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ABSTRACT

The study observed the insecticidal effect of *Phaseolus vulgaris* (string beans) crude seed extract against *Periplaneta americana* (American cockroach). String beans seed were gathered and was extracted using rotary evaporator. The crude seed was diluted with distilled water and used concentration-volume formula to get the desired concentration. Three crude seed extract concentration namely 50%, 70% and 90% were determined by performing the Range-Finding test and the Median Lethal Dose (LD50) which is 70% were used in the experiment.

This study provides potent explanation on how to use of the positive control (Baygon), followed by T3 (90%), T2 (70%), and T1 (50%) has successfully exterminated a great number of cockroaches.

Therefore, based on the results rendered by this experimental research, the mortality rate of the cockroaches is dependent on the level of concentration of the string beans crude seed extract. Likewise, the increase in the concentration of the latter increases the mortality rate of the former.

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