Ethnobotanical uses of plants in the Saghez (Kurdistan, Iran)

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Abstract:

**Background and Purpose:** Iran is a multicultural country with an ancient civilization, so it has historical heritage of folk and traditional medicine. The present study provide ethno botanical evaluation of Saghez (Kurdistan, Iran) were Kurdish people live there.

**Methods and Materials:** Cross sectional study was conducted in 2013, 2014. The plants were collected, identified botanically and their voucher specimens were gathered. 14 local herbalist and elderly people were interviewed according to semi-structured questionnaire.

**Results:** 72 species was collected and distinguished. Persian and Kurdish names and traditional usage of these plants were recorded. Most of them were used for intestinal and respiratory disease.

**Conclusion:** Special and new use of collected plants could be proposed new aspects of phytochemical and pharmacological studies in the phytomedecinal research fields.

**Keywords:** Medicinal plants, Ethnobotany, Saghez, Kurdistan, Iran.

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