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Sanskrit Name: Vranaropini

Botanical Name: Strobilanthes alternata

Identification No: SDACH/HG/291 Family Name: Acanthaceae

Vernacular Names:

- · English: Red Ivy, Red Flame Ivy, Purple Waffle Plant
- Hindi: Murikooti
- Malayalam: Muriyan Pacha
- Tamil: Sangu Thalai
- · Telugu: Yerra Gaddi
- · Kannada: Kempu Soppu

Habitat & Distribution:

Native to tropical Asia, particularly Java. Widely cultivated in India, Indonesia, China, and Japan. Thrives in moist, shade environments and is commonly found in gardens and as ground cover.

Morphology:

- · A prostrate, herbaceous plant reaching up to 30 cm in length.
- Stems: Purplish, especially at the nodes.
- Leaves: Opposite, ovate with a blunt tip and heart-shaped base; upper surface dark green, lower surface purplish; cov fine hairs.
- Flowers: Tubular, white, found in terminal spikes up to 7 cm long.

Phytochemicals:

- Steroids
- Carbohydrates
- Tannins
- Phenols
- Proteins and amino acids
- Terpenoids
- Flavonoids
- Phytosterols

Rasapanchaka:

- Rasa: Tikta
- Guna: Laghu, Snigdha
- Virya: Shita Vipaka: Katu

- Prabhava: Vranaropana
- Dosha Shamakta: Pitta-Kapha pacifying

Hindi »

Karma (Rogaghnata):

- Vranaropana (Wound healing)
- Shothahara (Anti-inflammatory)

Amayika Prayoga / Therapeutic Uses:

External:

- Leaf paste applied to fresh wounds, cuts, ulcers, and inflamed areas to promote healing and reduce inflammation.
- Leaf extracts used traditionally to treat anemia, gallstones, prolonged menstruation, hemorrhoids, and diabetes.

Part Used:

Leaves

Dose:

- Fresh leaf paste: Applied externally as needed.
- · Leaf decoction: 50-100 ml per day (traditional use; consult healthcare provider).

Yoga / Formulations:

· wound healing, stopping bleeding, and treating conditions like dysentery and venereal disease.

IUCN Status:

Not evaluated.

Research Updates

- L. 2022: LC-MS/MS analysis identified 2,285 metabolites in aqueous and ethanolic extracts, supporting its wound heal properties.
- 2. 2021: Phytochemical studies confirmed the presence of steroids, carbohydrates, tannins, phenols, proteins, and amir leaf extracts.
- 3. 2020: Research highlighted its antibacterial, anti-inflammatory, and antioxidant activities, validating traditional use

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