

Review of: "An Investigation of The Phytochemical Richness of Fresh Musa Paradisiaca L. (Plantain) Stem Juice and Its Anticonvulsant Potential on Pentylenetetrazole (Ptz)-Challenged Rats"

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This experiment demonstrated that Musa paradisiaca extract can delay the onset of convulsions in PTN-induced mice; as a result, it may be a natural remedy for the management of epilepsy. The antiepileptic property of Musa paradisiaca was credited to flavonoids, which were found in moderate concentration when the phytochemicals were estimated using less advanced methods.

- The work is relevant and interesting for the development of herbal medicine.
- It is original and provided preliminary scientific information on the potency of Musa paradisiaca for the management of epilepsy.
- The experiment is simple and has elements of replicability.
- The manuscript is well-written because the text is clear and easy to read.
- The conclusion is consistent with the evidence presented.
- The outcome of the research concurred with previous investigations on the antiepileptic potency of other medicinal plants.
- The data in the tables added clarity and ease of readability to the manuscript.

Probable corrections

- The second most abundant phytochemical in the results presented was alkaloids (5.54 \pm 0.98), but the authors claimed it is flavonoids (4.27 \pm 1.23). Can this be looked into?
- Adewumi et al. may not be the right source for this data. It would be fine if the right authors are cited.....Each year, over 50 million people are affected by seizure disorder globally, out of which over 80% live in Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia, where the standard of living is very low (Adewumi et al., 2020).
- Authors should indicate the sex of the mice.....eighteen (18) adult albino mice (18-26 g).
- Can the authors provide a brief calculation on 4 mg/kg of Diazepam and 85 mg/kg b.w., i.p., administered to the animals?
- It would be fine for the authors to emphasize further research to ascertain the antiepileptic compounds in MP and establish whether they are acting alone or in synergy.

