Analysis of the Unique Properties of Aloe Vera Extract

An In-depth Analysis of a Natural Treasure for Skincare and Medicine

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Overview



Botanical Source and Extraction

Derived from the Aloe genus of the Liliaceae family, it is a preparation obtained by scientifically extracting and purifying the leaf pulp of Aloe Vera.

Core Active Ingredients

Rich in functional components such as polysaccharides, anthraquinones, and flavonoids, supplemented with nutrients like amino acids and vitamins.

Multi-target Biological Activity

Possesses activities such as skin repair, immune regulation, anti-inflammatory wound healing, gastrointestinal protection, and antioxidant effects, making it an excellent natural skincare product.

I. Physicochemical Characteristics

(1) Appearance and Sensory Characteristics



Finished Product Form

Light yellow to brownish-yellow powder, or pale yellow to light brown liquid.



Odor and Taste

Possesses a characteristic fresh fragrance of Aloe Vera, with a slightly bitter and sweet taste.

Microscopic Characteristics

Calcium oxalate cluster crystals and needle crystals are visible in the powder; no starch grains are present.

(2) Core Chemical Components (1/3): Polysaccharides



Representative Substances

- Acetylated Aloe Vera Polysaccharide
- Mannan
- Glucuronic Acid Glycan



Content Standards

- Cosmetic Grade: Total Polysaccharides ⩾12.0%
- Food Grade: Total Polysaccharides ⩾15.0%
- Pharmaceutical Grade: Total Polysaccharides ⩾25.0%



Core Functions

- Moisturizing and Repairing
- Immune Regulation
- Promoting Wound Healing

(2) Core Chemical Components (2/3): Anthraquinones

Representative Substances

- Aloin
- Isobarbaloin
- Aloe-emodin

Content Standards

- Pharmaceutical Grade: Aloin ⩾18.0%
- Cosmetic Grade: 0.1%-0.5%
- Food Grade: ⩽0.1%

Core Functions

- Anti-inflammatory, Antibacterial
- Laxative
- Sun Protection

(2) Core Chemical Components (3/3): Flavonoids

Representative Substances

- Quercetin
- Rutin
- Isorhamnetin

Content Standards

Cosmetic Grade (calculated as Rutin):
⩾0.5%
Food Grade:
⩾1.0%

Core Functions

- Antioxidant, Anti-inflammatory
- Enhancing Skin Barrier Function
- Brightening Skin Tone

(3) Key Physicochemical Parameters (1/4): Solubility

Polysaccharide Components

Soluble in water, hot water, and dilute ethanol (30%-70%); insoluble in organic solvents such as chloroform and ethyl acetate.

Aloe-emodin and Aloe vera L. var. chinensis (Haw.) Berg.

Soluble in ethanol and DMF; slightly soluble in water.

Aloe-emodin

Insoluble in water; soluble in alkaline aqueous solutions and organic solvents.

Flavonoid Components

Soluble in aqueous ethanol solution; slightly soluble in water.

(3) Key Physicochemical Parameters (2/4): Oxidation Sensitivity

Characteristics of Oxidation-Sensitive Compounds

Core Components: Aloe-emodin, Aloe vera L. var. chinensis (Haw.) Berg., etc.

Sensitivity Phenomenon: Prone to oxidative decomposition under sunlight, leading to darkening of color from yellow and reduced activity.

Storage and Testing Requirements

Characteristic Phenomenon: The finished product exhibits characteristic yellow fluorescence under ultraviolet light.

Storage Conditions: Must be tightly packaged and sealed to prevent oxidation and deterioration of active ingredients.

(3) Key Physicochemical Parameters (3): Stability

Stability of Dry Powder

Stable under sealed, light-proof, cool (⩽25℃), and dry conditions, with a shelf life of 1-3 years.

Decreased Stability in Solution State

Aqueous solution stability decreases with increasing pH value; at pH>7, 1/3 of active ingredients may be lost within a few months (50%).

Thermal Stability

No significant decomposition of Aloe-emodin at 100-150℃ or Aloe vera L. var. chinensis (Haw.) Berg. at 150-200℃.

(3) Key Physicochemical Parameters (4): pH Value

Weakly Acidic Property

The pH value of a 5% aqueous solution of Aloe Vera Extract is between 4.5-6.5, showing a mild weakly acidic property that matches the weakly acidic nature of human skin.

Excellent Skin Compatibility

Its pH value is highly compatible with the acidity and alkalinity of the human skin surface, with good biocompatibility, making it very suitable for use in cosmetics and topical skin preparations.

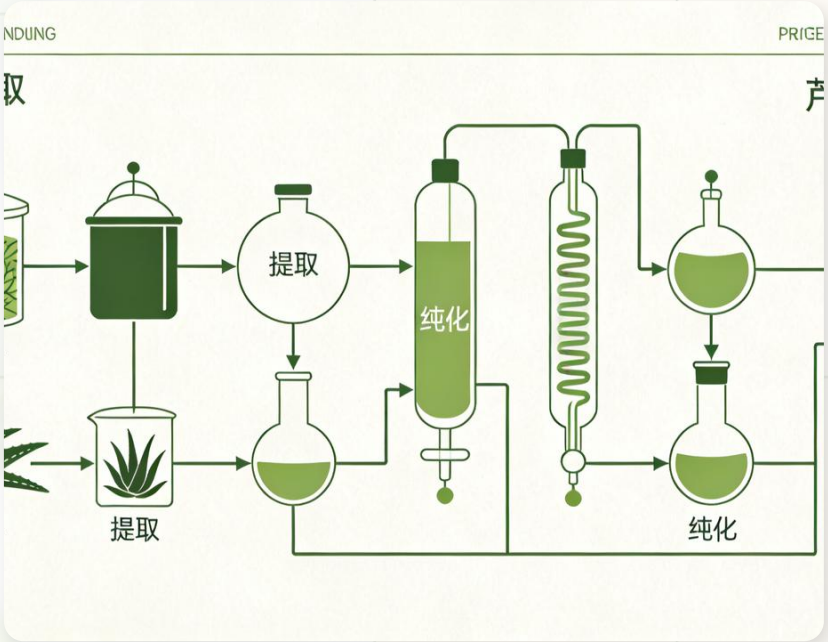
(4) Correlation between Raw Materials and Preparation

Selection of Raw Material Parts

Aloe Vera leaves are selected. Different varieties have varying component contents; Aloe Barbadensis Miller has high polysaccharide content, while Aloe Vera var. chinensis has good safety.

Key Points of Extraction Process

Water extraction and alcohol precipitation are mainly used. To improve polysaccharide yield, temperature is strictly controlled and ultrasonic-assisted extraction is employed.



II. Core Efficacy Components and Functions

(1) Polysaccharide Components and Efficacy (1/4)
- Skin Moisturizing and Barrier Repair



Forming a Moisturizing Film

Hydrophilic groups such as hydroxyl groups on polysaccharide molecular chains can bind to water, forming a breathable moisturizing film on the skin surface, effectively reducing water evaporation and maintaining skin hydration.



Repairing the Skin Barrier

Promotes the proliferation of keratinocytes, enhances hyaluronic acid synthesis, strengthens the skin barrier function, improves skin dryness and sensitivity, and enhances skin water-locking ability.

(1) Polysaccharide Components and Efficacy (2/4) - Immune Regulation

Activating Immune Cells

By binding to receptors on the surface of immune cells, it activates the activity of immune cells such as macrophages and lymphocytes, enhancing their phagocytic and killing capabilities.

Enhancing Body Resistance

Stimulates immune cells to release cytokines, regulates the body's immune response, thereby enhancing the body's resistance to pathogens and building a defense barrier for the body.

(1) Polysaccharide Components and Efficacy (3/4)
- Wound Healing and Gastrointestinal Protection



Promoting Wound Healing

Accelerates the proliferation and migration of skin cells, promotes collagen synthesis, thereby shortening wound healing time and improving repair efficiency.



Protecting Gastrointestinal Mucosa

Forms a protective film within the gastric mucosa, effectively reducing irritation and damage to the mucosa from gastric acid, pepsin, etc., and has an adjuvant therapeutic effect on gastric ulcers.

(1) Polysaccharide Components and Efficacy (4/4)
- Other Auxiliary Efficacies

Antioxidant

Scavenges free radicals in the body, reduces oxidative stress damage to cells, and delays aging.

Liver Protection

Reduces damage to the liver from chemical substances and promotes the regeneration and repair of liver cells.

Anti-radiation

Has a certain protective effect on cell damage caused by ionizing radiation.

(2) Anthraquinone Components and Efficacy (1/3) - Anti-inflammatory and Antibacterial



Inhibiting Pro-inflammatory Factors

By inhibiting the release of inflammatory cytokines (such as TNF-α, IL-6), it effectively reduces inflammatory responses and relieves skin redness and discomfort.



Broad-spectrum Bacteriostatic Effect

Inhibits various pathogenic bacteria such as Staphylococcus aureus and Escherichia coli, and can be used to improve inflammatory skin conditions such as acne.

(2) Anthraquinone Components and Efficacy (2/3) - Laxative Effect

Stimulating Intestinal Peristalsis

Decomposed by bacteria in the intestines to release irritating substances, promoting large intestine peristalsis and increasing defecation frequency.

Softening Stools

Increases water content in the intestines, softens stools for easier passage, suitable for severe constipation and irritable bowel syndrome.

(2) Anthraquinone Components and Efficacy (3/3) - Sunscreen Protection

Absorbing Ultraviolet Rays

Anthraquinone compounds have conjugated double bonds in their molecular structure, which can absorb ultraviolet rays (mainly UVB band), reducing direct damage to the skin from UV rays.

Antioxidant Protection

Scavenges free radicals generated by UV irradiation, reduces skin reactions to photoaging, and plays an indirect role in sun protection.

(3) Flavonoid Components and Efficacy (1/3)
- Antioxidant and Anti-aging

Scavenging Free Radicals

Flavonoids have multiple phenolic hydroxyl groups and are potent free radical scavengers, effectively neutralizing free radicals in the skin and reducing oxidative damage.

Delaying Aging

Through antioxidant effects, it protects skin cells from free radical attacks, delays collagen loss and the production of elastic fibers, thereby reducing the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles and delaying skin aging.

(3) Flavonoid Components and Efficacy (2/3)
- Anti-inflammatory and Barrier Enhancement

Synergistic Anti-inflammatory

Works synergistically with anthraquinones and polysaccharides to enhance anti-inflammatory effects by inhibiting inflammatory signaling pathways, relieving skin inflammation and redness.

Enhancing Skin Barrier

Promotes the synthesis of intercellular lipids in keratinocytes, strengthens the skin barrier function, and enhances the skin's defense against external stimuli.

(3) Flavonoid Components and Efficacy (3/3)
- Pigment Regulation and Brightening

Inhibiting Melanin Production

By inhibiting the activity of tyrosinase, it reduces melanin synthesis, thereby achieving the effect of fading spots and brightening skin tone.

Antioxidant Brightening

Scavenges free radicals that cause dull skin tone, improves dull and lackluster skin, and gives the skin a healthy and radiant appearance.

(4) Multi-component Synergistic Efficacy (1/3):
-Independent Efficacy and Division of Labor of Each Component



Polysaccharides

Responsible for moisturizing and repairing, immune regulation, providing basic barrier protection and internal vitality support for the skin.



Anthraquinones

Responsible for anti-inflammatory and antibacterial effects, laxative effect, acting on skin inflammation and digestive system problems.



Flavonoids

Responsible for antioxidant, brightening skin tone, fighting free radicals, and improving dull skin tone.

Auxiliary Components

Amino acids, vitamins, minerals, etc., supplement nutrition and enhance overall activity.

The efficacy of aloe extract is not the independent effect of a single component, but the result of the mutual synergy of the three core components and auxiliary components such as amino acids, vitamins, and minerals.

(4) Multi-component Synergistic Efficacy (2/3):
-Interactions and Synergistic Systems Between Components

Polysaccharides Neutralize Anthraquinone Irritation

The mild properties of polysaccharide components can effectively neutralize the potential irritation that anthraquinone components may bring, improving product safety and tolerance.

Flavonoids Improve Bioavailability

Flavonoid components can promote the absorption and utilization of other active ingredients, enhancing the overall efficacy.

Forming a Synergistic System

The three act together to form a 'Repair + Anti-inflammatory + Antioxidant' golden triangle synergistic system, which greatly broadens the efficacy boundary of Aloe Vera Extract.

(4) Multi-component Synergistic Efficacy (3/3): -Core Functions with Multi-system Coverage



Core Functions: Repair and Anti-inflammatory

Centered on skin repair and anti-inflammatory wound healing, it provides deep care for the skin through the synergistic effect of multiple components.



Multi-system Coverage: Comprehensive Regulation

Functions cover multiple physiological systems such as skin, immunity, digestion, and metabolism, achieving overall health regulation.

Wide Application: Natural Active Substance

Thanks to its multi-system efficacy coverage, it has become a widely used and safe natural active substance.

III. Unique Properties

Unique Property (1): Dual-core Synergistic Mechanism

Repair and Nourishment Channel

Polysaccharide components are rapidly compounded to repair the barrier, suitable for daily skincare, providing gentle and long-lasting nourishment for the skin.

Anti-inflammatory and Wound Healing Channel



Anthraquinone and flavonoid components rapidly reduce inflammation and accelerate healing, specifically addressing inflammation problems and restoring skin health.

Synergistic Effect: 1+1 > 2

While effectively soothing the skin, polysaccharides can significantly enhance the therapeutic effect of anthraquinones, achieving the dual efficacy of 'daily nourishment + problem repair' for comprehensive skin care.

Unique Property (2): Overall Synergy and Safety Balance

Efficacy Synergy

Multi-component synergy achieves one-stop care for 'moisturizing, repairing, anti-inflammatory, brightening', comprehensively enhancing the skincare experience.



Safety Synergy

Polysaccharides neutralize anthraquinone irritation, combined with refined processes and quality control, significantly improving product safety and mildness.



Adaptability Synergy

Utilizing differences in component solubility, multiple dosage forms can be flexibly prepared, providing professional solutions to meet more application scenarios.

Unique Property (3): Oxidation-Responsive Dependence

Topical Application: Mild Oxidation Enhances Activity

- Under mild oxidation conditions, aloin is converted to aloe-emodin.
- Anti-inflammatory and antibacterial activities are significantly enhanced, suitable for repairing damaged skin.

Oral Application: Strict Oxidation Control

- Oral preparations require strict control of the oxidation environment to prevent premature transformation of components.
- Ensure the stability of the preparation and avoid safety risks from oxidation products.

Unique Property (4): Cross-scenario Adaptability



Pharmaceutical Field

Used for treating burns, scalds, skin ulcers, etc., with good therapeutic effects.



Healthcare Product Field

Has laxative, immune-regulating, and anti-inflammatory effects, making it an ideal choice for health maintenance.



Cosmetics Field

Suitable for multiple efficacy directions such as sensitive skin care, anti-aging, and whitening, and is an important raw material for natural skincare.



Food Field

Used as a natural food additive in a wide range of foods such as beverages, jellies, and candies.



Other Fields

Also applied in agriculture, environmental protection, etc., with certain effects on air purification and plant growth promotion.

Unique Property (5): Full Industry Chain Standardization



Chinese Standard System

Indicators such as content and efficacy activity have clarified content and application specifications, establishing a sound regulatory foundation.

International Testing and Certification

Aligned with international standards such as USP and EP, establishing strict testing methods and quality requirements.

Industrial Technology Upgrading

Through the establishment of a comprehensive quality control system and testing technology, and taking international standards as the benchmark, promote the high-quality development of the industry.

Summary and Outlook

Core Values

- Natural source, highly active aloin and polysaccharides, green and pollution-free
- Multi-effect Synergy: Synergistic effect of multiple components, with significant efficacy
- Full-scenario Adaptation: Widely used in medicine, healthcare, and other fields
- Standardized and Controllable: Establishment of strict production and standards to ensure stable quality

Future Outlook



Optimization of extraction processes to achieve 'active ingredient enrichment' and 'industrial chain integration'

Focus on core scenarios such as sensitive skin care and natural sunscreen to create more targeted consumer products

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