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Antibacterial activity of selected seaweeds from the coast of Rabon, Rosario, La Union, Philippines

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Three commonly occurring marine macroalgae; *Enteromorpha intestinalis*, *Gracillaria changii* and *Sargassum cristaefolium* were collected from the coast of Rabon, Rosario, La Union and their antibacterial activities were screened against a gram positive bacteria (*Staphylococcus aureus*) and a gram negative bacteria (*Escherichia coli*). The phytochemical analysis of seaweeds revealed the following secondary metabolites; for *E. intestinalis*, non-hydrolyzable / condensed tannins and saponin glycosides were detected; for *G. changii*, saponin glycosides, anthraquinones, and flavonoids were present; *E. intestinalis* exhibits the highest antimicrobial activity against *E. coli* with the highest mean diameter of zone of inhibition. *G. Changii* exhibits the highest antimicrobial activity against *S. aureus* with the highest mean diameter of zone of inhibition.

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