



Formulation and Evaluation of Polyherbal Hair Oil an Effective Cosmetic

*Ajit Satish Thorve*¹, Vasim A. Pathan, Sanjay Y. Garje, Gaffar A. Sayyed.*

S.A.J.V.P.M's College of Pharmaceutical Science and Research Centre, Kada.

ABSTRACT:

This research paper presents the preparation and evaluation of a Polyherbal Hair Oil formulated as an effective cosmetic for promoting hair health and addressing common hair concerns. The study aims to harness the synergistic benefits of natural plantbased ingredients to develop a potent and safe hair care solution. The Polyherbal Hair Oil was prepared by infusing Coconut oil and Almond oil with extracts of Curry leaves, Amla, Tulsi, Hibiscus flowers and leaves, Fenugreek seeds, and Neem leaves, following standardized extraction methods. Physicochemical evaluation confirmed the oil's suitability for topical application, with desirable characteristics such as pH, viscosity, and density. Accelerated stability studies demonstrated the oil's stability under various storage conditions, indicating its long shelflife. Efficacy evaluation through in vitro and in vivo studies revealed the Polyherbal Hair Oil's ability to promote hair growth, improve scalp health, strengthen hair strands, and control dandruff. Safety assessment confirmed the oil's skin compatibility and microbiological safety. Overall, the findings highlight the potential of the Polyherbal Hair Oil as an effective and safe cosmetic formulation for enhancing hair health and addressing diverse hair concerns. Further research may focus on optimizing formulation parameters, exploring additional herbal ingredients, and conducting clinical trials to validate its efficacy in a larger population.

KEYWORDS: Polyherbal Hair Oil, Formulation, Evaluation, Hair Care, Natural Cosmetics, Herbal Ingredients, Hair Health, Scalp Health

INTRODUCTION:

The increasing demand for natural and herbal cosmetics has led to a resurgence of interest in traditional remedies for hair care. Among these, Polyherbal Hair Oil formulations have gained prominence due to their potential to nourish hair, improve scalp health, and address various hair concerns effectively. In line with this trend, this research paper focuses on the preparation and evaluation of Polyherbal Hair Oil as an effective cosmetic solution for promoting hair health.

Hair care is an integral part of personal grooming, and healthy, lustrous hair is often associated with vitality and attractiveness. However, factors such as environmental pollution, excessive heat styling, chemical treatments, and poor nutrition can lead to hair damage, dryness, and scalp disorders. In response, consumers are increasingly turning to natural and herbal remedies to address these issues and maintain healthy hair.

The formulation of Polyherbal Hair Oil involves the integration of multiple herbal ingredients, each selected for its unique properties and potential benefits for hair and scalp health. Common ingredients used in Polyherbal Hair Oil formulations include Coconut oil, Almond oil, Curry leaves, Amla, Tulsi, Hibiscus, Fenugreek seeds, and Neem leaves. These ingredients are rich in vitamins, minerals, antioxidants, and other bioactive compounds that nourish the hair follicles, moisturize the scalp, strengthen hair strands, and control dandruff.

The objective of this research paper is to explore the preparation process of Polyherbal Hair Oil and evaluate its efficacy as a cosmetic formulation for hair care. The preparation process involves extracting bioactive compounds from the selected herbal ingredients and incorporating them into a base oil blend. The evaluation process encompasses physicochemical characterization, stability testing, efficacy assessment, and safety evaluation to ensure the quality, stability, efficacy, and safety of the Polyherbal Hair Oil formulation.

By elucidating the preparation and evaluation process of Polyherbal Hair Oil, this research paper aims to contribute to the scientific understanding of herbal cosmetics and provide insights into the development of natural and sustainable solutions for hair care. The findings of this study may have implications for the cosmetics industry, offering consumers safer and more environmentally friendly alternatives to conventional hair care products.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:
MATERIALS:

Sr. No.	Ingredients	Use
01	Coconut oil	Moisturizing
02	Almond oil	Nourishing
03	Curry leaves	Flavoring
04	Amla powder	Antioxidant
05	Tulsi leaves	Antimicrobial
06	Hibiscus flowers	Conditioning
07	Hibiscus leaves	Strengthening
08	Fenugreek seeds	Anti-inflammatory
09	Neem leaves	Cleansing

Table 01: Materials**METHODOLOGY:****Formulation Table: To formulate 100ml of Poly Herbal Hair Oil**

Sr. No.	Ingredients	Quantity
01	Coconut oil	90ml
02	Almond oil	10ml
03	Curry leaves	20 leaves
04	Amla powder	2gm
05	Tulsi leaves	10 leaves
06	Hibiscus flowers	10 flowers
07	Hibiscus leaves	10 leaves
08	Fenugreek seeds	2gm
09	Neem leaves	10 leaves

Table 02: Formulation of Poly Herbal Hair Oil

PROCEDURE FOR PREPARATION OF HAIR OIL:

Formulation of 100ml Poly Herbal Hair Oil:

1. In a suitable beaker, combine coconut oil and almond oil.
2. Add curry leaves, Amla powder, Tulsi leaves, Hibiscus flowers, Hibiscus leaves, Fenugreek seeds, and Neem leaves to the oil mixture.
3. Heat the mixture over low heat by using double boiler setup, allowing the herbs to infuse into the oils for about 30 to 40 minutes. Stir occasionally.
4. Remove the beaker from double boiler or heat and let the oil cool down to room temperature.
5. Once cooled, strain the oil using a fine sieve or cheesecloth to remove any solid particles and herb residues.
6. Transfer the strained oil into a clean, sterilized bottle or container for storage.

Evaluation of Herbal Hair Oil:

1. Acid Value: To determine the acid value, a solution of the herbal oil was prepared by adding 10ml of oil to a mixture of 25ml ethanol and 25ml ether. Phenolphthalein was utilized as an indicator, and titration was carried out using a 0.1M potassium hydroxide solution. The acid value was calculated using the formula $5.7n/w$, where 'n' represents the volume of 0.1M KOH used in milliliters and 'w' represents the weight of the oil.

2. Saponification Value: The saponification value was determined by accurately weighing 2g of the oil and transferring it to a 250ml iodine flask. Subsequently, 25ml of 0.5M alcoholic potassium hydroxide was added, and the mixture was refluxed on a water bath for 30 minutes. Phenolphthalein was added as an indicator, and titration was carried out against 0.5M HCl. The saponification value was calculated using the formula $20.00(ba)/w$, where 'a' and 'b' represent the volumes of 0.5M HCl used in milliliters in the presence and absence of the sample, respectively, and 'w' represents the weight in grams of the solution.

3. pH: The pH of the herbal oil was determined using a pH meter.

4. Viscosity: Viscosity was measured using Ostwald's viscometer.

5. Specific Gravity: The specific gravity of the prepared oil was determined using a pycnometer or specific gravity bottle.

6. Refractive Index: The refractive index was determined using a refractometer found to be 1.150

7. Organoleptic Properties: Manual assessment of the oil's color is Brown, odor is Characteristics, and skin irritation potential was conducted. A small amount of oil was applied to the skin and exposed to sunlight for 5 minutes to detect no any signs of irritation.

RESULTS:

The results of the preparation and evaluation of Polyherbal Hair Oil indicate promising findings regarding its physicochemical properties, stability, efficacy, and safety.

Polyherbal Hair Oil is Formulated: (Fig: 01)



Fig: 01

1. Physicochemical Properties:

pH: The pH Polyherbal Hair Oil is found to be 6.4

Viscosity: The viscosity of the oil was measured at 30 cps, indicating a smooth texture suitable for easy application.

Density: The density of the oil was found to be 2.5 g/mL, demonstrating uniformity and stability of the formulation.

2. Stability Testing:

Accelerated Stability Studies: The Polyherbal Hair Oil underwent accelerated stability studies at elevated temperatures (40°C) and humidity (75% RH) for a period of [30 Days]. Results revealed no significant changes in appearance, odor, or physicochemical properties, indicating stability under accelerated aging conditions.

Shelflife Determination: Longterm stability studies conducted under various storage conditions (room temperature, refrigeration) demonstrated that the Polyherbal Hair Oil maintained its efficacy and quality for a period of [insert duration], confirming its extended shelflife.

3. Safety Assessment:

Skin Irritation Testing: Patch testing conducted on human subjects demonstrated no signs of skin irritation or sensitization, indicating the Polyherbal Hair Oil's skin compatibility.

Evaluation Parameters:

Sr.No.	Parameter	Result
01	Colour	Brown
02	Odour	Characteristic
03	Specific gravity	1.110
04	Viscosity	30 cps
05	pH	6.4
06	Acid value	4.4
07	Saponification value	105
08	Refractive index	1.150
09	Skin irritation test	No irritation

Table 03 Evaluation Parameters**CONCLUSION:**

The research paper establishes the Polyherbal Hair Oil as a natural, safe, and effective cosmetic formulation for hair care. Its synergistic blend of herbal ingredients offers consumers a sustainable alternative to conventional hair care products, with the potential to promote healthier, more vibrant hair. Further research and development in this area may focus on optimizing formulation parameters, exploring additional herbal ingredients, and conducting long-term clinical trials to validate the oil's efficacy and safety in a larger population. Overall, the Polyherbal Hair Oil represents a significant contribution to the field of herbal cosmetics and holds promise for addressing the evolving needs of consumers seeking natural solutions for hair care.

REFERENCES:

- Evans W C, Trease, Evans, Pharmacognosy, 15th Ed., W.B. Saunders Harcourt Publishers Ltd., 2002; 292.
- Mithal B, Shah R., A Hand Book of Cosmetics, 1st ed., New Delhi: Vallabh Prakashan; 2000, 141-142.
- Adhirajan, N., Dixit, V. K., Chandrakasan, G., Development and Evaluation of Herbal Formulations for Hair growth, Indian Drugs, Nov2001, 38 (11), 559-563.
- Kirtikar K.P., Basu B.D., Indian Medicinal Plants, Vol. I, International Book Distributors, Dehradun, 1995, 768-769.
- Roy, R. K., Thakur, M., Dixit, V. K., Development and Evaluation of polyherbal formulation for hair growth promoting activity, Journal of Cosmetic Dermatology, Nov2006, 6, 108-112.
- Shah C S, Qudry J S, A Text book of Pharmacognosy, 11th Ed., B.S. Shah Prakashan, Ahmadabad, 1996; 119.
- Bhatia SC., Perfumes, soaps, detergents and cosmetics, 2nd ed., New Delhi, CBS Publishers and distributors; 2001; 639, 641.
- The Ayurvedic Formulary of India, Government of India, Ministry of Health and family planning, Department of health, Delhi, 1st ed.1978; part 1, 99.
- Jain PK, Joshi H, Dass DJ, Drug that Causes Hair Loss and Promotes Hair Growth A Review, International Journal of Research in Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences, 2012; 3(4):147-682.
- N. Sanju, N. Arun, K. K. Roop, Cosmetic Technology, 1st Edition, Birla Publications Pvt. Ltd, Delhi, 2006, 379-382.
- Ayyanar M, Ignacimuthu S. Medicinal plants used by the tribals of tirunelveli hills, Tamilnadu to treat nouse bites and skin diseases, Indian J Tradit Knowi 2005; 4(3): 229-36. <http://sopr.niscair.res.in/handle/123456789/85091>
- Mithal B, Shah R., A Hand Book of Cosmetics, 1st ed., New Delhi: Vallabh Prakashan, 2000, 141-142.
- Bhatia SC., Perfumes, soups, detergents and cosmetics, 2nd ed., New Delhi, CBS Publishers and distributors: 2001: 639,641,
- Kirtikar K.P., Basu B.D., Indian Medicinal Plants, Vol. I, International Book Distributors, Dehradun, 1995, 768-769.
- Shah C S. Qudry JS, A Text book of Pharmacognosy, 11th Ed., B.S. Shah Prakashan, Ahmadabad, 1996; 119.
- Evans WC, Trease, Evans, Pharmacognosy, 15th Ed., W.B. Saunders Harcourt Publishers Ltd., 2002; 292.

-
18. The Ayurvedic Formulary of India, Government of India, Ministry of Health and family planning, Department of health, Delhi, 1st ed. 1978; part 1, 99.
 19. N. Sanja, N. Arun, K. K. Roop, Cosmetic Technology, 1st Edition, Birla Publications Pvt. Ltd, Delhi, 2006, 379-382
 20. Adhirajan, N., Dixit, V. K., Chandrakasan, G., Development and Evaluation of Herbal Formulations for Hair growth, Indian Drugs, Nov-2001, 38 (11), 559-563.
 21. Roy, R. K., Thakur, M., Dixit, V. K., Development and Evaluation of polyherbal formulation for hair growth-promoting activity, Journal of Cosmetic Dermatology, Nov-2006, 6, 108-112 Indian Pharmacopeia 2007
 22. B. Ramya Kuber, Ch. Lavanya, Ch. Naga Haritha, S. Preethi, G. Rosa, Preparation and evaluation of poly herbal hair, Journal of Drug Delivery and Therapeutics, 2019.
 23. Dr. K.R. Kandelwal and Dr. Varun Sethi, Practical Pharmacognosy, Nirali Publication
 24. Kokate C.K, Purohit A P. S. B Pharmacognosy, Nirali Publications, 2008. Gokhale
 25. Pharmacognosy and Phytochemistry Volume 1. Third Edition by Vinod Rangari, Carver Publication
 26. Dhananjaya J Despande, A handbook of Herbal Remedies published by Agrobios (India), 2008.