nm every 5 mm interval and 3 determinations were made at each point

Tabel 4:SPF Determination Of Formulation Of Herbal Sunscreen

Wavelength (nm)	EE × I	Absorbance	$EE \times I \times Abs$
290	0.0150	0.388	0.00582
295	0.0817	0.473	0.0386441
300	0.2874	0.231	0.0663894
305	0.3278	0.734	0.2406052
310	0.1864	0.504	0.0939456
315	0.0839	0.302	0.253378
320	0.0180	0.165	0.00297
SPF Total	1		0.70172
			SPF = 7.0172

Summary Of Various Evaluation Parameter In Herbal Sunscreen :-

Parameters	Obesrvation
Appearance	Cream Like
Emulsify Type	W/O
Test For Irritancy	No Irritation
Phase Separation	No Phase Separation
Homogeneity	Uniform
PH	7.59
SPF	7.0172

Result:

Herbal sunscreen has wide application for preventing skin like as sun burns skin harms and skin related disease. PH, viscosity, homogeneity, appearance, stability are the factor affect the formulation and handling of product. Herbal-sunscreen helps to reduce redness inflammation and irritation. There is no changes occurs in long time storage of formulation of herbal-sunscreen.

The formulation has between 7-9. The herbal-sunscreen appearance like smooth white and the consistency. It provide sun-protection to skin from harm radiation. The SPF values of herbal sunscreen achieve by carrying out UV-spectrophotometry technique

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