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8. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს ავტორის მიერ გამოყენებული სამამულო და უცხოური შრომების ბიბლიოგრაფიული სია (ბოლო 5-8 წლის სიღრმით). ანბანური წყობით წარმოდგენილ ბიბლიოგრაფიულ სიაში მიუთითეთ ჯერ სამამულო, შემდეგ უცხოელი ავტორები (გვარი, ინიციალები, სტატიის სათაური, ჟურნალის დასახელება, გამოცემის ადგილი, წელი, ჟურნალის №, პირველი და ბოლო გვერდები). მონოგრაფიის შემთხვევაში მიუთითეთ გამოცემის წელი, ადგილი და გვერდების საერთო რაოდენობა. ტექსტში კვადრატულ ფხიხლებში უნდა მიუთითოთ ავტორის შესაბამისი N ლიტერატურის სიის მიხედვით. მიზანშეწონილია, რომ ციტირებული წყაროების უმეტესი ნაწილი იყოს 5-6 წლის სიღრმის.

9. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს: ა) დაწესებულების ან სამეცნიერო ხელმძღვანელის წარდგინება, დამოწმებული ხელმოწერითა და ბეჭდით; ბ) დარგის სპეციალისტის დამოწმებული რეცენზია, რომელშიც მითითებული იქნება საკითხის აქტუალობა, მასალის საკმაობა, მეთოდის სანდოობა, შედეგების სამეცნიერო-პრაქტიკული მნიშვნელობა.

10. სტატიის ბოლოს საჭიროა ყველა ავტორის ხელმოწერა, რომელთა რაოდენობა არ უნდა აღემატებოდეს 5-ს.

11. რედაქცია იტოვებს უფლებას შეასწოროს სტატია. ტექსტზე მუშაობა და შეჯერება ხდება საავტორო ორიგინალის მიხედვით.

12. დაუშვებელია რედაქციაში ისეთი სტატიის წარდგენა, რომელიც დასაბეჭდად წარდგენილი იყო სხვა რედაქციაში ან გამოქვეყნებული იყო სხვა გამოცემებში.

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ANTIBACTERIAL EFFECT OF CRATAEGUS PINNATIFIDA EXTRACT AGAINST ENTEROCOCCUS FAECALIS A ROOT CANAL DISEASE-CAUSING BACTERIA

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Abstract.

Studies have substantiated the anti-inflammatory and anti-thrombotic effects of (*C. pinnatifida*); however, research on its antibacterial activity using organic solvent remains limited. Therefore, in this study, we aimed to validate the antibacterial activity of *C. pinnatifida* as a natural extract against *Enterococcus faecalis* (*E. faecalis*), a multidrug-resistant bacterium.

E. faecalis was treated with different concentrations of *C. pinnatifida* to determine the optimal concentration for the most effective antibacterial effect. Fifteen different concentrations were applied for 6 and 24 h. The experimental method centered on confirming antibacterial activity using colony-forming units.

The experimental results demonstrated a proportional increase in antibacterial activity with elevated *C. pinnatifida* concentration. Notably, 99.99% and 100% antibacterial activity were observed at 10 mg/mL and 40 mg/mL concentrations, respectively.

Our results suggest that *C. pinnatifida* holds potential as an antibacterial agent against the multidrug-resistant *E. faecalis*.

Key words. *Crataegus pinnatifida*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, Antibacterial activity.

Introduction.

Recently, there has been a growing interest in health, with an increased focus on natural products with nutritional and functional properties. This rise parallels the increasing identification of natural bioactive substances. Among these, *Crataegus pinnatifida* (*C. pinnatifida*), a fruit belonging to the Rosaceae family, stands out for its unique aroma and taste, serving medicinal and culinary purposes, such as anti-obesity, digestive disease management, and high blood pressure regulation effects. *C. pinnatifida* also exhibits antioxidant, antibacterial, anti-thrombotic, hyperlipidemia improvement, weight control, and liver damage prevention effects [1].

Various studies are underway, focusing on natural products as a preliminary research area. However, limited studies have explored certain physiological activities, such as antioxidant effects encompassing reducing free radicals, mitigating radical reactions, and enhancing reducing power [2]. The mature fruit of the hawthorn tree within the Rosaceae family is represented by *C. pinnatifida*. Its anti-inflammatory activity has been substantiated, and the anti-thrombotic effects of specific fractions have been validated using various solvent extracts. However, research on the antibacterial activity of the organic solvent fraction of *C. pinnatifida* extract remains limited.

Previous studies on *C. pinnatifida* have highlighted the antibacterial activity of its methanol extract fractions and residues against various pathogenic and food-poisoning

microorganisms, such as *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Candida albicans*, which are multidrug-resistant bacteria [3].

Enterococcus faecalis (*E. faecalis*) is a gram-positive bacterium that exists in humans and animals and is recognized for inducing life-threatening infections through antibiotic-resistant nosocomial infections. Notably, this bacterium exhibits a high prevalence in teeth subjected to root canal treatment, demonstrating an affinity for adhering to dentin and adeptly penetrating dentinal tubules [4]. Following root canal treatment, *E. faecalis* can re-enter the root canal through openings that remain unclosed despite root canal filling during treatment. The surviving bacteria, along with those invading the root canal, can proliferate, leading to the occurrence of root canal disease [5].

E. faecalis bacteria occur in a wide range of areas in the oral cavity, ranging from 0 to 50% [6]. It has been confirmed in previous studies that it appears in a variety of areas such as saliva, root canals, and plaque. According to a clinical experiment involving 21 patients, *E. faecalis* bacteria were observed in 43 gingival sulcus, 14 saliva, 10 root canals, and 10 percent of the tongue, and were frequently identified in patients with gingivitis and periodontitis [7].

E. faecalis is highly significant in the field of dental treatment, particularly during root canal treatment; therefore, sodium hypochlorite is used to clean root canals. However, the effectiveness of this chemical compound is limited, resulting in the persistence of numerous cases of post-root canal treatment infections by *E. faecalis* [8]. Various drugs are currently under application for their antibacterial properties against *E. faecalis*. However, this bacterium has demonstrated resistance to vancomycin, prompting extensive research endeavors aimed at the development of alternative antibiotics [9].

Chlorhexidine (CHX) has demonstrated efficacy in eliminating *E. faecalis* during experiments. However, despite its broad spectrum of antibacterial properties, CHX exerts long-term effects attributed to its binding to dentin [10]. An essential consideration regarding the effectiveness of a drug lies in the fact that bacteria within the root canal form a biofilm, developing resistance to the drug. The hypothesis posits that resistant polysaccharide substrates act as physical and chemical barriers, preventing the spread of antibiotics. Additionally, the bacteria become resistant to antibiotics owing to reduced metabolic activity as they grow slowly in response to limited nutrients [11].

Therefore, in this study, we aimed to validate the antibacterial effects of *C. pinnatifida*, as a natural extract, against the antibiotic-resistant bacterium *E. faecalis*.

Materials and Methods.

E. faecalis culture.

E. faecalis was obtained from the Korean Collection for Type Cultures (KCTC, Daejeon, Korea) and subjected to passaging in brain heart infusion medium (BHI; Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, USA). Following incubation, culture was performed in an environment maintained at 37°C for 24 h.

C. pinnatifida extract.

C. pinnatifida was purchased from Hwarim Pharmaceutical, ground into small pieces, mixed with 70% ethanol (ethyl alcohol, sigma, saint louis, USA) and shaken at 60°C for 12 h. Subsequently, only the supernatant was filtered, concentrated using filter paper (fiter disc, whatman, saint louis, USA), lyophilized, and diluted for further use.

Colony forming unit assay.

E. faecalis was treated with various concentrations of *C. pinnatifida* extract (0.01mg/ml, 0.05mg/ml, 0.1mg/ml, 0.3 mg/ml, 0.5 mg/ml, 1 mg/ml, 3 mg/ml, 5 mg/ml, 10 mg/ml, 15 mg/ml, 20 mg/ml, 25 mg/ml, 30 mg/ml, 35 mg/ml, 40 mg/ml) for 6 and 24 h. Subsequently, antibacterial activity was measured in colony-forming units (CFUs).

Statistical analysis.

Antibacterial effects were statistically analyzed using IBM SPSS Statistics 24.0 (SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL, USA) at a 95% significance level, followed by one-way analysis of variance and Tukey test as post hoc analysis ($P < 0.05$).

Results.

Treatment with *C. pinnatifida* extracts for 6 h resulted in a 99.99% bacterial growth inhibition at 10 mg/mL and complete bacterial death (100%) at 40 mg/mL. The inhibition rates at lower concentrations were 1.07%, 2.85%, and 40.81% at 0 mg/mL, 0.05 mg/mL, and 0.1 mg/mL, respectively. Increasing *C. pinnatifida* extract concentration correlated with a higher bacteria inhibition rate.

E. faecalis was treated with *C. pinnatifida* extracts for 24 h. At 10 mg/mL and 15 mg/mL, 96.79% and 99% bacterial growth inhibition was observed. However, at 0 mg/mL, 0.05 mg/mL, and 0.1 mg/mL, 14.10%, 18.11%, and 22.26% bacterial growth inhibition was observed. The bacteria inhibition rate increased with higher *C. pinnatifida* concentration (Figure 1).

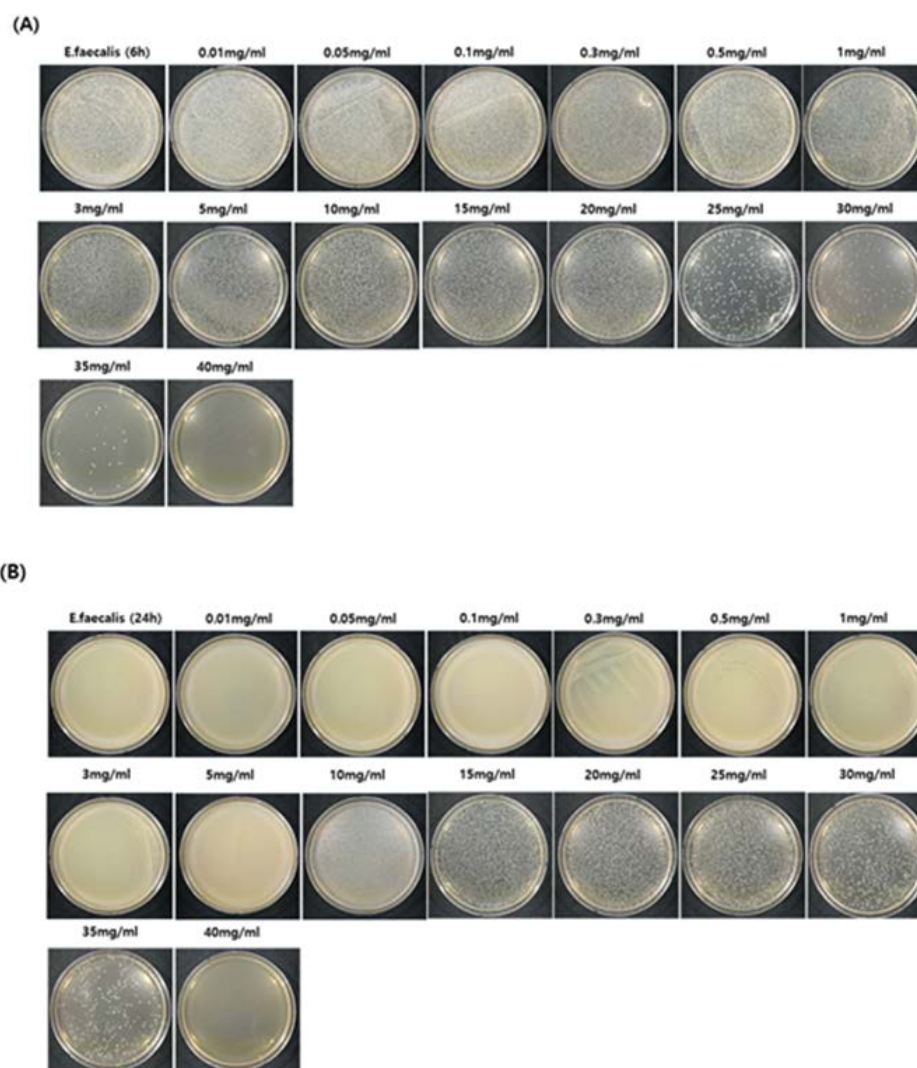


Figure 1. CFU results from applying *C. Pinnatifida* (0, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 1, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 mg/mL) to *E. faecalis* bacteria for 6 hours (A) and 24 (B).

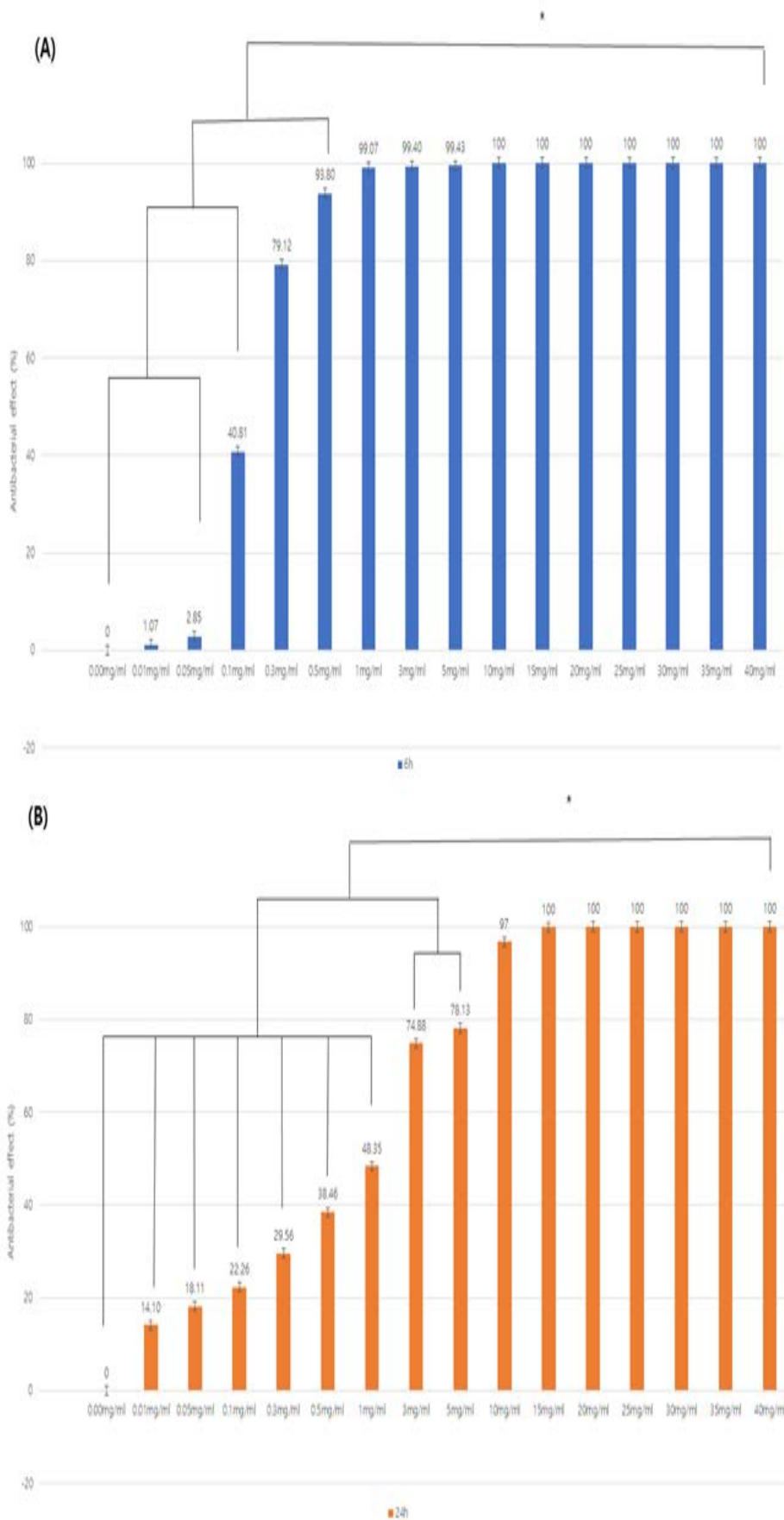


Figure 2. Antibacterial effects(%) of *C. pinnatifida* CFUs with 0, 0.01,0.05, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 1, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 mg/mL ($P<0.05$) (A): Antibacterial effect applied to *E. faecalis* for 6 hours, (B): Antibacterial effect applied to *E. faecalis* for 24 hours.

The results of *E. faecalis* exposure to *C. pinnatifida* extracts for 6 and 24 h are presented graphically in Figure 2. Significant antibacterial activity was observed from 10 mg/mL for both durations, indicating an increase in antibacterial effectiveness with higher concentrations of *C. pinnatifida* extract (Figure 2).

Discussion.

Achieving successful root canal treatment necessitates the complete eradication of bacteria within the root canal. This process involves not only mechanical removal using a file but also chemical removal through drug application [12]. Various clinical studies have utilized drugs, such as calcium hydroxide; however, resistance, specifically from bacteria, such as *E. faecalis*, has been confirmed. Notably, resistant bacteria remain within the root canal and are considered significant contributors to root canal treatment failures [13].

E. faecalis has been identified in over 30% of endodontically treated teeth with periapical lesions. Furthermore, bacteria subjected to root canal treatment have been demonstrated to exhibit resistance to a wide range of antibacterial and antibiotic drugs, rendering them a primary cause of recurrent chronic apical periodontitis [14]. Bacteria within the root canal form biofilms and exhibit resistance to drugs, which increases the likelihood of treatment failure [14]. Therefore, this study was undertaken to assess the resistance of *E. faecalis*, a bacterium known to exhibit resistance to existing antibiotics, to the extract of *C. pinnatifida*, a natural substance [15].

We assessed the antibacterial activity of *C. pinnatifida* against *E. faecalis* at various concentrations (0.01 mg/ml to 40 mg/ml). Following its application for 6 and 24 h, antibacterial activity was validated through CFUs, with a notable increase in antibacterial activity observed as the concentration of *C. pinnatifida* rose.

Considering the resistance of *E. faecalis* to drugs and the resistance of biofilm-state bacteria, it is necessary to acknowledge the possibility of bacteria-induced root treatment failure and adopt a strategic elimination approach [16]. In addition, the antibacterial effects of natural products, specifically *C. pinnatifida*, observed in this study confirm the presence of substances capable of combating existing antibiotics, as reported regarding antibiotic resistance in *E. faecalis* [17].

C. pinnatifida contains known pharmacologically active substances, such as caffeic acid, ursolic acid, hyperoside, pyrogallol, corosolic acid, salicylic acid, ferulic acid, catechin, protocatechuic acid, isoquercitrin, and chlorogenic acid [18]. Additionally, 1% *C. pinnatifida* extract, added to pork seasoning, was demonstrated to reduce the total number of bacteria [19]. In this study, a 99% bacterial inhibition rate was observed at 1 mg/ml after 6 h, with complete inhibition (100%) observed at 40 mg/ml. After 24 h, the bacterial growth inhibition rate was 99% at 15 mg/ml. These results indicate the efficacy of *C. pinnatifida* at both high and low concentrations, particularly in short-term use.

There was a difference in antibacterial activity by concentration between the group applied for 6 hours and the group applied for 24 hours. When applying the extract, the weakening antibacterial effect over time means that the medicinal effect of the extract is reduced, so application time and concentration must be taken

into consideration.

However, the antibacterial test results showed a bacterial inhibition rate of 99% from 1mg/ml under 6-hour conditions. Therefore, the appropriate antibacterial concentration can be confirmed as 1mg/ml.

C. pinnatifida is considered biologically active, given its polyphenol and flavonoid content. Previous studies have demonstrated the excellent antibacterial activity of *C. pinnatifida* against various pathogenic and foodborne microorganisms, including multidrug-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Candida sp.* [20]. In our study, antibacterial activity was also confirmed against the *E. faecalis*, with the observed antibacterial effect increasing alongside elevated concentration of *C. pinnatifida*. Confirmed in *C. pinnatifida* extract are components with antibacterial activity, particularly phenolic compounds, and flavonoids, exhibiting radical scavenging activity and demonstrating antibacterial activity against *E. faecalis*.

Although this study did not conduct research on multi-resistant bacteria, *E. Faecalis* is known to have resistance to vancomycin. Based on the results of this study, it was confirmed that the development of antibiotics against *E. Faecalis* is possible, and it can be applied to various bacteria in future studies. Therefore, we plan to apply various antibacterial tests.

E. Faecalis, which is known to have a high prevalence in dentistry and is known to be good at penetrating the dentinal tubules, re-enters the root canal using gaps in the root canal that are not closed even after root canal filling during root canal treatment, and the surviving bacteria and bacteria that invade the root canal. Since it can proliferate again and cause root canal disease, it can be used as an alternative drug in dental clinics during root canal treatment by using *C. pinnatifida*, whose antibacterial activity was confirmed in this study.

Conclusion.

The antibacterial activity of *C. pinnatifida* extract against *E. faecalis* was assessed using the CFU method for 6 and 24 h, confirming 99.99% antibacterial activity at 10 mg/mL. Given its antibacterial activity against bacteria prevalent in root canals, *C. pinnatifida* extract holds promise for future development as a root canal antibacterial drug.

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