Pharmacognostical studies on *Polyscias balfouriana* var. marginata leaf and root

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**SUMMARY**

In the present work an attempt has been made to study the various macroscopical and microscopical investigations on the leaf and roots of *Polyscias balfouriana* var. *marginata*, family Araliaceae. Some important salient features observed in the leaf were unicellular covering trichomes, vascular bundles, anisocytic stomata and parenchymatous cells containing calcium oxalate crystals. The root powder showed large fibers, fragments of cork arranged as layers of bricks.

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