ABSTRACT:

Millions of the people present day exploit to promote cardiovascular diseases have become a major health with an ever increasing prevalence worldwide due to change in lifestyle like lack of physical activities excessive weight consumption of alcohol cardiovascular diseases are spectrum of diseases including coronary artery diseases, atherosclerosis, myocardial infarction, angina pectoris peripheral vascular diseases. Natural medicine, especially from herbs, is the source for the research of various novel medicinal compounds. Drugs from herbal origin must be ensured as safe before used as medicine.

This abstract explores the therapeutic potential of Terminalia arjuna in the treatment of atherosclerosis. Terminalia arjuna, a medicinal plant with antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties, has shown promise in preclinical studies for its ability to modulate key factors involved in atherosclerotic progression. From lipid-lowering effects to antiplatelet and vasodilatory actions, the diverse bioactive compounds present in Terminalia arjuna contribute to its cardiovascular benefits. This abstract reviews existing research, highlighting the mechanisms through which Terminalia arjuna may attenuate atherosclerosis and discussing its potential as a complementary approach in managing atherosclerosis disease.

Introduction:

Thru the millinery civilization, people have tuned with nature for his or her number one requirement for the production of food, safe haven, garb, and most importantly the drugs known as phytotherapy or phototherapy. The herbal remedy additionally called as ecological recovery is prospering international lots of years as it works inside the context of humanity's shared ecological and traditional knowledge inherited from their ancestors. herbal remedy is still used by hundreds of thousands of human beings all over the international due to the fact they're unfastened from aspect results, safe and much less steeply-priced. In contemporary, cardiovascular illnesses have emerge as a main fitness mission with an ever growing occurrence global due to the exchange in life-style like lack of bodily interest cutting-edge cardiovascular diseases have become a primary health assignment with an ever-growing occurrence worldwide because of the exchange in life-style like loss of physical activity, inmoderate weight, consumption of alcohol, chewing/smoking of tobacco, and inappropriate food plan. Cardiovascular sicknesses (CVD) are spectrum of diseases together with coronary artery disease, angina, atherosclerosis.

herbal remedy has its origins in historic cultures. herbal remedy is in large demand in each developed and growing international locations because to its excessive biological activity, excessive safety margin, and decrease value as compared to artificial medicinal drugs. herbal medication has grown over the years to emerge as one of the mainstays of fields like pharmacy, remedy, herbal product chemistry, and others due to the significance of medicinal herbs from antiquity to the present. considering that all of these medical fields now apprehend how critical flowers can be as assets of medication. herbal vegetation were a extensive source of therapeutic sellers to treatment human sickness. flora are being in use of treating of diverse disease internationally. Terminalia arjuna is a extensively used natural plant since historic instances. Terminalia arjuna is domestically called as arjuna which belongs to the combretaceae circle of relatives. The plant is applied as a medicine inside the various indigenous device like ayurveda, siddha and unani. Arjunic acid, arjunicolic acid, arjangenin, arjunone, arjunolone and luteolin, gallic acid, ellagic acid, oligomeric proanthocyanidins (opcs), phytosterols are the major phytoconstituents of Terminalia arjuna that possesses many beneficial organic houses like antimicrobial, 07b031025f96fda84438433db463b6, antioxidant, antiplatelet, cardio shielding, etc. numerous scientific evidence of Terminalia arjuna and its beneficial results at the remedy of atherosclerosis ailment.

Extract of this plant incorporates sort of flavonoids and polyphenols, which help to lessen infection that causes plaque formation in arteries.

ATHEROSCLEROSIS:

A construct-up of cholesterol plaque within the walls of arteries, inflicting obstruction of blood waft. Plaques may additionally rupture, causing acute occlusion of the artery by clot. Atherosclerosis (also called Arteriosclerotic Vascular disorder or ASVD) is the condition wherein an artery wall thickens because the result of a build-up of fatty materials consisting of cholesterol. it's far a syndrome affecting arterial blood vessels, a chronic Inflammatory reaction within the partitions of arteries, in big component due to the accumulation of Macrophage white blood cells and promoted by low density (in
particular small particle) Lipoproteins (plasma proteins that deliver LDL cholesterol and triglycerides) without good enough elimination of fats and cholesterol from the macrophages with the aid of functional high density Lipoproteins (HDL), is typically known as a hardening or furring of the arteries. It is as a result of the formation of multiple plaques in the arteries. The atheromatous plaque is divided into 3 distinct components:

1. The atheroma (“lump of wax”, from Athera, wax in Greek), that's the nodular Accumulation of a smooth, flaky, yellowish fabric on the middle of huge plaques, Composed of macrophages nearest the lumen of the artery.

I. Underlying areas of cholesterol crystals

1. Calcification on the outer base of older/greater superior lesions.

The following phrases are comparable, but wonderful, in each spelling and meaning, and may be without problems stressed: arteriosclerosis, arteriolosclerosis, and atherosclerosis. Arteriosclerosis is A widespread term describing any hardening (and loss of elasticity) of medium or big Arteries (from the Greek Arterio, that means artery, and sclerosis, which means hardening); Arteriolosclerosis is any hardening (and lack of elasticity) of arterioles (small arteries); Atherosclerosis is a hardening of an artery especially due to an atheromatous plaque, therefore, atherosclerosis is a form of arteriosclerosis. Atherosclerosis, though typically asymptomatic for decades, ultimately produces fundamental problems: First, the atheromatous plaques, although lengthy compensated for by way of artery growth subsequently result in plaque ruptures and clots within the artery lumen over the Ruptures. The clots heal and usually decrease however depart in the back of stenosis (narrowing) of the Artery (each domestically and in smaller downstream branches), or worse, complete closure. And, consequently, an insufficient blood deliver to the tissues and organ it feeds. Second, if The compensating artery growth process is immoderate, then a net aneurysm results. Those headaches of superior atherosclerosis are persistent, slowly innovative.

CAUSES:

Really, permit’s delve into extra element:

1. LDL cholesterol Accumulation: Atherosclerosis starts offevolved with the build-up of LDL cholesterol- wealthy plaques inside arterial walls. Low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol, often termed “awful” LDL cholesterol, can infiltrate the artery lining and form deposits.

2. Infection: In response to factors like smoking, high blood stress, or diabetes, the inner lining of arteries can emerge as inflamed. irritation draws white blood cells, beginning a process that contributes to plaque formation.

3. Endothelial disorder: The endothelium, the internal lining of blood vessels, can enjoy dysfunction due to factors like excessive blood stress, smoking, and diabetes. while this occurs, it turns into more permeable, allowing LDL cholesterol to penetrate and collect.

4. Oxidative stress: loose radicals, generated throughout metabolic procedures or via outside elements like smoking, can cause oxidative pressure. This oxidative damage can trigger irritation and contribute to the development of atherosclerosis.

5. clean Muscle mobile Proliferation: As plaques expand, easy muscle cells inside the arterial partitions might also proliferate. this can lead to the formation of a fibrous cap over the plaque, making it more stable however also potentially lowering the artery’s flexibility.

6. danger factors:
   a) high Blood strain: high blood pressure contributes to the mechanical pressure on arterial walls, making them greater at risk of harm.
   b) Smoking: Tobacco smoke incorporates harmful substances that could harm the endothelium and promote inflammation.
   c) Diabetes: excessive blood sugar levels can harm blood vessels and growth the threat of atherosclerosis.
   d) Genetics: family history can affect an character’s predisposition to atherosclerosis.

Signs and symptoms:

Slight atherosclerosis generally doesn’t have any symptoms. Atherosclerosis signs and symptoms normally don’t take place until an artery is so narrowed or clogged that it can’t supply enough blood to organs and tissues. occasionally a blood clot completely blocks blood drift. The clot may additionally spoil apart and can cause a heart assault or stroke.

1. Chest ache
2. Bloodless sweat
3. Dizziness
4. Excessive tiredness
5. Heart palpitations
6. Shortness of breath
7. Nausea
8. Weakness

**HERB WHICH GIVES BENEFICIAL ACTION IN TREATMENT OF ATHEROSCLEROSIS: TERMILINA ARJUNA**

![Figure No.1: Terminalia Arjuna](image)

**Fundamental Creation to Herb Terminalia Arjuna:**

Natural plant life had been a giant supply of therapeutic retailers to treat human sicknesses. Plants are being in use for treating numerous kinds of illnesses the world over. Terminalia arjuna is a widely used natural plant due to the fact that ancient instances. The ancient Indian practitioners utilized the powdered tree bark of arjuna for the remedy of “hritshool” (angina) and other cardiovascular problems. Terminalia arjuna is regionally known as arjuna which belongs to the combretaceae circle of relatives. The plant is utilized as a medicine in the various indigenous gadget like ayurveda, siddha and unani. Arjunic acid, arjunolic acid, arjungenin, arjunone, arjunolone and lateolin, gallic acid, ellagic acid, oligomeric proanthocyanidins (opcs), phytoesterols are the principal phytoconstituents of Terminalia arjuna that possesses many useful biological houses like anti-microbial, antioxidant, antifeedant, cardio protecting, and many others. Numerous medical proof of Terminalia arjuna and its useful results on the cardiovascular gadget. The present review is summarizing the phytomedicinal fee of Terminalia arjuna in ayurveda and the people system of medicine.

**Herb: Terminalia Arjuna**

Synonym: Arjun tree, Terminalia cuneata Roth some local names:

- White Murdah, Arjun tree (English)
- Arjun (Hindi)
- Maddi (Kannada)
- Marutu (Malayalam)
- Sadaru (Marathi)
- Sadado (Gujarati)
- Belma, Marudam Pattai (Tamil)
- Tella Maddi (Telugu)

Organic supply: Arjuna consists of dried stem bark of the plant known as Terminalia arjuna Rob, belonging to family Combretaceae.

Geographical source: It's miles located in Indo-sub-Himalayan tracts of Uttar Pradesh, southern Bihar, Chota Nagpur, Burma, Madhya Pradesh, Delhi, and Deccan region. It is also determined inside the forests of Sri Lanka and Mauritius. It grows nearly in all types of soils, but prefers humid, fertile loam and crimson lateritic soils. It can tolerate half of submergence for a few weeks. Arjuna is propagated with the aid of seeds; Germination takes 50-70 days with 50-60% germination.
Botanical Description: it's far a massive size deciduous plant that belongs to the Combretaceae family. The period of the plant is up to 100 ft. It has a buttressed trunk and horizontally spreading branches. The branches are dropped downwards. The smooth gray bark of the plant indicates the presence of an unmarried- layered dermis with hair-like projections and few scattered lenticels. Periderm and secondary phloem are present inside the antique bark. Leaves are conical, oblong or elliptic.

It measures 10-15cm long and 4-7cm huge. Their higher facet is faded or dark inexperienced and the decrease aspect is faded brown. Petioles are arranged with one or prominent glands at the top, straight away beneath the leaf. The flowers are white with brief axillary spikes. they're bisexual. each flower consists of 10 stamens and an ovary which is disk-clothed with yellow or reddish hair. The calyx is glabrous. Fruit is 2.5-3.5 cm lengthy, glabrous with five hardangles or wings. The wings traces are oblique and curved upwards. Fruit is a drupe and is frequently notched near the top, marked with indirect upward curving striations. Shown in following figure;

Fig No. 2: Full Tree of T. Arjun

PHYTOCHEMISTRY:

taken into consideration to be the most essential constituent. subsequently most of the early studies have been restricted to bark Stem of the plant. Chemical analysis of the bark showed proof of sugar, tannins (12%), colouring Matter, a glycoside, and carbonates of calcium, Sodium and lines of chloride of alkali metals. sooner or later presence of an alkaloid in addition to a Glycoside changed into showed. The principal chemical Constituents of numerous parts of T. Arjuna are shown in desk I. The glycoside become able to increasing The pressure of contraction of the frog heart. Attempt to isolate the glycoside resulted into finding of an Organic acid with a high melting factor, a phytosterol, An natural ester without difficulty hydrolysed by using mineral acids, 12% tannins consisting largely of pyrocatechol Tannins, huge quantities of calcium and smaller Amounts of aluminium and magnesium salts. Colouring count and sugar.

(A) Stem bark
- Triterpenoids: arjunin, arjunic acid, arjunolic acid, arjungenin, terminic acid
- Glycosides: arjunetin, arjunoside I, arjunoside II, arjunaphthanoloside, terminoside A, Sitosterol
• Flavonoids: arjulone, arjunone, bicalein, luteolin, gallic acid, ethyl gallate, quercetin, kempferol, pelargonidin, oligomeric Proanthocyanidins
• Tanins: pyrocatechols, punicalin, punicalagin, terchebulin, terflavin C, castalagin, casuarin, casuarinin (17, 23, 29). Minerals/hint factors: calcium, aluminium, magnesium, silica, zinc, copper

(B) Roots
• Sitosterol
• Triterpenoids: arjunic acid, arjunolic acid, oleanolic acid, terminic acid

(C) Leaves and fruits:
• Glycosides
• Flavonoids: luteolin

Appliances of Terminalia arjuna in remedy of Atherosclerosis:

Anti–Atherosclerotic Atherosclerosis is an inflammatory vascular disorder caused by the deposition of cholesterol in the arterial wall. Atherosclerosis is one of the primary reasons of cardiovascular illnesses. The key elements accountable for plaque.

Makes Use of:
Arjuna has verified ability advantages that can contribute to cardiovascular fitness the uses of Terminalia arjuna are:
• Cardioprotective residences: Arjuna is thought to have cardioprotective effects, which might also assist in preserving heart fitness and stopping cardiovascular illnesses, such as atherosclerosis.
• Antioxidant hobby: The bark of Terminalia arjuna incorporates compounds with antioxidant homes. Antioxidants can neutralize unfastened radicals, which play a role within the development of atherosclerosis.
• continual irritation is associated with atherosclerosis. Arjuna has proven properties, and lowering inflammation can be useful in stopping or coping with atherosclerosis.
• Lipid-lowering potential: some studies advocate that Arjuna may also have lipid-reducing effects, assisting to alter levels of cholesterol. Excessive cholesterol is a risk element for atherosclerosis.
• Blood pressure law: Arjuna has been said to have hypotensive (blood pressure lowering) results, which can be useful for individuals with high blood pressure, a risk element for atherosclerosis.

Formulation of Terminalia arjuna:
Ginger–Arjuna Syrup for Atherosclerosis:
Creating syrups of ginger and arjuna for potential support in atherosclerosis involves combining these herbal ingredients with a sweetening agent. Here’s a simple example:

Fig No 4: Terminalia arjuna Bark powder

Ingredients:
1. **Arjuna Infusion:**
   - 20 g Arjuna Bark Powder
   - 250 ml Water

2. **Ginger Infusion:**
   - 30 g Fresh Ginger, grated
   - 250 ml Water

3. **Sweetening Agent**
   - Honey or Maple Syrup (to taste)

**Method of Preparation:**

1. **Arjuna Infusion:**
   - Boil the arjuna bark powder in water for 15-20 minutes.
   - Strain the liquid to obtain the arjuna infusion.

2. **Ginger Infusion:**
   - Boil the grated ginger in water for 15-20 minutes.
   - Strain the liquid to obtain the ginger infusion.

3. **Syrup Preparation:**
   - Combine equal parts of arjuna and ginger infusions.
   - Add honey or maple syrup to taste, ensuring the syrup is palatable.

4. **Storage:**
   - Store the syrup in a glass bottle in the refrigerator.

**Dosage and Usage:**

- Take 1-2 tablespoons of the syrup daily, or as recommended by a healthcare professional.
- Shake well before each use.

**Arjuna Bark Extract Tincture (1:5 ratio): Ingredients:**

1. 50 ml Arjuna Bark Extract
   - 250 ml Alcohol (e.g., vodka or brandy)

2. **Garlic Extract Tincture (1:3 ratio):**
   - 30 g Fresh Garlic, minced
   - 90 ml Alcohol

**CONCLUSION:**

In conclusion, Terminalia arjuna, with its rich pharmacognostic profile encompassing bioactive materials like saponins, flavonoids, and tannins, offers a promising avenue for atherosclerosis treatment. The documented antioxidant, 07b031025f5f96dfa8443f843db463b6, and lipid-lowering residences suggest capability healing blessings, but, further clinical studies is vital to establish its efficacy, choicest dosage, and protection profile in addressing atherosclerosis earlier than thinking about it as a definitive treatment alternative.

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