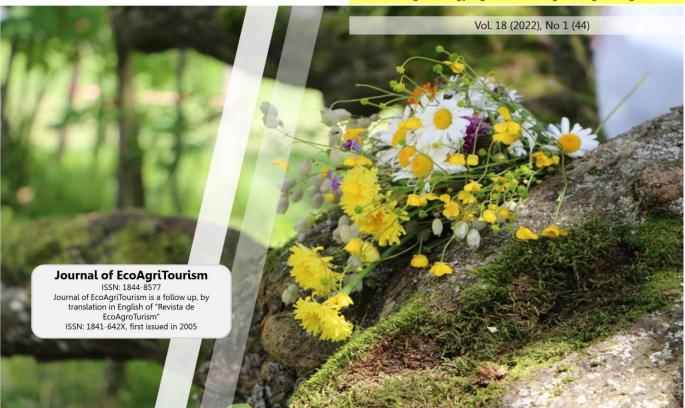
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ETHNOBOTANICAL STUDY AND INVENTORY OF MEDICINAL PLANTS IN HAMMAM DALAA (M'SILA, ALGERIA)

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Abstract: The ethno-botanical surveys carried out using questionnaires in the region of Hammam Dalaa made it possible to inventory 68 medicinal species belonging to 35 botanical families and to collect as much information as possible concerning local traditional therapeutic uses. This study also showed that the leaves are the most used part. Recipes are basically prepared by decoction or powder. Of all the diseases treated, digestive disorders are the most frequent. These results are considered as a source of information for scientific research in the field of phytochemistry and pharmacology.

Keywords: M'Sila, Hammam Dalaa, medicinal plants, ethnobotany.

1. Introduction

Medicinal plants continue to meet an important need, despite the existence and influence of modern health systems, about 35,000 species of plants are used worldwide for medicinal purposes, which forms the largest range of biodiversity used by humans [1].

These medicinal plants are important for pharmacological research and drug synthesis not only when their constituents are used directly as therapeutic agent but also as raw material for drug synthesis or model for pharmacologically active compounds [2].

Today, herbal treatments are coming back to the fore, as the effectiveness of drugs such as antibiotics (which is considered the near universal solution to serious infections) decreases as bacteria and viruses are adapted to drugs and their are increasingly resisting [3].

The most serious diseases, cancer, sclerosis which are treated in a very difficult way, but thanks to Phytotherapy which is an important

alternative can bring comfort in the classic treatment of these serious diseases [4].

Medicinal plants constitute a precious heritage and a real treasure for humanity, and are in great demand in the world and more particularly in developing countries [5].

These medicinal plants are still a source of medical care in developing countries due to the lack of a modern medicinal system [6].

Traditional herbal medicine was well developed in Algeria, but the use of conventional medicine is the cause of a neglect of these ancestral practices, which risk falling into oblivion [7].

Alongside the programs of some international organizations such as the World Health Union (IUCN), which is interested in promoting the conservation of biodiversity and the sustainable use of natural resources in North Africa, and also the involvement of local communities in the biodiversity conservation [6].

The carrying out of ethnobotanical surveys in the region of Hammam Dalaa aims to obtain a floristic inventory of the medicinal plants used by the population and the collection of as much information as possible on the therapeutic uses practiced in the study area.

The preservation of this knowledge is a challenge for the conservation and development of resources and this within the framework of the sustainable development of the study area.

2. Materials and method

2.1. Geographical location of the study area

The study area was located north of M'Sila. This area is limited to the north by El M'hir, to the east by Maadid, to the west by Ouanougha and to the south by the commune of M'Sila (Figure 1).



Fig. 1. Geographical location of the study area

2.2 . Natural conditions

The region of Hammam Dalaa does not have any weather station. The closest posts are those of M'sila and Bordj Bou Arreridj. The average annual rainfall is 221 mm at the M'Sila station; on the other hand, they are 385 mm at the Bordj Bou Arreridj station.

The mountain ranges receive larger quantities of water, of the order of 400–500 mm in the Saharan Atlas and possibly reaching more than 600 mm in the Hodna and Aurès-Belezma mountains [8].

Hammam Dalaa have a semi-arid climate characterized by cold, harsh winters and hot, dry summers.

2.3. Ethnobotanical surveys

The ethno-botanical surveys on medicinal plants were carried out during the months of March, April and May 2020 using a questionnaire sheet, these surveys allowed us to draw up a list of the medicinal plants used by the population of Hammam Dalaa in traditional herbal medicine.

There were three methods of ethno-botanical surveys, which were the most used, and the most appropriate to our case study, where we completed 132 survey leaves with informants who have knowledge of the therapeutic use of plants.

a. Rural population surveys

This survey consists of asking questions to the villagers about the plants used in traditional medicine, the parts of the plant used, the methods of preparation, and the types of diseases treated by each plant.

b. Surveys of herbalists

The survey of herbalists makes it possible to draw up a list of spontaneous medicinal plants in the study area. This investigation which carried out during the purchase of the plants, enabled us to collect necessary information concerning the vernacular medicinal plants exposed to the sale, the therapeutic uses, the posology and the diseases treated by each plant.

c. Surveys of traditional healers

The survey showed that some family members have significant knowledge of plants of medicinal interest and possessing healing gifts. The pharmacological knowledge of plants from traditional healers makes it possible to identify the basic concepts of the perception of the natural environment and the description of diseases [9].

2.4. Questionnaire leaves

The tool of our survey was a form consists of two parts. The first was based on the person surveyed (age, sex, level of education and professional situation), the second part collected information about each plant medicinal plant studied, this information makes it possible to assess the knowledge of the plant, its use, the prescription and the method of preparation recommended by each of the people interviewed.

3. Results and discussion

The results obtained from the ethno-botanical surveys were expressed in technical leaves, which consist in highlighting the characteristics of the medicinal plants used by the population of the study area. Gives us a list of medicinal plants used by the local population of this area and their therapeutic properties and traditional uses (Table 1, Annex).

3.1. Choice between traditional medicine and clinical medicine

The ethno-botanical survey of medicinal plants carried out with the population of the study area, and the collection of data concerning therapeutic uses, allowed us to describe, classify, and inventory medicinal plants, this floristic inventory highlights a floristic richness of 68 species belonging to 35 botanical families.

Regarding the uses of medicinal plants, and the treatment based on these plants. Show that the population uses phyto-therapy only or with clinical medicine with a cumulative percentage of 60% and the rest 40% uses clinical medicine, which was explained that the population interested by traditional therapies to treat their ailments, and by the fact of the effectiveness of the therapeutic practices that people had acquired from their ancestors.

3.2. Use of medicinal plants according to the survey profile

Both men and women were concerned with the use of medicinal plants, however, women used traditional medicine much more than men, because women have multiple functions and responsibilities as mothers that they must take care of their families, especially their children.

Elderly people in the age group 51 to 70 used medicinal plants more than other age groups, as their knowledge and experience on the use of plants in traditional medicine.

The transmission of knowledge of the uses and properties of medicinal plants from one generation to another is in danger because it is not always ensured.

According to the censuses carried out with the people, who used medicinal plants and according to their level of study, the results obtained show that the illiterate were the most users of the medicinal species followed respectively by the people who have the secondary level, the average level then the university level.

3.3. Information about the herbal drug according to the diseases treated

Analysis of the results obtained shows that plants such as: white horehound (Marrubium vulgare L), thyme (Thymus algeriensis Boiss. & Reut.), Germander (Teucrium polium L), Ivette (Ajuga iva L), white mugwort (Artemisia helba

alba Asso.) were among the plants most used by the local population in traditional medicine.

On the other hand to these plants which were in great demand and used in the study area, there were other medicinal plants which have a low use because of their toxicity such as oleander (Nerium oleander L), Thapsia (Thapsia garganica L).

The leaves were the part of the plant most used in treatment preparations, followed by the other parts of the plants.

The results obtained show that most of the plants intervene in the treatment of the affections of the digestive system with a percentage of (45%) then follow the other affections.

4. Conclusion

In this study, we identified 68 medicinal plants belonging to 35 botanical families, the most important of which was that of the Lamiaceae, the leaves were the most used parts; the infusion and the decoction were the most applied methods of preparation. Digestive disorders were the most known by the population in this area

The variation in the use of medicinal plants was linked to the profile of the people surveyed; young people generally do not know the names or the use of most plant species, on the other hand the elderly, who have experience in therapeutic uses.

Women and men have a shared medicinal knowledge. Illiterates know information about the therapeutic uses of medicinal plants much more than other literate people. The population of these regions has known the use of plants in traditional medicine.

The multiplication of these ethno-botanical studies on a national scale will make it possible to better understanding the potential in this field, to assess the risks resulting from the use of certain toxic plants and to adopt a new management approach for the safeguarding and preservation of natural resources [10].

Picking must be done with caution because the strong pressure of picking leads to a decrease in productivity and the reduction or loss of biodiversity, this way of harvesting leads to the scarcity, and even the risk of total disappearance of certain species [11].

In the absence of cultivation, many plants are threatened with extinction. In this context, we propose the cultivation of plants in this region, which have been the subject of conclusive scientific work and which are used in human therapy in many countries, because the needs of the pharmaceutical industry in medicinal plants are multiplied [12].

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Annexes





Fig. 2. General view of a matorral landscape of Hammam Dalaa (K. Rebbas, 2019)

Table 1. List of medicinal plants used by the population of Hammam Dalaa (M'Sila, Algeria) [9-22]

Families	Species	Parts used	Therapeutic properties	Traditional uses	
Abietaceae	Pinus halepensis Mill.	Buds, leaves, resins, bark.	Expectorant, aphrodisiac, spermatogenesis.	A needle decoction is used as an antiseptic, balsamic and antirheumatic.	
Anacardiaceae	Pistacia lentiscus L.	Leaves, resins, roots, bark.	Astringent, antiseptic, detergent, expectorant, hemostatic, simulant, vulnerary.	The leaves and the bark are used, in decoction or in powder, in the treatment of the intestine, diarrhea and diabetes.	
Apicaceae	Coriandrum sativum L.	Leaves, fruit.	Antiseptic, antispasmodic, carminative, stomachic, stimulating.	The plant is used in infusion of fresh leaves in boiling water against digestive and gastric disorders. In external use: it acts as a healing agent.	
Apicaceae	Petroselinum sativum L.	Leaves, stems.	Digestive, cordial, remedial, of the kidneys, healing, fortifying of the hair.	A decoction of the leafy stems is used against kidney stones and bladder problems.	
Apicaceae	Thapsia garganica L.	Roots.	Thapsia is used against rheumatism and bronchitis.	External use: an oily maceration of the crushed roots is used as a compress against rheumatic pains.	
Apocynaceae	Nerium oleander L.	Leaves.	Diuretic, antidiabetic, cardiotonic.	The local application of latex is recommended to treat cases of scabies.	
Asteraceae	Antemisia herba-alba Asso	Leaves, tops, roots.	Emmenagogue, stomachic, vermifuge, antispasmodic, anti gastralgic.	The leafy stem, in decoction, is very indicated in case of intestinal worms, colds, gastric pains, urinary ailments and diabetes.	
Asteraceae	Artemisia campestris L.	Tops, flowers, roots, leaves.	Vulnerary, anti-haemorrhagic, diuretic.	The plant is used in the form of infusion or powder against abdominal pain, colic and menstruation.	
Asteraceae	Brocchia cinerea Screw	Leaves	Anti-inflammatory, analgesic, antiseptic, antibacterial, antipyretic.	The plant is used to treat stomach pain, fever, headache and migraine, cough and joint inflammation	
Asteraceae	Chrysanthemum coronarium L.	The whole plant	Anti-inflammatory, analgesic.	The whole plant, in powder form, is used against stomach ailments.	
Asteraceae	Lactuca sativa L.	Leaves.	Aperitif, cardiotonic, antitussive, pectoral, anti-ulcer.	A forehead massage is done with the infusion of the leaves against sunburn.	
Asteraceae	Launaea nudicaulis L. Hook .	Leaves.	Antidiabetic, calming.	The powder of the leaves is recommended against diabetes and gastric ailments.	
Brassicaceae	Brassica rapa L.	Roots, leaves.	Aperitif, bechic, anti-gout, anti-rheumatic.	A fumigation of the leaves with onion, the leafy stem of white horehound, eucalyptus leaves and cloves, and fish head is effective in cases of typhoid fever.	
Chenopodiaceae	Atriplex halimus L.	Leaves, seeds.	Diuretic, emollient, laxative, emetic.	Mixing the powder of the plant with olive oil is very	

				effective in treating broken bones.	
Chenopodiaceae	Spinacia oleracea L.	Leaves.	Laxative, hepatic, anti-inflammatory of the urinary tract, anti-ulcer, anti-anemic.	the A decoction of the leaves, against inflammations of the digestive tract, liver and bladder.	
Cistaceae	Cistus albidus L.	Leaves, flowers.	Hypoglycemic, diuretic, healing.	The leaves, in decoction, are used against gastric pains and considered hypoglycemic. as a poultice: they are used against abscesses. In external use: it is used as a poultice against wounds.	
Cucurbitaceae	Colocynthis vulgaris L.	Fruits.	Purgative, emetic, scalp tonic.	Very dilute infusion of pruned dried fruit or pulp as a purgative and hypoglycemic.	
Cucurbitaceae	Cucumis citrullus (L) Ser.	Fruits.	Diuretic, hypotensive, softening, refreshing.	One drinks a spoon of oil extracted from the seeds every morning on an empty stomach against hypertension.	
Cupressaceae	Juniperus oxcycedrus L.	Leaves, fruits, roots, wood, cones, resins.	Antiseptic, diuretic, stomachic stimulant, sudorific.	Cade oil extracted from <i>Juniperus oxcycedrus</i> cures rashes.	
Cupressaceae	Juniperus phoenicea L.	Twigs, fruits, wood.	Antiparasitic, antiseptic, astringent.	The leaves are used, in decoction, as a hypoglycaemic. Infusion of the leaves, is used as a body bath to treat rheumatism.	
Ericaceae	Arbutus unedo L.	Fruit leaves.	Anti-inflammatory, antiseptic, astringent, diuretic and depurative.	A decoction of the leaves is used against urinary calculi.	
Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia guyoniana Boiss. and Reut.	Stems.	Calms pain due to scorpion stings.	External use: The stem latex is applied to sites of vipe bites to relieve pain and stop the spread of venom.	
Fabaceae	Vicia faba L.	Seeds.	Laxative, lowers blood cholesterol levels.	A powder of broad bean seeds mixed with chickpea seed, rice seed, and egg yolk are used as a poultice on the face against abscesses.	
Fabaceae	Ononis spinosa L.	Flowers, roots.	Antiseptic, astringent, depurative, diuretic, sudorific.	The infusion of the roots increases the secretion of urine and acts against gout.	
Fabaceae	Calycotome spinosa (L.) Lamk.	Flowers, leaves and seeds.	The calycotome is recommended for external use, against swelling, edema and especially against urine retention because its active substances are strongly diuretic.	The infusion or decoction of the flowers and leaves of the calycotome is diuretic. It can be used in powder form to treat new wounds.	
Fabaceae	Retama retam webb.	Whole plant.	Healing recommended to treat eye irritations, diarrhea, feverish illnesses and solitary worms.	Mixing the dried leaves with olive oil or water is effective against eczema.	

Fabaceae	Trigonella faenum-graecum L.	Seeds.	Softening, anabolic, emollient, febrifuge, galactagogue, hypoglycemic, tonic.	Internally, a decoction of the seeds is used to soothe abdominal pain, cough and diarrhoea. It promotes weight recovery and acts as an aperitif and soothing. Externally, the seeds are used to remove dandruff from the hair.	
Fagaceae	Quercus ilex L.	Bark, leaves, stems.	Antiseptic, antidiarrheal, astringent, haemostatic febrifuge.	As a gargle: 15g per liter of water, against angina, stomatitis and pharyngitis.	
Globulariaceae	Globularia allypum L.	Leaves.	Astringent, laxative, cholagogue, depurative. stomachic and sudorific.	The infusion of this plant is recommended to treat gastric disorders, diarrhea and menstrual pain. In powder: it is used against eczema and burns.	
Lamiaceae	Ajiga iva (L.) Schreb.	Whole plant.	Antiseptic, parasiticide, hypoglycemic.	Ivette tea is used against diabetes, hypertension, diarrhoea, gastric pain and cancer.	
Lamiaceae	Marrubium vulgare L.	Flowering tops, leaves.	Bitter tonic, cholagogue, regulates heart rhythm.	Infusion of horehound leaves is used against colds, fever and cases of allergy.	
Lamiaceae	Mentha pulegium L.	Leaves, flowering tops.	Hypotensive, bechic, pectoral, cephalic, antirheumatic, antipyretic.	In decoction, the dried or fresh leaves recommended to treat abdominal ailments.	
Lamiaceae	Mentha spicata L.	Leaves	Analgesic, antiseptic, antispasmodic, aromatic, carminative, cholagogue, digestive, stimulant, tonic.	Among the villagers, spearmint is commonly used in infusion as carminative, odontalgic, tonic, stomachic, calming, hypotensive and hypocholesterolemic. It is used to treat dysmenorrhea, urinary incontinence and oral diseases. In powder, spearmint is used to treat wounds and burns as well as to nourish the hair.	
Lamiaceae	Mentha viridis L.	Leaves, stems.	Antispasmodic, antirheumatic, antiemetic, antineuralgic.	The leafy stem, infused in tea, is used as a digestive and refreshing. As a poultice, the leaves are used against headaches and wounds.	
Lamiaceae	Teucrium polium L.	Leaves, tops, flowers.	Anti-inflammatory, astringent, detergent, febrifuge, hypoglycemic, bitter tonic.	The plant used in infusion against gastrointestinal pain, fever, diarrhea, liver attacks, biliary retention.	
Lamiaceae	Thymus algeriensis Boiss. & Reut.	Whole plant.	Vulnerable, vermifuge, tonic, stomachic, expectorant, bechic, carminative, appetizer, antiseptic.	This plant is used in the form of herbal tea to treat the flu.	
Lamiaceae	Rosmarinus officinalis L.	The leaves and flowers.	Anti-inflammatory, antiseptic, antispasmodic, astringent, carminative, cholagogue, emmenagogue, febrifuge,	Rosemary leaves are used in the form of decoction or infusion against gastric disorders, colic and menstruation and back pain	

			general stimulant, stomachic, tonic, vulnerary.	It is considered carminative and diuretic.
Lauraceae	Laurus nobilis L.	Leaves, fruit.	Stomachic, carminative. Compress bay leaves, used against rheur	
			Treatment: infected wounds, otalgia, chest,	The bulb of the onion is used in the form of poultice
Liliaceae	Allium cepa L.	Bulbs.	otitis, eyes, constipation, headaches,	against dermatological affections, and orally against
			rheumatism, apples, respiratory, hair loss.	affections at the level of the gallbladder.
Liliaceae	Allium sativum L.	Bulbs.	Garlic is effective against corns, warts,	It is considered hypotensive.
Lillaceae	Allium salivum L.		earaches, arthritis pain and rheumatism.	it is considered hypotensive.
Liliaceae	Asphodelus microcarpus	Tubers.	Detergent, resolving, antirheumatic,	An oily maceration of the tubers is applied against ear
Liliaceae	Salzm and Vivo	Tubers.	analgesic, antispasmodic.	infections, rheumatism, dental pain.
Lythraceae	Lawsonia inermis L.	Leaves.	Anti-ulcer, fungicide, anti-diarrheal,	The leaves are used as an infusion against diarrhea and
Lyunaceae	Lawsonia inermis L.	Leaves.	vermifuge.	renal lithiasis.
Malvaceae	Malva sylvestris L.	Leaves,	Mallow acts as a calming and diuretic.	The leaves and flowers in infusion are used against
Marvaceae	Maiva sylvesiris L.	flowers, roots.	Manow acts as a canning and didietic.	chronic constipation, cough and bronchitis.
Moraceae	Ficus carica L.	Fruits.	Laxative, anti-animic, bechic, pectoral,	In infusion, the fruits are used to treat cough. and the
Moraceae	Ficus carica L.	Fruits.	remedying warts.	latex is used externally against warts.
				Usually comes in the form of herbal tea made from the
Oleaceae	Jasminum fruticans L.	Flowers.	Calming and sedative.	flowers. Jasmine essential oil is used on the skin of the
Olcaccac				face, for its antioxidant and anti-wrinkle effect but also
				for its antibacterial action for acne cases.
			Leaves and bark: astringent, diuretic,	
Oleaceae	Olea europea L.	Leaves, barks,	febrifuge, tonic, hypotensive,	Olive oil is used as a laxative in the case of chronic
Oleaceae	Orea curopea E.	fruits.	hypoglycemic. oil and fruit: cholagogue,	constipation.
			laxative, emollient, sedative.	
Oleaceae	Phillyrea media L.	Barks.	Antiulcer, analgesic.	The bark, in decoction, is used in the treatment of
Oleaceae	Thurstea meata E.	Durks.		fever.
	_		Antispasmodic, soothing, calming,	The infusion of the flowers is used as a tranquilizer,
Papaveraceae	Papaver rhoeas L.	Flowers	emollient, pectoral, sedative, slightly	and
			hypnotic.	Antitussive.
Plantaginaceae		Leaves,	Softener, astringent, emollient, diuretic and	Combine with colocynth root to make
	Plantago albicans L.	roots	laxative.	poultices in wound care. Against diarrhea.
		and seeds.		
-	Ampelodesma mauritanica	_	The succulent tender base of its flower	This plant is used in infusion to treat kidney stones and
Poaceae	(Poir.) Hard. & Schinz	Leaves	stems is often eaten in the countryside; its	gallbladder.
			sweetish juice is refreshing.	

Poaceae	Hordeum vulgare L.	Seeds.	Diuretic, antitussive, anti-inflammatory and detoxifying.	Barley is used in the treatment of diseases: of the stomach, tuberculosis, colon, diarrhea, leanness jaundice. Boiled barley helps cure cough.	
Poaceae	Stipa tenacissima L.	Leaves.	Alfa is used in the treatment of chronic scalp ulcers.	The infusion of crushed esparto sprigs in boiling water is very effective in treating kidney stones.	
Poaceae	Triticum durum L.	Seeds.	Bechic, laxative, astringent, caring for skin and boils, pectoral. Wheat is used in several forms, pancake soup in the treatment of gastric pain, and fractures.		
Punicaceae	Punica granatum L.	Bark, fruit, flowers.	Vermifuge, healing, haemostatic, antidiarrheal, relieve painful menstruation.	A decoction of the barks where the fruit powder is used against diarrhea and gastrointestinal diseases.	
Ranunculaceae	Nigella sativa L.	Seeds	Analgesic, antiseptic, antispasmodic, appetizer, carminative, digestive, diuretic, expectorant, febrifuge, galactagogue, vermifuge.	The use of nigella is very effective against the flu by inhaling the crushed seeds.	
Rhamnaceae	Rhamnus alaternus L.	Leaves, stems, twig bark.	Astringent, laxative, purgative, effective against jaundice, hepatic.	Alterne is used as an infusion to treat jaundice (jaundice) and abdominal pain.	
Rhamnaceae	Ziziphus lotus L. (Desf.)	Leaves, fruit.	Anti-inflammatory, diuretic, sedative, emollient, tonic.	Dried leaf powder, moistened with water, is applied as a poultice against boils and abscesses. Jujubes, associated with rush fruits, corn style, couch grass and prickly pear flowers, are used against kidney stones.	
Rosaceae	Prunus dulcis (Mill.) DA Webb	Fruits.	Aperitif, anti-dandruff	Fruit powder mixed with milk as a poultice to improve facial skin.	
Rosaceae	Prunus armeniaca L.	Fruits, barks, seeds.	Antiasthenic, antianaemic, appetizer, tonic, nutritive, astringent, laxative.	The ripe fruit is eaten to treat constipation, anemia and weakness.	
Rosaceae	Prunus domestica L.	Leaves, fruit.	Softener, anti-anaemic, depurative, digestive, laxative, emollient, diuretic, astringent.	Prune (dried fruit) compote is an excellent remedy for constipation, especially if taken in the morning on an empty stomach.	
Rosaceae	Pyrus communis L.	Fruits.	Anti-anaemic, astringent, depurative, tonic, anti-inflammatory, nutritious.	The fruits are eaten to treat kidney ailments.	
Rutaceae	Ruta chalepensis L.	Leaves, roots.	Antispasmodic, anti-inflammatory, diuretic, emmenagogue, sedative, sudorific, vermifuge.	The root, in decoction, is used against stomach-ache, affections of the respiratory system and diseases of the liver.	
Salicaceae	Populus alba L.	Buds.	Disinfectant, treatment of kidney and bladder ailments.	Poplar wood is used for heating (rural area).	

Solanaceae	Capsicum annuum L.	Fruits.	Antiasthenic, aperitif, carminative, tonic, rubefacient.	Infusion of the seeds in boiling water for 24 hours is used to strengthen hair and eliminate dandruff.
Thymelaceae	Thymelaca hirsuta Endl.	Leaves.	Purgative, vermifuge.	The leaves, in decoction, are used against urinary ailments and kidney stones. The use of this plant is limited in external use, it consists in mixing the crushed leaves with olive oil to treat burns and scabies.
Vitaceae	Vitis vinifera L.	Leaves, fruit.	The leaves considered the remedy for menopause and uterine bleeding.	A gargle by infusion of the leaves against inflammation of the throat and stomatitis.
Zygophyliaceae	Peganum harmala L.	Seeds, leaves.	Rue is used as an antirheumatic.	The seeds are used in powder form in the treatment of rheumatic pain, back pain and haemorrhoids.
Zygophyliaceae	Zygophyllum album L.	Aerial part.	The plant is used as an analgesic and wound healing.	The white Zygophylle is a disinfectant used for the body care of infants.