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Herbs and Spices CABI

Nature offers us spices, which are a significant part of healthy and nutritious foods. The presence of abundant bioactive compounds in these spices makes them interesting from a scientific and health perspective. Extracts obtained from spice materials possess many health benefits and are rich sources of antioxidants, which suppress reactive oxygen species. *Spice Bioactive Compounds: Properties, Applications, and Health Benefits* collects such information together in one book, presenting all necessary features related to spices and their properties. Exploring the most recent research related to the extraction, isolation, encapsulation, identification, and characterization of bioactive compounds present in spices, this book also covers the health element of spices and its utilization as a treatment for various disorders. Key Features: Discusses about 14 different spices and their salient features Presents the novel technologies used in the extraction, isolation, and identification of bioactive compounds from spices Explores the utilization of spices for culinary use in food Industries such as the food and pharmaceutical industries have great interest in the use of bioactive compounds for the production of drugs and functional foods. Written by experts in their field, this book will be useful to anyone in either industry, as well as those who have an interest in the use of such bioactive compounds for the production of drugs and functional foods.

Chemistry of Spices Elsevier

Many herbs and spices, in addition to their culinary use for taste, contain chemical compounds which have medicinal uses. For this reason, herbs and spices have been used for treating various ailments since ancient times. Modern scientific methods have enabled researchers to isolate bioactive compounds from herbs and spices and perform chemical analyses, which can be used to develop medicines to treat different diseases. This book series is a compilation of current reviews on studies performed on herbs and spices. *Science of Spices and Culinary Herbs* is essential reading for medicinal chemists, herbalists and biomedical researchers interested in the science of natural herbs and spices that are common part of regional diets and folk medicine. The second volume of this series features 6 reviews of unique herbs and seeds: 1. Tamarind (*Tamarindus indica* L.): A Review of its Use as a Spice, a Culinary Herb and Medicinal Applications 2. Piper nigrum (Black pepper): A Flavor for Health 3. Coriander Seeds – Ethno-medicinal, Phytochemical and Pharmacological Profile 4. The Fenugreek Seed: Therapeutic Properties and Applications 5. Biological Activities of *Foeniculum vulgare* Mill 6. Exploration of Dill Seeds (*Anethum graveolens*): An Ayurpharmacomic Approach

Ancient and Traditional Foods, Plants, Herbs and Spices used in the Middle East CRC Press

For ages, people have recognized the importance of healing herbs. This is because human beings have coevolved with plants over the past few million years. Most of the degenerative diseases viz., AIDS, cancer, diabetes, ageing, etc., that afflict humanity have their origin in toxic free radical reactions. Most free radical damage to cells involves active oxygen species (AOS). In fact, human is

not genetically adapted to survive past middle age hence antioxidant supplementation of our diet is needed to ensure a healthier elderly population. This concept has captured the attention of scientists to prove the medicinal properties of herbs using the scientific tools. Herbs, rich source of antioxidants, are considered effective in counteracting AOS related disorders. This book documents a scientific record of the antioxidant activities of *Withania* and *Rauwolfia*, reputed for curing several diseases. AOS scavenging capacity was evinced in various parts of these herbs. This book will prove a useful reference for the professionals in pharmaceuticals and ayurveda, or anyone else who may be using plant parts as a natural source of antioxidants or dietary products

Aromatic and Medicinal Plants Elsevier

The use of different foods, herbs, and spices to treat or prevent disease has been recorded for thousands of years. Egyptian papyrus, hieroglyphics and ancient texts from the Middle East have described the cultivation and preparations of herbs and botanicals to "cure the sick". There are even older records from China and India. Some ancient scripts describe the use of medicinal plants which have never been seen within European cultures. Indeed, all ancient civilizations have pictorial records of different foods, herbs, and spices being used for medical purposes. However, there are fundamental issues pertaining to the scientific evidence for the use of these agents or their extracts in modern medicine. There have been considerable advances in scientific techniques over the last few decades. These have been used to examine the composition and applications of traditional cures. Modern science has also seen the investigation of herbs, spices and botanicals beyond their traditional usage. For example, plants which have been used for "digestion" or "medical ills" since time immemorial are now being investigated for anti-cancer properties or their toxicity, using high throughput screening. Techniques also include molecular biology, cellular biochemistry, physiology, endocrinology and even medical imaging. However, much of the material relating to the scientific basis or applications of traditional foods, herbs, spices and botanicals is scattered among various sources. The widespread applicability of foods or botanicals are rarely described and cautionary notes on toxicity are often ignored. These issues are explored in *Ancient and Traditional Foods, Plants, Herbs and Spices used in Cardiovascular Health and Disease*. Features: Investigates alternative healthcare paradigms that use traditional dietary foods, plant-derived materials, and extracts to treat cardiovascular diseases Provides information on diets, specific agents, and extracts Many chapters focus on plant-derived material, providing a historical background, uses, toxicity and cautionary notes and summary points With contributions from leading international experts, this book is useful for cardiologists, nutritionists, physicians, healthcare workers, food scientists and those working in the food industry, pharmacologists, and research scientists.

Ethnopharmacological Investigation of Indian Spices Bentham Science Publishers

Medicinal plants or medicinal herbs have been identified and used since ancient times to improve the sensory characteristics of food. The main compounds found in plants correspond to four major biochemical classes: Polyphenols, terpenes, glycosides and alkaloids. Plants synthesize these compounds for a variety of purposes, including protection of the plant against fungi and bacteria, defense against insects and attraction of pollinators and dispersal agents to favor the dispersion of

seeds and pollens.

Leafy Medicinal Herbs LAP Lambert Academic Publishing

The latest research on the health benefits and optimal processing technologies of herbs and spices. This book provides a comprehensive overview of the health benefits, analytical techniques used, and effects of processing upon the physicochemical properties of herbs and spices. Presented in three parts, it opens with a section on the technological and health benefits of herbs and spices. The second part reviews the effect of classical and novel processing techniques on the properties of herbs/spices. The third section examines extraction techniques and analytical methodologies used for herbs and spices. Filled with contributions from experts in academia and industry, *Herbs, Spices and Medicinal Plants: Processing, Health Benefits and Safety* offers chapters covering thermal and non-thermal processing of herbs and spices, recent developments in high-quality drying of herbs and spices, conventional and novel techniques for extracting bioactive compounds from herbs and spices, and approaches to analytical techniques. It also examines purification and isolation techniques for enriching bioactive phytochemicals, medicinal properties of herbs and spices, synergy in whole-plant medicine, potential applications of polyphenols from herbs and spices in dairy products, biotic and abiotic safety concerns, and adverse human health effects and regulation of metal contaminants in terrestrial plant-derived food and phytopharmaceuticals. Covers the emerging health benefits of herbs and spices, including their use as anti-diabetics, anti-inflammatory, and anti-oxidants. Reviews the effect of classical and novel processing techniques on the properties of herbs and spices. Features informed perspectives from noted academics and professionals in the industry. Part of Wiley's new IFST Advances in Food Science series. *Herbs, Spices and Medicinal Plants* is an important book for companies, research institutions, and universities active in the areas of food processing and the agri-food environment. It will appeal to food scientists and engineers, environmentalists, and food regulatory agencies.

Herbs and Spices and Their Antioxidant Properties Bentham Science Publishers

The Chemistry inside Spices & Herbs: Research and Development brings comprehensive information about the chemistry of spices and herbs with a focus on recent research in this field. The book is an extensive 2-part collection of 20 chapters contributed by experts in phytochemistry with the aim to give the reader deep knowledge about phytochemical constituents in herbal plants and their benefits. The contents include reviews on the biochemistry and biotechnology of spices and herbs, herbal medicines, biologically active compounds and their role in therapeutics among other topics. Chapters which highlight natural drugs and their role in different diseases and special plants of clinical significance are also included. Part I focuses on the general aspects of spice biotechnology, structure activity relationships and the natural products that can be used to treat different diseases - such as neurological diseases, inflammation, pain and infections. This part also covers information about phenolic compounds, flavonoids and turmeric supplements. This book is an ideal resource for scholars (in life sciences, phytomedicine and natural product chemistry) and general readers who want to understand the importance of herbs, spices and traditional medicine in pharmaceutical and clinical research.

Nature's Medicine CRC Press

Spices are obtained from natural sources, especially from plants, and are used in cooking food in

whole or grounded forms mainly for imparting flavor, aroma, and piquancy. Besides their role in improving food quality, spices also have health benefits that are anticancer, antidiabetic, antimicrobial, antioxidant, hypolipidemic, analgesic, immunostimulant, and more. Spices are generally marketed in powder form, and their supply chain is very long and complicated, which is why they are particularly susceptible to adulteration at many points. The spice supply chain is considered to be moderately vulnerable and has an ineffective quality detection system in its final product, which is the main risk factor. There are many types of fraud nowadays related to spices such as adulteration, falsification, substitution, and inaccurate labeling. *Analysis of Food Spices: Identification and Authentication* provides an overview of spices of different categories, such as terpenes and terpenoids, oleoresins, alkaloids, and polyphenolics and flavonoids, as well as qualitative and quantitative guidelines for ensuring their quality and safety using modern analytical tools and techniques. The first section of the book discusses the overview, sources, and health benefits of important categories of spices such as terpenes and terpenoids (cardamom, cinnamon, clove, coriander, cumin, fennel), oleoresins (capsicum, ginger, nutmeg), alkaloids (black pepper, fenugreek), and polyphenolics and flavonoids (basil, turmeric, olive, saffron). In the second section, qualitative diagnostic features of spices are covered. In the third section, the roles of quantitative analytical techniques, such as HPLC, LC-MS, HPTLC, GC, and GC-MS, capillary electrophoresis (CE), and other recent techniques in the analysis of food spices, are also discussed. Each chapter concludes with a general reference section, which is a bibliographic guide to more advanced texts. *Key Features* Provides a detailed overview of different food spices of plant origin, and discusses their health benefits and uses of different analytical techniques in its quality control. Explains how qualitative diagnostic features of food spices are utilized as quality control tools. Describes applicability of analytical techniques like HPLC, LC-MS, GC-MS, HPTLC, and CE for quality control of food spices. Emphasizes use of recent techniques such as proteomics, biosensors, and more in the analysis/quality control of food spices. This book will provide important guidelines for controlling quality, safety, and efficacy issues related to food spices.

Herbal Product Development BoD - Books on Demand

This edited book is focused on antioxidant compounds and their biosynthesis, up-regulation, mechanism of action for selective bioactivity, targeted role and the advancement of their bioactive potential during plant-microbe interaction and other stress conditions. This book also emphasizes on the role of antioxidants in recruiting beneficial microbes in plant surroundings. Antioxidants have multiple biological roles in plants especially in the signalling pathway. These compounds are secondary metabolites produced besides the primary biosynthetic pathway and are associated with growth and development. Besides they also have special role to play during oxidative stress produced via abiotic stimulants or pathogen attack. This understanding of the biosynthesis, signaling and function of antioxidant compounds in plants during stress condition is helpful in restoring plant ecosystem productivity and improve plant responses to a wide range of stress conditions. This book is a useful compilation for researchers and academicians in botany, plant physiology, plant biochemistry and stress physiology. Also the book serves as reading material for undergraduate and graduate students of environmental sciences, agricultural sciences and other plant science courses.

Medicinal Spices and Vegetables from Africa CRC Press

It is well known that natural antioxidants extracted from herbs and spices have high antioxidant activity. Cellular damage or oxidative injury arising from free radicals or reactive oxygen species (ROS) now appears to be the fundamental mechanism underlying a number of cardiovascular diseases and cancers. Many secondary compounds of plants have been demonstrated in in vitro experiments to protect against oxidative damage by inhibiting or quenching free radicals and reactive oxygen species. The chemical composition and antioxidant activity of different extracts (methanol, petroleum-ether, chloroform and n-butanol) obtained from Zingiberaceae species (Zingiber officinale, Curcuma domestica and Alpinia galangal) were investigated. The results showed that saponins, anthraquinones and flavonoids were found in the extracts of rhizomes Zingiber officinale, Curcuma domestica and Alpinia galangal.

Handbook of Herbs and Spices CRC Press

This volume provides a contemporary overview of new strategies for traditional medicine development. It emphasizes the importance of cataloging ethnomedical information, determining the active principles, and examining the genetic diversity and range of actions of traditional medicines. It discusses the challenges of using traditional medicines for diseases where access to modern medicine is limited, and the research areas needed to improve quality, safety, and efficacy for enhancing healthcare. Affirming the importance of traditional medicines as an essential and integral component of healthcare systems, it explores the vast opportunities for their evidence-based development.

Science of Spices and Culinary Herbs - Latest Laboratory, Pre-clinical, and Clinical Studies BoD - Books on Demand

Most therapeutics available today are highly toxic, very expensive and exhibit minimum efficacy. The issue of toxicity is even more critical for prevention than for therapy because the former involves normal subjects. Thus, therapeutics that are safe and affordable are needed for both prevention and therapy. Spices of Southeast Asian origin, once employed for taste, appearance and preservation of food, now appear to have therapeutic value for humans. What the active principles in these spices are and how they mediate their effect against various diseases are beginning to emerge from extensive research carried out within the last half-century. The current monograph is an attempt to address the active constituents, their molecular targets and the therapeutic uses of these spices.

Medicinal Plants and Foods CRC Press

The use of different foods, herbs, and spices to treat or prevent disease has been recorded for thousands of years. Egyptian papyrus, hieroglyphics and ancient texts from the Middle East have described the cultivation and preparations of herbs and botanicals to "cure the sick." There are even older records from China and India. Some ancient scripts describe the use of medicinal plants which have never been seen within European cultures. Indeed, all ancient civilizations have pictorial records of different foods, herbs, and spices being used for medical purposes. However, there are fundamental issues pertaining to the scientific evidence for the use of these agents or their extracts in modern medicine. These issues are explored in *Ancient and Traditional Foods, Plants, Herbs and Spices Used in Diabetes*. Features · Investigates alternative healthcare paradigms that use traditional dietary foods, plant-derived materials, and extracts to treat diabetes · Describes scientific

studies using modern day biomedical techniques · Provides information on diets, specific agents, extracts and resources. · Many chapters focus on plant-derived material, providing a historical background, uses, toxicity, and cautionary notes and summary points. There have been considerable advances in scientific techniques over the last few decades. These have been used to examine the composition and applications of traditional cures. Modern science has also seen the investigation of herbs, spices and botanicals beyond their traditional usage. Diabetes is one of the most common diseases worldwide, with over 400 million people with the illness. With chapter contributions by an international panel of contributors, this book is useful for researchers in the area of functional foods. Diabetologists, nutritionists, endocrinologists, healthcare workers, and pharmacologists will also find this book extremely valuable.

Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Academic Press

Drying is a key operation in processing of many plant-based foods and medicines for the purpose of preservation and retention of key attributes and active compounds. Therefore, it is essential to select suitable drying techniques to ensure a product is processed under optimal operating conditions. *Drying of Herbs, Spices, and Medicinal Plants* presents processing aspects of these three major global agricultural commodities. It offers an insight into the drying and product quality of herbs, spices, and medicinal plants, such as drying characteristics, equipment selection, physiochemical analyses, quality improvement, product development, storage, and shelf life as well as future developments. Offers the latest information on drying and processing technologies, research, and development Summarizes various drying techniques, their advantages and limitations, industrial applications, and simple design methods Presents guidelines for dryer selection Links theory and practice Envisages future trends and demands Featuring chapters from expert authors in both industry and academia, this book is an important resource for those working in the chemical, food processing, pharma, and biotech industries, especially those focused on the drying of plants for food and medicinal applications.

Drying of Herbs, Spices, and Medicinal Plants Royal Society of Chemistry

Medicinal Spices and Vegetables from Africa: Therapeutic Potential against Metabolic, Inflammatory, Infectious and Systemic Diseases provides a detailed look at medicinal spices and vegetables that have proven safe-and-effective for consumption and the treatment of diseases, including infectious diseases, cardiovascular disease, and cancer. It provides pharmacological evidence, such as the latest information related to efficacy and safety data, in vitro and in vivo studies, clinical trials, and more, to illustrate the use of these spices and vegetables as both palliative and alternative treatments with the goal of furthering research in this area to produce safer and more effective drugs. Provides scientific evidence for the potential of medicinal spices and vegetables used in Africa to fight metabolic, inflammatory, and infectious diseases Includes a review of the latest methods used to investigate the effects of medicinal plants in the treatment of disease Offers an updated resource for students and scientists in the fields of pharmaceutical science, pharmacognosy, complementary and alternative medicine, ethnopharmacology, phytochemistry, biochemistry, and more

Analysis of Food Spices CRC Press

Herbs and spices are among the most versatile and widely used ingredients in food processing. As

well as their traditional role in flavouring and colouring foods, they have been increasingly used as natural preservatives and for their potential health-promoting properties, for example as antioxidants. Edited by a leading authority in the field, and with a distinguished international team of contributors, the Handbook of herbs and spices provides an essential reference for manufacturers wishing to make the most of these important ingredients. The first group of chapters looks at general issues including quality indices for conventional and organically produced herbs, spices and their essential oils. The main body of the handbook consists of over twenty chapters covering key spices and herbs from aniseed, bay leaves and black pepper to saffron, tamarind and turmeric. Each chapter covers key issues from definition and classification including: chemical structure cultivation post-harvest processing uses in food processing functional properties quality indices methods of analysis The Handbook of herbs and spices is a standard reference for all manufacturers using herbs and spices in their products.

Ancient and Traditional Foods, Plants, Herbs and Spices used in Diabetes World Scientific
This book discusses the scope and limitations of the antimicrobial and antioxidant properties of foods as medicines or medicinal coadjuvants in traditional Indian herbal therapies. The first chapter introduces readers to the relevance of the Ayurveda system, its holistic classification approach, applications of selected herbs and the demonstrable efficacy of herbal extracts in terms of antimicrobial susceptibility. In turn, the second chapter discusses the antimicrobial properties and kinetic mechanisms of inhibition ascribed to selected vegetable extracts. The third chapter addresses the antioxidant power of phenolic compounds from vegetable products and herbal extracts. The book closes with a review of natural antioxidant agents' role in the treatment of metabolic disorders. Written from an Indian perspective, this book unravels the chemistry of the traditional Indian diet and its impact on health. Further, it can serve as a reference for other traditional products with similar health claims.

Antioxidant Properties of Spices, Herbs and Other Sources Springer Science & Business Media

Medicinal herbs are rich in vitamins, minerals and antioxidants, and are able to synthesize secondary metabolites with disease preventive properties. It is due to these qualities that herbs have been used throughout history for flavouring and in food, medicine and perfumery preparations. They are also often considered to be safe alternatives to modern medicines because of their healing properties. Though interest in medicinal and aromatic crops is growing worldwide, there is still little focus on the area of leafy medicinal herbs. This book compiles the literature for 23 globally relevant leafy medicinal herbs. Beginning with a general overview and discussion of the importance of these plants, it then handles each herb by chapter. Chapters discuss the botany of the crop, including its

history and origin, geographical distribution and morphology, before focusing on the chemical composition and phytochemical attributes. They then review postharvest technology aspects such as processing and value addition, before concluding with the general and pharmacological uses for each crop. A complete compilation of the subject, this book forms a vital resource for researchers, students, farmers and industrialists in the area of leafy medicinal herbs.

Molecular Targets and Therapeutic Uses of Spices CRC Press

Free radicals are chemicals that play a role in the etiopathogenesis of ischemia, reperfusion injury. To prevent or reduce this damage, many protective or therapeutic antioxidants are used effectively in alternative medicine. These antioxidants include immunological or pharmacological agents, vitamins, food and herbal products, and spices. Herbs and spices have been used for a long time as coloring or preservative agents by adding to the content of foods, and at the same time to increase the nutritional value of foods. More recently, the nutritional effects of herbs and spices have become more perceived and the area of interest for these products has increased. Concordantly, the biological contents of herbs and spices have begun to be studied in more detailed way at the cellular and molecular level. Sample plants are classified according to different chemical families, with the diet. Therefore, they have different levels of antioxidant capacity. These products also have potent anti-inflammatory, antihypertensive, gluco regulatory, antithrombotic, anticarcinogenic and so forth effects. These properties are used in the treatment of some chronic diseases. In this review, the antioxidant properties of various herbs and spices used to add flavor to foods or to extend their shelf life have been examined in the light of large-scale nutritional epidemiological studies, in vitro cellular/animal studies and clinical trials.

Ancient and Traditional Foods, Plants, Herbs and Spices used in Cardiovascular Health and Disease CABI

Phytotherapy is attracting increased interest for several reasons. It differs from medical procedures in that it uses the whole herb, although there is often only one component of the plant that works effectively to manage the problem. Plants contain many natural chemicals or phytochemicals that interact with the active ingredient and help prevent any side effects. Medicinal herbs and spices are investigated for their suitability in daily diets for maintaining general wellness or preventing disease. In the past decade, natural health products, dietary supplements, foods with added value, or nutraceuticals have emerged due to the increasing demand for non-pharmaceutical healthcare products. Medical herbs and spices are potential sources for developing new, effective, and safe ingredients to capture a rapidly expanding opportunity in global marketplaces. This book presents up-to-date information on the chemical, pharmacological, and nutritional uses of medicinal herbs and spices in folk medicine, pharmaceuticals, the food industry, veterinary practice, and gastronomy.

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