

Antifungal Essential Oils of Lamiaceae

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The incidence of fungal infections has been steadily increasing in recent years. Systemic mycoses are characterized by the highest mortality. At the same time, the frequency of infections caused by drug-resistant strains and new pathogens e.g., *Candida auris* increases. An alternative to medicines may be essential oils, which can have a broad antimicrobial spectrum. Rich in the essential oils are plants from the Lamiaceae family.

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Aspergillus

Cryptococcus

Penicillium

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β-caryophyllene

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monoterpenes

minimal inhibitory concentration (MIC)

1. Introduction

Fungal infections belong to the most often diseases of humans. It is estimated that about 1.7 billion people (25% of the population) have skin, nail, and hair fungal infections [1]. The development of most of these infections is affected by dermatophytes, namely *Trichophyton* spp., *Microsporum* spp., and *Epidermophyton* spp. [2]. Simultaneously, mucosal infections of the oral and genital tracts caused by *Candida* spp. are very common. About 0.13 billion of women suffer from vulvovaginal candidiasis. On the other hand, oral candidiasis are common in babies and denture wearers. Fungi also cause life-threatening systemic infections, with mortality reaching >1.6 million, which is >3-fold more than malaria [3]. Among life-threatening fungal infections prevail cryptococcosis (*Cryptococcus neoformans*) with >1,000,000 cases and mortality rate 20–70%, candidiasis (*Candida albicans*) with >400,000 cases and mortality rate 46–75%, pneumocystosis (*Pneumocystis jirovecii*) with >400,000 cases and mortality rate 20–80%, and aspergillosis (*Aspergillus fumigatus*) with >200,000 cases and mortality rate 30–95% [4][5]. In [Table 1](#) are presented diseases caused by some of the most often fungal pathogens among people.

Table 1. Fungal pathogens of humans and most often observed mycoses (based on [6][7]).

Superficial mycoses	• <i>Hortae werneckii</i> (Tinea nigra)
	• <i>Malassezia furfur</i> (Pityriasis versicolor)
	• <i>Piedraia hortae</i> (Black piedra)
	• <i>Trichosporon</i> spp. (White piedra)

**Cutaneous and
subcutaneous mycoses**

- *Aspergillus* spp. (Onychomycosis, Keratitis)
- *Candida* spp. (Tinea pedis, Tinea cruris, Onychomycosis, Keratitis)
- *Chaetomium* spp. (Subcutaneous phaeohyphomycosis)
- *Curvularia* spp. (Subcutaneous phaeohyphomycosis)
- *Epidermophyton* spp. (Tinea pedis, Tinea cruris, Onychomycosis)
- *Exophiala* spp. (Chromoblastomycosis, Subcutaneous phaeohyphomycosis)
- *Fonsecaea* spp. (Chromoblastomycosis)
- *Fusarium* spp. (Onychomycosis, Keratitis, Eumycotic mycetoma)
- *Geotrichum* spp. (Onychomycosis)
- *Microsporum* spp. (Tinea corporis, Tinea capitis)
- *Phaeoacremonium* spp. (Eumycotic mycetoma)
- *Phialophora* spp. (Chromoblastomycosis, Subcutaneous phaeohyphomycosis)
- *Scopulariopsis brevicaulis* (Onychomycosis)
- *Sporothrix schenckii* (Lymphocutaneous sporotrichosis)
- *Trichophyton* spp. (Tinea pedis, Tinea corporis, Tinea cruris, Tinea capitis, Onychomycosis)
- *Trichosporon* spp. (Onychomycosis)

Endemic mycoses

- *Blastomyces dermatitidis* (Blastomycosis)
- *Histoplasma capsulatum* (Histoplasmosis)
- *Coccidioides immitis/posadasii* (Coccidioidomycosis)
- *Penicillium marneffeii* (Penicilliosis)

- *Paracoccidioides brasiliensis* (Paracoccidioidomycosis)

Opportunistic mycoses

- *Acremonium* spp. (Hyalohyphomycosis-cutaneous, disseminated infection)
- *Alternaria* spp. (Phaeohyphomycosis-subcutaneous, sinusitis, disseminated infection)
- *Aspergillus* spp. (Allergic reactions, Aspergillosis-nasal, sinusitis, bronchial, pulmonary, systemic dissemination)
- *Bipolaris* spp. (Phaeohyphomycosis-subcutaneous, sinusitis, brain abscess)
- *Candida* spp. (Candidiasis-superficial mucosal, cutaneous, widespread hematogenous distribution involving target organs)
- *Cryptococcus* spp. (Cryptococcosis-cutaneous, pulmonary, meningitis)
- *Curvularia* spp. (Phaeohyphomycosis-subcutaneous, sinusitis, disseminated infection)
- *Fusarium* spp. (Hyalohyphomycosis-cutaneous, disseminated infection)
- *Lichtheimia* spp. (Mucormycosis-cutaneous, invasive)
- *Mucor* spp. (Mucormycosis-cutaneous, invasive)
- *Paecilomyces* spp. (Hyalohyphomycosis-cutaneous, disseminated infection)
- *Pneumocystis jirovecii* (Pneumocystosis-pneumonia, extrapulmonary manifestations)
- *Rhizomucor* spp. (Mucormycosis-cutaneous, invasive)
- *Rhizopus* spp. (Mucormycosis-cutaneous, invasive)
- *Scedosporium* spp. (Hyalohyphomycosis-cutaneous, disseminated infection)
- *Trichosporon* spp. (Trichosporonosis-invasive disease)
- *Wangiella* spp. (Phaeohyphomycosis-subcutaneous, sinusitis, brain abscess)

admissionis [10]. More than 97% of *Aspergillus fumigatus* isolates are resistant to one or more azoles [11]. Polyene resistance mainly concerns amphotericin B. Resistance to this drug is observed in *Fusarium* spp., *Trichosporon* spp., *Aspergillus* spp., and *Sporothrix schenckii* [12][13]. Resistance to amphotericin

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B has also been reported for *C. albicans*, *C. glabrata*, and *C. tropicalis* [14][15][16]. Cultures of some *Candida* species and *Cryptococcus neoformans* are presented in [Figure 1](#).

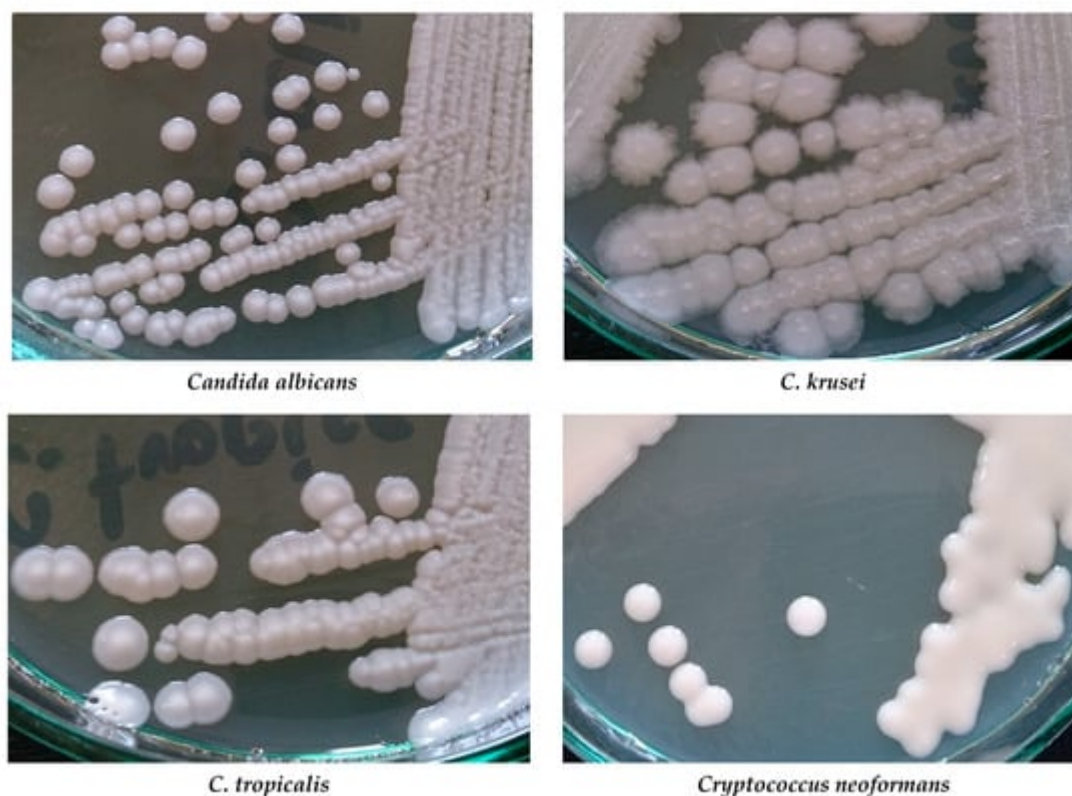


Figure 1. Cultures of selected yeast fungi on Sabouraud agar (Author of photos: Tomasz M. Karpiński).

The new epidemiological problem is *C. auris*, a multidrug-resistant organism first described in Japan in 2009 [17]. Recently, *C. auris* has been reported from 36 countries from six continents [18]. About 30% of isolates demonstrate reduced susceptibility to amphotericin B, and 5% can be resistant to the echinocandins [19][20]. The estimated mortality from *C. auris* fungemia range from 28% to 60% [21].

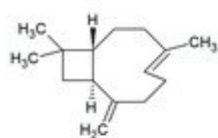
Fundamental issues are also the costs of treatment and hospitalization of patients with invasive fungal diseases. According to Drgona et al., all costs range from around €26,000 up to over €80,000 per patient [5].

2. Components of Essential Oils of Lamiaceae Family

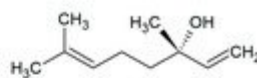
The family Lamiaceae or Labiatae contains many valuable medicinal plants. In the family are 236 genera and between 6900 and 7200 species. To the most abundant genera belong *Salvia* (900 species), *Scutellaria* (360), *Stachys* (300), *Plectranthus* (300), *Hyptis* (280), *Teucrium* (250), *Vitex* (250), *Thymus* (220), and *Nepeta* (200). Lamiaceae plants rich in essential oils have great worth in natural medicine, pharmacology, cosmetology, and aromatherapy [22]. The essential oils are mostly present in leaves, however, they can be found in flowers, buds, fruits, seeds, rind, wood, or roots [23]. Essential oils are mixtures of volatile compounds, which are secondary plant metabolites. They play a role in the defense system of higher plants [24]. Essential oils may contain

over 300 different compounds, mainly of molecular weight below 300 [25]. Some oils, e.g., obtained from *Lavandula*, *Geranium*, or *Rosmarinus*, contain 450 to 500 chemicals [26]. Among the active compounds of essential oils are various chemical classes, e.g., alcohols, ethers, aldehydes, ketones, esters, phenols, terpenes (monoterpenes, sesquiterpenes), and coumarins [27][28].

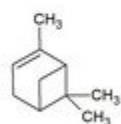
To the chemical components most commonly found as the main ingredients in essential oils, among plants presented in Table 2, include β -caryophyllene (41 plants), linalool (27 plants), limonene (26), β -pinene (25), 1,8-cineole (22), carvacrol (21), α -pinene (21), p-cymene (20), γ -terpinene (20), and thymol (20) (Figure 2). Sesquiterpene β -caryophyllene seems particularly important antifungal component in the Lamiaceae family. Its activity and its derivatives, such as caryophyllene oxide is well known [29][30][31]. According to Bona et al. [32], essential oils containing high concentrations of phenolic monoterpenes (e.g., carvacrol, p-cymene, thymol) have great antifungal activities. Rich in these substances are, among others *Origanum* and *Thymus* plants. Important antifungal chemicals often presented in Lamiaceae are also other monoterpenes as alcohol linalool and cyclic 1,8-cineole, limonene, pinenes, and terpinenes [33][34][35][36][37][38][39][40][41]. Table 1 shows that all of these antifungal substances are common in presented plants.



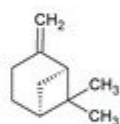
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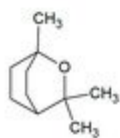
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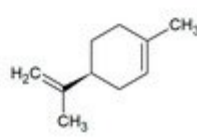
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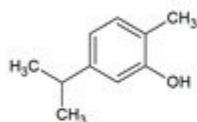
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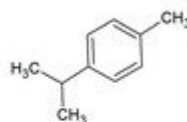
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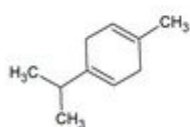
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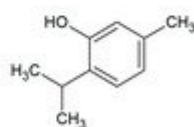
carvacrol



p-cymene



γ -terpinene



thymol

Figure 2. Chemical formulas of ten substances the most commonly found in essential oils of Lamiaceae plants presented in [Table 1](#).

3. Antifungal Activity of Essential Oils of Lamiaceae Family

In [Table 3](#) are shown the antifungal activities of selected Lamiaceae essential oils. More than half of the essential oils have good activity (<1000 µg/mL) against fungi. In some cases are observed significant discrepancies between different studies. An example could be the action of essential oils from Italian *Calamintha nepeta* against *Candida albicans*. In the work of Marongiu et al. [\[42\]](#), minimal inhibitory concentrations amounted to 1.25–2.5 µg/mL, while in Božović et al. [\[43\]](#) MICs were between 780 to 12,480 µg/mL. Differences may be related to the different biochemical composition of the examined essential oils. In results presented by Marongiu et al. [\[42\]](#) the main components of essential oils were pulegone (39.9–64.4%), piperitenone oxide (2.5–19.1%) and piperitenone (6.4–7.7%), while in Božović et al. [\[43\]](#) three main substances were pulegone (37.7–84.7%), chrysanthemone (1.3–33.9%) and menthone (0.5–35.4%). Some authors have described that the content of active substances varies depending on the season. In studies of Gonçalves et al. [\[44\]](#) in *Mentha cervina* during the flowering phase in August amount of isomenthone and pulegone in essential oil amounted 8.7% and 75.1% respectively. Simultaneously, in the vegetative phase in February, the content of both components changed significantly and amounted to 77.0% for isomenthone and 12.9% for pulegone. Similarly, Al-Maskri et al. [\[45\]](#) presented essential changes in some compounds of *Ocimum basilicum* essential oil between winter and summer. In the summer essential oil, there is significantly more of linalool, p-allylanisole and β-farnesene, and at the same time much less content of limonene and 1,8-cineole. In this work, a seasonal variation of chemical composition is directly related to other antifungal activities. It is particularly evident in action against *Aspergillus niger*, which was lower in the summer season. Zone of growth inhibition (ZOI) for winter essential oil was 21 mm and MIC > 50 µg/mL, while for summer essential oil-ZOI was 13 mm and MIC > 100 µg/mL [\[45\]](#). Influence on the content of chemical substances in essential oils also has a method of obtaining them. Čavar et al. [\[43\]](#) compared the composition of oils obtained from *Calamintha glandulosa* using three methods: Hydrodistillation (HD), steam distillation (SD) and aqueous reflux extraction (ARE). For example, the level of menthone was 3.3% in ARE, 4.7% in HD, and 8.3% in SD method, while for shisofuran was only 0.1% in HD and SD, and even 9.7% in ARE [\[43\]](#). Additionally, many other factors can affect antimicrobial activity, such as amount and concentration of inoculum, type of culture medium, pH of the medium and incubation time. All these factors can affect the value of MIC [\[40\]](#). Differences are visible in [Table 2](#). Generally, it can be assumed that the best activity (MICs < 100) have essential oils from *Clinopodium* spp. (excluding *C. nepeta* subsp. *glandulosum* and *C. umbrosum*), *Lavandula* spp., *Mentha* spp. (excluding *M. piperita*), *Thymbra* spp., and *Thymus* spp. (excluding *T. migricus* and *T. vulgaris*). The highest values of MICs are presented among others for *Aeollanthus suaveolens*, *Agastache rugosa*, *Lepechinia mutica*, *Mentha × piperita*, and *Salvia sclarea*. Simultaneously, some essential oils have a very different activity, and MIC values differ depending on the region, chemical composition, research methodology, etc. Significant variations can be observed even in *Ocimum basilicum* (MICs 1–10,000), *O. sanctum* (MICs 0.1–500), *Origanum majorana* (MICs 0.5–14,400) or in *Thymus vulgaris* (MICs 0.08–3600).

Table 3. Minimal inhibitory concentrations (MICs) of essential oils against fungi.

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
<i>Aeollanthus suaveolens</i> Mart. ex Spreng. = <i>A. heliotropioides</i> Oliv.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1200–5000	[46]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	5000	[46]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	2500	[46]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	2500	[46]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1200	[46]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	600–5000	[46]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	10,000	[47]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	5000	[47]
	<i>Blastoschizomyces capitatus</i>	5000	[47]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	28–5000	[47][48]
<i>Agastache rugosa</i> (Fisch. and C.A.Mey.) Kuntze	<i>Candida utilis</i>	5000	[47]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	5000	[47]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	10,000	[47]
	<i>Trichoderma viride</i>	5000	[47]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	780	[47]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	3120	[47]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	1560	[47]
	<i>Trichophyton schoenleinii</i>	1560	[47]
	<i>Trichophyton soudanense</i>	1560	[47]
	<i>Trichophyton tonsurans</i>	10,000	[47]
<i>Ballota nigra</i> subsp. <i>foetida</i> (Vis.) Hayek	<i>Trichosporon mucoides</i>	5000	[47]
	<i>Alternaria solani</i>	750	[49]
	<i>Botrytis cinerea</i>	600	[49]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs ($\mu\text{g/mL}$; $\mu\text{l/mL}$)	Reference(s)
	<i>Fusarium coeruleum</i>	350	[49]
	<i>Fusarium culmorum</i>	300	[49]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	300	[49]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	350	[49]
	<i>Fusarium sporotrichioides</i>	350	[49]
	<i>Fusarium tabacinum</i>	350	[49]
	<i>Fusarium verticillioides</i>	300	[49]
<i>Clinopodium dalmaticum</i> (Benth.) Bräuchler and Heubl = <i>Micromeria dalmatica</i> Benth.	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.4	[50]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	0.4	[50]
	<i>Cladosporium cladosporioides</i>	0.4	[50]
	<i>Fusarium tricinctum</i>	0.4	[50]
	<i>Penicillium ochrochloron</i>	0.4	[50]
	<i>Phomopsis helianthi</i>	0.2	[50]
	<i>Trichoderma viride</i>	0.4	[50]
<i>Clinopodium nepeta</i> subsp. <i>glandulosum</i> (Req.) Govaerts = <i>Calamintha glandulosa</i> (Req.) Bentham = <i>Calamintha officinalis</i> Moench <i>Clinopodium nepeta</i> (L.) Kuntze = <i>Calamintha nepeta</i> (L.) Savi	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	1250	[42]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	2500	[42]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	1.25–10	[51]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.64–5	[51]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.32–10	[51]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1.25– 12,480	[51][52]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25– 2.5	[51]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1.25– 2.5	[51]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	1.25– 2.5	[51]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1.25– 2.5	[51]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.32– 1.25	[51]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.64– 2.5	[51]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.64– 2.5	[51]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	1.25–5	[51]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.64–5	[51]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.64–5	[51]
<i>Clinopodium thymifolium</i> (Scop.) Kuntze = <i>Micromeria thymifolia</i> (Scop.) Fritsch	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	2	[50]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	2	[50]
	<i>Cladosporium cladosporioides</i>	2	[50]
	<i>Fusarium tricinctum</i>	2	[50]
	<i>Penicillium ochrochloron</i>	2	[50]
	<i>Phomopsis helianthi</i>	0.4	[50]
	<i>Trichoderma viride</i>	2	[50]
<i>Clinopodium umbrosum</i> (M.Bieb.) Kuntze = <i>Calamintha umbrosa</i> Benth.	<i>Alternaria solani</i>	3000	[53]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	2000	[53]
	<i>Helminthosporium maydis</i>	1500	[53]
<i>Dracocephalum heterophyllum</i> Benth.	<i>Alternaria solani</i>	625	[54]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	625– 1000	[55][54]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	2500	[54]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Fusarium semitectum</i>	313	[54]
<i>Hymenocrater longiflorus</i> Benth.	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	480	[56]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	240	[56]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	15.6– 1000	[57][58]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	7.8– 1000	[57][58]
<i>Hyptis ovalifolia</i> Benth.	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	15.6– 1000	[57][58]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	7.8– 1000	[57][58]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	52,200	[59]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	26,100	[59]
<i>Hyssopus officinalis</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus versicolor</i>	10,440	[59]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	128– 1000	[55][60]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	512– 1024	[60]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	128– 256	[60]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	256– 512	[60]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	512– 1024	[60]
	<i>Cladosporium cladosporioides</i>	10,440	[59]
	<i>Cladosporium fulvum</i>	26,100	[59]
	<i>Penicillium funiculosum</i>	52,200	[59]
	<i>Penicillium ochrochloron</i>	26,100	[59]
	<i>Trichoderma viride</i>	10,440	[59]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.125–512	[61][62][63]
	<i>Malassezia furfur</i>	>4	[64]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	1–512	[64][62]
	<i>Trichosporon beigelii</i>	2	[64]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	0.64	[65]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.32	[65]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.32	[65]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.32	[65]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	0.32	[65]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.64	[65]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.32	[65]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.32	[65]
<i>Lavandula multifida</i> L.	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.16	[65]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.16	[65]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.16	[65]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.16	[65]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.16	[65]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>interdigitale</i>	0.16	[65]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.16	[65]
	<i>Trichophyton verrucosum</i>	0.16	[65]
<i>Lavandula pedunculata</i> (Miller) Cav.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	5–10	[66]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	2.5–5	[66]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	5	[66]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	2.5	[66]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25	[66]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1.25– 2.5	[66]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	2.5–5	[66]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1.25– 2.5	[66]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.32– 1.25	[66]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.32– 0.64	[66]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.32– 1.25	[66]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.64– 2.5	[66]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.64– 1.25	[66]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.32– 1.25	[66]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	1.25–10	[67]
<i>Lavandula stoechas</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.64– 1.25	[67]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.32– 1.25	[67]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.64– 512	[62][67]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25	[67]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	2.5	[67]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	2.5	[67]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	2.5	[67]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs ($\mu\text{g/mL}$; $\mu\text{l/mL}$)	Reference(s)
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.64	[67]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.16– 0.32	[67]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.16– 0.64	[67]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.32– 0.64	[67]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.32– 0.64	[67]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>interdigitale</i>	0.16– 0.64	[67]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.16– 256	[62][67]
	<i>Trichophyton verrucosum</i>	0.32	[67]
<i>Lavandula viridis</i> L'Her.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	5	[68]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	2.5	[68]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	2.5	[68]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1.25– 2.5	[68]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	0.64– 1.25	[68]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1.25– 2.5	[68]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	1.25	[68]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1.25– 2.5	[68]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.64	[68]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.32	[68]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.32	[68]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs ($\mu\text{g/mL}$; $\mu\text{l/mL}$)	Reference(s)
<i>Lepechinia mutica</i> (Benth.) Epling	<i>Microsporium gypseum</i>	0.64	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.32– 0.64	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>interdigitale</i>	0.32– 0.64	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.32	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton verrucosum</i>	0.32	[68]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	>9000	[69]
	<i>Fusarium graminearum</i>	>9000	[69]
<i>Marrubium vulgare</i> L. <i>Melissa officinalis</i> L.	<i>Microsporium canis</i>	2200– 4500	[69]
	<i>Pyricularia oryzae</i>	>9000	[69]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	2200– 4500	[69]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	>1180	[70]
	<i>Botrytis cinerea</i>	>1100	[70]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	>1190	[70]
	<i>Penicillium digitatum</i>	>1120	[70]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	313	[71]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	30–313	[72][71]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	78	[71]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	30	[72]
	<i>Microsporium canis</i>	30	[72]
	<i>Penicillium verrucosum</i>	125	[73]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>mentagrophytes</i>	15	[72]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	15	[72]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
<i>Mentha cervina</i> L.	<i>Trichophyton tonsurans</i>	15	[72]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	2.5–5	[44]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	1.25	[44]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.64– 1.25	[44]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	1.25	[44]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	1.25– 2.5	[44]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	1.25	[44]
<i>Mentha × piperita</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	1450– 5000	[74][75]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	625– 10,000	[75][71]
	<i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i>	2500	[75]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	225– 1125	[76][71][77]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	225	[74]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	225– 230	[74]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	313	[71]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	125	[78]
	<i>Penicillium chrysogenum</i>	1250	[75]
	<i>Penicillium minioluteum</i>	2050– 2200	[74]
	<i>Penicillium oxalicum</i>	1300– 2050	[74]
	<i>Penicillium verrucosum</i>	2500	[79]
<i>Mentha pulegium</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.25– 1.25	[80][81]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.94– 3.75	[80][82][81][83]
	<i>Candida bracarensis</i>	3.75	[83]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.94– 1.25	[81][83]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.64	[81]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	1.25	[81]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
Mentha requienii Bentham	Microsporium gypseum	1.25–2.5	[81]
	Saccharomyces cerevisiae	<0.3–0.94	[82][83]
	Trichophyton mentagrophytes	1.25–2.5	[81]
	Trichophyton mentagrophytes var. interdigitale	2.5	[81]
	Trichophyton rubrum	1.25	[81]
	Trichophyton verrucosum	1.25	[81]
	Alternaria spp.	>40	[84]
	Aspergillus fumigatus	>60	[84]
	Candida albicans	0.94–40	[84][83]
	Candida bracarensis	3.75	[83]
	Candida krusei	0.94	[83]
	Fusarium spp.	>40	[84]
	Penicillum spp.	>60	[84]
	Rhodotorula spp.	45	[84]
	Saccharomyces cerevisiae	0.94	[83]
Mentha spicata L.	Aspergillus flavus	1.25	[81]
	Aspergillus fumigatus	0.64	[81]
	Aspergillus niger	0.64–313	[71][81]
	Candida albicans	1.25–625	[62][71][81]
	Candida guillermundii	1.25	[81]
	Candida krusei	1.25	[81]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs ($\mu\text{g/mL}$; $\mu\text{l/mL}$)	Reference(s)
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1.25	[81]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.32–313	[71][81]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.64	[81]
	<i>Fusarium graminearum</i>	2.5	[85]
	<i>Fusarium moniliforme</i>	2.5	[85]
	<i>Malassezia furfur</i>	>4	[64]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.64–2	[86][81]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.64–3	[81]
	<i>Penicillium corylophilum</i>	0.625	[87]
	<i>Penicillium expansum</i>	2.5	[85]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	3	[86]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.64–3	[86][81]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>interdigitale</i>	0.64	[81]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.25–512	[64][62][81]
	<i>Trichophyton terrestre</i>	3	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton verrucosum</i>	0.32	[81]
	<i>Trichosporon beigelii</i>	0.25	[64]
<i>Mentha suaveolens</i> Ehrh.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.34–1250	[88][89][90]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	0.69–2.77	[88]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	300	[91]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	1250	[91]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	1250	[91]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	600–1250	[91]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	5000	[91]
	<i>Trichophyton violaceum</i>	600	[91]
<i>Micromeria albanica</i> (Griseb. ex K. Maly) Silic	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.2	[50]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	0.2	[50]
	<i>Cladosporium cladosporioides</i>	0.2	[50]
	<i>Fusarium tricinctum</i>	0.4	[50]
	<i>Penicilium ochrochloron</i>	0.2	[50]
	<i>Phomopsis helianthi</i>	0.2	[50]
	<i>Trichoderma viride</i>	0.4	[50]
<i>Moluccella spinosa</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	50	[92]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	100	[92]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	100	[92]
<i>Nepeta ciliaris</i> Benth. = <i>Nepeta leucophylla</i> Benth.	<i>Alternaria solani</i>	3000	[53]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.78	[93]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	1000	[53]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.19	[93]
	<i>Helminthosporium maydis</i>	1500	[53]
<i>Nepeta clarkei</i> Hook. f.	<i>Alternaria solani</i>	3000	[53]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	2000	[53]
	<i>Helminthosporium maydis</i>	2000	[53]
<i>Ocimum basilicum</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	10,000	[64]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	>50	[45]

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	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	>50– 10,000	[64,75,158]
	<i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i>	5000	[64]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	30–625	[73,74,158]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	3.125– 6.25	[76]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	313– 1250	[158,169]
	<i>Debaryomyces hansenii</i>	6.25	[76]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	15	[74]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	1–15.2	[68,74]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	3	[68]
	<i>Penicillium chrysogenum</i>	10,000	[64]
	<i>Penicillium italicum</i>	>50	[45]
	<i>Rhizopus stolonifer</i>	>50	[45]
	<i>Rhodotorula glutinis</i>	86	[94]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	2.5	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	2.5–8.3	[68,74]
	<i>Trichophyton terrestre</i>	3	[68]
	<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	28	[94]
	<i>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</i>	86	[94]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	8.3	[74]
	<i>Trichophyton tonsurans</i>	8	[74]
	<i>Yarrowia lypolytica</i>	57	[73]
<i>Ocimum × africanum</i> Lour. = <i>Ocimum × citriodorum</i>	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	3.125	[76]
	<i>Debaryomyces hansenii</i>	1.56	[76]

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<i>Ocimum campechianum</i> Mill. = <i>Ocimum micranthum</i> Willd.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	69	[94]
	<i>Rhodotorula glutinis</i>	139	[94]
	<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	69	[94]
	<i>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</i>	104	[94]
	<i>Yarrowia lypolytica</i>	69	[94]
<i>Ocimum forskolei</i> Benth.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	35.3– 8600	[77,170]
<i>Ocimum gratissimum</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	>1000	[78]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	350– 1500	[78,171]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	750	[171]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	380	[171]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1500	[171]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	250– 300	[78,79]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> f. sp. <i>cubense</i>	62.5	[95]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> f. sp. <i>lycopersici</i>	31.25	[95]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> f. sp. <i>tracheiphilum</i>	62.5	[95]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	62.5	[95]
	<i>Macrophomina phaseolina</i>	62.5– 125	[95]
	<i>Malassezia pachydermatis</i>	300	[78]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	200– 500	[78,172]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	150– 250	[78,172]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Rhizoctonia solani</i>	31.25	[95]
	<i>Scopulariopsis brevicaulis</i>	400	[78]
	<i>Trichophyton interdigitale</i>	250	[78]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	200– 250	[78,172]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	150– 250	[78,172]
<i>Ocimum tenuiflorum</i> L. = <i>Ocimum sanctum</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	300	[83]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.1–300	[81,82]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	0.15– 300	[81,82]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.35– 450	[81,82]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.25– 500	[81,82]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.1–300	[81,82]
	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	300	[96]
<i>Origanum compactum</i> Benth.	<i>Bipolaris oryzae</i>	300	[96]
	<i>Fusarium equiseti</i>	300	[96]
	<i>Fusarium graminearum</i>	300	[96]
	<i>Fusarium verticillioides</i>	300	[96]
<i>Origanum majorana</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	450– 650	[62]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	625	[158]
	<i>Botrytis cinerea</i>	5000	[87]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	625	[158]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	313	[158]

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	<i>Fusarium delphinoides</i>	1800– 14,400	[85]
	<i>Fusarium incarnatum-equiseti</i>	450– 3600	[85]
	<i>Fusarium napiforme</i>	3600– 14,400	[85]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	900– 3600	[85]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	900– 3600	[85]
	<i>Fusarium verticillioides</i>	14,400	[85]
	<i>Microsporium canis</i>	0.5	[68]
	<i>Microsporium gypseum</i>	2	[68]
	<i>Penicillium expansum</i>	10,000	[87]
	<i>Penicillium minioluteum</i>	400– 500	[62]
	<i>Penicillium oxalicum</i>	350– 400	[62]
	<i>Sporothrix brasiliensis</i>	≤ 2250 – 9000	[86]
	<i>Sporothrix schenckii</i>	≤ 2250 – 9000	[86]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	1	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	1.5	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton terrestre</i>	2	[68]
<i>Origanum vulgare</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	0.64– 2500	[64,89,91]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.32– 0.64	[89]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.32–	[62,89,91,158]

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		623	
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	470	[91]
	<i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i>	2500	[64]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.32–700	[74,88,89,91,158]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	350	[88]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	0.64–1.25	[89]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.64–700	[88,89]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.64–170	[88,89]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.32–700	[88,89]
	<i>Cladosporium</i> sp.	0.05–0.3	[173]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.16–78	[89,158]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.32–2	[74,89]
	<i>Fusarium</i> sp.	0.1–0.5	[173]
	<i>Malassezia furfur</i>	1–780	[49,174]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.025–2	[68,74,89]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.025–1.25	[68,89]
	<i>Penicillium</i> sp.	0.1–0.5	[173]
	<i>Penicillium chrysogenum</i>	625	[64]
	<i>Penicillium corylophilum</i>	0.625	[165]
	<i>Penicillium funiculosum</i>	610	[91]
	<i>Penicillium ochrochloron</i>	710	[91]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Penicillium verrucosum</i>	1.1719	[90,91]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.32– 1.25	[74,89]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.16– 1.25	[49,74,89]
	<i>Trichophyton tonsurans</i>	1	[74]
	<i>Trichosporon beigeli</i>	0.25	[49]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	0.5	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.5	[68]
<i>Pogostemon cablin</i> (Blanco) Benth.	<i>Trichophyton terrestre</i>	0.25	[68]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	>1500	[92]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	156	[158]
	<i>Aspergillus oryzae</i>	>1500	[92]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	32–625	[158,175]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	64–257	[175]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	32–257	[175]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	20	[158]
<i>Pogostemon heyneanus</i> Benth.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	6000	[176]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	6000	[176]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	10,000	[176]
<i>Premna microphylla</i> Turcz.	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	>500	[94]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	>500	[94]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	>500	[94]
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	330	[91]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	590	[91]

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	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	380– 10,000	[91,98,158]
	<i>Botrytis cinerea</i>	2500	[87]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	30.2– 1000	[51,91,96,98,158]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	313	[158]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	30	[96]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	2.5– 30.2	[68,96]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	2.5	[68]
	<i>Penicillium expansum</i>	5000	[87]
	<i>Penicillium ochrochloron</i>	470	[91]
	<i>Penicillium funiculosum</i>	570	[91]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	1.5	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	5–15.3	[68,96]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	15–256	[51,96]
	<i>Trichophyton terrestre</i>	5	[68]
Salvia fruticosa Miller	<i>Trichophyton tonsurans</i>	15.2	[96]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	512	[51]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> f. sp. <i>dianthi</i>	>2000	[97]
	<i>Fusarium proliferatum</i>	>2000	[97]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i> f. sp. <i>cucurbitae</i>	>2000	[97]
	<i>Malassezia furfur</i>	>4	[97]
	<i>Rhizoctonia solani</i>	>2000	[97]
	<i>Sclerotinia sclerotiorum</i>	>2000	[97]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	2–256	[49,99]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Trichosporon beigelii</i>	4	[49]
<i>Salvia mirzayanii</i> Rech. f. and Esfand	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.5–2	[98]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1	[98]
	<i>Candida dubliniensis</i>	0.06– 0.5	[98]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	0.06–1	[98]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.25–1	[98]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.25–2	[98]
	<i>Trichosporon</i> sp.	1	[98]
<i>Salvia officinalis</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	5–10	[101]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	2.5–5	[101]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	5–1250	[101,158]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	2.5– 2780	[96,101,158,177]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25– 2.5	[101]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	2.5–5	[101]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	5	[101]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	5	[101]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.64– 625	[101,158]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.64– 100	[96,101]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	1.25– 100.2	[96,101]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	1.25– 2.5	[101]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	1.25–60	[96,101]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>interdigitale</i>	1.25	[101]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.64–60	[96,101]
	<i>Trichophyton tonsurans</i>	60	[96]
	<i>Trichophyton verrucosum</i>	1.25–2.5	[101]
Salvia sclarea L.	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	1250	[158]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1250	[158]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	313	[158]
	<i>Fusarium delphinoides</i>	1800–3600	[85]
	<i>Fusarium incarnatum-equiseti</i>	1800–3600	[85]
	<i>Fusarium napiforme</i>	1800–3600	[85]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	1800–3600	[85]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	3600–7200	[85]
Satureja hortensis L.	<i>Fusarium verticillioides</i>	1800	[85]
	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	62.5	[103]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	31.25–500	[103,104,117]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	471	[99]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	423	[99]
	<i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i>	373	[99]
	<i>Aspergillus terreus</i>	389	[99]
	<i>Aspergillus variegator</i>	125	[100]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	200–400	[103,178]
	<i>Fusarium culmorum</i>	125	[100]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	250	[100]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	62.5	[100]
	<i>Monilia fructicola</i>	31.25	[100]
	<i>Penicillium</i> spp.	125	[100]
	<i>Rhizoctonia solani</i>	125	[100]
	<i>Rhizopus</i> spp.	250	[100]
	<i>Sclerotinia minor</i>	250	[100]
	<i>Sclerotinia sclerotiorum</i>	125	[100]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	62.5	[100]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	31.25	[100]
<i>Satureja montana</i> L.	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.5	[68]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	2	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	2	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	2	[68]
	<i>Trichophyton terrestre</i>	3	[68]
<i>Satureja thymbra</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	25	[105]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	1.25–25	[105,179]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	2.5–25	[105,179]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	2.5–25	[105,179]
	<i>Aspergillus versicolor</i>	1.25	[179]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	25–128	[51,105]
	<i>Penicillium funiculosum</i>	2.5–25	[105,179]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
<i>Stachys cretica</i> L.	<i>Penicillium ochrochloron</i>	1–1.25	[105,179]
	<i>Trichoderma viride</i>	1.25–25	[105,179]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	128	[51]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	625	[106]
<i>Stachys officinalis</i> (L.) Trevis	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	2500	[107]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	5000	[107]
	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	1	[101]
<i>Stachys pubescens</i> Ten.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	0–5	[101]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	1	[101]
<i>Teucrium sauvagei</i> Le Houerou	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	>1000	[102]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	>1000	[102]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	>1000	[102]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	850	[102]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	800	[102]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	900	[102]
	<i>Scopulariopsis brevicaulis</i>	>1000	[102]
	<i>Scytalidium dimidiatum</i>	>1000	[102]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>interdigitale</i>	950	[102]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>mentagrophytes</i>	900	[102]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	800	[102]
	<i>Trichophyton soudanense</i>	800	[102]
<i>Teucrium yemense</i> Deflers.	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	313	[103]
	<i>Botrytis cinerea</i>	313	[103]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
<i>Thymbra capitata</i> (L.) Cav. = <i>Thymus capitatus</i> (L.) Hoffmanns. and Link = <i>Coridothymus capitatus</i> (L.) Rchb.f. Solms	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1250	[103]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	0.32	[104]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.16– 0.32	[104]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.1– 0.16	[104][105]
	<i>Aspergillus oryzae</i>	0.2	[105]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.16– 128	[62][106][104][107]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	0.32	[104][107]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	0.16– 0.32	[104][107]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.32	[104]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.32	[104][107]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.32	[104][107]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.08	[104]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	0.2	[105]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.08	[104]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.08	[104]
	<i>Penicillium digitatum</i>	0.5	[180]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.08	[104]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.16–64	[62][104]
<i>Thymbra spicata</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.3	[108]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.6	[108]
	<i>Aspergillus versicolor</i>	0.3	[108]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	0.6	[108]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1.12– 3750	[62][109][110]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1.12	[110]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.6– 1.12	[110]
	<i>Penicillium funiculosum</i>	0.3	[108]
	<i>Penicillium ochrochloron</i>	0.3	[108]
	<i>Trichoderma viride</i>	0.3	[108]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	64	[62]
<i>Thymus bovei</i> Benth.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	250	[111]
<i>Thymus daenensis</i> Celak.	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	>8	[101]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	1	[101]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	4	[101]
<i>Thymus kotschyanus</i> Boiss. and Hohen.	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	1	[101]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	0.5	[101]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	0–5	[101]
<i>Thymus mastichina</i> (L.) L.	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1.25– 2.5	[112]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	1.25– 1.5	[112]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25	[112]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1.25– 2.5	[112]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	2.5–5	[112]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	2.5–10	[112]
<i>Thymus migricus</i> Klokov et Des.- Shost.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	452	[99]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	460	[99]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	430	[99]
	<i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i>	581	[99]
	<i>Aspergillus terreus</i>	447	[99]
<i>Thymus pulegioides</i> L.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	0.32	[113]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.16	[113]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.32	[113]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.32– 0.64	[113]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	0.32– 0.64	[113]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	0.32	[113]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.32– 0.64	[113]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.64	[113]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.32– 0.64	[113]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.16	[113]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.16	[113]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.16	[113]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.16	[113]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.32	[113]
<i>Thymus schimperi</i> Ronninger	<i>Aspergillus minutus</i>	0.512–2	[114]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.16	[115]
	<i>Aspergillus tubingensis</i>	1–4	[114]
	<i>Beauveria bassiana</i>	0.128–1	[114]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.16	[115]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs ($\mu\text{g/mL}$; $\mu\text{l/mL}$)	Reference(s)
	<i>Microsporum</i> spp.	0.08	[115]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.128–1	[114]
	<i>Penicillium chrysogenum</i>	0.512–2	[114]
	<i>Rhodotorula</i> spp.	0.08	[115]
	<i>Tricophyton</i> spp.	0.08– 0.31	[115]
<i>Thymus serpyllum</i> L.	<i>Verticillium</i> sp.	0.512–2	[114]
	<i>Aspergillus carbonarius</i>	1.25	[116]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	0.625	[116]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	2.5	[116]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.025	[86]
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.25	[86]
	<i>Trichophyton erinacei</i>	0.1	[86]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.2	[86]
<i>Thymus striatus</i> Vahl.	<i>Trichophyton terrestre</i>	0.1	[86]
	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	1	[117]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	1.5	[117]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	1	[117]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	1	[117]
	<i>Aspergillus terreus</i>	1	[117]
	<i>Aspergillus versicolor</i>	1	[117]
	<i>Cladosporium cladosporioides</i>	0.5	[117]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	1	[117]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	1.5	[117]
	<i>Penicillium funiculosum</i>	2	[117]

The mode of action of essential oils is multidirectional. Essential oils lead to disruption of the cell wall and cell membrane through a permeabilization process. The lipophilic compounds of essential oils can pass through the cell wall and damage polysaccharides, fatty acids, and phospholipids, eventually making them permeable [41][134].

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
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Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.16–0.32	[112]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.16–0.32	[112]
	<i>Chaetomium globosum</i>	1.6	[118]
	<i>Cladosporium</i> spp.	12.8	[118]
	<i>Cladosporium sphaerospermum</i>	19.6	[118]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	78	[71]
	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	4	[121]
	<i>Fusarium</i> spp.	62.5	[122]
	<i>Fusarium delphinoides</i>	900–1800	[123]
	<i>Fusarium incarnatum-equiseti</i>	450–3600	[123]
	<i>Fusarium napiforme</i>	900	[123]
	<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i>	5–900	[123][124]
	<i>Fusarium solani</i>	1800–3600	[123]
	<i>Fusarium verticillioides</i>	900	[123]
	<i>Malassezia furfur</i>	920	[125]
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	2.2	[121]
	<i>Mortierella</i> spp.	250	[122]
	<i>Mucor</i> spp.	50.2 ± 8.4	[118]
	<i>Penicilium</i> spp.	18.95–500	[118][122]
	<i>Penicilium brevicompactum</i>	19.6	[118]
	<i>Penicillium chrysogenum</i>	312.5–	[75][120]

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Scherer, R. Effects of β-caryophyllene on growth of hepatoma cells and in the brain of mice.		1750	[118]
	<i>Penicillium chrysogenum</i>	19.6	[118]
	<i>Penicillium citrinum</i>	1250	[120]
	<i>Penicillium expansum</i>	625	[126]
	<i>Penicillium griseofulvum</i>	19.6	[118]
	<i>Rhizopus</i> spp.	12.6	[118]
	<i>Rhodotorula glutinis</i>	72	[94]
	<i>Rhizopus oryzae</i>	256–512	[127]
	<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	72	[94]
	<i>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</i>	36	[94]
	<i>Stachybotrys chartarum</i>	6.2	[118]
	<i>Trichoderma</i> spp.	16.8	[118]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	2.2	[121]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	2–72	[121][128]
	<i>Trichophyton tonsurans</i>	2.2	[121]
Thymus zygis L.	<i>Ulocladium</i> spp.	5.45 ± 1.5	[118]
	<i>Yarrowia lypolytica</i>	36	[94]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.16–0.32	[112]
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	0.32	[112]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.16–0.32	[112]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	0.16	[112]
M.A.; Abdelgaleil, S.A.M. Comparative antifungal activities and biochemical effects of monoterpenes on plant pathogenic fungi. Pesticide Biochem. Physiol. 2012, 103, 56–61.	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	0.32	[112]

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)	Efficacy of
Hernandez, L.B.; Cruz-Sanchez, M.M. Anti-Candida activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil. J. Pharm. Med. 2015, 2015, 1423–1428.	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.16–0.32	[112]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida</i> species.
	<i>Penicillium corylophilum</i>	0.3125–0.625	[87]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Penicillium</i> species.
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	0.53–512	[62][129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida albicans</i> .
	<i>Candida dubliniensis</i>	0.27	[129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida dubliniensis</i> .
	<i>Candida famata</i>	2.13	[129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida famata</i> .
	<i>Candida glabrata</i>	0.27	[129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida glabrata</i> .
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	0.27	[129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida krusei</i> .
	<i>Candida lusitaniae</i>	2.13	[129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida lusitaniae</i> .
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	1.06	[129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida parapsilosis</i> .
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	0.13	[129]	Antifungal activity of Vitex agnus-castus L. essential oil against <i>Candida tropicalis</i> .
Zataria multiflora Boiss.	<i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i>	0.64–2.5	[130]	Antifungal activity of Zataria multiflora Boiss. essential oil against <i>Epidermophyton floccosum</i> .
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.64–5	[130]	Antifungal activity of Zataria multiflora Boiss. essential oil against <i>Microsporum canis</i> .
	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	1.25–10	[130]	Antifungal activity of Zataria multiflora Boiss. essential oil against <i>Microsporum gypseum</i> .
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	1.25–10	[130]	Antifungal activity of Zataria multiflora Boiss. essential oil against <i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> .
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.64–512	[62][130]	Antifungal activity of Zataria multiflora Boiss. essential oil against <i>Trichophyton rubrum</i> .
H.; Nguimatsia, F.; Jazet Dongmo, P.M.; Houndou Fokou, J.B.; Bakarnga-Via, I.; Fekam Boyom, F.; Menu, C. Optimization of antifungal activity of Aegle marmelos essential oil and Time Kill Kinetic Assay. J. Mycol. Med. 2016, 26, 233–243.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	358	[99]	Antifungal activity of Aegle marmelos essential oil against <i>Aspergillus flavus</i> .
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	358	[99]	Antifungal activity of Aegle marmelos essential oil against <i>Aspergillus niger</i> .
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	341	[99]	Antifungal activity of Aegle marmelos essential oil against <i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i> .
	<i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i>	367	[99]	Antifungal activity of Aegle marmelos essential oil against <i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i> .
	<i>Aspergillus terreus</i>	447	[99]	Antifungal activity of Aegle marmelos essential oil against <i>Aspergillus terreus</i> .
	<i>Microsporum canis</i>	0.125–0.25	[131]	Antifungal activity of Aegle marmelos essential oil against <i>Microsporum canis</i> .

Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs (µg/mL; µl/mL)	Reference(s)
50. Marinković, B.; Marin, P.D.; Ilić, M. Antifungal activity of three Micromeria species against <i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> and <i>Trichophyton rubrum</i> . <i>Phytother. Res.</i> 2015, 29, 15–18.	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	0.03–0.06	[131]
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	0.03	[131]
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.03–0.06	[131]
	<i>Trichophyton schoenleinii</i>	0.125–0.6	[131]
51. Ziziphora clinopodioides Lam. Antifungal activity of the essential oil of Ziziphora clinopodioides Lam. against Aspergillus and Penicillium species. <i>Phytother. Res.</i> 2015, 29, 114–118.	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	48.82	[120][132]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	1750	[120]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	3000	[120]
	<i>Aspergillus ochraceus</i>	1500	[120]
	<i>Aspergillus parasiticus</i>	48.82	[132]
	<i>Penicillium chrysogenum</i>	3000	[120]
52. Ziziphora tenuior L. Antifungal activity of the essential oil of Ziziphora tenuior L. against Aspergillus and Candida species. <i>Phytother. Res.</i> 2015, 29, 114–118.	<i>Penicillium citrinum</i>	1750	[120]
	<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>	1.25	[133]
	<i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i>	0.64	[133]
	<i>Aspergillus niger</i>	0.64	[133]
	<i>Candida albicans</i>	1.25	[133]
	<i>Candida guilliermondii</i>	1.25	[133]
	<i>Candida krusei</i>	1.25	[133]
	<i>Candida parapsilosis</i>	1.25	[133]
	<i>Candida tropicalis</i>	1.25	[133]
	<i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i>	0.16	[133]
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Source of the Essential Oil	Targeted Fungus	MICs ($\mu\text{g/mL}$; $\mu\text{l/mL}$)	Reference(s)	
5	<i>Microsporum gypseum</i>	1.25	[133]	P.D. (Pant.)
	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i>	1.25	[133]	
6	<i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> var. <i>interdigitale</i>	1.254	[133]	n and olates
	<i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>	0.64	[133]	
61.	<i>Trichophyton verrucosum</i>	0.64	[133]	activity
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