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NATIVE AROMATIC PLANTS OF THE ATLANTIC FOREST: CHEMICAL-BIOLOGICAL STUDIES OF Symphyopappus cuneatus ESSENTIAL OIL

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INTRODUCTION

A wide range of medicinal and aromatic plants (MAPs) have been explored for their essential oils (EOs) in the past few decades. Studies previous have shown the essential oils potential of development of novel broad-spectrum key molecules against a broad range of drugresistant pathogenic microbes. (Rodrigues, 2010). In continuation of a programme of systematic investigation of aromatic plants in different biomes of the Atlantic Forest, the material was collected under the authorization SISBIO number 49770-2 in Palmeira-PR, March 2019 and the antimicrobial activity against strains of food-borne pathogens Escherichia coli and Listeria monotytogenes was performed.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

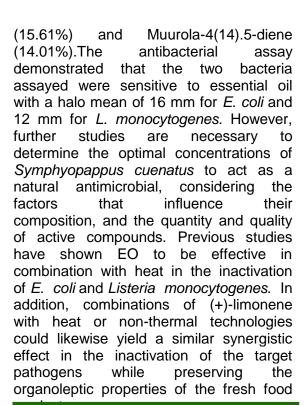
A wide range of medicinal and aromatic The plant material was dried at 40 °C using an electric dryer with air circulation and submitted to hydrodistillation. The oil obtained in 0,60% yield based on dry material was then characterized by means of GC-FID (quantification and retention index) and GC-MS (computing library search) (Adams, 2017, Allured pub). The antibacterial assay was performed by diffusion method against food-borne pathogens *Escherichia coli* and *Listeria monotytogenes*.

RESULTS

Eleven compounds were identified in the essential oil. The most abundant constituent was the monoterpene Limonene (37.19%), followed by α -Pinene







CONCLUSIONS

In this work we have shown that plant species found in the Atlantic Forest Biome can be considered promising sources of bioactive compounds. In addition *Symphyopappus cuneatus* essential oil presented significant antibacterial activity against human pathogens.

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