ABSTRACT

Anti-quorum sensing (AQS) is the process of preventing virulence expression in bacteria by disrupting bacterial communication. Identification of anti-quorum sensing from natural products as an alternative to antibiotics is currently an area of interest. And since crude extracts of many plant parts were shown to possess anti-quorum sensing activity using Chromobacterium violaceum as a model bacterium, this study made use of the leaves of Angelica keiskei (Ashitaba) and Jasminum grandiflorum (Jasmin) in ethanol solvent to determine its anti-quorum sensing activity against Staphylococcus aureus. The plant extracts, A. keiskei and J. grandiflorum, do not exhibit antibacterial activity, showing that they are qualified to undergo the proceeding tests. Both of the plant extracts that were tested for the disk diffusion assay against Chromobacterium violaceum were not able to inhibit violacein production. For the DNase test, A. keiskei and J. grandiflorum was not able to inhibit the production of DNase, which indicates the absence of AQS. Lastly, for the coagulase test, A. keiskei and J. grandiflorum exhibit a positive result that indicates the absence of AQS. The study revealed that both plants, A. keiskei and J. grandiflorum, do not have the presence of anti-quorum sensing activity.

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