

Investigating Plant-based Medicines for Wound Healing with the Use of Cell Culture Technologies and *In vitro* Models: A Review

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Abstract

Introduction: Cell culture and molecular technologies are basic yet sophisticated research tool used to investigate plant-based medicine for wound healing. **Methods:** Cell viability and proliferation assay is used to determine whether there are any positive effects and to discover what is the limiting cytotoxic concentration *in vitro*. The scratch technique, fibroblast-populated collagen lattices and aortic rings embedded gels are used as the *in-vitro* models of wound re-epithelialization, contraction and angiogenesis. The immunofluorescence, immunoblotting and organotypic culture can be used to detect expression of specific proteins that are modulated by plant extracts during the wound healing process. **Main Findings:** Given the dynamics of the wound healing process, cell culture and molecular technologies are advantageous in providing us with detailed studies and analysis of each intricate process. **Conclusion:** The scientific approaches for the study of traditional plant-based remedies for wound healing will provide us an important platform for rigorous testing and evaluation of their clinical efficacy based on accepted rules of evidence.

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