

Biotechnological potential of secondary metabolites: Current status and future challenges

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ABSTRACT

Bioactive compounds from microbial bioresources are among nature's unprocessed chemical metabolites. These metabolites play a key function in creating inter-kingdom relationships. Scientists have been looking for bioactive metabolites with pharmacological activities in a variety of microbes over the last few years. Antibiotics, vitamins, antioxidants, enzymes, and anti diabetics are all known to be found in microorganisms. The quantity and quality of microbial metabolites being evaluated have increased rapidly as a result of the development of high-throughput methods. According to some reports, microbial metabolites are much more effective in terms of effectiveness and potential for treating human diseases than their chemical counterparts. The present review deals about bioactive compounds producing microbes, their taxonomic diversity, various technologies for their extraction, the clinical status of these compounds, genomics and metagenomics-based approaches, and the biotechnological application of these compounds in healthcare.

1. INTRODUCTION

The microflora of the earth is significantly influenced by microbes. They coexist in their biological environment in symbiotic relationships with other creatures [1]. These microbial interactions with other organisms take place at the molecular level through the release of a variety of molecules known as bioactive substances [2]. These bioactive molecules play a vital role due to their different chemical features, leading researchers to investigate their full potential [3]. The distinct properties of these bioactive chemicals, as well as their impact and effects in biotechnology domains like

Microbial Biotechnology Lab, Department of Biotechnology, Dr. Khem Singh Gill Akal College of Agriculture, Eternal University, Sirmour, Himachal Pradesh, India. E-mail: ajarbiotech @, gmail.com the food industry and medicine discovery and development, have been studied.

Over the last few years, researchers and scientists have investigated these bioactive metabolites for potential applications in the pharmaceutical and therapeutics industry. These bioactive compounds have tremendous potential and are thought to be more reliable than existing chemical substitutes in drugs [4]. Numerous isolated metabolites from fungi and bacteria have also demonstrated tremendous potential in treating lethal diseases such as diabetes, cancer, and Crohn's disease [5-7]. Even though bioactive metabolites are widely recognized for their therapeutic properties, it is crucial to establish efficient technologies that will allow bioactive molecules to achieve the designated target.

The advancement of knowledge in this field is increasing day by day, and a significant number of microbial-derived drugs are being discovered daily. It is worth noting that this emerging field has evolved

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into a fruitful scientific endeavor in the investigation of bioactive compounds from microbial communities. This review covers the summary of taxonomic diversity and various technologies for the extraction of bioactive compounds producing microbes. Significant advances in genomics and metagenomics related to novel bioactive compounds from microbes, the clinical status of these compounds, and then, the biotechnological applications of various bioactive compounds in human health.

2. BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS PRODUCING MICROBES

2.1. Fungi

Fungi are ubiquitous, occurring eukaryotic, heterotrophic organisms found worldwide in diverse habitats. Fungi have been used as remedies and in everyday life for thousands of years. Nearly 3000 years ago, fungi were used to treat intestinal ailments [8]. Fungi, especially endophytic fungi, are among the novel bioresources of natural bioactive compounds with their major biotechnological potential in the food industry, medicine, and agriculture. Numerous valuable bioactive compounds with a range of the bioactivities, such as antimicrobial, cytotoxic, and anticancer, have been successfully discovered from endophytic fungi [9]. Existing drugs of fungal origin include β -lactam antibiotics, cyclosporine A, ergot alkaloids, griseofulvin, lovastatin, and taxol; however, increasingly more novel natural products of the varied chemical structure be produced by fungi [10,11].

2.1.1. Macrofungi

Macrofungi, including mushrooms are an emerging bioresource of bioactive compounds. Many bioactive compounds have been reported from mushrooms. Ruksiriwanich *et al.* [12] reported allantoin, alkaloid, monosaccharide, mucopolysaccharide, and polyphenolic from *Dictyophora indusiata.* Zaki *et al.* [13] reviewed bioactive compounds from *Leucocalocybe mongolica*. About 100 chemical components have been isolated from *L. mongolica*. This mushroom is known to be a rich source of amino acids, lectins, laccase, polysaccharides, sterols, and volatile compounds. Further, the bioactive compounds from *L. mongolica* possess antitumor, antiproliferative, antidiabetic, and hypotensive activities. Krümmel *et al.* [14] reported linoleic, chlorogenic and vanillic acids from *Pleurotus sajor-caju.* WA, Daba [15] reviewed the bioactive potential of some edible mushrooms, including the species of *Amanita, Grifola macrolepiota, Russula*, and *Vovariella*.

2.1.2. Microfungi

Microfungi are considered to be a treasure trove of bioactive compounds. Wang and Xu [16] reviewed beauvericin, which is a cyclic hexadepsipeptide mycotoxin. It is known to possess cytotoxic, antiviral, insecticidal, and antimicrobial activities. It is also known to be a potential agent for pesticides and medicines. Its production has also been known in Beaveria bassiana and Fusarium spp. Kumar et al. [17] reviewed endophytic fungi as a source of bioactive compounds with antimicrobial activities. Manganyi et al. [18] screened bioactive compounds from endophytic fungi of Pelargonium sidoides. The chemical analysis of the extract from Alternaria spp. indicated that linoleic acid (9,12-octadecadienoic acid (Z,Z) and cyclodecasiloxane and concluded that both the compounds could be responsible for the antibacterial activity. Nuraini et al. [19] reported dihydropyran and 4H-Pyran4-one, 5-hydroxy-2-(hydroxymethyl-(CAS) Kojic acid from Aspergillus minisclerotigens and Aspergillus oryzae respectively. Jamal et al. [20] reported bioactive metabolites of isoelemicin, terpinen-4-ol, eucalyptol, oleic acid, and β-pinene from endophytic fungi isolated from Gynura procumbens. Kumar and Prasher [21] reported dodecane, ethyl 2-thiopheneacetate, tetradecane, hexadecane, octadecane, benzaldehyde, 4-(1-methylethyl)-, and griseofulvin from *Fomitopsis meliae*.

2.2. Bacteria

Bacteria are another important bioresources for the isolation and screening of bioactive compounds. Bioactive compounds such as alkaloids, flavonoids, peptides, polyketones, quinols, steroids, terpenoids, and phenols have been known to be produced by bacteria, especially endophytes [22-24]. These compounds have agricultural, industrial, and medical applications [25]. Christina *et al.* [26] reviewed a diverse range of bioactive compounds, especially from different endophytic bacteria. *Pseudomonas viridiflava* is known to produce ecomycins. Ecomycins possess bioactivities against various human and plant pathogenic fungi [27]. Pseudomycins are peptide antifungal compounds reported from *Pseudomonas syringae* [28]. Ghiasvand *et al.* [29] reported harmine, myricetin, and achillin, from *Paenibacillus polymyxa*.

2.3. Actinomycetes

Actinomycetes are an untapped source of potential bioactive compounds. The diverse range of actinomycetes have been isolated and used for the production of key drugs and biomedical agents [30]. Penicillin, cephalosporins, carbapenems, thienamycin, cephamycin, and nocardicin are some of the important β -lactam antibiotics reported from actinomycetes [31]. Balachandar *et al.* [32] reported the presence of 3, octadecene (E), behnic alcohol phenol, 2,4-bis(1,1-dimethyl ethyl) 1-nonadecene, 1-heneicosanol, milbemycin 3-eicosene (E), and 1-docosanol from vermicast isolated actinomycetes. Janardhan *et al.* [33] reported (Z)-1-([1-hydroxypenta-2,4-dien1-yl] oxy) anthracene-9,10-dione from *Nocardiopsis alba.*

2.4. Microalgae

Microalgae have been explored for their ability to produce bioactive compounds with promising applications as antibacterial, antiviral, antifungal, and antialgal agents [34]. Numerous secondary metabolites with antioxidant, antitumor, anticancer, and anti-inflammatory activities, including β -carotene, astaxanthin, lutein, zeaxanthin, violaxanthin, and fucoxanthin have been reported from microalgae [35]. Diatoms are rich sources of fucoxanthin [36]. Fucoxanthin has inhibitory effects on cancer cells by having proapoptotic activities [37,38]. The major algal species used to produce astaxanthin belongs to the genus *Haematococcus*. Some of the species of *Chlorella*, such as *Chlorella* zofingiensis, is also known producer of astaxanthin [39] [Tables 1 and 2].

3. TAXONOMIC DIVERSITY OF BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS PRODUCING MICROBES

Microbes are amazing bioresources for the production of bioactive compounds. Bioactive compounds are greatly used as antibiotics. These compounds may be effective against many HIV-1, conditions of multiple bacterial infections or neural tube defects [40-42]. Some among them have also been found to show activity against carcinomas [43]. Exploiting the diversity of microbial communities and their huge potential in finding new bioactive compounds is of immense importance. Ouchari *et al.* [44] investigated the antimicrobial potential of actinomycetes and their taxonomic diversity. In the study, the rep-PCR revealed a high taxonomic diversity of isolates. Dendro grams from the BOXA1R-PCR fingerprints showed a grouping of 36 isolates in 16 clusters, containing from two to four isolates while some of them could not be grouped. The study of Liao *et al.* [45] explored

Microbes	Activity	Activity against	References
Microfungi			
Alternaria alternata	Bactericidal	Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria	Chatterjee et al. [222]
Alternaria alternata	Antioxidant	-	Chatterjee et al. [222]
Alternaria brassicae	Antimicrobial	Escherichia coli	Gauchan et al. [223]
Alternaria brassicae	Antimicrobial	Staphylococcus aureus	Gauchan et al. [223]
Alternaria brassicae	Antimicrobial	Bacillus subtilis	Gauchan et al. [223]
Alternaria brassicae	Cytotoxicity	Shrimp nauplii	Gauchan et al. [223]
Alternaria spp.	Antibacterial	Enterococcus gallinarum	Manganyi et al. [18]
Alternaria spp.	Antibacterial	Enterococcus faecium	Manganyi et al. [18]
Alternaria spp.	Antibacterial	Enterococcus gallinarum	Manganyi et al. [18]
Aspergillus minisclerotigens	Antioxidant	-	Nuraini et al. [19]
Aspergillus oryzae	Antioxidant	-	Nuraini et al. [19]
Cladosporium cladosporioides	Antimicrobial	Escherichia coli	Gauchan et al. [223]
Cladosporium cladosporioides	Antimicrobial	Staphylococcus aureus	Gauchan et al. [223]
Cladosporium cladosporioides	Antimicrobial	Bacillus subtilis	Gauchan et al. [223]
Cladosporium cladosporioides	Cytotoxicity	Shrimp nauplii	Gauchan et al. [223]
Cochliobolus sativus	Antileishmanial	-	Do Nascimento et al. [224
Fomitopsis meliae	Antibacterial	Bacillus subtilis	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Antibacterial	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Antibacterial	Staphylococcus aureus	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Antibacterial	Escherichia coli	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Penicillium oxalicum	Antioxidant	DPPH, nitric oxide, superoxide anion and hydroxyl free radicals	Verma et al. [225]
Penicillium oxalicum	Anti-proliferative	HuT-78	Verma et al. [225]
Penicillium oxalicum	Anti-proliferative	MDA-MB-231	Verma et al. [225]
Penicillium oxalicum	Anti-proliferative	MCF-7	Verma et al. [225]
Iacrofungi			
Clavaria vermiculris	Antimicrobial	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Clavaria vermiculris	Antioxidant	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Dictyophora indusiata	MMP-2 inhibition		
Dictyophora indusiata	Anti-inflammatory	Nitric oxide (NO), interleukin (IL)-1β, IL-6, and tumour necrosis factor (TNF)-α secretion	Ruksiriwanich et al. [12]
Hypsizigus tessulatus	Antimicrobial	-	Chowdhury et al. [227]
Hypsizigus tessulatus	Antioxidant	-	Chowdhury et al. [227]
Lactarius deliciosus	Antibacterial	Bacillus cereus	Barros et al. [228]
Lactarius deliciosus	Antibacterial	Bacillus subtilis	Barros et al. [228]
Lactarius deliciosus	Antifungal	Candida albicans	Barros et al. [228]
Lactarius deliciosus	Antifungal	Cryptococcus neoformans	Barros et al. [228]
Lentinula edodes	Antimicrobial	-	Chowdhury et al. [227]
Lentinula edodes	Antioxidant	-	Chowdhury et al. [227]
Lycoperdon perlatum	Antimicrobial	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Lycoperdon perlatum	Antioxidant	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Macrolepiota procera	Antioxidant	-	Erbiai et al. [229]
Marasmius oreades	Antimicrobial	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Marasmius oreades	Antioxidant	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Pleurotus eryngii	Antioxidant	-	Koutrotsios et al. [230]

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Pleurotus ostreatus	Antioxidant	-	Zawadzka <i>et al.</i> [231]
Pleurotus ostreatus	Antimicrobial	_	Chowdhury <i>et al.</i> [227]
Pleurotus ostreatus	Antioxidant	-	Chowdhury <i>et al.</i> [227]
Pleurotus pulmonarius	Antimicrobial	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Pleurotus pulmonarius	Antioxidant	-	Ramesh and Pattar [226]
Sarcodon imbricatus	Antibacterial	Bacillus cereus	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Sarcodon imbricatus	Antibacterial	Bacillus subtilis	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Sarcodon imbricatus	Antifungal	Candida albicans	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Sarcodon imbricatus	Antifungal	Cryptococcus neoformans	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Tricholoma portentosum	Antibacterial	Bacillus cereus	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Tricholoma portentosum	Antibacterial	Bacillus subtilis	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Tricholoma portentosum	Antifungal	Candida albicans	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Tricholoma portentosum	Antifungal	Cryptococcus neoformans	Barros <i>et al.</i> [228]
Bacteria	Antifuligat	Cryptococcus neojormuns	Barros ei ul. [226]
Bacillus amyloliquefaciens	Antibacterial	Bacillus cereus	Bhoonobtong et al. [232]
Bacillus amyloliquefaciens	Antibacterial	Escherichia coli	Bhoonobtong <i>et al.</i> [232] Bhoonobtong <i>et al.</i> [232]
Bacillus aryabhattai	Antibacterial	Staphylococcus aureus	Biobiological de la [232] Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Bacillus australimaris	Antifungal	Candida albicans	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Paenibacillus polymyxa	Antibacterial	Bacillus subtilis	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Paenibacillus polymyxa Paenibacillus polymyxa	Antibacterial	Staphylococcus aureus	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Paenibacillus polymyxa	Antibacterial	Escherichia coli	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Paenibacillus polymyxa	Antibacterial	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Paenibacillus polymyxa	Anticancer	1 seudomonas deruginosa	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Planomicrobium spp.	Antibacterial	- Bacillus cereus	Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Actinobacteria	Antibacteria	Ducinus cereus	Benanvand et ut. [255]
Kytococcus schroeteri	Anticancer		Ghiasvand et al. [29]
Microbacterium maritypicum	Anticancer	-	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Microbacterium maritypicum Microbacterium maritypicum	Antioxidant	-	Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Nocardiopsis alba	Antioxidant	-	Janardhan <i>et al.</i> [33]
Streptomyces spp.	Antioxidant	-	Naine <i>et al.</i> [234]
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina	Antibacterial	- Bacillus cereus	Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
	Antibacterial	Bacillus subtilis	
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina		Citrobacter freundii	Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina	Antibacterial		Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina	Antibacterial	Escherichia coli	Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina	Antibacterial	Klebsiella pneumoniae	Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina	Antibacterial	Proteus mirabilis	Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Streptomyces spp.	Antibacterial	Pseudomonas aeruginosa Shicolla downori	Naine <i>et al.</i> [234]
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina	Antibacterial	Shigella flexneri	Beiranvand <i>et al.</i> [233]
Amycolatopsis tolypomycina Mieroelgee	Antibacterial	Staphylococcus aureus	Beiranvand et al. [233]
Microalgae	A		
Chlorococcum minutum	Antimicrobial	Bacillus subtilis	Elshobary <i>et al.</i> [235]
Chlorococcum minutum	Antimicrobial	Klebsiella pnemoniae	Elshobary <i>et al.</i> [235]
Chlorococcum minutum	Antimicrobial	Proteus vulgaris	Elshobary <i>et al.</i> [235]
<i>Oscillatoria</i> spp.	Antibacterial	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Bhuyar <i>et al.</i> [236]
Chlorococcum minutum	Antimicrobial	Salmonella typhi	Elshobary <i>et al.</i> [235]
Chlorococcum minutum	Antimicrobial	Staphylococcus aureus	Elshobary <i>et al.</i> [235]
Oscillatoria spp.	Antibacterial	Staphylococcus aureus	Bhuyar <i>et al.</i> [236]

Table 2: Structures of bioactive compounds from microbes.

Bioactive compound producing microbes	Bioactive compound	Structure	References
Alternaria spp.	Linoleic acid (9,12-octadecadienoic acid (Z,Z)	CH CH	Manganyi <i>et al</i> . [18]
Alternaria spp.	Cyclodecasiloxane		Manganyi <i>et al.</i> [18]
Armillaria mellea	Vanillic acid	O O O O O O C H ₃	Erbiai <i>et al.</i> [229]
Armillaria mellea	Cinnamic acid	ОН	Erbiai <i>et al</i> . [229]
Aspergillus minisclerotigens	Dihydropyran		Nuraini <i>et al.</i> [19]
Aspergillus oryzae	4H-Pyran4-one,5-hydroxy-2-(hydroxymethyl- (CAS) Kojic acid		Nuraini <i>et al.</i> [19]
Cochliobolus sativus	Cochlioquinone A		Do Nascimento et al. [224]
Cochliobolus sativus	Isocochlioquinone A	-	Do Nascimento et al. [224]
Cochliobolus sativus	Anhydrocochlioquinone A	-	Do Nascimento et al. [224]
Fomitopsis meliae	Dodecane	H ₃ C CH ₃	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Ethyl 2-thiopheneacetate	S CH3	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Tetradecane	H ₃ CCH ₃	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Hexadecane	Sector Se	Kumar and Prasher [21]

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Bioactive compound producing microbes	Bioactive compound	Structure	References
Fomitopsis meliae	Octadecane		Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Benzaldehyde		Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	4-(1-methylethyl)-	́н	Kumar and Prasher [21]
Fomitopsis meliae	Griseofulvin		Kumar and Prasher [21]
Kytococcus schroeteri	Berberine		Ghiasvand et al. [29]
Kytococcus schroeteri	Camptothecin		Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]
Macrolepiota procera	Protocatechuic acid	O HO O HO O HO	Erbiai <i>et al.</i> [229]
Microbacterium maritypicum	Harmine		Ghiasvand et al. [29]
Microbacterium maritypicum	Myricetin		Ghiasvand et al. [29]
Microbacterium maritypicum	Achillin		Ghiasvand <i>et al.</i> [29]

Table 2: (Continued).			
Bioactive compound producing microbes	Bioactive compound	Structure	References
Paenibacillus polymyxa	Sanguinarine	H ₃ C. O	Ghiasvand <i>et al</i> . [29]
Paenibacillus polymyxa	Daunorubicin	O OH O OH O OH O OH O OH O OH O OH O OH	Ghiasvand <i>et al</i> . [29]
Pleurotus sajor-caju	Linoleic acid	OH O O	Krümmel et al. [14]
Pleurotus sajor-caju	Chlorogenic acid		Krümmel <i>et al.</i> [14]
Pleurotus sajor-caju	Vanillic acid	O O O O O O H O O C H ₃	Krümmel <i>et al.</i> [14]

the microbial taxonomy and functionality of two diverse mangrove ecosystems and their potential abilities to produce bioactive compounds. The study observed 83 bacterial phyla, 11 archaeal phyla, and 9 fungal phyla, in all the rhizospheric samples. Further, 675, 656, 452, 379, 267, 205, 132, 90, and 766 biosynthesis gene clusters were inferred to synthesize terpene, non-ribosomal peptide synthetase, bacteriocins, NRPS-like, type I polyketide synthases, aryl polyene, type III polyketide synthases, beta lactone, and other products, respectively. In another study by Teimoori-Boghsani et al. [46], taxonomic diversity and unique profiles of secondary metabolites from endophytic fungi of native Salvia abrotanoides plants have been reported. Molecular approaches classified endophytic fungi into 15 genera. Coniolariella hispanica, Paraphoma radicina, Penicillium canescens, and Penicillium murcianum have been reported to be the major producers of cryptotanshinone, the major bioactive compound of S. abrotanoides. Niego et al. [47] reviewed the taxonomy, and diversity Oudemansielloid/Xeruloid taxa Hymenopellis, Mucidula, Oudemansiella, and Xerula, which constitute an important bioresource of bioactive compounds. Several studies have shown antimicrobial, anti-oxidative, anti-cancer, anti-inflammatory, and other bioactivities of their extracts.

4. TECHNOLOGIES FOR EXTRACTION AND PRODUCTION OF BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS

In modest amounts, natural compounds are usually synthesized in conjunction with or in conjugation with some other type [48]. As a

result, the recurrent separation of extremely complex extracts into individual bioactive compounds is required for the purification and concentration of these conjugated products, which is a labor-intensive process that is unaffordable for industries. Many cutting-edge techniques for extracting and producing bioactive compounds from natural sources have been developed [49].

There are several steps that are involved in the extraction and production of natural compounds. The first step is to choose raw materials based on their nutritional or medicinal properties. Standard protocols are used to assess the toxicity of the materials chosen. The materials' chemical composition and potential bioactivities are then determined using elemental analysis. The bioactive compounds are isolated from the crude extracts and are further evaluated under *in vivo* and *in vitro* conditions for their potential activities. In the last stage, the bioactive compounds are commercialized as medicinal products and found to be effective in the treatment of diseases [50]. Conventional and non-conventional methods are used for the extraction of bioactive compounds.

4.1. Solvent Extraction

Solvent extraction is one of the most popular and traditional techniques for extracting metabolites from microorganisms. To improve extraction efficiency, raw materials are frequently blended into powder form. For the extraction, non-polar and polar solvents such as ether, ethanol, chloroform, benzene, water, ethyl acetate, and hexane, also their mixtures in various ratios, were used [51]. Because of its ease of use and low price, this technique has been widely adopted. Nevertheless, certain organic solvents, which are commonly employed in enormous quantities during processing and extraction, are highly hazardous and/ or combustible. As a result, users must adhere to proper handling rules to ensure environmental compliance and users' safety.

It is worth noting that organic solvents can cause bioactive compounds to degrade thermally [52]. Furthermore, the extraction procedure takes a lot of time and requires a lot of effort. Other advanced methods, such as soxhlet, ultrasound, and microwave extraction, have been developed to address these issues. Researchers have developed more advanced techniques like microwave-assisted extraction (MAE), pulsed-electric field extraction (PEF), pressurized liquid extraction (PLE), ultrasound-assisted extraction (UAE), and supercritical fluid extraction to overcome the shortcomings of conventional extraction methods [53]. It has been reveled that when, the extraction time was halved, and the thermal decomposition of compounds was prevented.

4.2. Soxhlet Extraction

It is a standard extraction method used to compare the results of other liquid-solid extraction methods [54]. The Soxhlet apparatus is a type of condenser used in this technique, which was developed in 1879 [55]. The traditional Soxhlet extractor is made up of a thimble-holder and a distillation flask. The solvent vaporizes and reaches the matrix when it attains boiling point, solubilizing suitable compounds. The solvent then strikes the condenser's cooling pipes and condenses back into the original flask with the extracted compounds. This procedure is repeated until the entire extraction has been completed [55,56].

This method of extraction has a number of advantages. To begin with, the continuous renewal of the solvent in touch with the matrix creates an imbalance between the compounds in the test and the absence of them in the solvent, endorsing compound extraction. Second, the system's temperature is maintained all throughout the procedure. The final crude extract from Soxhlet extraction need not necessitate filtration or centrifugation because they are nicely isolated from the initial biomass. Finally, because the basic equipment is relatively inexpensive and simple, it enables the treatment of numerous samples in parallel at a minimal price and with simple operational processes [57].

Nevertheless, there are some drawbacks to Soxhlet extraction, such as the vast concentrations of organic solvents needed, the long time it takes to finish the last cycles [57], the high temperatures used to heat up the solvents, which can deteriorate the compounds [55], and the fact that this process cannot be speeded up by introducing agitation [58].

Nonetheless, Soxhlet extraction has evolved over time to make up for some of these drawbacks, such as automating the process and trying to minimize extraction times. More recently, Soxhlet extraction has been paired with innovative technologies such as supercritical fluid-Soxhlet extraction, automated Soxhlet extraction, and high-pressure Soxhlet extraction, or by using auxiliary energies such as microwaves or ultrasounds, which results in higher efficiency [57,59].

4.3. Distillation

Distillation is among the oldest extraction methods still being used today. Its primary use is to separate liquid mixtures by using the boiling points of every component in the sample, followed by condensation steps [60]. Although distillation methods are still widely used, they have a number of disadvantages. The requirement for large amounts of energy to be consumed over long durations, including the use of high temperatures can

deteriorate the ingredients of concern. Furthermore, the huge quantities of solvent are requisite, as well as the lengthy extraction times [57,61].

4.4. Infusions

Infusions are very brief macerations in which the plant is immersed in boiling or cold water for a short period [58]. Maceration entails breaking down the sample into smaller pieces to enhance the surface area available for mixing with the solvents. Both diffusion and the removal of the concentrated solution from the sample's surface are made easier by the agitation involved in the maceration process. This method has been used to obtain bioactive compounds and essential oils for a long time [62]. Since infusions are very susceptible to fungus and bacterial growth due to the vast volume of water they consist of, they have a really limited lifespan and must be used right away. As a result, infusions are very seldom used in the industrial sector [63].

4.5. Green Extraction Techniques

Large volumes of organic solvents are often used in conventional extraction techniques, endangering the environment from chemical exposure. The idea of "green chemistry" was created to lessen the risks associated with chemicals, limit their use, and limit environmental exposure. By enabling to use nature without harming it, green chemistry also supports environmental sustainability. This idea has been used in synthesis, catalysis, separation, and monitoring, among other chemical processes. Waste, energy, and hazard are the three most important aspects of green chemistry, according to Anastas and Warner's twelve principles [64]. The goal of these green extraction processes, according to Jacotet-Navarro *et al.* [65], is to obtain a quicker extraction rate, more efficient energy use, enhanced heat and mass transfer, smaller equipment, and fewer processing steps [65].

4.6. Supercritical Fluid Extraction

Supercritical extraction is characterized by pressure and temperature changes that transform the gas into a supercritical fluid with indistinguishable gas and liquid phases [66]. The extraction procedure is divided into several stages. Initially, the plant matrix absorbs the supercritical solvent, bulging the cellular structure and dilation the inter-cellular channels. As a result, the resistance to mass transfer decreases. Furthermore, the matter is being transferred from the internal matrix to the surface at the same time. Following that, these molecules are transported from the surface to the supercritical solvent before being excluded from the solvent [67].

The exclusion of harmful residues in the final product, high selectivity, short durations, high stability of the product acquired, low solvent consumption, and the fact that the residual biomass can be treated with other strategies to proceed with the extraction are all advantages of this method. This method can also be used to eliminate unwanted compounds such as pesticides, pollutants, and toxins [68]. Supercritical fluid extraction is an efficient and environmentally beneficial process. The most used solvent for supercritical fluid extraction is carbon dioxide (CO₂); however, methane, ethylene, fluorocarbons, nitrogen, and xenon are also utilized [69]. This technique has been used to collect biologically active substances from marine invertebrates and microalgae (such as crawfish, starfish, crustaceans, shrimp, crab, urchin, squid), macroalgae and cyanobacteria [70]. Dunaliella salina a microalga belonging to the class Chlorophyta contains fatty acids and β -carotene. In order to extract these molecules, supercritical CO₂ (SC-CO₂) was used at different operative conditions [71].

In 1986, Ganzler *et al.* published the first description of MAE [72]. Microwaves are electromagnetic fields that oscillate perpendicularly between 300 MHz and 300 GHz. The solute is dissolved by the solvent as it diffuses into the solid matrix, but the concentration is constrained by the solid's physical characteristics [73].

This technique has several advantages, including rapid temperature rise, high efficiency, improved process monitoring, short extraction time, and low energy consumption and cost [74]. The breakdown of some compounds as a result of the heat produced by irradiation is one drawback of MAE. The MAE's efficiency is determined by factors such as the power of microwave irradiation, the nature of the extractant, the temperature, and the extraction time, as well as the matrices' characteristics and the solvent-food relationship. Due to the local heating that contributes to matrix rupture, the extraction efficiency is usually directly proportional to the microwave power. However, microwave power has a limit, which can result in a decrease in extraction efficiency [56]. Compound extraction, on the other side, is influenced by the solvent used. A combination of organic solvents and water has been found to increase extraction effectiveness. Contrarily, compared to MAE which exclusively employs organic solvents, the inclusion of water in organic solvents causes the extractant to penetrate the matrix molecules more deeply, enhancing microwave heating and improving overall efficiency and extraction time [75].

The toxicity of the solvent is also an essential aspect to consider when selecting an appropriate extractant for MAE [76]. According to some theories, the selectivity and efficiency of MAE are affected by the dielectric constant of the solvent mixture [77]. The agitator effect influences the extraction process, which mitigates the adverse effects of the S/F ratio on extraction recovery [78].

4.8. UAE

UAE involves the mechanism of diffusion across cells and cell breakage caused by mass transfer. To extract the chemical components, UAE uses a sound wave at 20 kHz-100 MHz to compress and expand the cells [79]. By rupturing plant cell walls, ultrasounds can expedite mass and heat transfer and improve the release of the target substances from a range of natural sources [80].

Compared to other extraction techniques, ultrasound is relatively simple to use; it is flexible, versatile, and requires a low investment. Polysaccharides, peptides, essential oils, dyes, proteins, pigments, and bioactive compounds have all been extracted using ultrasound [81]. This phenomenon can occur in either an indirect or direct manner [82].

Among the benefits of this technology are reduced solvent consumption, time and temperature, low investment for equipment, and ease of implementation, allowing it to be used industrially in local companies [83]. Heating can degrade the additives present in the sample, which is one of the main disadvantages of UAE [84]. Compared to traditional methods, UAE uses less solvent and is more efficient and cost-effective at extracting polyphenols and other compounds.

4.9. PLE

PLE, commonly called pressurized fluid extraction, and accelerated solvent extraction, was first introduced by Ganzler *et al.* [71], enhanced solvent extraction or Pressurized Hot Water Extraction [85]. PLE operates at high temperatures (50–200°C) and high pressures

boiling point [86]. The polarity of the solvent is reduced at high temperatures, but the solubility and mass transfer rate are increased due to an increase in the dielectric constant. A very little solvent is needed because the liquid is pushed into the extracting cells under high pressure, and the extraction yield is higher as a result. Additionally, automated methods shorten extraction times and do not need solvents [87]. Using pressurized liquid extraction, pheophytins, and the carotenoid diatoxanthin were removed from *Euglena cantabrica* [88].

4.10. PEF

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PEF is a non-thermal technique that extracts bioactive compounds using a short electric field pulse. During PEF, the electric field distorts or destroys the cell membrane, transferring electric potential to the cells [89]. Its mode of action is based on causing cell membrane permeability in a short period and with minimal energy consumption. This is performed by using well-known techniques for preservation, enzyme, and microbial inactivation, which involve administering brief pulses (µs to ms) of moderate electric voltage (usually 0.5-20 kV/cm) to a substrate of interest positioned between two electrodes [90]. Because of these properties, various studies have been conducted to improve the extraction performance of bioactive compounds such as anthocyanins, polyphenols, and vegetable oil from plant tissues and byproducts, as well as the soluble intracellular matter of microorganisms [91]. On the other hand, in plant systems and cell cultures, low to light PEF treatment intensities are frequently regarded as an efficient pretreatment technique for raising secondary metabolites extraction efficiency [92]. Several procedures, such as pressing, extraction, drying, and diffusion, have used PEF. This method accelerates mass transfer while speeding up extraction by disrupting the membrane of the raw materials. The distortion or damage of the cell membrane is important for increasing permeability and proving to be beneficial over traditional extraction methods [50].

5. CLINICAL STATUS OF BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS OF MICROBIAL ORIGIN

A bioactive compound tetrodotoxin isolated from microalgae Alexandrium tamarense had been undergoing phase III clinical trials. This compound has been developed as Halneuron® for the treatment of chemotherapy-induced neuropathic pain on cancer patients. Utilizing the satisfactory portions of tetrodotoxin has been displayed to have gainful impacts against intense, provocative, and neuropathic pain in animal models. The clinical trial has shown the benefits of tetrodotoxin on patients older than 18 years with severe cancer-related pain. Wex Pharmaceuticals Inc. has tested Halneuron® on more than 500 patients and reported that this medication is able to give pain relief for a longer duration with low side effects [93]. Kumamoto University had done a study on sacran a polysaccharide extracted from Aphanothece sacrum Cyanobacteria. The anti-inflammatory effect on 25 patients of atopic dermatitis was studied. The results of this study showed that all 25 patients treated with sacran had an improvement in the atopic dermatitis average symptoms. After 4 weeks of treatment, there was also significant improvement in the problem of sleep disorder and itching [94].

Plinabulin (NPI-2358), a compound derived from a marine fungus, is being tested in phase II clinical trials as a powerful and targeted vascular disruptor. This fungus compound was shown to have effectiveness over multi-drug resistant human tumor cell lines, according to preclinical investigations. This compound also has shown enhanced efficiency of current chemotherapy and radiotherapy in animal models [95]. Another promising anticancer drug is salinosporamide A, which is undertaking phase I studies under the direction of Nereus Pharmaceuticals (San Diego, CA). It is a brand-new proteasome inhibitor that was discovered in the *Salinispora tropica* bacterium. Proteasome inhibition properties were effective at inhibiting a variety of solid tumor models and hematologic malignancies while causing minimal damage in normal cells [96]. A marine bacterium-derived drug called Tasidotin, Synthadotin (ILX-651) is also undergoing Phase II clinical trials with Genzyme Corporation (Cambridge, MA). Under the direction of Aska Pharmaceuticals, Soblidotin (TZT 1027), another bacterial bioactive substance, is undergoing Phase III clinical preliminary testing (Tokyo, Japan). These two substances are both potential cancer-fighting substances [97].

Recent reports have verified the synthesis of the well-known marine anticancer drug bryostatin 1 from *Candidatus Endobugula sertula* [98]. The National Cancer Institute (NIH, U.S.) is also conducting Phase I clinical trials with bryostatin 1 [99]. Sorbicillactone-A, another antileukemic drug made by *Penicillium chrysogenum*, has begun to be researched for human trials. This alkaloid substance was said to have antiviral and neuroprotective effects [100].

6. GENOMICS AND METAGENOMICS-BASED BIOPROSPECTING OF MICROBES FOR NOVEL BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS

Microbes have long been considered a possible source of bioactive molecules that may be turned into medications to fight cancer and diseases. In the past, novel microbe-produced chemicals were found through traditional bioprospecting, which involved isolating putative producers and testing their extracts in various bioassays [101]. There are currently greater chances for the identification of novel bioactive chemicals due to recent developments in numerous methodologies, including metagenomics, genomics, combinatorial biosynthesis, screening techniques, expression systems, proteomics, and bioinformatics [102]. The integration of these modern techniques with classic techniques serves as an important tool in the identification of novel bioactive compounds [102].

Formerly, conventional microscopy was used to identify the microbes in a sample. However, it is now much simpler to identify and characterize the biodiversity and function within a microbial population due to improvements in DNA/RNA-based methodologies and sequence technology. Both partial community analysis methods and entire community analysis methods have been used to describe these methodologies [103]. PCR-based techniques and other ways are frequently used in partial community analysis. While focusing solely on one or a small number of genes, whole-community analysis methodologies provide a more comprehensive understanding of the genetic diversity inside a community [103]. These methods genuinely make an effort to examine every piece of genetic data included in the whole DNA that has been isolated from an ambient sample or a pure culture of bacteria. These methods include whole-microbial genome sequencing, metagenomics, DNA-DNA hybridization kinetics, G+C DNA content, and developing omics technologies.

A new method was created to cover the whole microbial variety from various biotopes in light of the lack of growing techniques for the majority of microorganisms. The foundation of this cultivationindependent strategy is the creation of elaborate libraries using ambient DNA. The metagenome, also referred to as the collective genome of all extant microorganisms, is made up of isolated microbial DNA from a certain habitat [104,105].

The term "metagenomics" refers to the genetic analysis of microbes using the direct extraction method and the cloning of DNA from a variety of different species from environmental samples [106]. Gene clusters, genes that code for enzymes, and the creation of bioactive molecules may be the focus of metagenomics [107]. Extreme environments, naturally or intentionally enriched environments for the target gene, and extremely diversified habitats are some of the key categories of environments taken into account when utilizing this strategy [108]. The vast amount of metagenomic data that the sequencing platforms have collected is then analysed, which calls for the use of the appropriate data-analysis tools. Tools for managing huge datasets have been created using bioinformatics software.

7. BIOTECHNOLOGICALAPPLICATIONS OF BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS IN HUMAN HEALTH

7.1. Antiviral Activity

Microalgae are quite possibly the most encouraging hotspots for new useful food items, because of their capacity to incorporate polyunsaturated unsaturated lipids, colors, and regular cancer prevention agents [109]. In a study, four strains of microalgae prospected were refined, and their antiviral effect was assessed *in vitro* against MAYV. The cell reasonability tests were done on VERO cells (Verda Reno Cells) to evaluate the lethality of the concentrates by CC50 designation and the deactivation limit of the MAYV as assessed by TCID50. The outcomes demonstrated that all the microalgae strains introduced adversary of the Mayaro movement and the overall strength was greater than ribavirin, the current antiviral. In addition, the basic portrayal by TLC and NMR 1H inquiry demonstrated in the concentrated configuration of terpenoid atoms and the greater part occurrence of unsaturated aliphatic particles [110].

Another study analyzed the polyunsaturated fatty acids. Carotenoids and cancer prevention agent movement of Phaeodactylum tricornutum, Nannochloropsis oculata, and Porphyridium cruentum activity got from SC-CO₂ and subcritical n-butane extraction techniques SC-CO₂ strategy was particular in removing immersed unsaturated fats saturated fatty acids for all microalgae species contemplated [110,111]. To add up to carotenoids and cancer prevention agent action utilizing DPPH scavenging test, a critical connection coefficient (R2 = 0.80) was found among the concentrates autonomous of the extraction strategy tried. This shows that carotenoid mixtures may be a significant supporter of the cell reinforcement limits of these microalgae. Polysacchariderich fractions isolated from D. salina and Haematococcus pluvialis extracts exhibit higher antiviral activity against herpes simplex virus type 1 [112]. Oscillatoria agardhii, Nostoc ellipsosporum reported lectins (Agglutinin OAA, Cyanovirin-N) which showed anti-influenza A-B viruses, anti-HIV1 and HIV2 properties [113,114].

Every year, marine fungi produce between 150 and 200 novel compounds, such as sesquiterpenes, alkaloids, polyketides, and aromatic compounds [115]. Recent studies have shown the enormous potential of marine fungi as a viable source for the creation of novel antivirals against a variety of significant viruses, such as the influenza virus, the human immunodeficiency virus, and herpes simplex viruses [116]. Till date, *Pleurotus citrinopileatus* exhibits the highest anti-HIV-RT activity with IC_{50} (0.93). *Pholiota adipose and Schizophyllum commune* have lentins bioactive compounds with

inhibitory activity toward HIV-1RT with low IC₅₀ values [117]. *Trichoderma* spp. of fungi, when tested against the human Enterovirus 71, SCSIO41004 (which contains 5-acetyl-2-methoxy-1,4,6-trihydroxy-anthraquinone) significantly inhibited viral growth [118]. Isolated polyketides from the fungus *Diaporthe* spp. SCSIO 41011 exhibited strong antiviral activity against three different strains of the influenza A virus [119]. Isoprenylated cyclohexanols present in *Truncatella angustata* have shown inhibition activity against HIV and H1N1 virus [120].

7.2. Anticancer Activity

Triterpenes from *Ganoderma lucidum* are known to initiate apoptosis of DU-145 cells in prostate malignant growth cells. Triterpenes had restrained the development of HT-29 cells by capturing cell cycle at the G0/G1 stage and furthermore accepted the modified cell passing Type II. Triterpenes from *G. lucidum* (GLT) restrain the development of prostate disease cells, stifle the relocation and intrusion and actuate apoptosis through the restraint of MMP articulation [121]. Triterpenes had likewise been displayed to hinder the development of growths in a xenograft model of colon disease [122]. Triterpenoids acquired from polyporus mushrooms, for example, ganolucidic corrosive E, ganoderenic corrosive D, iucidumol A, ganodermanontriol, 15-hydroxy ganoderic acis 5, 7-oxo-ganoderic corrosive Z, and ganoderic corrosive DM showed diminished cell development in three human carcinoma cell lines CaCo2, HEPA C12 and HeLa cells [123].

In another review, seven parts of triterpenoids were assessed for the anticancer exercises on malignant growth cell lines. Ganoderic corrosive D had shown high cytotoxic movement against Hep G2, Hela, and Caco-2 cell lines [124]. In a comparative report, lanostane triterpenoids were cleansed from Inonotus obliquus, for example, inotodiol, 3b,22dihydroxylanosta-7,6 (11), 24-triene, 3bhydroxylanosta-8,24-dien-21-al, 22R-epoxylanost-8ene-3b,24Sdiol, lanosterol, trametenolic corrosive, inonotsulides A, B, and C, inonotsuoxides An and B, inonotsutriols A, B, and C, lanosta-8,23Ediene-3b,22R,25-triol and lanosta-7:9(11), 23E-triene-3b,22R,25triol, spiroinonotsuoxodiol, inonotsudiol An and inonotsuoxodiol A, and inonotsutriols D and E had shown enemy of growth impact [125]. Triterpenes of the fruiting varieties of Fomitopsis pinicola and Fumaria officinalis were compared to the cell lines HeLa, A549, hepatocellular liver carcinoma (HepG2), and MCF7. These triterpenes show a significant influence on disease cells by inhibiting the expression of VEGF, IL4, and IFN gamma growth factors [126].

Polysaccharides cleansed from *G. lucidum* had shown antitumor action against different malignant growth cell lines. These mixtures hinder the development of Hep2 cells by the guideline of hepatic miRNAs and safe related miRNA. It has been seen that polysaccharides in blend with 5-fluorouracil showed synergistic cytotoxicity, apoptosis, and cell cycle capture against human colon malignant growth cells [127]. The polysaccharide from the maitake mushroom (*Grifola frondosa*), Part D, has demonstrated anticancer activity. When human breast cancer cells (MCF7) were exposed to maitake (D part) extract at various fixations, a significant decrease in the viability of the malignant growth cell line was observed. Due to the overexpression of BAK-1 and cytochrome C records, the apoptotic activity in a portion of the subordinate way significantly increased [128].

In a comparable report, the D-part of polysaccharides has likewise exhibited a direct effect on human and canine growth disease cell lines. This portion impacts the cell expansion through a tweak of quality articulation, cell passing, and metastasis in MCF7 human bosom disease cells. It was additionally exhibited that this compound has been able to straightforwardly follow up on the mammary growth cells and to module cell processes that are associated with the turn of events and movement of disease in people [129]. Polysaccharide compound se-gp11 was purged from Se-advanced G. frondosa which is made out of mannose, glucose, and galactose. This compound repressed the development of Hepa growth by expanding interleukin-2 and serum rot factor alpha which increment the heaviness of the thymus and spleen [130]. Polysaccharide GP11, which was removed from G. frondosa, inhibited the growth of Heps cells as well as exerted indirect cytotoxicity against HepG-2 cells. This substance stimulated the production of several distinct factors, including interleukin-1β, nitric oxide (NO), and tumor necrosis factor (TNF- α). It was hypothesized that the TLR-4-intervened upregulation of the production of NO and TNF- α was responsible for the anticancer effect of GP11 polysaccharide by strengthening the host insusceptible framework [131].

GFG-3a is an original glycoprotein refined from G. frondosa had shown cell apoptosis and capture of the cell cycle at S gradually works in human gastric malignant growth SGC-7901 cells [132]. Polysaccharide peptide compound krestin refined from tinea versicolor goes about as an adjuvant in the counteraction of bosom malignant growth. This compound had likewise been announced for antitumor impacts in growth-bearing transgenic mice and had critical hindrances of bosom disease development [133]. A polysaccharide removes (Khz) decontaminated from the intertwined mycelia of Polyporus umbellatus and G. lucidum had shown hindrance to the development of A549 cellular breakdown in the lung cells. A high sub-atomic weight novel polysaccharide PL-N1) was secluded from Phellinus linteus mycelium remove. This polysaccharide contains arabinose, xylose, glucose, and galactose and has shown antitumor exercises and critical hindrance against the development of HepG2 malignant growth cell lines [134]. Two polysaccharides filtered from Grifola umbellata GUMP-1-1 and GUMP-1-2 had shown huge restraint of cancer development in hepatoma H22 relocated mice [135]. Water-dissolvable intracellular polysaccharides were removed from refined mycelia of Phellinus igniarius, and their decontaminated ethanol part had shown anticancer exercises against Su480 and HepG2 cell lines [136].

Numerous mixes that have been restricted from mushrooms contain anticancer workouts. Grifolin, a substance extracted from the crisp fruiting bodies of Albatrellus intersection, had been shown to inhibit the growth of various disease-related cell lines in vitro by up-guiding DAPK1 [137]. The anticancer and cancer prevention agent action of low atomic weight subfractions disconnected from auxiliary metabolites created by the wood corrupting growth Cerrena unicolor was additionally revealed against human colon disease cells [138]. Anticancer movement of this compound additionally covered nasopharyngeal and osteosarcoma disease by the enlistment of apoptosis and concealment of the ERK1/2 pathway [139]. This compound can hinder DNMT1 articulation which helps in the working of mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation edifices in nasopharyngeal carcinoma [140]. Isosullin acquired from the oil ether concentrate of Saillus flavus had shown apoptosis and G0/G1 capture of the cell cycle in KS62 cell lines [141]. This compound had likewise answered to fundamentally diminish the cell practicality, G1 capture, and apoptosis in the SMMC-772 liver cell lines. This compound had the potential for cellular breakdown in the lung therapy because of the acceptance of apoptosis in H446 malignant growth cell lines [142,143].

Ergone and polyporusterone B disconnected from *P. umbellatus* had shown anticancer movement against HepG2, Hep-2, and Hela disease cells. However, ergone had shown particular cytotoxic action against these malignant growth cell lines [144]. Ergosterol peroxide and trametenolic corrosive disconnected from Chaga mushroom had shown cytotoxicity in human prostatic carcinoma cell PC3 and bosom carcinoma MDA-MB-231 cell lines [145]. The ergosterol peroxide got from *I. obliquus* showed against malignant growth impacts in colorectal disease by down-guideline of the β -catenin pathway. This compound had shown apoptosis in CRC cell lines, and furthermore repressed colitis-related colon disease in AOM/DSS-treated mice [146].

Hispolon, a phenolic compound removed from I. obliquus could initiate apoptosis of bosom and bladder-malignant growth cells [147]. A vigorously glycosylated protein, proteoglycan, which was cleansed from P. linteus had shown antitumor impact on human disease cells by the hindrance of expansion of human colon adenocarcinoma (HT-29), human HepG2, human cellular breakdown in the lungs (NCIH 460), and human bosom adenocarcinoma (MCF-7) cells [148]. The polysaccharide compound of T. versicolor at a centralization of 20 mg/L had shown critical restraint of hepatoma malignant growth cell line (QGY) by influencing articulation of cell cycle-related qualities (p53, Bcl-2, and Fas,) and actuated apoptosis [149]. Trametenolic corrosive, a bioactive compound filtered from Trametes lactinea (Berk.) Pat, had likewise known to show cytotoxic exercises against gastric malignant growth cell lines [150]. GA3P (d-galactan sulfate) isolated from Gymnodinium microalgae had reported growth inhibition of different cell lines (HCC2998, KM-12, HT-29, WiDr, HCT-15, and HCT-116) [151]. A glycolipid mono galactosyl diacylglycerol had reported activity toward the HT-29 human colon adenocarcinoma tumors. Violaxanthin isolated from Chlorella ellipsoidea had proapoptotic and anti-proliferative activity against the HCT-116 colon cancer cell line [152].

7.3. Antifungal Activity

A melodramatic shift approaching a more sustainable, environmentally stable, and natural way of living has been observed in recent years. Besides, many demerits and ill-effects related to existing antimicrobial agents, it is no wonder that a considerable number of humans, particularly those belonging to developing nations, are using naturally accessible bioactive alternatives for their health-care systems [153]. A substantial number of natural drugs can be obtained either from microbes or by their interaction with hosts [154]. Among the many antimicrobial agents' antifungal peptides have also been extracted from numerous sources. It was in 1948 when scientists isolated antifungal compounds from Bacillus subtilis [155], the studies on the biosynthesis and their mode of action of antifungal substances began to limelight [156]. Antifungal compounds have been extracted from three kinds of microbes: Actinomycetes, bacteria, and fungi. Bacteria constitute the largest source among these three and Bacillus amyloliquefaciens, Bacillus cereus and B. subtilis are more widely utilized in research. B. cereus have the tendency to produce bacereutin, cispentacin, azoxybacilin, and mycocerein, which show strong activity against the proliferation of Candida albicans, Saccharomyces spp., Aspergillus species, and many other fungi [157]. Chernin et al. [158] reported the antifungal compound, namely pyrrolnitrin from Enterobacter agglomerans which shows antimicrobial action against a number of pathogenic fungi such as Aspergillus niger, Candida spp., dermatophytes, and other phytopathogenic fungi. Antifungal compounds extracted from a strain of *B. amyloliquefaciens* sybc H47 had shown a significant effect on a number of pathogenic fungi-like *Aspergillus niger*, *Candida albicans Fusarium oxysporum* and *Penicillium citrinum* [159]. In addition, many fungi, such as *Aspergillus* have also been known to synthesize antifungal compounds like echinocandins which are resistant to mycosis [160]. In recent years, the remarkable antifungal activity of marine actinomycetes has invited the attention of many researchers globally [161].

Various studies have been done on Streptomyces species which in known to have marked antifungal activity in addition to antiviral, antibacterial, and antiparasitic properties [162,163]. The crude extract of seven phyllospheric bacteria was tested against P. oryzae which demonstrated excellent antifungal activity [164]. Enormous tactics have been utilized to deal with numerous deadly fungal infections. Amphotericin B which is produced by Streptomyces nodusus, a Grampositive bacteria, is a first-line drug used against the commented problem and it works by disrupting the membrane system. Another great approach is the use of combinatorial therapy, which can lessen the risk of the antifungal battle against monotherapy [165]. Recently, the extract from macroalgae viz. Gracilariopsis persica has demonstrated excellent antifungal activity against four pathogenic fungi [166]. Recently, bioactive compounds from Lactobacillus harbinensis K V9.3.1Np were identified using nuclear magnetic resonance and mass spectrometry. This was accompanied by checking the activity against Penicillium expansum and Yarrowia lipolytica, which revealed a polyamine and benzoic acid as active compounds from L. harbinensis K.V9.3.1Np [167].

7.4. Antibacterial Activity

Soil is the best medium for the growth of microorganisms that produce antibiotics that can further be incredibly used in the treatment of bacterial diseases in humans. The demand for such kinds of antibiotics has been growing day by day [168,169]. Bacterial isolates from B. cereus and Klebsiella pneumoniae were discovered to have antibacterial action toward Escherchia coli, Salmonella typhi and Staphylococcus aureus and thus these could be used for the production of the broad range of antibiotics [170]. Lactic acid bacteria are known to produce antibacterial compounds such as bacteriocin, hydrogen peroxide, diacetyl, and organic acids, which are efficient against harmful bacteria. Bacteriocins are generally peptides that are antagonists for bacteria; however, their number is quite less in comparison to the developed antimicrobial peptides [171,172]. Lactobacillus pentosus ST712BZ produces bacteriocin, which is effective against the proliferation of E. coli, E. faecalis, K. pneumoniae, Lactobacillus casei, Lactobacillus curvatus and Pseudomonas aeruginosa [173,174]. Bacteriocin properties of Serraticin A from Serratia proteomaculans have been reported [175]. The compound works by interfering with the synthesis of DNA [176]. Three methoxyphenol phytometabolites, namely eugenol, capsaicin, and vanillin exhibited antibacterial and antioxidant activities against Brochothrix thermosphacta, Shewanella putrefaciens, Lactobacillus and E. coli, P. aeruginosa, and S. aureus [177]. The isolates from Streptomyces spp. exhibited strong antibacterial activity against E. coli, S. aureus, P. aeruginosa, and B. cereus [178]. Nisin and gramicidin are the famous antimicrobial peptides extracted B. subtilis, Bacillus brevis, and Lactococcus lactis [179]. Antibacterial peptides constitute a large share of AMPs and have an extensive inhibitory effect on some common pathogenic bacteria, like Listeria monocytogenes, S. aureus Acinetobacter baumannii, and E. coli [180,181]. In addition, a total

of 64 fungal families were reported to show antibacterial activity against 32 species of bacteria from over the world [182]. Antibacterial activity of endophyte fungi strains against the growth of pathogenic bacteria like *S. aureus* and *E. coli* has been studied [183].

7.5. Antimalarial Activity

Malaria is a disease which is widespread in subtropical and tropical regions, including parts of America, Asia, and Africa. An estimated 241 million malaria cases and 6,27,000 malaria deaths have been reported worldwide in 2020. Plasmodium falciparum, one of the five species of infectious malaria parasites is the most dangerous one because it causes dreadful infection even death. The available drugs against P. falciparum are increasingly losing efficacy because of the growing emergence of resistance, so there is an ongoing need to develop new, effective, and affordable antimalarial agents [184]. Ferreira et al. [185] studied 285 fungal isolates and their antimicrobial and antimalarial activities were examined. These endophytic fungal isolates were grown in solid-state fermentation and their crude extracts were recovered in dichloromethane. Chromatographic fractionation and NMR were used to analyze the bioactive extracts, which showed five fungi producing antimicrobial and antimalarial compounds. Extracts of endophyte Diaporthemiriciae produced epoxycytochalasin H which displayed high antimalarial activity against chloroquine-sensitive and chloroquine-resistant strains of P. falciparum. The compound epoxycytochalasin H with high anti-malarial activity against the chloroquine-resistant strains of P. falciparum has IC₅₀ approximately 3.5-fold lower than that with chloroquine. Bioactive compounds from Streptomyces, a Grampositive bacterium, have been used as a most popular source of antibiotics [186]. Trioxacarcins A, B, C, and D isolated from marine Streptomyces have been tested against P. falciparum. Of these, Trioxacarcins A and D had a high antiplasmodial activity with IC₅₀ value1.6 \pm 0.1 and 2.3 \pm 0.2 ng/mL, respectively comparable to artemisinin with IC₅₀ value 0.7 ± 0.1 ng/mL [187] Trioxacarcin B with IC₅₀ value 102 ± 4.9 ng/mL has anti plasmodial activity about 100 times less than that of trioxacarcins A and Dwhereastrioxacarcin C with IC_{50} value is >5000 ng/mL has been found to be inactive. Coronamycin from endophytic Streptomyces spp. growing inside an epiphytic vine, Monstera spp., showed an antiplasmodial activity against P. falciparum with IC 50 of 9.0 ng/mL [188]. A series of unique wide-spectrum antibiotics called munumbicins A, B, C, and D of which Munumbicin D showed activity against P. falciparum(with IC₅₀ of 4.5±0.07 ng/mL) [189].

Similarly, Kakadumycin A, Munumbicins E-4, and E-5 also showed antimalarial activity [190,191]. In vivo testing of Gancidin-W isolated from Streptomyces spp. SUK 10 on P. berghei NK 65 infected mice showed a remarkable 80% inhibition of malarial parasite at 6.25 and 3.125 µg/kg body weight [192]. McCarthy et al. [193] screened the role of marine microbes as potential antimalarial agents. They identified 17 dominant extracts produced by the actinomycetes, fungi and Gram-negative bacteria out of 2365 tested samples due to their inhibitory action against the multidrug chloroquine-resistant P. falciparum and their cytotoxic nature toward the mammalian cells. Parapini et al. [194] screened a group of 14 different inhibitors of Rac1 as potent antimalarial agents. Their study showed E-Hop-016 as the potent inhibitor of P. falciparum in vitro but did not impede the parasitic invasion of erythrocytes. An outcome of the results depicted the role of E-Hop-016 in affecting the intraerythrocytic growth of the parasite.

7.6. Antidiabetic Activity

Diabetes mellitus is a collection of non-communicable metabolic disorders characterized by a persistently high blood glucose level resulting from decreased insulin production, insulin action, or even both. Diabetes mellitus, if left untreated, can cause serious health problems, which include cardiovascular disease, blindness, chronic kidney disease, neuropathy, stroke, and even death [195-197]. American diabetes association, 1997, classified Diabetes mellitus as Type 1 Diabetes mellitus, which results from the destruction of beta cells of the pancreas due to an autoimmune disorder accounting for 3-10% of cases, Type 2 Diabetes mellitus which occurs due to the body's ineffective use of insulin and accounts for 85-90% cases and Gestational Diabetes (2-5% cases) which occurs during pregnancy [198]. Several researchers have reported that gut microbiota such as Bifidobacterium, Lactobacillus, Bacteroides, Roseburia, Faecalibacterium, Clostridium cluster IV and subcluster XIVa and Akkermansia have shown promising results against T2DM [199-201]. Jayant and Vijayakumar [202], reported in vitro anti oxidant and anti-diabetic potential of ten fungal endophytes isolated from Ficus religiosa viz., Aspergillus aculeatus, Penicillium spp., Aspergillus sydowii, Curvularia lunata, Cephaliophora irregularis, Diaporthe spp., Aspergillus quadrilineatus, A. flavus, A. versicolor and Aspergillus spp.

The antidiabetic and antioxidant potential of the fungal extracts were determined by inhibition of DPPH and enzyme α -amylase. Interestingly, all the extracts displayed moderate DPPH and α -amylase inhibitory activity with Curvularia lunata being the lead. In another study made by Ushasri et al. [203], it was reported that ethanol and acetone extracts of endophyte Syncephalastrum racemosum extracted from the sea weed *Gracilaria corticata* exhibited maximal α -amylase inhibitory action. Besides these, several wild edible mushrooms possess various nutritional and pharmacologically active components such as fibers, alkaloids, lectins, proteins, polysaccharides, and polyphenols which show antitumor, anti-inflammatory, antihypercholesterolemic, immunomodulatory, antioxidant, antihypertensive, hypoglycemic, antimicrobial and various other properties [204-207]. Anti-diabetic action of six medicinal and edible mushrooms such as Agaricus blazei, Coprinus comatus, Cordyceps militaris, I. obliquus, Morchella conica and P. linteus has been reported [208]. In addition, hypogycemic potential of several mushroom species viz., Lentinus swartzii, Tremella fuciformis (glucuronoxylomannan [209], Wolfiporia extensa (dehydrotumulosic acid, dehydrotrametenolic acid, and pachymic acid) [210], G. lucidum (G. lucidum polysaccharides) [211], Ganoderma applanatum (Exopolymer (GAE) [212] and Collybia confluens (Exo-polymer (CCE) [212], Auricularia auricula-judae (Polysaccharide (FA) [213], Agaricus campestris, Agaricus subrufescens (Beta-glucans and Oligosaccharides [AO]) [214], I. obliquus, Hericium erinaceus, Agrocybe aegerita, C. comatus (Vanadium) [215], Cordyceps sinensis (Polysaccharide CSP-1) [216], G. frondosa (Alpha-glucan, MT-alphaglucan) have been reported [217-221].

8. CONCLUSION

A greater knowledge of the significance of bioactive compounds and the identification of novel specialized metabolites would provide the world with hope for the future. The extraction of bioactive metabolites via traditional methods was time-consuming and labor-intensive. UAEs, microwave extraction, pressurized liquid extraction, and supercritical fluid extraction all have improved extraction yield and efficiency. Unquestionably, genomics has made a significant contribution to the

revitalization of microbial product screening. Furthermore, microbes are an environmentally friendly and renewable drug discovery option. As a result, compounds derived from microorganisms may be the answer to the ongoing battle against antibiotic-resistant bacteria and a variety of terrible diseases. The discovery of novel biologics may be aided by the advancement and development of easily accessible NGS technologies, bioinformatics tools, and other emerging approaches. The growing demand for bioactive compounds of microbial origin in the pharmaceutical industry necessitates the development of more efficient, productive, and environmentally friendly extraction techniques. As a result, we are optimistic that the near future will persist to provide a plentiful bounty of novel bioactive molecules derived from microbial sources.

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