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## An ethnobotanical study of medicinal plants in Acipayam (Denizli-Turkey)

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### ABSTRACT

A comprehensive ethnobotanical study was conducted in Acipayam, situated in the western part of Turkey. This paper includes details of plants used in folk medicine and ethnopharmacological information obtained during this study. The aim of the authors was to collect and identify plants used by local people for therapeutic purposes and to present information about traditional herbal medicine. Plant specimens collected during field-work form the subject of this investigation. Information was obtained by means of open and semi-structured interviews with local people. In addition, cultural importance index (CI) and use report (UR) values were calculated. Ninety-one taxa of plants used in folk medicine and belonging to 38 families were identified in this study. Of these, 82 species were wild, and 9 species were cultivated. The most common families were Lamiaceae (18.7%), Asteraceae (14.3%) and Rosaceae (6.6%). Consequently, 191 medicinal uses (remedies) of 91 taxa were recorded. According to the use reports (UR), the most important medicinal plants were *Cydonia oblonga* (99 UR), *Juniperus oxycedrus* subsp. *oxycedrus* (99 UR), *Pinus brutia* (98 UR), *Hypericum perforatum* (90 UR), *Viscum album* subsp. *austriacum* (82 UR) and *Salvia tomentosa* (80 UR). Infusion (38.2%) was the most common preparation method used within the research area. The ethnomedicinal capabilities of eight species (*Amelanchier parviflora* var. *dentata*, *Echinops viscosus* subsp. *bithynicus*, *Onopordum sibthorpiatum*, *Origanum hypericifolium*, *Quercus trojana*, *Salvia adenophylla*, *Sideritis montana* subsp. *remota* and *Tamarix smyrnensis*) have been recorded for the first time in Turkey.

### 1. Introduction

Ethnobotany is briefly defined as studies involving an interaction between people and plants in a given environment. Apart from collecting information relating to human cultural heritage, this multidisciplinary science also facilitates the discovery of new drugs (Agelet and Vallès, 2003). Ethnobotanical surveys have played an important role in bringing to light lost information from the past, thus enabling the possible future discovery and use of novel, effective, therapeutic compounds.

Since 3000 B.C., Acipayam was an important settlement area, strategically located at the intersection of the Aegean, the Mediterranean and the West Anatolian regions. It is rich both in flora and cultural diversity, having been occupied by a diverse range of different civilizations over the centuries (<http://www.acipayam.bel.tr>). Extensive use of medicinal plants in Turkey is directly related to the current composition of the local flora, comprising some 9500 species, 33% of which are endemic (Ozhatay et al., 2012).

Ethnobotanical studies had been carried out for many years,

especially in the last decade. Various surveys have been conducted throughout Turkey in order to collect information on the use of plants as a source of folklore medicine. In Denizli province, areas such as Buldan, Cameli and Honaz have previously been investigated for traditional medicine use (Ertug et al., 2003; Honda et al., 1996; Kargioglu et al., 2010; Tuzlaci, 1977). However, to the best of the authors knowledge, this is the first report to address the use of medicinal plants in Acipayam. The area of the study distinguishes from other regions of Turkey due to its geographical and climatic variations building up a great floral and cultural diversity. The aim of this study was to present information about the use of traditional herbal medicine in Acipayam.

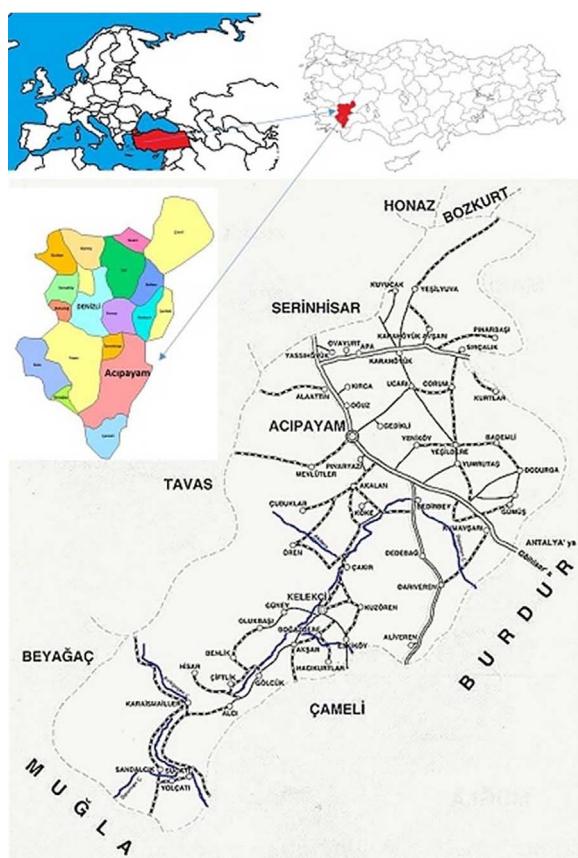
### 2. Materials and methods

#### 2.1. Study area

Acipayam is a district of the Denizli province, southwest Anatolia, located at a latitude of 37° 25.2' north and a longitude of 29° 19.8' east, and covering an area of 1609 km<sup>2</sup>, with a population of 56.330 (<http://>

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**Fig. 1.** Geographical location of the study area.



**Fig. 2.** General view of Acipayam.

[www.tuik.gov.tr](http://www.tuik.gov.tr) (Fig. 1). Most of the population (75%) lives in rural areas. The centre of the region is located at an altitude of 850 meters above sea level, and the highest point in the investigated area is the mountain Bozdag (2421 m asl). An ethnobotanical survey was conducted for all 52 localities (38 villages, 14 neighborhoods) of Acipayam; situated at an altitude of between 600 m and 1450 m (Fig. 2). Acipayam is surrounded by Serinhisar, Honaz, Bozkurt and Cardak (Denizli) to the north, Golhisar and Cameli (Burdur) to the south, Yesilova, Tefenni and Karamanli (Burdur) to the east, and Dalaman, Koycegiz (Muğla) and Beyagac and Tavas (Denizli) to the west. The mountains encircling this area are Honaz Mountain (2,528 m), Bozdag (2,421 m), Eseler Mountain (2254 m) and Elmadağı (1805 m). The Acipayam plain covers an area of 725 km<sup>2</sup>, bounded by Honaz Mountain to the north and Eseler Mountain to the east (<http://www.acipayam.bel.tr>).

The variable climate of the region is due to its location, which

creates a passage between the Aegean, the Mediterranean and the Central Anatolia regions of Turkey. The mean annual temperature is  $16.2^{\circ}\text{C}$ , with a mean annual rainfall of  $47.3 \text{ kg/m}^2$  (<http://www.mgm.gov.tr>).

Historically, Acipayam is derived from a Turkish word meaning ‘bitter almond’ and almond trees still grow there, mainly on the plains. The main crops cultivated at Acipayam are melon, cherry, anise, tobacco and poppy ([Acipayam Belediyesi, 2015 <http://www.acipayam.bel.tr>](http://www.acipayam.bel.tr)).

The vegetation of Acipayam district presented here is based on the authors own observations and field records. The vegetation of the northern part of Acipayam is similar to that characteristic of stepic communities and contains Irano-Turanian elements. The trees and shrubs occupying the northern mountain slopes (900–1850 m) include: *Pinus nigra* F.J. Arnold subsp. *nigra* var. *caramanica* (Loudon) Rehder, *Juniperus excelsa* Bieb., *J. foetidissima* Willd., *J. oxycedrus* L. subsp. *oxycedrus*, *Quercus coccifera* L., *Q. infectoria* Olivier, *Q. trojana* P.B. Webb., *Amelanchier parviflora* Boiss., *Rosa pulverulenta* Bieb., *Crataegus monogyna* Jacq., *Berberis crataegina* DC., *Pyrus amygdaliformis* Vill. and *Astragalus condensatus* Ledeb.

The southern mountain slopes are covered with more extensive forest areas than their northern counterparts. Some Mediterranean trees and shrubs, such as *Pinus brutia* Ten., *Styrax officinalis* L., *Spartium junceum* L., *Cotinus coggyria* Scop., *Cistus creticus* L., *Sarcopoterium spinosum* (L.) Spach, *Liquidambar orientalis* Miller and *Cedrus libani* A. Rich. are characteristic of this area. Furthermore, some plants mentioned above, and occurring on the northern slopes, such as *Pinus nigra* subsp. *nigra* var. *caramanica*, *Juniperus excelsa*, *J. foetidissima*, *J. oxycedrus* subsp. *oxycedrus*, *Quercus coccifera*, *Crataegus monogyna* and *Pyrus amygdaliformis* were also found in this part of Acipayam district. There were no trees above an altitude of approximately 2000 m. The vegetation of such habitats consisted of low shrubs and herbaceous plants that are generally characteristic of scrub (Fig. 3).

Some plants of Acipayam are endemic to Turkey, e.g. *Achillea phrygia* Boiss. et Bal., *Amelanchier parviflora* Boiss. var. *dentata* Browicz, *Astragalus condensatus*, *Origanum hypericifolium* O. Schwarz et P.H. Davis, *Onopordum anatolicum* (Boiss.) Eig., *Salvia adenophylla* Hedge et Hub., *Salvia cadmica* Boiss., *Sideritis leptoclada* O. Schwarz et P.H. Davis, *Teucrium sandrasicum* O. Schwarz and *Verbascum cheiranthifolium* Boiss. var. *asperulum* (Boiss.) Murb. One rare Acipayam plant, *Liquidambar orientalis*, is a relict endemic species found mainly in southwest Anatolia (Davis, 1965–1985; Davis et al., 1988; Guner et al., 2000).

## *2.2. Data collection*

Ethnobotanical data was collected by means of open and semi-structured interviews (Alexiades, 1996; Cotton, 1996; Martin, 1995) with local people in the Turkish language (Fig. 4.) The Acipayam area was visited several times between 2013 and 2014. The interviews took the form of general conversations and a structured questionnaire (Appendix A). Plant vouchers were collected, mostly in collaboration with the informants.

A total of 136 people were interviewed. The age of informants varied from 36 to 91, the mean age being 66 years.

The informants included farmers, housewives, shepherds, mukhtar (headmen of villages), labourers (forestry workers) and cafe owners. Interviews were undertaken at various places (coffee houses, gardens, houses and fields). Experienced adults and patients and two local healers were the sources of information and data (local names, part(s) of plants used, ailments treated, therapeutic effects, methods of preparation and methods of administration). Furthermore, some adverse effects of folk medicines were also recorded using a questionnaire.

The collected plants were identified by the authors, using *The Flora of Turkey and East Aegean Islands* (Davis, 1965–1985; Davis et al., 1988; Guner et al., 2000). Voucher specimens were deposited at the Herbarium of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Marmara University (MARE).



Fig. 3. Some views from Acipayam district.



Fig. 4. Ethnobotanical interviews.

### 2.3. Calculations

The Cultural Importance Index (CI) (Tardío and Pardo de Santayana, 2008) is a comparative measure of the importance of the most commonly used species, according to informants. It was calculated by using the following formula:  $CI = UR/N$ ; UR (Use Report) = the total number of uses recorded for each species; N = the total number of informants participating in the research. Each taxon referred to by a respondent under the medical use category (detailed in Tables 1 and 2) was counted as a use report (UR). Popular therapeutic use (POPUT) values were calculated using the POUT formula (Bulut and Tuzlaci, 2015), ( $POPUT = NURIT/TUR$ ; NURIT = the number of use reports for each illness or therapeutic effect; TUR = total number of use reports).

## 3. Results and discussion

### 3.1. Demographic characteristics of respondents

The demographic characteristics of the respondents were recorded during the face-to-face interviews. The age of the participants taking part were as follows:- age 30–40 (9); 41–54 (21); 55–59 (42) and over 72 (64) making a total of 136 participants. All of the respondents were native to Acipayam and were living in the villages. Of the respondents, 91 were male and 45 were female. Approximately, 75 percent of respondents had not completed secondary school education.

### 3.2. Medicinal plants and related knowledge

The plants used for medicinal purposes in Acipayam are presented in Table 1 (human uses) – Table 2 (veterinary uses) and arranged alphabetically according to their botanical names, together with any further relevant information. Taxonomical changes to *The Plant List* (<http://www.theplantlist.org>) are shown in parentheses in Table 1, together with scientific names. During this study, 214 plant specimens

were collected within the research area. Of these, 91 medicinal plant species belonging to 38 families were identified, of which 82 species were wild and 9 species were cultivated. The most common medicinal plant families were Lamiaceae (18.7%), Asteraceae (14.3%) and Rosaceae (6.6%).

Of the medicinal plants used for veterinary purposes, (Table 2), only *Acanthus spinosus* and *Platanus orientalis* are used exclusively for treating animals.

*Centaurea solstitialis* L. subsp.*solstitialis*, *Juniperus oxycedrus* L. subsp. *oxycedrus*, *Lactuca serriola* L., *Papaver somniferum* L., *Quercus coccifera* L., *Salvia tomentosa* Miller and *Verbascum pycnostachyum* Boiss. et Heldr. are used for treating both humans and animals.

*Amelanchier parviflora* var. *dentata*, *Astragalus condensatus*, *Liquidambar orientalis*, *Origanum hypericifolium*, *Salvia adenophylla*, *Salvia caerulea*, *Sideritis leptoclada* and *Verbascum cheiranthifolium* var. *asperulum* are endemic species with therapeutic uses (presented in Table 1).

### 3.2.1. Plant parts used and methods of preparation

“Based on a total of 2966 use reports, the parts of plants mainly used for treating different ailments comprised aerial parts (32.5%), leaves (15.7%), fruit (9.9%), subterranean parts (4.2%) and other parts such as latex, resin, bark of stem (37.7%). During the study, a total of 191 medicinal uses were recorded. The main methods for preparing remedies were infusion (38.2%), decoction (25.7%) and others (36.1%). Remedies were mainly taken internally (67%) (Tables 1 and 2).

Additional ingredients, such as olive oil, milk and paraffin oil are also used to prepare remedies.

Some medicinal plants are also used in multiherbal recipes containing two or more species. These are presented in Table 3.

### 3.2.2. Plant names

Participants were asked the local names of the medicinal plants they used. In some cases, the same vernacular name was used for more than

**Table 1**  
Folk medicinal plants of Acipayam (Denizli, Turkey).

Botanical name, Family and Specimen number	Local name	Plant part used	Ailments treated / Therapeutic effect	Preparation	Adm.	Rpt	CI	Ethnobotanical records from Turkey	Ethnobotanical records from Mediterranean Region
<i>Alcea pallida</i> Waldst. et Kit. (Malvaceae, MARE17151)	Deveğili, Fatmacıçığı, Güllâma	Flowers and Fruits	Mycosis	Infusion	Int.	3	0.29	Antifungal (12)	
		Flowers and Fruits	Common cold	Infusion	Int.	10		Cold (39, 79, 96)	
		Flowers	Shortness of breath	Infusion	Int.	10		Diuretic (12)	
		Flowers	Cough	Infusion	Int.	10		Cough (18, 70)	
		Flowers and leaves	Diuretic	Infusion	Int.	6		Bronchitis (18) (5, 11, 25, 74, 76) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Amelanchier parviflora</i> Boiss. var. <i>demata</i> Browicz (Rosaceae, MARE 16100)	Kurt ağacı	Branches	Diuretic	Decoction	Int.	7	0.05		
<i>Anthemis altilissima</i> L. [ <i>Cota</i> ] <i>altilissima</i> (L.) J.Gay] (Asteraceae, MARE 17135)	Akçabubac, Papatyá	Capitulum Capitulum Capitulum	Stomach ailments Sore throat Cough	Infusion Infusion Infusion	Int. Int. Int.	11	0.27		
<i>Anthemis tinctoria</i> L. var. <i>tinctoria</i> (L.) J.Gay] (Asteraceae, MARE 16006, 16136, 16150)	Akbubac, Papatyá	Capitulum (fresh)	Gingivitis	Crushed	Ext.	5	0.27	Stomach ailments (2, 29, 45, 52, 69, 89)	
		Capitulum Capitulum	Menstrual pain Stomach ailments	Infusion Infusion	Int. Int.	12		Antispasmodic (17, 56, 57) (4, 13, 15, 16, 18, 31, 44, 49, 66, 82) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Asplenium trichomanes</i> L. (Aspleniaceae, MARE 17234)	Egrelti, Yanık otu	Aerial parts	Burn	Crushed	Ext.	13	0.07		(102, 111) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Berberis crataegina</i> DC. (Berberidaceae, MARE 16102, 16149, 16193)	Karamak, Karamulk	Branches	Urinary system diseases	Decoction	Int.	15	0.11	Urinary system diseases (28, 37) (5, 20, 22, 29, 30, 39, 49, 60, 70, 74, 91) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Cardopatium corymbosum</i> (L.) Pers. (Asteraceae, MARE17070)	Cayırdikeni	Root	Intestinal worm	Decoction	Int.	6	0.04	(11) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Cedrus libani</i> A. Rich. (Pinaceae, MARE 16172, 16202)	Andız, Sedir	Bark of stem Resin	Skin diseases Wound healing	Decoction –	Int. Ext.	8 10	0.13 (34, 48) <sup>b</sup>	Skin disease (20, 57) Wart (71, 72)	
<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i> L. subsp. <i>solstitialis</i> (Asteraceae, MARE 15874, 15914, 16053)	Korugoz, Sarn diken	Spine of involucral bracts	Boil	Crushed	Ext.	9	0.13	Wart (71, 72) (5, 11, 12, 13, 25, 29, 34, 43, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Centaurea depressa</i> Bieb. [ <i>Cyanus depressus</i> (M.Bieb.) Soják] (Asteraceae, MARE 15998, 16124, 16687, 17108)	Kadın düğmesi	Capitulum Capitulum	Cough Haemorrhoids	Decoction Decoction	Int. Int.	10 6	0.12 (66) <sup>b</sup>	Expectorant (32)	
<i>Centaurea urvillei</i> DC. subsp. <i>stepposa</i> Wagenitz (Asteraceae, MARE 16773, 16987)	Cobankalkdan	Leaves (fresh)	Boil	Crushed	Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	6	0.04	(56, 57) <sup>b</sup>	

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Botanical name, Family and Specimen number	Local name	Plant part used	Ailments treated/ Therapeutic effect	Preparation	Adm.	Rpt	CI	Ethnobotanical records from Turkey Region
<i>Ceterach officinarum</i> DC. – (Aspleniaceae, MARE 17048)		Aerial parts	Kidney stones	Infusion	Int.	5	0.04	Kidney stones (13, 18, 34, 53, 71, 74, 76, 78, (97, 100, 107, 111, 112, 118, 120) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Cistus creticus</i> L. (Cistaceae, MARE 15881, 16058)	Dag gülü	Aerial parts	<b>Diabetes</b>	Infusion	Int.	5	(12, 25, 28, 33) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Cnicus benedictus</i> L. var. <i>korschyi</i> Boiss. [ <i>Centaura benedita</i> (L.) L.] (Asteraceae, MARE 15967, 16904)	Bodur ot, Karadiken	Aerial parts	Diabetes	Decoction	Int., before breakfast	11	0.08	Diabetes (54, 56) (13, 25, 28, 34, 43, 44, 57, 77, 80, 86) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Coriandrum sativum</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Apiaceae, MARE 16050)	Yumurcak	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain	Infusion	Int.	35	0.26	(13, 25, 48, 53, 79) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i> Jacq. subsp. <i>monogyna</i> (Rosaceae MARE 15883, 16005)	Alc	Flowers Branches	Antihypertensive Toothache	Decoction Decoction	Int. Cargled	11	0.08	(29, 7, 55, 56, 83) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Cyadaria oblonga</i> Miller <sup>a</sup> (Rosaceae, MARE 15828, 16072)	Ayva	Leaves	Antihypertensive Abdominal pain Diarrhea	Decoction Decoction Decoction	Int. Int. Int.	38 (5, 13, 23, 28, 37)	0.36	Antihypertensive (97, 98, 100, 105, 110, 122)
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i> (L.) Pers. var. <i>dactylon</i> (Poaceae, MARE 16146)	Ayrık koku	Whole plants Root	Cough Rheumatism Prostate ailments	Decoction Infusion Decoction	Int. Int. Int.	82, 83) <sup>b</sup>	(4, 11, 12, 16, 17, 19, 23, 24, 25, 39, 43, 45, (109, 112, 121) 49, 53, 55, 56, 57, 69, 44, 48, 51, 76, 78, 80, (115, 119) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Daphne oleoides</i> Schreber subsp. <i>oleoides</i> (Thymelaeaceae, MARE 16194)	Ezelteri, Ezeltere	Leaves	Wound healing	Crushed	Wrapped in a cloth, wait for 10 min, ext.	10	0.07	Wound (63) (39, 48) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Dracunculus vulgaris</i> Schott (Araceae, MARE 15893, 16725)	Yılanbıçacıgı, Yılanburçacıgı, Yılanlısırtıgacı	Fruits (fresh)	Rheumatism Haemorrhoids Prostate ailments	Crushed – –	Wrapped in a cloth, ext. Eaten Eaten Ext.	15 20 9	0.32 (39, 92) <sup>b</sup>	Rheumatism (12, 13, 34, 48, 55, 56, 78, 85) Haemorrhoids (12, 13, 48, 55, 71, 72, 84)
<i>Echallium elatiorium</i> (L.) A. Rich (Cucurbitaceae, MARE 16799)	Açıkavun, Mayasıl otu	Fruit juice (fresh)	Haemorrhoids	–	Dropped into the nostrils	15	0.2	Haemorrhoids (2, 11, 23, 38, 45, 53, 56, 62, (106, 116, 122) <sup>b</sup> Sinusitis (4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 23, 26, 27, 28, 34, 37, 39, 42, 44, 45, 48, 53, 55, 56, 57, 62, 71, 72, 74, 75, 77, 78, 79, 80, 83, 84, 85, 86, 88, 92, 93, 96) (103, 107, 110, 111, 115, 118, 122) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Echinophora tenuifolia</i> L.							4	0.02 (15,28) <sup>b</sup>
								Aerial parts Shortness of breath Decoction Int.

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(Apiaceae, MARE 15925)	<i>Echinops viscosus</i> DC. subsp. <i>biflynnicus</i> (Boiss.) Rech. fil. (Asteraceae, MARE 17190)	Gengel dikeni	Capitulum	Boil	Heated then crushed	Ext.	4	0.02	
<i>Equisetum telmateia</i> Ehrh. (Equisetaceae, MARE 15856, 15976)	Eklice ot	Aerial parts	Oedema	Infusion	Int.	16	0.12 (2, 10, 23, 27, 42, 43, 45, 54, 76, 87, 90) <sup>b</sup>	(100, 105, 108, 109, 116, 121) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Euphorbia rigida</i> Bieb. (Euphorbiaceae, MARE 15968, 16079)	Süttegen	Aerial parts (fresh)	Rheumatism	Cut into small pieces then heated in paraffin oil and a cloth put into this mixture	Applied on kness for 3–4 hours in a day, for 15 days, ext.	Ext.	50	(26, 74) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Ficus carica</i> L. subsp. <i>carica</i> (Moraceae, MARE 15968, 16079)	İncir	Latex	Wart	–	Ext.	50	0.53 Wart (10, 11, 12, 13, 19, 23, 25, 38, 48, 53, 55, 56, 58, 71, 72, 74, 75, 79, 80, 81, 83, 84)	Wart (98, 100, 104, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 118, 121)	
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> Miller (Apiaceae, MARE 15848, 15901, 15903, 16054, 16071)	Sira	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain (baby)	Infusion	Int.	60	0.44 Stomach ache (85)	Carmintive (2, 44, 83, 87) Digestive (53, 79) Gastrointestinal disease (55)	
<i>Glaucium leiocarpum</i> Boiss. (Papaveraceae, MARE 15904, 15938, 16025, 16095, 16184, 16199)	Ak gelincik, Deveğülli	Flowers (fresh)	Wound healing	Crushed with olive oil	Ext.	15	0.11 Wound (57)	(6, 11, 22, 28, 39, 48) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Helichrysum plicatum</i> D.C. subsp. <i>plicatum</i> (Asteraceae, MARE 16137, 16201)	Geyikmisi	Aerial parts	Urinary system diseases	Infusion	Int.	11	0.08 Urinary system diseases (15, 37)	Kidney stone (8, 18, 49, 51, 52, 52) (16, 29, 32, 34, 46, 61, 62, 69) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i> L. (Hypericaceae, MARE 15939, 15978)	Seker otu	Flowering branches	Stomach ailments	Oleat (macération with olive oil)	Int.	32	0.66 Stomach ailments	Stomach ache (8)	
		Flowering branches	Prostate ailments	Oleat	Int.	10	(2, 5, 8, 10, 12, 13, 18, 23, 27, 32, 39, 42, 43, 44, 45, 49, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 60, 62, 64, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 85, 87, 88, 92)	Wound (108, 110, 111, 112, 119, 122)	
		Flowering branches	Cancer	Oleat	Int.	6	Prostate ailments (4, 77)	(100, 102, 106, 107, 116, 120, 121) <sup>b</sup>	
		Flowering branches	Wound healing	Oleat	Ext.	38	Cancer (43, 55, 56, 77)		

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Botanical name, Family and Specimen number	Local name	Plant part used	Ailments treated/Therapeutic effect	Preparation	Adm.	Rpt	CI	Ethnobotanical records from Turkey	Ethnobotanical records from Mediterranean Region
<i>Juglans regia</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Juglandaceae, MARE 15898, 16001)	Ceviz	Flowering branches	Diabetes	Infusion	Int.	4		Wound (8, 12, 13, 15, 19, 23, 28, 37, 39, 42, 43, 44, 45, 48, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 60, 62, 75, 76, 77, 79, 80, 82, 83, 89, 92) Diabetes (4, 10, 12, 45, 80, 81) (2, 16, 17, 25, 26) <sup>b</sup>	Dental antiseptic (102) (103, 107, 109, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 118, 121) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Juniperus excelsa</i> Bieb. (Cupressaceae, MARE 16174)	Boz ardı, Kılıçı ardı	Leaves (fresh) Mesocarp	Toothache Shortness of breath	Crushed Decoction	Ext. Int.	6 11	0.14 (2, 5, 7, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 28, 33, 34, 36, 37, 44, 47, 48, 51, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 61, 62, 63, 68, 69, 71, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 83, 86, 87, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93) <sup>b</sup>	Strengthen teeth (49) (121) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Juniperus foetidissima</i> Willd. (Cupressaceae MARE 16097, 16177, 16173, 16171)	Dikenliardı, Karaardı, Kozahardı, Kokaradı	Leaves (fresh)	Sprain Shortness of breath	Crushed (olive oil) Decoction	Int.	3	0.22 (13, 34, 48, 57, 63, 74) <sup>b</sup>	Shortness of breath (49) Asthma (4) Bronchitis (29) Cough (44, 45) (17, 57, 69) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> L. subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i> (Cupressaceae, MARE 15990, 16195, 16176, 16032, 16116, 16808, 17247, 17340)	Ardı,	Cones	Shortness of breath	Decoction	Int.	30	0.22 (13, 34, 48, 57, 63, 74) <sup>b</sup>		
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> L. subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i> (Cupressaceae, MARE 15990, 16195, 16176, 16032, 16116, 16808, 17247, 17340)	Kızılı ardı, Kızılık	Terebinthine (oleoresine; obtained from stem)	Cough	—	Int.	10	0.73 (12, 18, 29, 30, 34, 52, 74, 83, 93)	(100, 103, 110, 112) <sup>b</sup>	
	Kızılı ardı, Kızılık	Resin	Wound healing	Heated	Ext.	12		Wound (13, 28, 37, 45, 53, 56, 92, 93)	
	Kızılık	Cones	Shortness of breath	Decoction	Int.	45		Shortness of breath (13, 25, 30, 38, 47)	
	Kızılık	Cones (fresh)	Abdominal pain	Decoction	Int.	10		Asthma (55, 56, 74, 76, 82)	
	Kızılık	Cones	Heart diseases	Crushed	Eaten	10		Abdominal pain (5)	
	Kızılık	Cones	Stomach ache	Decoction	Int.	12		Stomachache (23, 56, 57, 74, 83, 88, 92)	
	Kızılık	Cones	Stomach ache	Decoction	Ext.			Digestive (12) Heart diseases (20) (8, 15, 16, 26, 28, 32, 39, 43, 49, 51, 60, 61, 62, 63, 75, 77, 78, 79, 84, 85, 89, 94) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Lactuca serriola</i> L. (Asteraceae, MARE 17122)	Karakavut, Keklik otu, Meyilli	Latex	Wound healing	—	Ext.	9	0.06 (15, 19, 69) <sup>b</sup>		
<i>Leontice leontopetalum</i> L. (Berberidaceae, MARE 17175)	Mayasılı otu	Tuber	Haemorrhoids	Decoction	Int., for 1 week	15	0.11 (48, 51, 55, 56, 76) <sup>b</sup>	Haemorrhoids (84)	
<i>Liquidambar orientalis</i> Miller var. <i>orientalis</i> (Hamamelidaceae, MARE 16880, 17257)	Günluk agacı	Resin (fresh)	Stomach ulcer	—	Eaten 1 teaspoon before breakfast	21	0.15 (33) <sup>b</sup>	Stomach ulcer (28, 34)	
<i>Marrubium vulgare</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 15868, 16017)	Bozpamukluk, Koybozan otu	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain	Crushed	Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	16	0.12 (25, 28, 66) <sup>b</sup>	Abdominal pain (37, 76, 79) (97, 100, 103, 106, 109, 112, 113, 117, 121, 122) <sup>b</sup>	Carminative (53)

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<i>Mentha longifolia</i> (L.) Hudson subsp. <i>typhoides</i> (Briq.) Harley var. <i>typhoides</i> (Lamiaceae, MARE 15855, 15870, 16013, 16081, 16121, 16141, 16187)	Arknanası, Narpz, Su narpz, Yarpız	Leaves Leaves Leaves Leaves Aerial parts	Cough Shortness of breath Rheumatism Antipyretic Nausea Common cold	Infusion Infusion – Crushed Crushed Decoction	Int. Int. Ext. Ext. Int.	13 15 10 10 10	0.59 0.59 Shortness of breath (78) Asthma (32, 80) Rheumatism (13, 24, 46, 56) Nausea (31, 48) Stomach ailments (26, 29, 30, 32, 37, 42, 45, 49, 53, 61, 87) Cold (6, 26, 39, 42, 48, 51, 56, 66) (12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 34, 36, 45, 62, 70, 82, 91, 92, 93) <sup>b</sup>	Cough (121) (121) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Mentha spicata</i> L. subsp. <i>spicata</i> (Lamiaceae, MARE 15921, 15979, 15987, 16012, 16046, 16141a)	As nana, Nane	Aerial parts	Stomach ailments	Infusion	Int.	18	0.13	Stomach ailments (10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 19, 33, 42, 53, 64, 74, 80, 81, 90, 92)	Stomach ailments (100, 104, 109, 117, 121)
<i>Morus alba</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Moraceae, Ditt MARE 15985)	Young shoots Fruits Fruits	Diabetes Thrush Stomach ache	Infusion – –	Int. Eaten Eaten	5 30 9	0.32 0.32 Thrush (39)	Diabetes (4, 17, 71, 77, 82, 89, 90, 93) Stomach ache (62) (10, 13, 19, 23, 37, 45, 55, 69, 79, 80, 82) <sup>b</sup>	(115, 121) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Myrra communis</i> L. subsp. <i>communis</i> (Myrtaceae, MARE 16948)	Leaves Leaves Leaves	Diabetes Abdominal pain (baby) Skin redness in children	Infusion Infusion Boiled	Int. Int. Ext.	6 12	0.23 0.23 Diabetes (4, 12, 18, 22, 49, 58, 79, 85) (12, 20, 25, 28, 33, 49, 55, 56, 57, 64, 71, 74, 78, 83) <sup>b</sup>	Skin redness in children (110) (103) <sup>b</sup>		
<i>Nigella sativa</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Ranunculaceae, MARE 15886)	Cörek otu	Seed Seed Seed	Common cold Abdominal pain Stomach ulcer	Heated Heated –	Inhaled Wrapped in a cloth, ext. Eaten	10 10 2	0.16 0.16 Ulcer (51) (7, 22, 34, 63) <sup>b</sup>	Cold (28, 62) (28, 62)	
<i>Onopordum stibthorpiatum</i> Kenger Boiss. et Heldr. (Asteraceae, MARE 15957, 16022, 16204)	Young shoots Young shoots Capitulum	Shortness of breath Tooth cane Kidney stones	– Peeled Infusion	Eaten Ext. Int.	12 10 4	0.19 0.19	Eaten Ext. Int.	(13, 55, 56, 57, 64, 71, 85, 92) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Origanum hyperifolium</i> O. Schwarz et P.H. Davis (Lamiaceae, MARE 15862, 16042, 16151)	Aerial parts Aerial parts Aerial parts	Abdominal pain Common cold	Infusion Infusion	Int. Int.	14 14	0.19 0.19	Abdominal pain Infusion	Abdominal pain (13, 34, 53, 71, 72, 78)	
<i>Origanum majorana</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 15923, 16078)	Mercankosk	Aerial parts Aerial parts	Cough Sedative	Infusion Infusion	Int. Int.	30 11	0.28 0.28 Cough (86) Sedative (51, 79)	Stomach ailments (12, 25, 33, 55, 56, 71, 74, 79, 92) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Origanum onites</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 16048, 16077, 16662, 17039)	Dag kekigi, Kekik	Aerial parts Aerial parts Aerial parts	Abdominal pain Cough Stomach ailments	Infusion Infusion Infusion	Int. Int. Int.	24 20 24	0.5 0.5 0.5	Abdominal pain (13, 34, 53, 71, 72, 78)	
<i>Origanum vulgare</i> L. subsp. <i>Kekik firtum</i> (Link) Jetswair (Lamiaceae, MARE 15920, 15964, 16911)	Aerial parts	Stomach ailments	Infusion	Int.	20	0.15	Stomach ailments (13, 25, 45, 51, 56, 60, 76, 80, 89)	Stomach ailments (104, 109, 112, 118, 121) (100, 109, 110, 111, 117, 120) <sup>b</sup>	

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<i>Papaver somniferum</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Papaveraceae, MARE 15876, 16861)	Afyon, Hashas	Fruits Fruits	Diarrhoea Sedative	Decoction Decoction	Int. Int.	12 12	0.18 Sedative (45) (7, 25, 28, 34, 36, 38, 93) <sup>b</sup>	Sedative (103, 107, 122) (100, 120) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Picromonacarna</i> (L.) Cass. (Asteraceae, MARE 15849, 15864, 15943)	Cakurdiken, Sari diken, Karadiken	Capitulum Capitulum	Wound healing Wound healing	Crushed Roasted then crushed	Ext. Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	10 10	0.07 (48) <sup>b</sup>		
<i>Pimpinellainisum</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Apiaceae, MARE 16128)	Anason	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain	Infusion	Int.	12	0.09 (83, 63) <sup>b</sup>	(100, 103, 113, 123) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Pinus brutia</i> Ten. (Pinaceae, MARE 15858, 15889, 15992)	Akcam, Cam	Immature cones Tar Tar	Shortness of breath Wound healing Rheumatism	Decoction Heated Mixed (salt, olive oil)	Int. Ext. Ext.	40 40 9	0.72 Wound (13, 18, 20, 28, 53, 57, 62, 64) Abdominal pain (4, 13, 18, 20, 25, 56, 62, 76, 79, 84, 92) (1, 4, 12, 19, 33, 34, 37, 39, 47, 55, 56, 57, 74, 79, 83, 92) <sup>b</sup>		
<i>Pinus nigra</i> F.J. Arnold subsp. <i>nigra</i> var. <i>caramanica</i> (Loudon)	Cam	Immature cones Tar	Shortness of breath Itch	Decoction Heated	Int. Ext.	20	0.29 (17, 26, 28, 29, 34, 39, 44, 48, 54, 55, 62) <sup>b</sup>	(100, 123) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i> L. subsp. <i>palaestina</i> (Boiss.) Engler (Anacardiaceae, MARE 16798, 17206)	Menevis, Menengec	Young shoots	Rheumatism	Decoction	Int.	8	0.06 51, 55, 56, 57, 62, 64, 69, 71, 76, 77, 83, 84, 85, 87 <sup>b</sup>	(100, 103) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L. (Plantaginaceae, MARE 15929, 15986 a)	Buzagdili,	Leaves	Haemorrhoids	Infusion	Int.	6	0.3 Haemorrhoids (23, 30, 44, 46)	Wound (103, 109, 110, 111, 118)	
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L. (Plantaginaceae, MARE 15929, 15986 a)	Mayasil otu, Su out	Leaves	Wound healing	Crushed	Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	35	Wound (12, 19, 26, 28, 31, 43, 45, 49, 51, 53, 54, 62, 68, 71, 76, 82, 90) (5, 20, 39, 48, 69, 75, 80, 83, 85) <sup>b</sup>	(98, 100, 107, 112, 113, 115, 120, 121) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Plantago major</i> L. subsp. <i>intermedia</i> (Gilib.) Lange (Plantaginaceae, MARE 15986)	Damar otu, Sinirliot, Su out	Leaves	Haemorrhoids	Infusion	Int.	6	0.3 Haemorrhoids	Wound (98, 103, 106, 110, 118)	
<i>Portulaca oleracea</i> L. (Portulacaceae, MARE 15826, 15969)	Semiz otu	Aerial parts Aerial parts	Wart Constipation	Crushed Cooked	Ext. Eaten	35	(17, 62, 93) Wound (2, 13, 18, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 37, 40, 42, 43, 45, 46, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 61, 66, 68, 75, 76, 79, 81, 82, 87, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93)	(112, 115, 116, 120, 121) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Prunus divaricata</i> Ledeb subsp. <i>divaricata</i> [ <i>Prunus cerasifera</i> Ehrh.] (Rosaceae, Ehrh.) (Rosaceae,	Erik	Fruits	Constipation	Boiled (sugar)	Eaten	34	0.27 Constipation (20, 56, 69) (4, 5, 15, 28, 36, 48, 54, 55, 57, 80, 86) <sup>b</sup>	(105, 107) <sup>b</sup>	
						34	0.25 Constipation (39) (45, 48, 53, 55, 56, 57, 69) <sup>b</sup>		

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MARE 17261) <i>Punica granatum</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Punicaceae, MARE 15885)	Nar	Seed	Diarrhoea	–	Eaten	40	0.29	Diarrhoea (33, 62) (14, 29, 36, 48, 53, 55, 64, 78, 85, 90) <sup>b</sup>	Diarrhoea (103, 107) (100, 120) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Pyrus amygdaliformis</i> Vill. var. <i>amygdaliformis</i> (Rosaceae, MARE 15886)	Boz armut, Covur armudu	Leaves	Expectorant	Infusion	Int.	13	0.18	(13, 19, 78, 79) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Quercus coccifera</i> L. (Fagaceae, MARE 15961, 16002, 16175, 16677, 16807, 17343, 17217)	Kara cal, Pelit, Pynar	Young shoots Stem bark Root	Diabetes Burn Burn	Infusion Heated Decoction	Int., for 1 month Ext. Ext.	6 16 16	0.28	Diabetes (41, 55, 56, 74) Burn (4, 49, 55, 56, 57, 64, 74) (19, 34, 71, 84) <sup>b</sup>	(97) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Quercus trojana</i> P.B. Webb. (Fagaceae, MARE 16806)	Pelit	Fruits (fresh)	Wound	Crushed	Ext.	2	0.02		
<i>Rosa canina</i> L. (Rosaceae, MARE 16015)	İtburnu, Igülü	Fruits	Diuretic	Infusion	Int.	17	0.4	Cold (10, 12, 13, 15, 17, 20, 27, 56, 19, 28, 32, 38, 42, 43, 45, 46, 48, 49, 52, 53, 54, 56, 69, 74, 77, 79, 80, 82, 83, 91)	Cold (98, 100)
		Fruits	Common cold	Infusion	Int.	38		(2, 14, 16, 18, 23, 24, 26, 29, 30, 48, 51, 55, 57, 58, 61, 62, 68, 75, 76, 84, 87, 89, 93) <sup>b</sup>	Diuretic (100, 112)
									(97, 102, 107, 108, 112, 118, 122) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Rubus sanctus</i> Schreber [ <i>Rubus ulmifolius</i> Schott subsp. <i>sancus</i> (Schreb.) Sudre] (Rosaceae, MARE 16003)	Bogurtlen, Orman duttu	Root	Diarrhoea	Decoction	Int.	6	0.54	Diarrhoea (20)	Diarrhoea (98, 109, 116)
		Root	Aphrodisiac	Decoction	Int.	3		Haemorrhoids (27, 34, 74, 93)	Mouth diseases (98, 112, 118)
		Root	Haemorrhoids	Decoction	Int.	15		Stomachache (2, 4, 33, 56, 93)	Wound (102, 113, 122)
		Young shoot	Stomach ache	Decoction	Int.	15		Wound (42, 44, 56, 75, 93)	Haemorrhoids
		Leaves (fresh)	Wound	Crushed	Ext.	22		Mouth diseases (27, 82)	– 122
		Fruits	Mouth diseases	–	Eaten	12		(10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 22, 23, 28, 29, 44, 53, 55, 57, 64, 70, 76, 71, 77, 78, 79, 80, 92) <sup>b</sup>	(97, 106, 107, 111, 116, 118, 120) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Rumex crispus</i> L. (Polygonaceae, MARE 15975)	Labada, İllabada, İlbiđi	Leaves (fresh)	Headache	Crushed	Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	6	0.18	Diabetes (69, 82)	(103, 110, 113, 116, 118, 121, 122) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Rumex patientia</i> L. (Polygonaceae, MARE 16055, 16073)	İllabada	Leaves (fresh)	Diabetes	Decoction	Int.	6		Rheumatism (51, 83)	
		Leaves (fresh)	Rheumatism	Crushed	Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	12		(10, 13, 19, 23, 26, 46, 52, 56, 57, 65, 80, 93) <sup>b</sup>	
									(121) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Salix alba</i> L. (Salicaceae, MARE 16802)	Sogut	Leaves	Rheumatism	Infusion	Int., for 3 months	10	0.07	Rheumatism (28, 68, 74, 76) (10, 12, 26, 27, 31, 43, 45, 48, 49, 52, 54, 55, 69, 89, 93) <sup>b</sup>	(100, 121) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Salvia adenophylla</i> Hedge et Hub. (Lamiaceae, MARE 16119)	Dag dayı	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain	Infusion	Int.	8	0.06		
<i>Salvia caerulea</i> Boiss. (Lamiaceae, MARE)	–	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain	Infusion	Int.	2	0.02	(49) <sup>b</sup>	

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<i>Salvia tomentosa</i> Miller (Lamiaceae, MARE 15854, 16909, 17192, 17357)	Calba, Hava otu, Sabala	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain	Infusion	Int.	20	0.59	Abdominal pain (12, 13, 34, 56, 70, 74, 76) Cold (19, 28, 53, 56, 74, 76) Expectorant (74)	
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i> Scop. subsp. <i>muricata</i> (Spach) Briq. (Rosaceae, MARE 16727, 16942, 17069, 17361)	Otu kesme otu	Aerial parts (fresh)	Skin diseases	Crushed	Ext.	22	0.13	Skin diseases (12, 30) (37, 74, 92) <sup>b</sup>	Skin diseases (103, 112) (100, 106, 111, 119) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Satureja cuneifolia</i> Ten. (Lamiaceae, MARE 16185)	Dag kektigi, Inci keklik, Keklik	Aerial parts	Stomach ailments	Infusion	Int.	8	0.06	(5, 20, 22, 48, 55, 56, 62) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Sideritis leptoclada</i> O. Schwarz et P.H. Davis (Lamiaceae, MARE 16197)	Elduran	Aerial parts Aerial parts Aerial parts	Sedative Common cold Shortness of breath	Infusion Infusion Infusion	Int. Int. Int.	5	0.17	Cold (33, 38) (48) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Sideritis montana</i> L. subsp. <i>remota</i> (dtury) P.W. Ball (Lamiaceae, MARE 15900)	Tepeli cay	Aerial parts	Stomach ailments	Infusion	Int.	16	0.12	Stomach ailments (49) (2, 45) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Sideritis perfoliata</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 16721, 16912)	Cavva	Aerial parts Aerial parts Aerial parts	Common cold Stomach ailments Sore throat	Infusion Infusion Infusion	Int. Int. Int.	18	0.4	Cold (13, 18, 28), Stomach ailments (13, 28) Sore throat (28)	
<i>Tamarix syriensis</i> Bunge (Tamaricaceae, MARE 15888)	Ilgın	Stem bark	Cardiovascular system diseases	Decoction	Int.	12	0.09		
<i>Tamus communis</i> L. subsp. <i>communis</i> [Dioscorea communis (L.) Caddik et Wilkin] (Dioscoreaceae, MARE 15894)	Dolasık ot, Kopekuzumu, Sarmasık	Root (fresh)	Rheumatism	Grated		Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	0.17	Rheumatism (12, 13, 20, 53, 76, 79) (25, 84, 85) <sup>b</sup>	Rheumatism (102, 103, (112, 113, 119) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i> L. subsp. <i>chamaedrys</i> (Lamiaceae, MARE 15994, 15970, 16152, 16906)	Bodurca mahmut, Kinin otu	Aerial parts	Haemorrhoids	Infusion	Int.	32	0.36	Haemorrhoids (15, 18, 23, 29, 30, 49, 92) Heart diseases – 80	(97, 107, 110, 118, 120, 121) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Teucrium polium</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 15869, 15911, 16037, 16148, 16178, 16118, 16766, 16905, 17022, 17035)	Cay kektigi, Keklikmis, Oglan otu, Yapartaysan Yaparcatsaysan	Aerial parts Aerial parts Aerial parts Aerial parts	Diabetes Abdominal pain Lice Appetizer	Infusion Infusion Decoction Infusion	Int. Int. Bath Int.	4	0.56	Diabetes (3, 4, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 46, 62, 66, 74, 76, 80, 87) <sup>b</sup> (5, 13, 25, 28, 34, 37, 39, 45, 51, 53, 57, 58, 52, 57, 62, 68, 69, 74, 85, 91) Appetizer (30, 37, 57, 87) (23, 30, 33, 35, 36, 39, 43, 55, 58, 61, 80,	(103) <sup>b</sup>

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<i>Thymus spicata</i> L. var. <i>spicata</i> (Lamiaceae, MARE 15910, 15947, 15963, 15993, 16908)	Cay kekigi, Esek kekigi, Kara kekik, Keklik, Tas reklig, Yer kekigi	Aerial parts	Abdominal pain	Infusion	Int.	20	0.29	Stomach ailments (2, 13, 79, 87)	
<i>Tilia argentea</i> Desf. ex DC. <sup>a</sup> [ <i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Moench] (Tiliaceae, MARE 15847, 15972, 16067)	Ihlamur	Flowers	Stomach ailments	Infusion	Int.	20		Kidney stone (4) Abdominal pain (12, 55, 56, 57) (20, 25, 28, 34, 44, 48, 51, 53, 75, 76, 83) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Tribulus terrestris</i> L. (Zygophyllaceae, MARE 15941, 16051)	Demirdiken, Demitirragi, Demipitrak	Aerial parts	Kidney stones	Decoction	Int.	12	0.41	Kidney stones (2, 12, 18, 28, 36, 53, 56, 57, 71, 78, 79, 82, 85, 92)	(103) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Tussilago farfara</i> L. (Asteraceae, MARE 16771, 17188)	Ayıklagı	Aerial parts	Urinary system diseases	Decoction	Int.	34		Urinary system diseases	
<i>Urtica dioica</i> L. (Urticaceae, MARE 16049, 17001)	Dalgan, Isargan	Leaves	Rheumatism	Infusion	Ext..	10		(19, 37, 39, 45, 48, 70, 77, 79) (17, 25, 43, 48, 61, 66, 69, 84) <sup>b</sup>	(97, 119, 121) <sup>b</sup>
		Common cold	Decoction	Int.	28	0.21		Cough (113, 121) Expectorant (120) Cold (121)	
		Rheumatism	Crushed	Wrapped in a cloth, ext.	25	0.38		Antitussive (43, 54, 69, 86) Expectorant (15, 16, 18, 43, 83) (13, 17, 28, 49, 76, 93) <sup>b</sup>	
		Aerial parts	Kidney stones	Infusion	Int.	6		Rheumatism (5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 37, 38, 40, 42, 45, 46, 51, 52, 56, 60, 61, 62, 66, 71, 74, 75, 76, 79, 81, 83, 84, 86, 87, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93)	Antalgic (97)
		Aerial parts	Shortness of breath	Decoction	Int.			Kidney stone (43, 45, 6, 76, 81, 8, 9)	
		Aerial parts	Loss of hair	Decoction	Int.				Rheumatism (98, 100, 103, 104, 108, 109, 111, 112, 115, 118, 121)
		Aerial parts	Haemorrhoids	Decoction	Int., one teacup in the morning				Weak hair (98) Loss of hair (100, 112, 115, 118)
									Bronchitis (43, 43, 45, 54, 77, 83) (99, 100, 102, 103, 104, 105, 110, 119, 120) <sup>b</sup>
									Renal ailment (121)
									Asthma (121)
<i>Xeranthemum annuum</i> L. (Asteraceae, MARE 15913, 15949, 16045, 16179)	Gur supurgesi, Sakaresek supurgesi, Supurge otu	Capitulum (fresh)	Wart	Crushed	Ext.	9	0.07 (81) <sup>b</sup>	Hair loss (4, 19, 45, 53, 56, 66) Haemorrhoids (4, 10, 13, 26, 29, 30, 45, 53, 56, 62, 63, 66, 69, 75, 76, 77, 89, 90, 93) (3, 10, 16, 18, 20, 27, 28, 36, 44, 48, 49, 58, 64, 78, 80, 82, 85) <sup>b</sup>	
<i>Verbascum cheiranthifolium</i> Boiss. var. <i>asperulum</i> (Boiss.) Murb. (Scrophulariaceae, MARE 16190)	Ayıklagı, Sığırkulagi	Flowering branches Flowers	Haemorrhoids	Decoction	Int.	10	0.15	Haemorrhoids (46, 74)	
		Shortness of breath	Infusion	Int.	10			Shortness of breath (26, 53) (30, 81) <sup>b</sup>	

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Table 1 (continued)

Botanical name, Family and Specimen number	Local name	Plant part used	Ailments treated/ Therapeutic effect	Preparation	Adm.	Rpt	CI	Ethnobotanical records from Turkey	Ethnobotanical records from Mediterranean Region
<i>Verbascum pycnostachyum</i> Boiss. et Held. (Scrophulariaceae, MARE 16041)	Ayikulagi, Sığırkulagi <sup>a</sup>	Leaves (fresh)	Rheumatism	Crushed	Ext.	12	0.09		
<i>Viscum album</i> L. subsp. <i>album</i> (Loranthaceae, MARE 16666)	Burc, Okse otu, Purc	Whole plants	Shortness of breath	Decoction	Int.	26	0.19	Shortness of breath (19, 52) Asthma (54) Bronchitis (57, 74, 83, 84) Cough (37)	Anticatarrhal –97 (121) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Viscum album</i> L. subsp. <i>austriacum</i> (Wiesb.) Vollm. (Loranthaceae, MARE 16131, 16189, 16816)	Burc, Kara camparci, Okse oti, Purc	Whole plants	Diabetes	Decoction	Int.	9	0.60	Diabetes (55, 56)	Anticatarrhal (97, 120)
		Whole plants	Shortness of breath	Decoction	Int.	9	0.60	Shortness of breath (19) Asthma (23, 46, 55, 56) Heart diseases (12, 17, 23, 55, 56)	
		Whole plants	Vasodilator	Decoction	Int.	50	0.60		
		Whole plants	Shortness of breath	Decoction	Int.	14	0.60		
		Whole plants	Heart diseases	Decoction	Int.	25, 28, 30, 34, 36, 48 <sup>b</sup>			

Int.; Internal use. Ext.; External use. Adm.: Administration, Reports: Rpt, <sup>a</sup>Cultivated plant. <sup>b</sup>Different usage; the new plant uses were marked as bold. The language of local names are in Turkish.

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**Table 2**  
The plants used in veterinary medicine in Acipayam (Denizli-Turkey).

Botanical name, Family and Specimen number	Local name	Plant part used	Ailments treated/ Therapeutic effect	Preparation	Administration	Reports	CI	Similar usage in literature
<i>Acanthus spinosus</i> L. (Acanthaceae, MARE 15981)	Karadiken	Aerial parts	Diarrhoea	Decoction	Int.	8	0.06	
<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i> L. subsp. <i>solstitialis</i> (Asteraceae, MARE 15914, 16053)	Kongoz, Sandikken	Aerial parts	Common cold	Boiled	Inhaled	6	0.04	
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> L. subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i> (Cupressaceae, MARE 15990, 16032, 16116, 16176, 16195, 16808, 17247, 17340)	Ardic, Kızıl ardıc Kızılıçık	Cones	Appetizer	Crushed	Eaten	15	0.11	(19, 25, 39, 53, 61, 93, 103, 105) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Lactuca serriola</i> L. (Asteraceae, MARE 17122)	Karakavuk, Keklikotu, Meyrilli	Latex	Increasing milk secretion	–	Int.	16	0.12	(12, 18)
<i>Papaver somniferum</i> L. <sup>a</sup> (Papaveraceae, MARE 15876, 16861)	Afiyon, Hashas	Fruits	Analgesic	Decoction	Int.	10	0.18	
<i>Platanus orientalis</i> L. (Platanaceae, MARE 15861, 16040) 17173, 16877, 17199)	Kavak	Immature Fruits	Diarrhoea	–	Eaten	15		
<i>Quercus cocifera</i> L. (Fagaceae, MARE 15961, 16002, 16175, 16677, 16807, 17343, 17217)	Kara calı, Piynar, pelit	Fruits	Diarrhoea	Decoction	Int.	13	0.08	(12, 56) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Salvia tomentosa</i> Miller (Lamiaceae, MARE 15854, 16909, 17192)	Calba, Hava otu, Sabala	Aerial parts	Urinary system diseases	Infusion	Int.	4	0.03	(29) <sup>b</sup>
<i>Verbascum pycnostachyum</i> Boiss. et Heldr. (Scrophulariaceae, MARE 16190)	Ayıklığı, Sigirkulagi	Leaves	Diarrhoea	Decoction	Int.	6	0.04	

Int; Internal use. Ext; External use. The language of local names are in Turkish. <sup>a</sup>New Plant usage. The language of local names are in Turkish.

one plant species that could create confusion and compromise the safe use of the plant; and these are presented in Table 4.

### 3.2.3. Comparison with previous studies

The authors compared their findings with other comprehensive ethnobotanical studies carried out in neighbouring areas (Akçicek and Vural, 2003; Bulut and Tuzlaci, 2013; Deniz et al., 2010; Durmuskahya and Ozturk, 2013; Fakir et al., 2009; Gurdal and Kultur, 2013; Honda et al., 1996; Kahraman and Tathi, 2004; Kargioglu et al., 2008, 2010; Ozcelik and Balabanlı, 2005; Sargin et al., 2013; Tuzlaci, 1977, 2005, 2006; Tuzlaci and Sadikoglu, 2007). The species *Ecballium elaterium* and *Juglans regia* were found to be the most commonly used medicinal plants and were recorded at eleven localities in Acipayam and surrounding districts in accordance with previous studies Table 1.

To the best of our knowledge; *Amelanchier parviflora* var. *dentata*, *Echinops viscosus* subsp. *bithynicus*, *Onopordum sibthorpiatum*, *Origanum hypericifolium*, *Quercus trojana*, *Salvia adenophylla*, *Sideritis montana* subsp. *remota* and *Tamarix smyrnensis* are recorded for Turkey for the first time as plants traditionally used in herbal medicine. Moreover, new medicinal uses for 24 species are printed in bold in Table 1.

Plants which have also been recorded in various other ethnobotanical studies of Turkey and other Mediterranean countries are presented with Tables 1 and 2. According to these tables, *Crataegus monogyna* (hypertension), *Cydonia oblonga* (diarrhoea), *Cynodon dactylon* (rheumatism), *Ficus carica* (wart), *Foeniculum vulgare* (abdominal pain), *Hypericum perforatum* (wound), *Myrtus communis* (skin redness in children), *Papaver somniferum* (sedative), *Plantago lanceolata*, *P. major* (wound), *Punica granatum* (diarrhoea), *Rosa canina* (diuretic), *Tamus communis* (rheumatism), *Tussilago farfara* (cold) and *Urtica dioica* (rheumatism) have similar uses.

Plants most commonly used in herbal medicine in Acipayam, including *Hypericum perforatum*, *Pinus brutia*, *Viscum album*, *Cydonia oblonga*, *Juniperus oxycedrus*, *Salvia tomentosa*, have also been reported in other studies (Akaydin et al., 2013; Bulut and Tuzlaci, 2013; Sargin et al., 2013). In Marmaris, an area close to Acipayam, mostly Mediterranean elements of the flora, such as *Salvia fruticosa*, *Origanum onites*, *Lavandula stoechas*, *Mentha pulegium* and *Satureja thymbra*, are used as medicine (Gurdal and Kultur, 2013), whereas near Honaz Mountain, species such as *Hypericum perforatum*, *Viscum album* and *Salvia tomentosa* (Kargioglu et al., 2010) are used. These species have been reported to have various medicinal properties e.g *Cydonia oblonga* has antihypertensive, anti-inflammatory and anti-ulcerogenic properties (Zhou et al., 2014), *Juniperus oxycedrus*, has been used for the treatment of inflammatory and infectious diseases, such as bronchitis, colds, coughs, fungal infections, haemorrhoids, gynaecological diseases, and wound healing (Kupeli Akkol et al., 2009); *Pinus brutia* was shown to have wound healing properties (Getin et al., 2013), *Viscum album* is well known as an immunostimulant and is used for the treatment of cancer (Braedel-Ruoff, 2010; Kienle and Kiene, 2010), *Salvia tomentosa* demonstrates antibacterial and antioxidant activity (Haznedaroglu et al., 2001) and *Hypericum perforatum* is predominantly used for treating depression, wounds and ulcers (WHO, 2002).

### 3.2.4. Harmful effects of medicinal plants

The informants stated that, *Ecballium elaterium*, *Daphne oleoides* subsp. *oleoides* and *Tamus communis* subsp. *cretica* should be used carefully owing to their serious side effects and contra-indications such as oedema, irritation of nasal cavity and redness.

### 3.3. Data analysis

The species having the greatest UR values (in parentheses) were *Cydonia oblonga* (99 UR), *Juniperus oxycedrus* subsp. *oxycedrus* (99 UR), *Pinus brutia* (98 UR), *Hypericum perforatum* (90 UR), *Viscum album* subsp. *austriacum* (82 UR) and *Salvia tomentosa* (80 UR). This order also reflects the CI index value for these species, namely: 0.73, 0.72, 0.66,

**Table 3**  
Multitherbal recipes used as folk medicine in Acipayam (Denizli-Turkey).

Recipe	Plant	Plant part used	Ailments treated, therapeutic effect	Preparation	Administration
1	<i>Salvia tomentosa</i> ; <i>Pinus brutia</i>	Aerial parts (fresh) Tar	Abdominal pain	Crushed then mixed	Ext.
2	<i>Teucrium polium</i> ; <i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i>	Aerial parts Cones	Abdominal pain	Boiled then crushed	Ext.
3	<i>Quercus coccifera</i> ; <i>Pinus brutia</i>	Root Terebentine (oleo resin; obtained from stem)	Wound	Boiled in milk	Ext.

**Table 4**  
The same vernacular name was used for more than one plant species.

Local name	Botanical names, Family and Specimen numbers
Papatya	<i>Anthemis tinctoria</i> L. var. <i>tinctoria</i> [ <i>Cota tinctoria</i> (L.) J.Gay] (Asteraceae, MARE 16006, 16136, 16150)
Kekik	<i>Origanum onites</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 15928, 15965, 15951, 16048, 16077, 16662, 17039)
Çam	<i>Pinus brutia</i> Ten. (Pinaceae, MARE 15858, 15889, 15992)
Su ottu	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L. (Plantaginaceae, MARE 15929, 15986 a)
Gay kekigi	<i>Teucrium polium</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 15869, 15911, 16037, 16148, 16178, 16118, 16766, 16905, 17022, 17035)
Dag kekigi	<i>Origanum onites</i> L. (Lamiaceae, MARE 15928, 15965, 15991, 16048, 16077, 16662, 17039)
	<i>Satureja cuneifolia</i> Ten. (Lamiaceae, MARE 16185)

0.60 and 0.59, respectively (for the values of the remaining medicinal species, see Table 1).

The most frequent types of medicinal use recorded were shortness of breath (318 UR), abdominal pain (285 UR), wound healing (244 UR) and gastrointestinal ailments (215 UR).

POPUT values for various ailments include: shortness of breath 0.11, abdominal pain 0.10, wound 0.08 and stomach ailments 0.07.

To date, only one study (Bulut and Tuzlaci, 2015) has calculated popular use in therapy (POPUT) values for western Anatolia. When ailments were compared relative to popular use in therapy (POPUT) values, stomach ailments came out on top with a POUT value of 0.14, followed by common cold (0.06 POUT), cough (0.05 POUT), eczema and rheumatism (0.04 POUT) (Bulut and Tuzlaci, 2015).

#### 4. Conclusion

With the rapid development of mobile communication tools ethnic values are diminishing every day. Besides younger generations are less interested in folkloric values including traditional medicines. In addition, the improvement in the health system helps people to access doctors more frequently. These reasons create the risk of losing valuable ethnomedicinal information. Carrying out ethnobotanical studies is thus becoming more important in order to collect ancient knowledge about the use of traditional medicinal plants from communities which otherwise would be lost over time.

This is the first comprehensive study of the traditional use of medicinal plants in the Acipayam district, an area located in a passage between the Aegean, the Mediterranean and the Central Anatolian regions of Turkey. The region was explored in various visits over the course of the study whereby eight species (*Amelanchier parviflora* var. *dentata*, *Echinops viscosus* subsp. *bitihnicus*, *Onopordum sibthorpiatum*, *Origanum hypericifolium*, *Quercus trojana*, *Salvia adenophylla*, *Sideritis montana* subsp. *remota* and *Tamarix smyrnensis*) were reported for the first time to have medicinal uses. Furthermore, ninety-one species from thirty-eight families were also used in herbal medicine. This study, thus records for the first time, and for posterity, presents the ethnobotany of that remarkable region.

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#### Appendix A

##### Questionnaire Form

1. Name and surname of the participant
2. Age and sex of the participant
3. Telephone and address of the participant
4. Educational level of the participant
5. Date of interview
6. Place of residence of the participant
7. Duration of residence of the participant
8. Local name of the plant
9. Human health or Animal health
10. Ailments treated/therapeutic effect.
11. Plant part used.
12. Preparation.
13. Administration.
14. Dosage.
15. Duration of treatment.
16. Age group of patients (baby, child, adult).
17. Side effects.
18. Different ethnobotanical use.

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