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Antiurolithiatic plants in different countries and cultures

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Abstract

Urolithiasis is very old and common urological disorder with its worldwide prevalence, multi-factorial etiology, increased recurrent rate and severe consequences. The adverse effects of currently available antiurolithiatic agents potentiate the natural product researchers to explore the natural antiurolithiatic compounds with fewer side effects. The presented communication constitutes a review on antiurolithiatic effect of four hundred and fifty seven (457) plants belonging to one hundred and eight (108) families found in different parts of the world. This review will provide useful information for the discovery of natural antiurolithiatic compounds and fill the gaps in knowledge.

Keywords: urolithiasis, antiurolithiatic, natural products, drug development.

Introduction

Current world-wide interest in traditional medicine has led to rapid development and studies of many remedies employed by various cultures of the world. The side effects of these anti urolithiatic drugs are given much attention to the application of traditional medicines. Therefore, it is a need to concentrate on all folk natural products useful in urolithiasis for their pharmacological evaluation, isolating single drug entity responsible for antiurolithiatic effect and developing suitable formulation used against urolithiasis. All provided information was obtained through Google Scholar, Pubmed, Sci Finder, Scirus, Web of Science and a library search. The search terms included Ethno-medicinal survey of anti-urolithiatic plants, antiurolithiatic plants, and plants against kidney stones, traditional antiurolithiatic remedies. It is recorded in alphabetical order of plant scientific name, family, parts used and country name where it is used for the treatment of urolithiasis (table1). Ethnomedicinal surveys from America, Australia, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Colombia, Cuba, Eastern Albania, Fiji, Germany, Haiti, India, Iran, Italy, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Libya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestine, Peru, Réunion, Thailand, Turkey, Uzbekistan and Yemen (34 countries) are reported as antiurolithiatic. In this report we have enumerated 457 medicinal plants of 108 families used as antiurolithiatic drugs in different countries and cultures.

Conclusion

The present review not only gives an extensive ethnomedicinal information about the medicinal plants used against urolithiasis in different countries and cultures. But, it also provide an elaborate literature search of traditionally reported antiurolithiatic plants. In future, it will open a door for the discovery of natural antiurolithiatic drugs with fewer side effects.

Table 1: Medicinal plants used against kidney stones in different countries and cultures

Family	Plants	Part(s)	Country	
Acanthaceae	<i>Anisotes trisulcus</i> (Forssk.) Nees.	leaves infusion	Yemen ^[1]	
	<i>Barleria prionitis</i> L.	roots decoction	India ^[2]	
	<i>Dipteracanthus repens</i> (L.) Hassk.	leaves infusion	Malaysia ^[3]	
	<i>Ecbolium viride</i> (Forsk.) Alst.	leaves / roots decoction	India ^[2-5]	
	<i>Hygrophila auriculata</i> (Schum.) Heine.	roots decoction		
	<i>Hygrophila schulli</i> (Buch.-Ham.) Almeida.	leaves decoction		
	<i>Thunbergia alata</i> Thnal.	leaves decoction		
Acoraceae	<i>Acorus calamus</i> L.	roots	Iran ^[6]	
Adiantaceae	<i>Adiantum capillus-veneris</i> L.	leaves infusion	Turkey ^[7]	
Aizoaceae	<i>Trianthema portulacastrum</i> L.	leaves juice	India ^[8]	
Alismataceae	<i>Alisma plantago-aquatica</i> L.	plant decoction	Pakistan ^[9]	
Amaranthaceae	<i>Achyranthes aspera</i> L.	roots decoction / infusion	Iran ^[6]	
	<i>Aerva javanica</i> (Burm, f.) Juss. Ex Shult.	plant	Bangladesh ^[10]	
	<i>Aerva lanata</i> (Linn.) Juss. Ex Schult.	leaves juice	India ^[11]	
	<i>Amaranthus blitum</i> L.	leaves infusion	Pakistan ^[12-14]	
	<i>Amaranthus caudatus</i> L.		India ^[2, 8, 15-18]	
	<i>Amaranthus spinosus</i> L.	roots decoction		
	<i>Amaranthus viridis</i> L.			
	<i>Beta vulgaris</i> L.	rhizome juice	Pakistan ^[19]	
	<i>Celosia argentea</i> L.	roots infusion		
	<i>Gomphrena celosioides</i> Mart.	plant infusion		
Amaryllidaceae	<i>Allium cepa</i> L.	bulb infusion	India ^[2, 8, 17, 20, 21]	
	<i>Allium odorum</i> L.	leaves infusion		
	<i>Allium sativum</i> L.	bulb infusion		
	<i>Curculigo orchioides</i> Gaertn.	rhizome infusion		
	<i>Ungernia victoris</i> Vved.	seeds infusion		
Anacardiaceae	<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i> L.	plant infusion	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]	
	<i>Rhus succedanea</i> L.	fruit decoction	Morocco ^[25]	
	<i>Spondias axillaris</i> L.		India ^[20, 26]	
Annonaceae	<i>Malmea depressa</i> (Baill) R.E. Fries.	bark infusion	Mexico ^[27]	
Apiaceae	<i>Ammi majus</i> L.	plant infusion	Jordan ^[28, 29]	
	<i>Ammi visnaga</i> Lam.	fruit decoction	Palestine ^[22]	
	<i>Apium graveolens</i> L.		Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]	
	<i>Bunium persicum</i> (Boiss.) B. Fedtsch.	fruit decoction	Morocco ^[31]	
	<i>Carum carvi</i> L.		Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]	
	<i>Carum copticum</i> L.		Iran ^[6]	
	<i>Centella asiatica</i> (Linn.) Urban.		Turkey ^[7]	
	<i>Peucedanum grande</i> C.B. Clarke.		Iran ^[6]	
	<i>Coriandrum sativum</i> L.	seeds / leaves decoction	Iran ^[6]	
	<i>Daucus carota</i> L.	roots decoction	India ^[11]	
	<i>Eryngium campestre</i> L.		Libya ^[32]	
	<i>Eryngium creticum</i> Lam.	flowers / stem decoction	India ^[33]	
	<i>Ferula persica</i> Willd.	roots / seeds infusion	Turkey ^[7]	
	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> Mill.	fruit decoction	Iran ^[34]	
	<i>Levisticum officinale</i> W. D. J. Koch.		Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]	
	<i>Petroselinum crispum</i> (Mill.) Nyman & A.W.Hill.		Iran ^[6]	
Apocynaceae	<i>Petroselinum sativum</i> Hoffm.	leaves decoction / infusion	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]	
	<i>Pimpinella anisum</i> L.	fruit decoction	Turkey ^[36]	
	<i>Carissa opaca</i> Stapf. Ex. Haines.	leaves decoction	Iran ^[6]	
	<i>Holarrhena antidysenterica</i> (Roth.) DC.	root bark decoction	Pakistan ^[13]	
	<i>Holarrhena pubescens</i> . (Buch.Ham). Wall. Ex. G.	stem / seeds	India ^[11, 38]	

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Aquifoliaceae	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i> L.	leaves decoction	Eastern Albania ^[39]
Araceae	<i>Arum rupicola</i> var. <i>detruncatum</i> Tzvelev.	leaves infusion	Turkey ^[7]
Araliaceae	<i>Hedera helix</i> L.	aerial parts	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
Arecaceae	<i>Borassus flabellifer</i> L.	buds infusion	India ^[2]
	<i>Cocos nucifera</i> L.	fruit water	
Asclepiadaceae	<i>Asclepias syriaca</i> L.	roots decoction	America ^[40]
Asparagaceae	<i>Asparagus officinalis</i> L.		Canada ^[41]
	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Willd.		Germany ^[42]
Aspleniaceae	<i>Asplenium ceterach</i> L.	leaves decoction	India ^[33]
	<i>Asplenium scolopendrium</i> L.		Iran ^[6]
Asteraceae	<i>Aaronsohnia pubescens</i> K. Bremer & Humph.	leaves infusion	Libya ^[32]
	<i>Achillea millefolium</i> L.	plant	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Acmella oleracea</i> (L.) R. K. Jansen.		Australia ^[44]
	<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i> L.	roots decoction	India ^[2]
	<i>Anthemis nobilis</i> Boiss.	flowers decoction / infusion	Iran ^[34]
	<i>Arctium lappa</i> L.	roots decoction	India ^[26]
	<i>Artemisia abrotanum</i> L.	fruit infusion	
	<i>Artemisia absinthium</i> L.		Iran ^[6]
	<i>Artemisia scoparia</i> Waldst. & Kit.	plant infusion	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
	<i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> L.		Iran ^[6]
	<i>Aster tripolium</i> L.	fruit	
	<i>Blumea balsamifera</i> (L.) DC.	leaves	Philippine ^[45]
	<i>Calendula officinalis</i> L.	plant	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Cichorium intybus</i> L.	leaves raw eaten	America ^[40]
	<i>Cynara scolymus</i> L.		Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Echinops spinosus</i> L.	roots / flower decoction	Palestine ^[35]
	<i>Enhydra fluctuans</i> Lour.	plant	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Eupatorium birmanicum</i> DC.	leaves decoction	Morocco ^[31]
	<i>Eupatorium purpureum</i> L.	roots tincture	India ^[20, 21]
	<i>Helichrysum arenarium</i> Moench.	flower decoction/ infusion	America ^[40]
	<i>Helichrysum maracandicum</i> Popov.	inflorescence decoction	Turkey ^[7, 46]
	<i>Helichrysum pallasi</i> (Sprengel) Ledeb.	herb infusion	
	<i>Helichrysum plicatum</i> DC.	aerial parts decoction / infusion	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
	<i>Inula oculus-christi</i> L.		Turkey ^[7, 47]
	<i>Kalimeris indica</i> (L.) Sch.-Bip.	flowers decoction	
	<i>Matricaria chamomilla</i> L.	plant decoction	China ^[48]
	<i>Meiogyne minuta</i> (G. Forst.) Less.		Iran ^[6]
	<i>Onopordum acanthium</i> L.	seeds powder with honey	Palestine ^[22]
	<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i> L.	bark infusion	India ^[20]
	<i>Silybum Marianum</i> (L.) Gaertner.	shoots decoction	Turkey ^[46]
	<i>Solidago virga-aurea</i> L.	aerial parts	
	<i>Sphaeranthus indicus</i> L.	roots decoction	Palestine ^[35]
	<i>Tanacetum chiliophyllum</i> Schultz.	capitulum decoction	India ^[18, 33]
	<i>Tanacetum parthenium</i> (Linn.) Sch. Bip.	flower with oxymel	Turkey ^[7]
	<i>Taraxacum officinale</i> F.H. Wigg.	roots decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Trapagan buphtalmoides</i> (DC.) Boiss.	leaves raw eaten	America ^[40]
	<i>Taraxacum androssovii</i> Schischkin.	leaves infusion	
	<i>Taraxacum fedtschenkoi</i> Hand.-Mazz.		Turkey ^[7, 46]
	<i>Taraxacum macroleptum</i> Schischkin.		
	<i>Tridax procumbens</i> L.		India ^[20, 50]
	<i>Xanthium strumarium</i> L.	roots decoction / infusion	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
Averrhoaceae	<i>Averrhoa carambola</i> L.		India ^[21]
Berberidaceae	<i>Berberis integerrima</i> Bunge.	leaves decoction	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
Betulaceae	<i>Betula lenta</i> L.		America ^[40]
	<i>Betula pendula</i> Roth.	leaves / bark infusion	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
Bombacaceae	<i>Betula utilis</i> D. Don.	leaves infusion	
	<i>Bombax ceiba</i> L.	bark / fruit	India ^[33, 38]

Boraginaceae	<i>Arnebia euchroma</i> L.	roots	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Cordia ecalyculata</i> Vell.	fruit roasted and brewed	Brazil ^[27]
	<i>Cordia grandis</i> Roxb.	fruit	India ^[20]
	<i>Heliotropium indicum</i> L.	leaves decoction	Cuba ^[27]
	<i>Heliotropium strigosum</i> Willd.	leaves infusion	Pakistan ^[9]
	<i>Lithospermum officinale</i> L.	fruit decoction	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
	<i>Rotula aquatica</i> Lour.	roots / stem decoction	India ^[2] Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Tournefortia acuminata</i> DC.	leaves infusion	Réunion ^[51]
Brassicaceae	<i>Armoracia lapathifolia</i> Glib.	roots / seeds	Palestine ^[22, 37]
	<i>Barbarea vulgaris</i> R.Br.	leaves infusion	
	<i>Brassica napus</i> L.	leaves juice	
	<i>Brassica oleracea</i> L.	fruit ash	
	<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i> (L.) Medik.	herb decoction / infusion	America ^[40]
	<i>Cardamine uliginosa</i> M. Bieb.	aerial parts decoction / infusion	Palestine ^[22]
	<i>Raphanus sativus</i> L.	leaves / roots juice and seeds powder	Turkey ^[7]
		roots infusion	India ^[38]
		fruit	Pakistan ^[52]
	<i>Zilla spinosa</i> (L.) Prantl.	aerial parts decoction	Iran ^[6]
Bromeliaceae	<i>Ananas comosus</i> (Linn.) Merr.	fruit juice	Morocco ^[31]
Burseraceae	<i>Commiphora mukul</i> Engl.	gum	India ^[2]
Caesalpiniaceae	<i>Bauhinia forficata</i> Link.	leaves decoction	Brazil ^[27]
	<i>Bauhinia purpurea</i> L.	bark infusion	Nepal ^[53]
	<i>Cassia auriculata</i> L.	leaves juice	India ^[11, 17]
	<i>Cassia fistula</i> L.	fruit juice	
	<i>Cassia occidentalis</i> L.	flowers	
	<i>Saraca asoca</i> (Roxb.) De Wilde.	bark /seeds decoction	India ^[2, 20, 54]
	<i>Tamarindus indica</i> L.	leaves decoction	
Cannabaceae	<i>Cannabis sativa</i> L.	fruit	Iran ^[6]
Capparidaceae	<i>Crateva adansonii</i> DC. Subsp. <i>odora</i> Buch. Ham.	bark decoction	India ^[11, 33, 38, 55]
	<i>Crataeva magna</i> (Lour.) D.C.	stem bark decoction	
	<i>Crataeva murvala</i> Buch.-Ham.		
Caricaceae	<i>Carica papaya</i> L.	roots paste	
Caryophyllaceae	<i>Gymnocarpus decandrus</i> Forssk.	aerial parts	Morocco ^[31]
	<i>Gypsophila struthium</i> L.	roots	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Paronychia argentea</i> Lam.	leaves / flowers decoction	Palestine ^[37]
	<i>Saponaria mesogitana</i> Boiss.	leaves / roots decoction	
Celastraceae	<i>Celastrus paniculatus</i> Willd.	leaves infusion	India ^[38]
Chenopodiaceae	<i>Chenopodium album</i> L.	plant infusion	Pakistan ^[14, 56]
	<i>Haloxylon stocksi</i> Boiss. Benth. & Hook.	-----	
	<i>Suaeda fruticosa</i> L. Forsk.	leaves infusion	
Combretaceae	<i>Terminalia arjuna</i> (Roxb.) Wt.& Arn.	bark infusion	India ^[2, 17, 20, 38, 57]
Campanulaceae	<i>Pratia nummularia</i> Benth. ex Kurz.	plant decoction	
Convolvulaceae	<i>Argyreia nervosa</i> (Burm.f.) Bojer.	leaves infusion	
	<i>Xenostegia tridentata</i> (L.) D.F. Austin & Staples.	roots decoction	
Costaceae	<i>Costus speciosus</i> (Koen.) Sm.	tubers decoction	Brazil ^[27]
	<i>Costus spicatus</i> (Jacq.) Sw.	plant infusion	India ^[8]
Crassulaceae	<i>Bryophyllum pinnatum</i> (Lam.) Oken.	leaves juice	Pakistan ^[9]
	<i>Bryophyllum calycinum</i> Salisb.		India ^[11]
	<i>Kalanchoe pinnata</i> (Lam.) Pers.		Bangladesh ^[58]
Cucurbitaceae	<i>Benincasa hispida</i> (Thunb.) Cogn.	fruit juice	India ^[38, 59]
	<i>Bryonia alba</i> L.	stem infusion	Pakistan ^[60]
	<i>Citrullus colocynthis</i> (L.) Schrad.	-----	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Citrullus lanatus</i> L.	seeds infusion	Pakistan ^[14, 52]
	<i>Citrullus vulgaris</i> Schrad.	fruit / seed infusion	
	<i>Coccinia grandis</i> (L.) Voigt.	roots decoction	Jordan ^[28]
	<i>Cucumis melo</i> L.	seeds / fruit juice	Pakistan ^[14]
			India ^[16]

			Iran ^[6]
			India ^[61]
			Pakistan ^[14]
			Palestine ^[22]
			Fiji ^[62]
	<i>Cucumis sativus</i> L.	seeds / fruit decoction	
		leaves / roots decoction	
	<i>Lagenaria siceraria</i> (Molina) Standl.	fruit infusion	
	<i>Momordica dioica</i> Roxb. ex Willd.	seeds	
	<i>Momordica cochinchinensis</i> (Lour.) Spreng.	fruit / seeds infusion	India ^[2, 59, 61, 63]
	<i>Mukia maderaspatana</i> (Linn.) M. Roem.	plant infusion	
Cupressaceae	<i>Juniperus chinensis</i> L.	fruit infusion	
	<i>Juniperus communis</i> L.		Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
	<i>Juniperus excelsa</i> M. Bieb.		
	<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> L. subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i>	cone	Turkey ^[64]
	<i>Juniperus sabina</i> L.	roots decoction	
	<i>Juniperus seravschanica</i> Kom.		Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
	<i>Juniperus pseudosabina</i> Fisch.	fruit	
Cyperaceae	<i>Cyperus longus</i> L.	aerial parts decoction	Turkey ^[65]
	<i>Cyperus rotundus</i> L.	rhizome	
Ebenaceae	<i>Diospyros ebenum</i> J. Koenig.	wood	Iran ^[6]
Ericaceae	<i>Arctostaphylos pungens</i> Kunth.	leaves decoction	India ^[66]
	<i>Chimaphila maculata</i> (L.) Pursh.		America ^[40, 67]
	<i>Chimaphila umbellata</i> (L.) Barton.	aerial parts decoction	
	<i>Vaccinium vitis-idaea</i> L.		Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
Equisetaceae	<i>Equisetum arvensis</i> L.	aerial parts juice	Pakistan ^[68]
	<i>Equisetum bogotense</i> HBK.		Turkey ^[36]
	<i>Equisetum telmateia</i> Ehrh.	aerial parts infusion	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
	<i>Equisetum debile</i> Roxb.	plant juice	India ^[8]
	<i>Equisetum ramosissimum</i> Desf.	aerial parts decoction / infusion	Turkey ^[43, 64]
Euphorbiaceae	<i>Acalypha indica</i> L.	leaves / flower	Pakistan ^[70]
	<i>Embllica officinalis</i> Gaertn.	fruit pulp / infusion	India ^[11, 21, 71]
	<i>Euphorbia hirta</i> L.	plant decoction	
	<i>Euphorbia neriiifolia</i> L.	Pakistan ^[68, 70]	
	<i>Euphorbia prostrata</i> L.		
	<i>Euphorbia retusa</i> Forssk.	latex decoction	Morocco ^[31]
	<i>Euphorbia serpens</i> Kunth.	plant decoction	Pakistan ^[70]
	<i>Homonoia riparia</i> Lour.	root decoction	India ^[2, 20, 72]
	<i>Macaranga peltata</i> Roxb. Muell.-Arg.	bark decoction	
	<i>Mallotus philippensis</i> (Lam.) Muell. Arg.	plant decoction	
	<i>Phyllanthus amarus</i> Schumach. & Thonn.		Pakistan ^[70]
	<i>Phyllanthus fraternus</i> Webster.		
	<i>Phyllanthus urinaria</i> L.		
	<i>Ricinus communis</i> L.	roots decoction	India ^[8]
	<i>Sapium sebiferum</i> (Linn.) Roxb.	leaves infusion	Pakistan ^[70]
Fabaceae	<i>Abrus precatorius</i> L.	leaves juice	India ^[11]
	<i>Acacia Jacquemontii</i> Benth.	leaves infusion	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Alhagi maurorum</i> Medik.	roots decoction	Palestine ^[37]
			Jordan ^[28]
	<i>Butea monosperma</i> (Lam.) Taub.	leaves decoction; stem bark paste; seeds powder	India ^[11, 38]
	<i>Acacia tortilis</i> (Forssk.) Hayne subsp. <i>raddiana</i> (Savi) Brenan.	fruit decoction	Morocco ^[31]
	<i>Astragalus hamosus</i> L.		Iran ^[73]
	<i>Cassia italicica</i> (Mill.) Spreng. / <i>Senna italicica</i>	plant	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Caesalpinia pulcherrima</i> (L.) Sw.	leaves decoction	Peru ^[27]
	<i>Cicer arietinum</i> L.	fruit infusion	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Clitoria ternatea</i> L.	root bark decoction	India ^[2, 11, 74]
	<i>Crotalaria burhia</i> Buch.-Ham.	leaves juice	
	<i>Glycyrrhiza glabra</i> L.	roots decoction	Turkey ^[7]
	<i>Indigofera tinctoria</i> L.		India ^[2]
	<i>Lupinus albus</i> L.	seeds infusion	Jordan ^[28]
	<i>Macrotyloma uniflorum</i> (Lam.) Verdc. (formerly as <i>Dolichos biflorus</i> L.)		India ^[55]
			Iran ^[13]
			Nepal ^[53]
			Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Medicago sativa</i> L.	roots decoction	Iran ^[6]

	<i>Melilotus officinalis</i> (L.) Pall.	aerial parts decoction	Turkey ^[47]
	<i>Ononis spinosa</i> L. subsp. <i>leiosperma</i> (Boiss.) Sirj.	roots decoction /infusion	Bulgaria ^[75]
	<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i> L.	seeds decoction /infusion	Turkey ^[7, 47]
	<i>Prosopis farcta</i> (Sol. Ex Russell) J.F. Macbr.	foliage decoction	Haiti ^[27]
	<i>Tephrosia purpurea</i> (L.) Pers.	leaves decoction and root juice	Palestine ^[37]
	<i>Trigonella foenum graecum</i> L.	seeds infusion	India ^[38]
		fruit infusion	Yemen ^[1]
			Iran ^[6]
Fagaceae	<i>Quercus cerris</i> L.	aerial parts infusion	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
	<i>Quercus petraea</i> (Mattuschka) Liebl.		
	<i>Quercus pubescens</i> Willd.		
	<i>Quercus robur</i> L.		
Gentianaceae	<i>Ericostema axillare</i> (Lam.) A. Raynal.	leaves infusion	India ^[2, 11, 33, 76]
Gesneriaceae	<i>Corallodiscus lanuginosus</i> (Wall. ex DC.) B.L. Burtt.		
	<i>Didymocarpus pedicellata</i> R.Br.	plant decoction	
	<i>Didymocarpus tomentosa</i> Wight.		
Hyacinthaceae	<i>Scilla indica</i> Roxb.	bulb	Iran ^[6]
Hypericaceae	<i>Hypericum montbretii</i> Spach.	herb decoction	Turkey ^[7]
	<i>Hypericum montanum</i> L	aerial parts infusion	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i> L.		
	<i>Hypericum tetrapterum</i> Fr.		
Hydrangeaceae	<i>Hydrangea arborescens</i> L.	roots decoction	America ^[40]
Illecebraceae	<i>Paronychia argentea</i> Lam.	aerial parts decoction	Jordan ^[28, 29]
Lamiaceae	<i>Ajuga chamaepitys</i> Schrb.	plant decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Coleus amboinicus</i> (Lour.) Spreng.	leaves juice	India ^[11, 33]
	<i>Glechoma hederacea</i> L.	leaves decoction	America ^[40]
	<i>Lavandula stoechas</i> L.		Palestine ^[35]
	<i>Mentha pulegium</i> L.		Turkey ^[43]
	<i>Mentha spicata</i> L.	plant decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Micromeria biflora</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don) Benth.	leaves infusion	India ^[38]
	<i>Orthosiphon aristatus</i> (Blume) Miq.	plant decoction	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Ocimum basilicum</i> L.	aerial parts	India ^[77]
	<i>Ocimum sanctum</i> L.	plant decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Ocimum tenuiflorum</i> L.	roots decoction	India ^[2, 11]
	<i>Origanum majorana</i> L.	leaves juice	
	<i>Orthosiphon grandiflorus</i> Bondingh.	plant decoction	Palestine ^[35]
	<i>Orthosiphon stamineus</i> Benth.		India ^[2, 66]
	<i>Plectranthus amboinicus</i> (Lour.) Spreng.	leaves infusion	Jordan ^[28]
	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> L.	leaves / stem decoction	
	<i>Tectona grandis</i> L.	root / seeds decoction	India ^[2]
	<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i> L.	herb decoction	Turkey ^[46, 78]
	<i>Teucrium polium</i> L.		Iran ^[6]
	<i>Teucrium scordium</i> L.		Iran ^[79]
	<i>Thymus kotschyanus</i> Boiss. ET Hoh.	leaves infusion	Turkey ^[7, 78]
	<i>Thymbra spicata</i> L. var. <i>spicata</i>		Thymus migricus Klokov & Des.-Shost.
		leaves decoction	Jordan ^[28, 29]
	<i>Teucrium polium</i> L.	aerial parts infusion	Iran ^[6, 34]
	<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i> L.	fruit	India ^[20]
Lauraceae	<i>Actinodaphne angustifolia</i> (Blume) Nees.	plant decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Cinnamomum aromaticum</i> Nees.	bark infusion	India ^[2, 20, 21]
	<i>Cinnamomum bejolghota</i> (Buch-Ham) Sweet.		
	<i>Cinnamomum tamala</i> L.	leaves infusion	Turkey ^[65]
	<i>Cinnamomum verum</i> J. Presl. Prir.	leaves decoction	
	<i>Mentha arvensis</i> L.	Iran ^[6]	
	<i>Persea gratissima</i> Gaertn. fil.	bark infusion	India ^[5, 11]
Lemnaceae	<i>Lemanea fluviatilis</i> L.	plant decoction	Pakistan ^[9]
Liliaceae	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> (Willd.) Oberm.	roots decoction	India ^[38]
	<i>Asphodelus tenuifolius</i> Cav.	leaves decoction	Ruscus aculeatus L.
	<i>Drimia indica</i> (Roxb.) Jessop. (formerly known as <i>Urginea indica</i>)	bulb infusion	Palestine ^[37]
	<i>Ruscus aculeatus</i> L.	leaves / stem decoction	Turkey ^[64]
	<i>Ruscus hypoglossum</i> L.	fruit	

	<i>Smilax aspera</i> L.	roots / leaves infusion	Palestine ^[35]
	<i>Smilax lanceifolia</i> Roxb.	rhizome decoction	
Linderniaceae	<i>Lindernia ruelliodes</i> (Colsm.) Pennell.	plant decoction	
Loganiaceae	<i>Strychnos potatorum</i> L.	seed decoction	India ^[2, 5, 18, 21]
Loranthaceae	<i>Dendrophthoe falcata</i> (L.f.) Etting.	plant decoction	
Lythraceae	<i>Lawsonia inermis</i> L.	bark decoction	Libya ^[32]
	<i>Lawsonia inermis</i> L.	roots	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Rotala rotundifolia</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex Roxb.) Koehne.	aerial parts juice	
Malvaceae	<i>Abrus precatorius</i> L.	leaves infusion	India ^[2, 8, 50]
	<i>Abutilon indicum</i> (L.) Sweet.	leaves juice	
	<i>Alcea apterocarpa</i> (Fenzl) Boiss.	roots / shoots decoction	Turkey ^[7]
	<i>Althaea officinalis</i> L.	herb infusion	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
		roots / fruit	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Alcea calvertii</i> (Boiss.) Boiss.	herb decoction	
	<i>Alcea fasciculiflora</i> Zohary.	roots decoction	
Menispermaceae	<i>Alcea flavovirens</i> (Boiss. & Buhse) Iljin.	plant decoction	
	<i>Alcea pallida</i> (Waldst. & Kit. Ex Willd.) Waldst. & Kit.	seeds / flowers decoction	Turkey ^[7, 43]
	<i>Hibiscus sabdariffa</i> L.	leaves decoction	India ^[20]
	<i>Malvella sherardiana</i> (L.) Jaub. & Spach.	plant	Turkey ^[65]
	<i>Sida rhombifolia</i> L.	roots decoction	India ^[2]
	<i>Chondrodendron tomentosum</i> Ruiz & Pavón.		Brazil, Peru ^[27]
	<i>Cissampelos pareira</i> L.	roots infusion	America ^[80]
Mimosaceae	<i>Cyclea peltata</i> (Lam.) Hook. f. & Thomson	leaves juice	
	<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i> (Willd. L.) Miers.	leaves and stem juice	India ^[11, 18, 38, 81]
	<i>Mimosa pudica</i> L.	leaves juice and roots decoction	
Moraceae	<i>Ficus carica</i> L.	leaves decoction	Palestine ^[37]
		fruit	Jordan ^[28]
			Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Ficus palmata</i> Forsk.		Palestine ^[22]
Moringaceae	<i>Moringa pterygosperma</i> Gaertn.	root bark juice	
Musaceae	<i>Ensete superbum</i> (Roxb.) Cheesman.	roots juice and seeds powder	
	<i>Musa paradisiaca</i> L.	stem/ flowers juice	India ^[2, 8, 83]
		roots / leaves decoction	
	<i>Musa balbisiana</i> Colla.	roots decoction	
Myrtaceae	<i>Leptospermum amboinense</i> Reinw. ex Blume.	aerial parts	Australia ^[84]
	<i>Leptospermum scoparium</i> J. R. Forst. & G. Forst.		
	<i>Myrtus communis</i> L.	seeds decoction	Turkey ^[43]
	<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i> (L.) Merr. & Perry.	inflorescence powder	India ^[21]
Nyctaginaceae	<i>Boerhavia diffusa</i> L.	roots decoction	Brazil ^[27]
Oleaceae	<i>Olea europaea</i> L.	leaves / fruit decoction	India ^[17]
			Italy ^[85]
	<i>Phillyrea latifolia</i> L.	fruit	Jordan ^[28, 29]
Onagraceae	<i>Ludwigia perennis</i> L.	plant decoction	Palestine ^[22]
Orchidaceae	<i>Dactylorhiza umbrosa</i> (Kar. & Kir.) Nevski.	tuber decoction	Turkey ^[64]
Oxalidaceae	<i>Biophytum sensitivum</i> (L.) DC.	roots decoction	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
	<i>Biophytum reinwardtii</i> (Zucc.) Klotsch.	roots decoction	
	<i>Oxalis corniculata</i> L.	leaves decoction	India ^[2, 20, 38]
Paeoniaceae	<i>Paeonia officinalis</i> L.	fruit	Iran ^[6]
Papilionaceae	<i>Crotalaria albida</i> Heyne ex Roth.	roots decoction	
	<i>Crotalaria pallida</i> Ait.		Thailand ^[86]
	<i>Crotalaria sessiliflora</i> L.		
	<i>Desmodium microphyllum</i> (Thunb.) DC.	plant decoction	India ^[20]
Periplocaceae	<i>Lupinus varius</i> Gaertn.	seeds	Palestine ^[37]
	<i>Hemidesmus indicus</i> (L.) R.Br.	leaves / roots decoction	
	<i>Phyllanthus emblica</i> L.	fruit juice	India ^[2, 38, 87]
	<i>Phyllanthus fraternus</i> Webster.	plant infusion	
	<i>Phyllanthus lanceolatus</i> Poir.	leaves / stem bark decoction	Mauritius ^[51]
Phyllanthaceae	<i>Phyllanthus niruri</i> L.	plant decoction	Brazil ^[27]
			India ^[2, 88]

Pinaceae	<i>Cedrus deodara</i> (Roxb. ex D. Don) G. Don.	wood / latex	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Picea mariana</i> (Mill.) Britton, Sterns & Poggenburg.	bark decoction	Nepal ^[89]
	<i>Picea smithiana</i> (Wall.) Boiss.	leaves decoction	America ^[42]
	<i>Pinus eldarica</i> Medw.	fruit	Pakistan ^[90]
Piperaceae	<i>Peperomia pellucida</i> (Linn.) Kunth.	leaves decoction / infusion	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Piper aduncum</i> L.		Brazil and Colombia ^[27]
	<i>Piper cubeba</i> L.	fruit	India ^[2]
	<i>Piper longum</i> L.	leaves / roots / fruit decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Piper nigrum</i> L.	fruit decoction	India ^[2, 11]
Plantaginaceae	<i>Plantago major</i> L.	roots decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L.	leaves infusion	Mauritius ^[51]
	<i>Platanus orientalis</i> L.	fruit infusion	Turkey ^[64]
Poaceae	<i>Bambusa nutans</i> Wall.	bamboo shoot	India ^[2, 5, 21]
	<i>Coix lachryma-jobi</i> L.	roots	
	<i>Cymbopogon citratus</i> (DC.) Stapf.	plant decoction	
	<i>Cymbopogon schoenanthus</i> (L.) Spreng.	flowers	
	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i> (L.) Pers.	rhizome decoction	Iran ^[6]
			India ^[8]
			Iran ^[79]
			Libya ^[32]
			Yemen ^[1]
	<i>Elymus repens</i> (L.) Gould.	leaves decoction	India ^[2]
		whole grass	Canada ^[41]
		seeds decoction / infusion	Jordan ^[28]
			Pakistan ^[52]
		aerial parts	Bosnia and Herzegovina ^[30]
		flower decoction	Turkey ^[65]
		roots decoction	Pakistan ^[52]
			India ^[2, 33]
		<i>Vetiveria zizanioides</i> (Linn.) Nash.	leaves / fruit
			Bangladesh ^[91]
			Palestine ^[37]
			Pakistan ^[60]
			India ^[8]
Polygalaceae	<i>Rumex hastatus</i> D. Don.	root extract	Yemen ^[1]
	<i>Emex spinosa</i> (L.) Campd.	leaves decoction	
Polygonaceae	<i>Polygonum cognatum</i> Meisn.	Turkey ^[46]	
	<i>Polygonum aviculare</i> L.	plant	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Rheum emodi</i> Wall.	roots decoction	Pakistan ^[93]
	<i>Rumex acetosa</i> L.		India ^[33]
	<i>Rumex acetosella</i> L.		Iran ^[6]
Portulacaceae	<i>Portulaca oleracea</i> L.	aerial parts decoction	Turkey ^[65]
Primulaceae	<i>Primula veris</i> L.	plant decoction	Palestine ^[37]
Punicaceae	<i>Punica granatum</i> L.	seeds juice	Jordan ^[28]
Ranunculaceae	<i>Aquilegia fragrans</i> Benth.		India ^[2, 38, 94]
	roots		
	seeds infusion	Iran ^[73]	
		Pakistan ^[14]	
		Palestine ^[22]	
Rhamnaceae	<i>Nigella sativa</i> L.	fruit	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
			Iran ^[6]
		roots decoction	Pakistan ^[13]
Rosaceae	<i>Ziziphus lotus</i> (L.) Lam.	bark / roots infusion	Morocco ^[31]
	<i>Amygdalus communis</i> var. <i>amara</i> L.	oil	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Crataegus aronia</i> Decne.	leaves decoction	Palestine ^[29]
	<i>Crataegus azarolus</i> L.	oleo gum resin	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i> Jacq.	aerial parts infusion	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
	<i>Crataegus pentagyna</i> L.		Turkey ^[64]
	<i>Cerasus mahaleb</i> (L.) Miller var. <i>mahaleb</i>	seeds infusion	Bosnia, Herzegovina ^[30]
	<i>Cerasus avium</i> (L.) Moench.	plant decoction	Turkey ^[95]
	<i>Duchesnea indica</i> (Andr.) Focke.		Iran ^[73]
			India ^[20]

	<i>Eriobotria japonica</i> L.	leaves decoction	Palestine ^[37]
	<i>Enhydra fluctuans</i> Lour.		
	<i>Fragaria nilgiriensis</i> Schltdl. ex. J. Gay.	plant decoction	India ^[21, 26]
	<i>Potentilla anserina</i> L.		
	<i>Potentilla reptans</i> L.	roots decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Prunus cerasus</i> L.	fruit	
	<i>Prunus puddum</i> Roxb. Ex Wallor <i>Prunus coracoboides</i> D. Don.	kernel	India ^[88]
	<i>Prunus virginiana</i> L.		
	<i>Rosa beggeriana</i> Schrenk.ex Fisch. & C.A. Mey.	fruit	Iran ^[6, 73]
	<i>Fragaria indica</i> Andr.	plant decoction	India ^[59]
	<i>Rosa canina</i> L.	fruit decoction / infusion	Australia ^[44]
			Iran ^[79]
	<i>Rosa indica</i> L.	leaves decoction	Turkey ^[7, 64]
	<i>Rubus caesius</i> L.	flowers and buds	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Rubus ellipticus</i> Smith.	leaves / roots decoction / infusion	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
	<i>Rubus fruticosus</i> L.	fruit	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Rubus sanctus</i> Schreber.	fruit / flowers / roots	Iran ^[6]
		roots decoction	Turkey ^[65]
Rubiaceae	<i>Coffea arabica</i> L.	seed husk beverage	Yemen ^[1]
	<i>Galium aparine</i> L.		America ^[40]
	<i>Galium verum</i> L.	plant decoction	India ^[33]
	<i>Hamelia patens</i> Jacq.	roots decoction	America ^[80]
	<i>Neolamarckia cadamba</i> (Roxb.) F. Bosser.	bark decoction	India ^[2]
	<i>Oldenlandia herbacea</i> (Linn.) Roxb.	plant decoction	
	<i>Paederia foetida</i> L.	leaves	Bangladesh ^[10]
	<i>Rubia cordifolia</i> L.		India ^[2]
	<i>Rubia manjith</i> Roxb. ex Fleming.		Korea ^[96]
		roots decoction	India ^[76]
	<i>Rubia tinctorum</i> L.		Nepal ^[89]
			Bulgaria ^[97]
			Italian Peninsula ^[98]
			Turkey ^[99]
Rutaceae	<i>Aegle marmelos</i> L.	fruit / leaves	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
	<i>Citrus aurantifolia</i> (L.) (Christman) Swingle.	fruit juice	India ^[17, 87]
	<i>Citrus latipes</i> (Swingle) Yiu. Tanaka.	fruit infusion	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Citrus limon</i> (L.) Burm. f.		India ^[2, 20]
	<i>Citrus sinensis</i> (L.) Osbeck.	fruit juice	Pakistan ^[14]
Sapotaceae	<i>Manilkara zapota</i> (L.) P. Royen.	seeds decoction	Mexico ^[100]
	<i>Mimusops elengi</i> L.	bark decoction	India ^[2]
	<i>Pouteria sapota</i> (Jacq.) H. E. Moore & Stearn.	seeds decoction	Mexico ^[100]
Saxifragaceae	<i>Bergenia ciliata</i> (Haw.) Sternb.	roots decoction	
	<i>Bergenia ligulata</i> (Wall.) Engl.		India ^[101, 102]
	<i>Bergenia stracheyi</i> (Hook. f. & Thorns.) Engl.	rhizome decoction	Pakistan ^[14]
Scrophulariaceae	<i>Bonnaya brachiata</i> Link & Otto.		
	<i>Bonnaya reptans</i> (Roxb.) Spreng.	plant decoction	India ^[5, 20]
	<i>Buddleja polystachya</i> Fresen.		Yemen ^[1]
	<i>Scoparia dulcis</i> L.	root infusion	India ^[2]
	<i>Veronica orientalis</i> Miller.		Turkey ^[7]
	<i>Verbascum thapsus</i> L.	plant decoction	Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan ^[24]
Simaroubaceae	<i>Quassia amara</i> L.	macerated wood infusion	America ^[80]
Solanaceae	<i>Solanum nigrum</i> L.	plant decoction	India ^[103]
		seeds	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Solanum surattense</i> Burm. f.	roots	India ^[8, 20]
	<i>Solanum torvum</i> SW.	fruit/ seeds decoction	Pakistan ^[14]
	<i>Physalis alkekengi</i> L.	fruit decoction	India ^[2]
	<i>Withania somnifera</i> L. Dunal.	plant decoction	Bulgaria ^[97]
	<i>Solanum incanum</i> L.	roots juice	Iran ^[73]
	<i>Solanum virginianum</i> L.	roots decoction	Pakistan ^[104]
			India ^[18, 55]

Tamaricaceae	<i>Tamarix aphylla</i> (L.) Karst.	leaves decoction	Pakistan ^[14]
Theaceae	<i>Annesley fragrans</i> Wall.		India ^[105]
Tropaeolaceae	<i>Tropaeolum tuberosum</i> Ruiz & Pavón.	roots decoction	Bolivia and Peru ^[27]
Typhaceae	<i>Typha latifolia</i> L.		Pakistan ^[106]
Ulmaceae	<i>Celtis timorensis</i> Span.		India ^[21]
Urticaceae	<i>Forsskaolea tenacissima</i> L.	leaves decoction	Morocco ^[31]
	<i>Urtica dioica</i> L.		Palestine ^[107]
	<i>Urtica pilulifera</i> L.	leaves raw eaten	Turkey ^[7, 46]
Valerianaceae	<i>Valeriana officinalis</i> L.	aerial parts decoction	Palestine ^[35]
	<i>Valeriana wallichii</i> DC.		Turkey ^[78]
Verbenaceae	<i>Clerodendrum serratum</i> (Linn.) Moon.	roots decoction	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Gmelina arborea</i> Roxb.		India ^[11, 57, 108]
	<i>Stachytarpheta indica</i> (L.) Vahl.	fruit infusion	
	<i>Verbena officinalis</i> L.	leaves juice	
	<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i> L.	aerial parts decoction	Turkey ^[47]
Vitaceae	<i>Vitex negundo</i> L.	seeds decoction	India ^[55]
	<i>Cissus adnata</i> Roxb.	root decoction	Pakistan ^[109]
	<i>Cissus gongyloides</i> (Burch. ex Baker) Planch.	leaves decoction	India ^[2, 20]
Zingiberaceae	<i>Vitis vinifera</i> L.		Austria ^[110]
	<i>Costus arabicus</i> L.	fruit juice	Iran ^[6]
	<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i> (Linn.) Maton.	roots oil	
	<i>Hedychium aurantiacum</i> Rosc.	fruit	India ^[2, 20, 21]
Zygophyllaceae	<i>Hedychium coronarium</i> J. Koenig.	stem	
	<i>Larrea tridentata</i> (DC.) Coville.	rhizome infusion	
	<i>Paliurus spina—christi</i> Miller.	leaves decoction	Mexico ^[27]
	<i>Peganum harmala</i> L.	fruit decoction	Turkey ^[99]
			Iran ^[6]
		Tribulus terrestris L.	India ^[38]
			Iran ^[73]
			Pakistan ^[9]
			India ^[8]
			Iran
		fruit decoction	Turkey ^[64]
			Yemen ^[1]
			India ^[2]
		seeds decoction / infusion	Pakistan ^[109]
			Iran ^[6]
		roots decoction	India ^[111]

Table 2: Number of antiurolithiatic plants with respect to family

Family	Plants	Family	Plants	Family	Plants
Acanthaceae	07	Costaceae	02	Oxalidaceae	03
Acoraceae	01	Crassulaceae	03	Paeoniaceae	01
Adiantaceae	01	Cucurbitaceae	13	Papilionaceae	05
Aizoaceae	01	Cupressaceae	07	Periplocaceae	01
Alismataceae	01	Cyperaceae	02	Phyllanthaceae	04
Amaranthaceae	10	Ebenaceae	01	Pinaceae	04
Amaryllidaceae	05	Ericaceae	04	Piperaceae	05
Anacardiaceae	03	Equisetaceae	05	Plantaginaceae	03
Annonaceae	01	Euphorbiaceae	15	Poaceae	15
Apiaceae	19	Fabaceae	24	Polygalaceae	01
Apocynaceae	03	Fagaceae	04	Polygonaceae	05
Aquifoliaceae	01	Gentianaceae	01	Portulacaceae	01
Araceae	01	Gesneriaceae	03	Primulaceae	01
Araliaceae	01	Hyacinthaceae	01	Punicaceae	01
Arecaceae	02	Hypericaceae	03	Ranunculaceae	02
Asclepiadaceae	01	Hydrangeaceae	01	Rhamnaceae	02
Asparagaceae	02	Illecebraceae	01	Rosaceae	26
Aspleniaceae	02	Lamiaceae	25	Rubiaceae	10
Asteraceae	41	Lauraceae	08	Rutaceae	01
Averrhoaceae	01	Lemnaceae	01	Rutaceae	04
Berberidaceae	01	Liliaceae	08	Sapotaceae	03
Betulaceae	03	Linderniaceae	01	Saxifragaceae	03
Bombacaceae	01	Loganiaceae	01	Scrophulariaceae	06
Boraginaceae	09	Loranthaceae	01	Simaroubaceae	01
Brassicaceae	10	Lythraceae	02	Solanaceae	08
Bromeliaceae	01	Malvaceae	10	Tamaricaceae	01

Burseraceae	01	Menispermaceae	04	Theaceae	01
Caesalpiniaceae	07	Mimosaceae	01	Tropaeolaceae	01
Cannabaceae	01	Moraceae	02	Typhaceae	01
Capparidaceae	03	Moringaceae	01	Ulmaceae	01
Caricaceae	01	Musaceae	03	Valerianaceae	02
Celastraceae	01	Myrtaceae	04	Verbenaceae	06
Chenopodiaceae	03	Nyctaginaceae	01	Vitaceae	03
Combretaceae	01	Oleaceae	03	Zingiberaceae	03
Campanulaceae	01	Onagraceae	01	Zygophyllaceae	04
Convolvulaceae	02	Orchidaceae	01		

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