

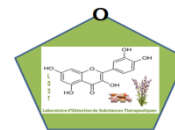
# *In vitro* bioguided trials on *Cinnamomum zeylanicum* percolate as target antimicrobial agent

Toma Nardjes Mouas <sup>1,\*</sup>, Zahia Kabouche <sup>1</sup>, Meriem Benalileche <sup>2</sup>, and Yamina Benalileche<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Université frères Mentouri-Constantine1, Laboratoire d'Obtention de Substances Thérapeutiques LOST, Campus Chasbet Ersas, 25000 Constantine, Algeria;

<sup>2</sup> Constantine 25000, Algeria.

•Corresponding author: [mouas.toma.nardjes@umc.edu.dz](mailto:mouas.toma.nardjes@umc.edu.dz)



Laboratoire d'Obtention  
de Substances Thérapeutiques



**Abstract:** *Cinnamomum zeylanicum* gender, a wildy used plant as spice and medicinal plant, is investigated in both chemical and biological fields, since development of bio-guided trials on medicinal plants therapeutic target has increased recent years through pharmacology which is interested in discovering new molecules expressing a therapeutic activity and development of useful drugs by selecting the most active fraction and isolating the active compound responsible of the therapeutically effect.

Therefore, identification and quantification analysis of main bioactive compounds were performed in order to undergo bio-guided tests using several solvents' polarities to evaluate its *in vitro* antimicrobial potential. To achieve this objective, qualitative and quantitative methods were used to identify bioactive compounds of the obtained extracts. The *in vitro screening of* antimicrobial effect was evaluated on 10 bacteria and 2 fungi by disc diffusion method which gave almost very interesting results for all tested pathogens in addition to richness in secondary metabolites.

**Keywords:** Medicinal plants; bioactive compounds; bioguide assays; antibacterial activity.

# Results and Discussion

*Cinnamomum*

Used in ancient Egypt and  
China then Europe.

Origin  
Sri Lanka and India



## **Classification:**

Family: *Lauraceae*.

Gender: *Cinnamomum*.

Name: *Cinnamomum zeylanicum*.

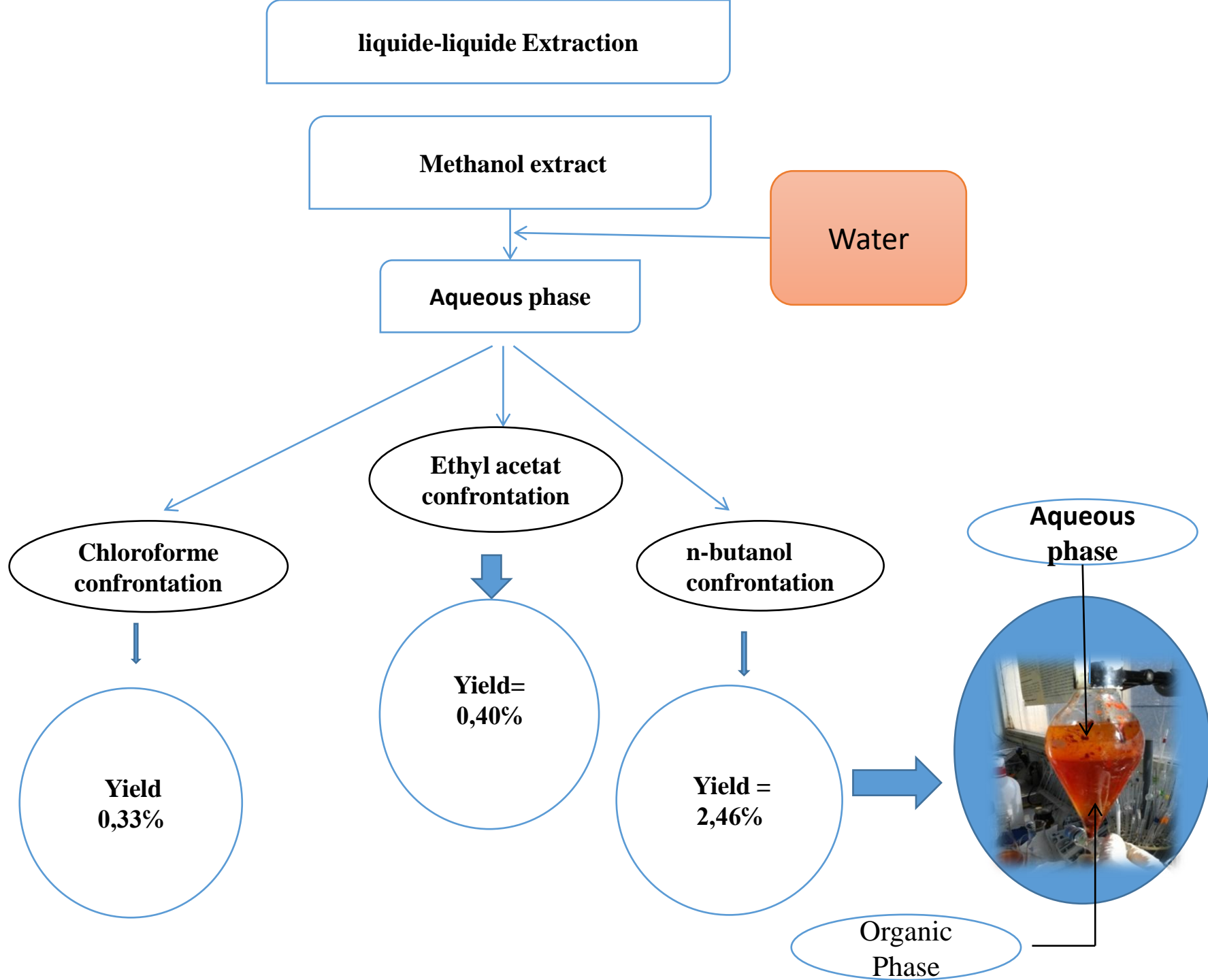
# Phytochemistry

## Leaves

- Phenols
- Esters
- Sesquiterpenes
- Phenols Alcohol
- Aromatic aldehydes
- Dioxydes
- Cetones

## Bark

- Aromatic aldehydes
- Phenols
- Alcohols monoterpenes
  - Sesquiterpenes
  - Acids
- Pyranocoumarins
  - Cetones
- Furanocoumarins



## Chloroforme extract

Four yellow-orange spots after chemical revelation, which indicates flavonoïde classe.

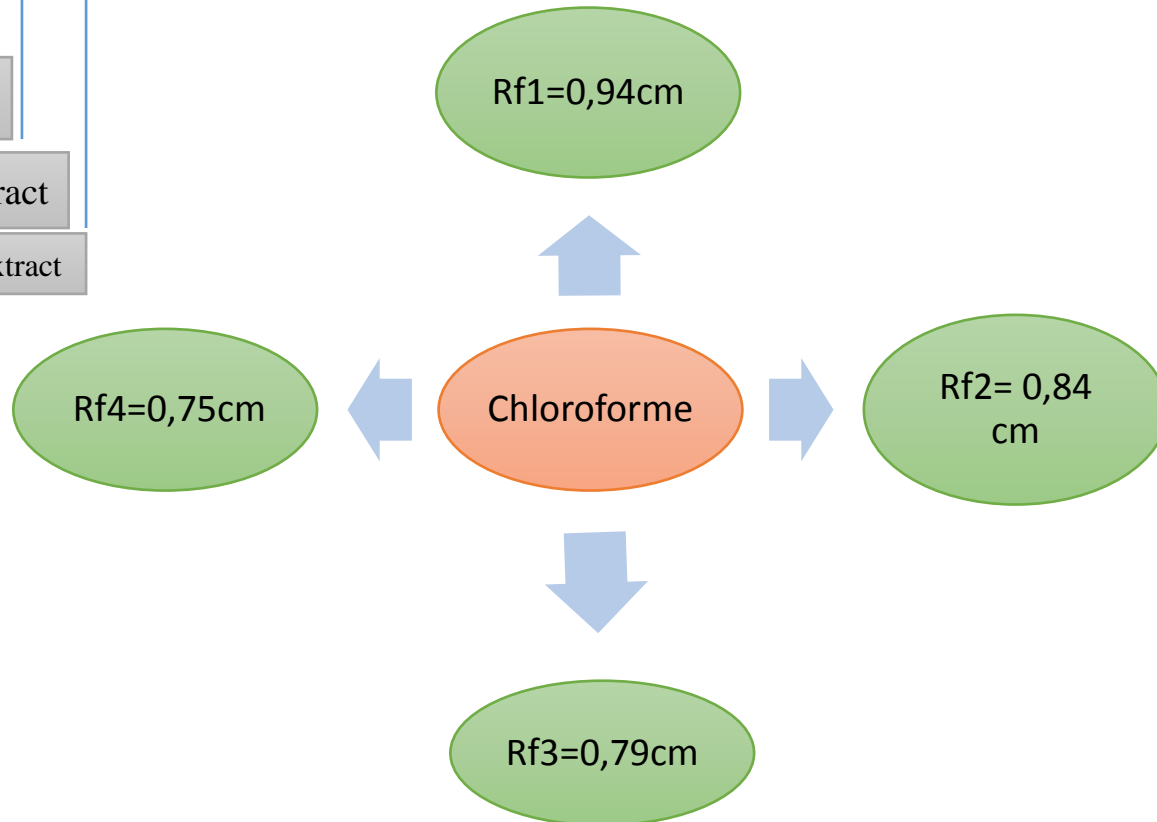
$$R_f = \frac{d_{\text{spot}}}{d_{\text{solvant}}}$$

Chloroforme  
extract

Ethyl acetate

n, butanol extract

Aqueous extract

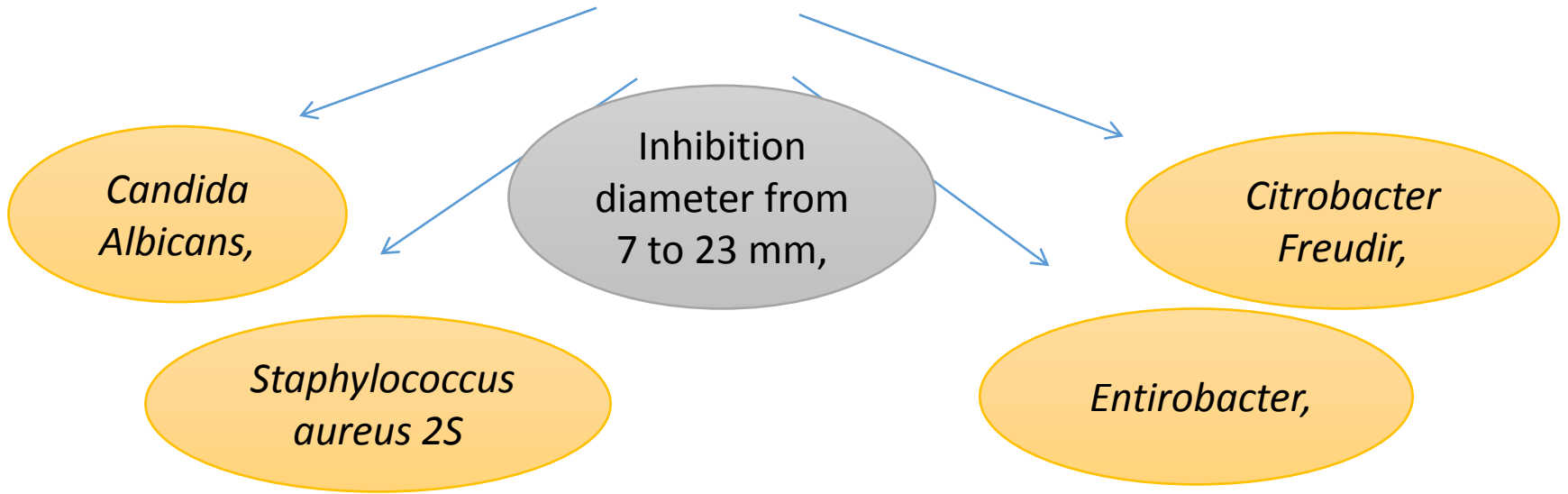


## **Total phenol and flavonoid compound content results**

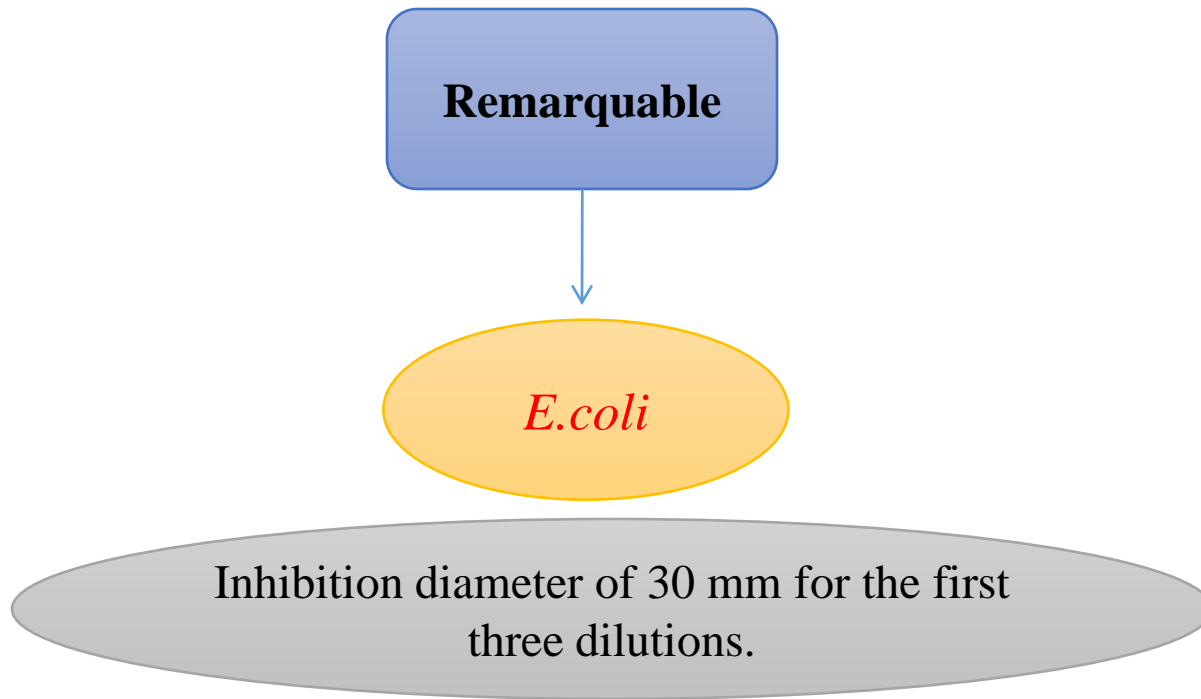
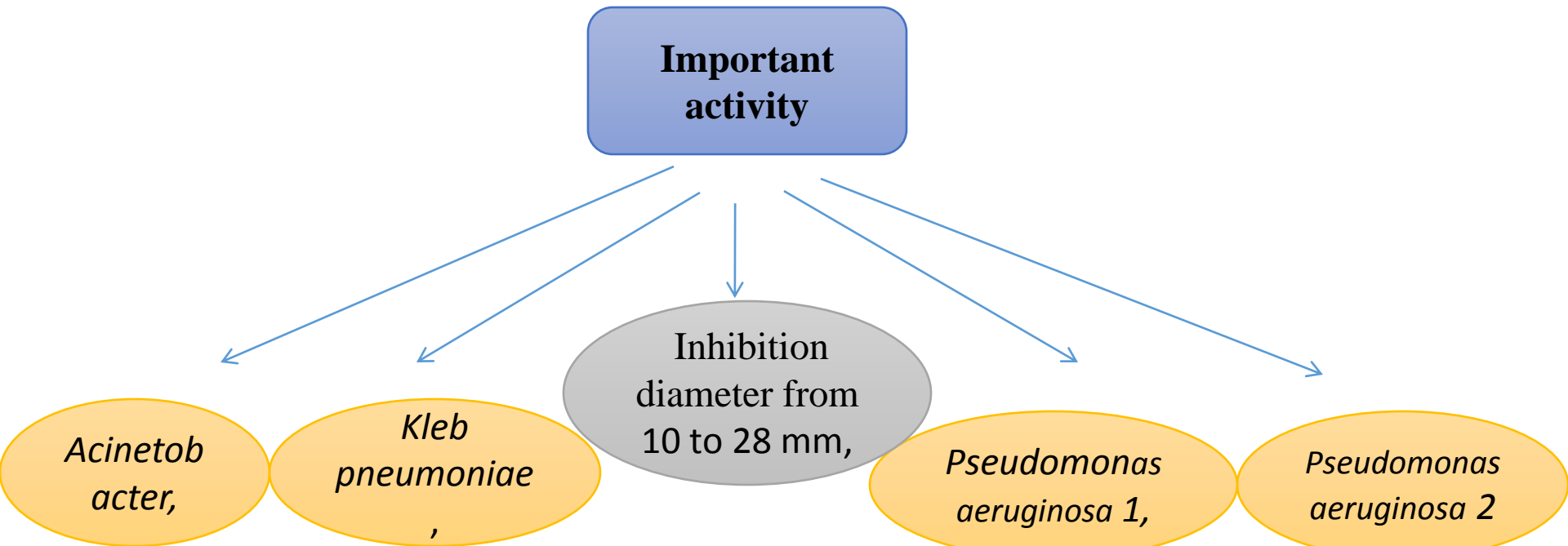
- The total phenol content showed total polyphenols content of  $(300 \pm 0.01)$   $\mu\text{g EGA/mg DE}$ , and total flavonoids content of  $(158 \pm 0.1)$   $\mu\text{g QE/mg}$  for ethyl acetate extract.
- The total phenol content showed total polyphenols content of  $(28 \pm 0.15)$   $\mu\text{g EGA/mg DE}$ , and total flavonoids content of  $(2.5 \pm 0.2)$   $\mu\text{g QE/mg}$  for n-butanol extract.
- Total flavonoids content of  $(50 \pm 0.05)$   $\mu\text{g QE/mg}$  for chloroform extract.

# Chloroforme

**Moderate  
Activity**







## Comparison

<b>Strains</b>	<b>Inhibition diameter(references )</b>	<b>Inhibition diameters(our results)</b>
<i>Candida albicans</i>	27mm	23 mm
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	16mm	13mm
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	30mm	30mm
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	14mm	18mm
<i>Pseudomonas</i>	22 mm	24mm

**Moderate activity**

*Candida Albicans*

*Enteobacter*

*Proteus,*

Inhibition diameter from 6 to 18 mm,

**Ethyl acetat**

**Important activity**

*Citrobacter freundii,*

*Kleb pneumoniae*

*Pseudomonas aeruginosa 1,*

*Pseudomonas aeruginosa 2,*

Inhibition diameter from 8 to 24 mm.

## Comparison

Strains	Inhibition diameter (references )	Inhibition diameter (our results)
<i>Candida Albicans</i>	27 mm	18mm
<i>Proteus,</i>	10mm	12mm
<i>Kleb pneumoniae</i>	14mm	24mm
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	20mm	20mm

**n-butanol**

```
graph TD; A[n-butanol] --> B[Same results for all tested strains]; A --> C[Important activity against Pseudomonas aeruginosa1]; B --> D([Inhibition diameter from 7mm to 13mm]); C --> E([Inhibition diameter from 10 to 25 mm]);
```

**Same results for all tested strains**

Inhibition diameter from 7mm to 13mm

**Important activity against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa1***

Inhibition diameter from 10 to 25 mm

Chloroforme extract riche in flavonoïds



*E.Coli* 30mm

Ethyl acetat extract riche in polyphenols



*Klebsiella pneumoniae* 24mm

n-butanol extract riche in polyphenols



*Pseudomonas aeruginosa* 1 25mm

**Conclusions** In the present work, *Cinnamomum zeylanicum* a widely cultivated and used spice, famous in all pharmacopeias for its therapeutic effect was phytochemically and biologically assessed, by subjecting its ethanol percolate to a bio-guided fractioning using different solvent polarities, identification and quantification of secondary metabolites by layer chromatography (TLC) and UV spectroscopy, undergoing *in vitro* biological trials by mean of anti bacterial and antifungal activities on several referential strains, which gave an important inhibiting activity against Gram (+) bacteria : *Staphylococcus aureus*, seven Gram (-) bacteria : *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Citrobacter freundii*, *Enterobacter aerogenes*, *Proteus Sp*, and one fungi : *Candida albicans*. Obtained results, open large perspectives on bioguided fractioning in order to identify bioactive molecules responsible of therapeutic effect and pharmaceutical enhancement of studied spice promoting it as an efficient nutraceutical for treating human microbial resistant phenomenon using some preparations as toothpastes, chewinggums.

## Acknowledgments

Authors would like to thank Algerian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research DGEFS, and the Algerian Directorate General for Scientific Research and Technological Development DGRSDT for financial fund.

