

Physicochemical Profile of Essential Oil of *Daucus carota*

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Abstract : Essential oils have a significant antimicrobial activity. These oils can successfully replace the antibiotics. So, the microorganisms show their inefficiencies resistant for the antibiotics. For this reason, we study the physic-chemical analysis and antimicrobial activity of the essential oil of *Daucus carota*. The extraction is done by steam distillation of water which brought us a very significant return of 4.65%. The analysis of the essential oil is performed by GC/MS and has allowed us to identify 32 compounds in the oil of *D. carota* flowering tops of Bouira. Three of which are in the majority are the α -pinene (22.3%), the carotol (21.7%) and the limonene (15.8%).

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