

# HPLC Characterization and Assessment of Antioxidant Status of *Vetiveria Zizanioides* Roots

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**Abstract:** *Vetiveria zizanioides* has been assigned for the extraction of phenolic acids and flavonoids for soluble, glycoside and wall-bound fractions. There was the largest number of phenolic acids and flavonoids in the methanolic extract that constitutes the cell wall-bound portion. Free radicals can induce biomolecules to oxidize, resulting in cell damage and countless illnesses. The present study investigates the role of enzymatic antioxidants, i.e. catalase, superoxide dismutase, glutathione peroxidase, glutathione reductase. Vitamin E and C enzyme activity was nonenzymatic antioxidant action by spectrophotometric method. The enzymatic glutathione peroxidase antioxidant was found to be exemplifying than the rest while Vitamin E, notified found to be best activity rather than Vitamin C. The reversed highperformance liquid chromatographic technique was created and validated for the concurrent identification of free phenolic acids and flavonoids using a photodiode array detector with gradient elution. (Caffeic acid, Hydroxy benzoic acid, Rutin, Quercetin, Para-cumaric acid and Kaempferol) in the methanolic root extract of *Vetiveria zizanioides*.

**Index Terms:** *Vetiveria Zizanioides*, enzymatic antioxidants, Non-enzymatic antioxidants, HPLC analysis.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Herbal drugs are currently available and are becoming increasingly common on a daily basis. Herbal plants have effective components that are primarily used to prevent or cure diseases [1]. They may also have other characteristics and generally do so that they can be used as botanical pesticides, incenses, preservatives, herbal teas, organic dyes, herbal drinks, spices, oils, etc [2]. From the biological system, free radicals or ROS are produced which can also conduct the disease by destroying biomolecules. Phytochemicals are connected with the defense of human physical condition against the chronic degenerative

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diseases which is also the bioactive substances of plants [3]. Antioxidants assist us prevent cell damage caused by free radicals by inhibiting or slowing down the oxidizing cell responses [4].

Superoxide dismutases are a category of tightly associated enzymes that catalyze the oxide and hydrogen peroxide conversion of the superoxide anion. Flavoprotein, glutathione reductase, utilizes the reduction energy of the pentose phosphate pathway (NADPH) to maintain the glutathione reservoir in a reduced state in the cell. In latest years, Vetiver grass has been commonly recognized for its efficacy in erosion and control of sediments, as well as being extremely capable of severe soil circumstances [5].

Highperformance liquid chromatography (or) Highpressure fluid chromatography (HPLC) is a specific form of matrix chromatography widely used in biology and assessment to identify, identify and quantify significant compounds [6]. HPLC primarily uses a column holding the packaging content (stationary phase), a pump moving the mobile phase(s) through the column, and a detector showing the retention times of the molecules. Retention period differs based on the relationships between the 15 static phase, the tested molecules and the solvent(s) used. The sample to be evaluated is brought into the mobile phase flux in tiny quantity and is delayed by particular physical or chemical interactions with the stationary phase [7].

The quantity of retardation relies on the type of the analysis and the static and mobile phase structure. The moment when a particular analyte elutes (originates from the end of the column) is termed the retention time [8]. The configuration of the mobile phase, known as gradient elution, was performed during the analysis [9]. As a result of the analyte affinity for the present mobile phase, the gradient divides the analyte mixtures [10]. Depending on the design of the stationary phase and the analyte, the selection of solvents, additives and gradient.

## II. MATERIAL AND MATERIALS

### Collection of Plant Sample

From Kolli Hills, Namakkal District, Tamilnadu, India, the root of *Vetiveria zizanioides* was obtained.

### Preparation of Plant Extract

To achieve a homogeneous sample, the roots were crashed with pestle and mortar. Crude samples were ready in 400 ml of distilled water individually by grinding 100 g of each plant.

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By blending for 15 minutes, the crushed extracts were carefully homogenized and centrifuged for 15 min at 6000 RPM. The supernatant was filtered through sieve, discarding the sediment. After they were preserved at -10°C.

### *Vetiveria zizanioides* root extract enzymatic antioxidant activity

Catalase activity was determined by the operation, the process of determining the Superoxide dismutase function, Glutathione Peroxidase was analyzed technique and Glutathione reductase activation technique.

### Non-Enzymatic Antioxidants Of *Vetiveria Zizanioides* root extract

Ascorbic acid (Vitamin C) concentrations were evaluated using technique. And the technique of estimating the concentrations of vitamin-E.

### Characterization Of *Vetiveria Zizanioides* Root Extract by HPLC analysis

High-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) using the Sachan procedure.

## III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Enzymatic antioxidant activity of *Vetiveria zizanioides* root extract

In ordinary and pathological cell metabolism, free radicals comprise one or more unpaired electrons, with this free radical, reactive oxygen species (ROS) respond readily to become radical themselves. In living organisms, they are formed by various techniques, such as aerobic respiration that stimulates macrophages and polymorphic nuclear glycoside and peroxisomes which are a normal byproduct of the metabolism of our body. However, if there is an accumulation of biomolecule such as lipids, protein, DNA, RNA resulting cell or tissue injury, the counteroxidant stress our body acts naturally relies on the manner in which antioxidant enzymes are synthesized. The antioxidant enzymes are glutathione reductase, glutathione peroxidase, superoxide dismutase, and catalase that prevent cell damage and injury by offering full natural protection against ROS. The status of antioxidant enzymes present in *Vetiveria zizanioides* root is depicted in Table-1 and Figure-1, the content of enzymatic antioxidants determined using standard protocols reveals that *Vetiveria zizanioides* root exhibited high GPX (0.84) activity followed by SOD (0.709) besides this the level of GR (0.42) and CAT (0.22) was noted to be less.

The quenching of the singlet oxygen (Superoxide) which is likely to be the main causative and drastic free radical species which will adhere to be cell membrane there by causing oxidative damage to the cell and tissue in the natural resources namely *Vetiveria zizanioides* root possess very good store of effective antioxidant enzymes namely superoxide dismutase and glutathione peroxidase the quantification of this antioxidant enzymes from *Vetiveria zizanioides* root revealed an eye opening to the research on natural products indulged with to explore the valuable bioactive and biochemical constituents in it which has been experimental and exhibited by this systematic quantification analysis in *Vetiveria zizanioides* root

Plant name	Catalase IU/ml	Superoxide dismutase IU/ml	Glutathione peroxidase IU/ml	Glutathione reductase IU/ml
<i>Vetiveria zizanioides</i>	0.22±0.002	0.709±0.004	0.84±0.03	0.42±0.02

Table 1 Enzymatic antioxidant activity of *Vetiveria zizanioides* root extract

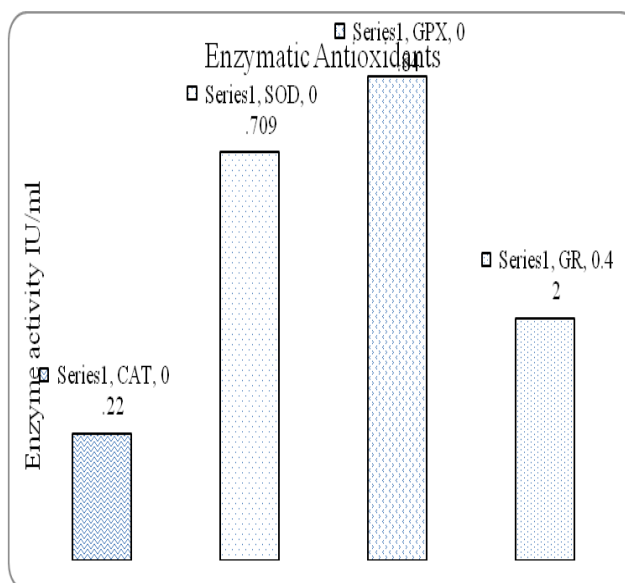


Fig. 1 *Vetiveria zizanioides* root extract's enzymatic antioxidant activity

Catalase is an enzyme which is limited in its effectiveness to metabolize  $H_2O_2$  to  $H_2O$  by its relatively poor affinity for  $H_2O_2$  and its subcellular location, in peroxisomes is susceptible to photo inactivation and degradation. Superoxide dismutase (SODs) are a category of enzymes that catalyze the oxidation and hydrogen peroxide conversion of the superoxide anion. Glutathione peroxidases (Gpxs) are omnipresent proteins that catalyze glutathione to reduce hydrogen peroxides and organic hydrogen peroxides. *Desmodium gangeticum* 164.04±1.9, 789.7±2.19, 166±1.87  $\mu\text{g} / \text{mg}$  levels of the enzymatic antioxidant namely glutathione peroxidase, superoxide dismutase and catalase.

**Non- Enzymatic Antioxidants of *VetiveriaZizanioides*Roots**

*Vetiveria zizanioides* root's nonenzymatic antioxidants, including vitamin E and vitamin C, were shown in table 2 and figure.2. The essential and nutritional important of minerals and vitamins which has been continuously emphasized in the field of nutrition and growth development mechanism in living system. The important of this vital amines = vitamins C, E which has been known to have very

crucial and health beneficial effects on mankind for the healthy life existence. The presence of the non-enzymatic antioxidants not only serving as a nutritional component parallelly but it acts as an effective non enzymatic antioxidant as its other parts vitamin. The level of vitamin E (Tocopherol) is noted to be higher than vitamin-C which has been determined from the *Vetiveriazizanioides* roots.

Detector 340 (nm)						
Peak#	Ret. Time	Area	Height	Area %	Height %	Name
1	3.447	7699462	52430	83.091	76.691	Caffeic acid
2	7.140	1262978	12544	13.630	18.348	Hydroxy benzoic acid
3	10.096	297867	3056	3.215	4.470	Rutin
4	14.252	1165	56	0.013	0.082	Quercetin
5	15.139	1071	136	0.012	0.200	Para- cumaric acid
Total		9266255	68366	100.000	100.000	

Table-2 Non- Enzymatic antioxidant activity of *Vetiveriazizanioides*root extract

This is determined from the *Vetiveriazizanioides* root the presence of these importance non enzymatic along with high content of enzymatic antioxidant in the same sources namely *Vetiveriazizanioides* root which is predicted to be an a valuable natural sources of antioxidant store. Revealed that by modifying mechanisms from mitosis and cell elongation to senescence and death, non-enzymatic antioxidants can influence plant growth and development. Similarly, abiotic stress related gene expression changes the level of nonenzymatic antioxidants including vitamin C, vitamin E, and reduced glutathione  $28.24 \pm 0.9$ ,  $69.54 \pm 1.53$ ,  $2.98 \pm 0.80$  in *Desmodium gangeticum*.

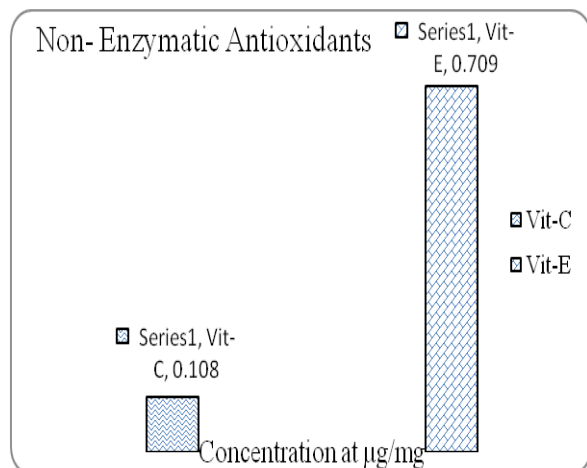


Fig.2 Non- Enzymatic antioxidant activity of *Vetiveriazizanioides* root extract

**Characterization of *Vetiveriazizanioides* Root Extract by HPLC analysis**

HPLC chromatogram of phenolic compounds from methanolic root extract of *Vetiveriazizanioides* was presented in fig- 3 and the data were presented in table- 3. In the methanolic root extract of *Vetiveria zizanioides*, hydroxy benzoic acid, caffeic acid, paracumelic acid, quercetin and rutin were recognized by combining their Retention Time (RT) and UV spectrum of authentic standards evaluated under the same circumstances, whereas the relative

information from their corresponding calibration graphs were determined. In retention times of 3,447 minutes and 7,140 minutes respectively, caffeic acid and hydroxyl benzoic acid were recognized. No definite elevations were noted linked to paracumelic acid, quercetin, and rutin. The levels of these elements in the *Vetiveria zizanioides* methanolic root extract.

Plant name	Vitamin-C µg/mg	Vitamin-E µg/mg		
<i>Vetiveriazizanioides</i>	0.108 ± 0.072	0.709 ± 0.056		

Table-3 HPLC Analysis of Phenolic compounds From Methanolic root extract of *Vetiveria Zizanioides*

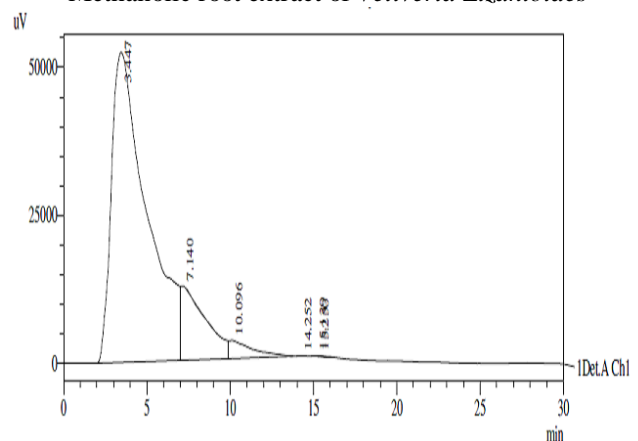


Fig. 3 HPLC Analysis of phenols From methanolic root

**IV. CONCLUSION**

The expedition to research of plant based natural products has been constantly mapped and localization of these bioactive compounds namely phytochemicals of *Vetiveria zizanioides* roots has been explored from kollihills, Namakkal (Dt). The systematic screening and



quantification provided a very valuable and interesting facts that *Vetiveria zizanioides* roots upholds a wide range of Antioxidant enzymes the sources opted has comprehensively validates that *Vetiveria zizanioides* roots will certainly act as an effective and therapeutic natural resource with detailed characterization and in vivo experimental studies are wanted in order to expose this valid enriched *Vetiveria zizanioides* roots to the society.

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