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# **Czech J. Food Sci.** Arfan M., Amin H., Karamać M., Kosińska

## A., WICZKOWSKI W., Amarowicz R.: Antioxidant activity of phenolic fractions of *Mallotus philippinensis* bark extract

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Phenolic compounds were extracted from Mallotus philippinensi bark using methanol. Six fractions (I– VI) were separated from the extract on a Sephadex LH-20 column using ethanol and acetone-water as the mobile phases and were evaluated for their total antioxidant activity, antiradical activity against DPPH• (2,2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl radical), and reducing power. The total phenolics and tannin contents in the fractions were determined. The content of total phenolics in the fractions ranged from 54 mg/g (fraction I) to 927 mg/g (fraction VI). Condensed tannins were detected in fractions II– VI. Total antioxidant activity (TAA) of phenolic fractions of *Mallotus* 

*philipinensis* bark extract ranged from 0.58 mmol Trolox/g (fraction I) to 6.82 mmol Trolox/g (fraction IV). Fraction IV also showed the strongest antiradical activity against DPPH• and reducing power. Several phenolic constituents in the fractions were detected by RP-HPLC using a gradient solvent system with UV-DAD detection.

#### Keywords:

*Mallotus philippinensis*; bark; extract; natural antioxidants; phenolic compounds; tannins; antioxidant activity; antiradical activity

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