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IMPLICATION OF FLORA FOR SKIN WOUND HEALING AND REGENERATION FROM PAKISTAN

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ABSTRACT

Skin which is a collection of layers serves as barrier against external and internal stimuli. In case of any fluctuation, its normal functioning suffers and causes resistance in its regulating and protective role. In current review, skin wounds, their healing and after wards dermal regeneration process was focused. To speed up the process of wound healing them edicinal flora of Pakistan contributes a lot and assists as healing boosters along with recovery of other diverse skin ailments. That is why, future investigations should be made to gain benefit from this local herbal treasure to serve humanity at low cost.

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INTRODUCTION

The outer protective armor and largest organ of body, the skin comprises of two layers i.e. the outer: epidermis and the inner: dermis. Furthermore, epidermis made up of a stratified keratinized epithelium that is interposed with hair follicles and glands so serves as barrier against the external environment whereas the dermis chiefly contains connective tissue but due to differences of collagen fibers thickness; it is further subdivided into two layers i.e. the upper papillary dermis and the lower reticular dermis which define dermal mechanical properties(Martin, 1997; Singer, 1999; Watt, 2011). The mechanical properties of the skin are also reestablished with the help of cells, involved in proliferation, differentiation, immigration and cell death during wound repair and dermal regeneration.

**Stages of cutaneous wound repair:** There are basically three steps of cutaneous wound repair i.e. inflammatory phase, proliferative phases and remodeling phase(Martin, 1997; Singer, 1999; Gurtner, 2008)and this process of wound healing can be accelerated with the help of various cutaneous healers which may be either of floral origin(Rahmatullah, 2011) orsyntheticones(Heilmann *et al.*, 2013). Following is the series of changes which occurs during wound repair:

**Hemostasisand inflammation:** In this first phase, hemostasis occurs due to vasoconstriction and formation of fibrin clot, whereas inflammation is stimulated by the release of cytokines and growth factors from platelets and immune cells, and from the disrupted matrix, invasion of inflammatory cells (neutrophils, monocytes, macrophages)(Singer, 1999; Schultz *et al.*, 2011; Guo, 2010; Delavary, 2011).

**Proliferation:** at this stage, the macrophages and fibroblasts of dermis, release of growth factors so fibroblast migration takes place and proliferation is triggered by the synthesis of matrix proteins (fibronectin and collagen), along with it, angiogenesis, epidermal keratinocyte migration and differentiation, regrowth of hair follicular stem cells occur(Singer, 1999; Gurtner *et al.*, 2008; Langton *et al.*, 2008; O'toole, 2001; Clark, 1990; Taylore *et al.*, 2000; Snippet *et al.*, 2010; Ffrench-Constant *et al.*, 1989; Ito *et al.*, 2005).

**Remodeling:** for it, the extra cellular matrix reorganization and remodeling takes place meanwhile myofibroblast formation, wound contraction and cellular apoptosis also occur(Gurtner, 2008; Guo, 2010; Hinz, 2007; Desmouliere *et al.*, 1995).

Table 1. Major retarding factors for wound healing and skin regeneration

Factors	Types of factors	Effects
External	Smoking	Prolonged effect on inflammatory and reparatory cell functions leading to delayed healing and complications (Sørensen, 2012).
	Aging	Delayed wound healing (Gosain, 2004).
	Stress	Hinders bacterial clearance during wound healing, enhances infection chances, leading to delayed wound healing (Rojas <i>et al.</i> , 2002).
Internal	Growth factors, cytokines and chemokines	Lack of growth factors, cytokines and chemokines make cutaneous wound healing impossible (Barrientos <i>et al.</i> , 2008).
	Diabetes	Patients with diabetes mellitus suffer from delayed wound healing and infections (Kolluru <i>et al.</i> , 2012).

Table 2. Pakistani flora for skin regeneration and repair

Scientific Name of Herb	Family	Used Parts	Dermal Benefits
<i>Adiantum venustum</i>	Adiantaceae	Rhizome	Rhizome paste is used to heal cuts and wounds (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i>	Asteraceae	Entire plant body	Poultice made of whole plant applied on burns, sores, ulcers, bruises and swellings (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Androsacerotundifolia</i>	Primulaceae	Leaves	Skin infections (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Acacia nilotica</i>	Mimosaceae	Young stems	Wound repair and healing (Ajaib, 2015; Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Aloe vera</i>	Asphodelaceae	Leaves	Skin infection (Shah, 2013; Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Meliaceae	leaves	Specially used for face washing, suffering from dermal diseases (Ajaib, 2015)
<i>Artemisia vulgaris</i>	Asteraceae	Leaves/shoots	Skin disorders (Ullah, 2014)
<i>Aervatomentosa</i>	Amaranthaceae	Whole plant	Dermal swelling (Iqbalet <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Asphodelus tenuifolius</i>	Liliaceae	seeds	Topical application for swellings and inflammation (Iqbalet <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Aquilegia pubiflora</i>	Ranunculaceae	stem	Skin infection (Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Arisaema flavum</i>	Araceae	Root and stem	root and stem paste for topical dermal application (Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Artemisia fragrans</i>	Asteraceae	Leaves	Skin diseases (Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Aervajavanica</i>	Amaranthaceae	Flower	Aqueous floral paste is used on wound for hemostasis (Shah, 2013)
<i>Albizia lebeck</i>	Mimosaceae	Seeds	Oil for skin ailments (Shah, 2013)
<i>Asparagus racemosus</i>	Asparagaceae	Root & stem	Antiseptic paste is applied for wound healing (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Ajugabracteosa</i>	Araceae	Leaves	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i>	Asparagaceae	leaves	wounds and dermal problems (37)
<i>Achyranthes aspera</i>	Amaranthaceae	Whole Plant	Skin eruptions (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	Primulaceae	Whole plant	Skin infection (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Argemone mexicana</i>	Papaveraceae	Roots, leaves, seeds and juice	Skin diseases (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Artemisia biennis</i>	Apiaceae	Leaves	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Aristolochia bracteolata</i>	Aristolochiaceae	Leaves	Eczema and dermatitis (Qureshi, 2008)
<i>Amberboa ramosa</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	Skin irritation (Qureshi, 2008)
<i>Achyranthes aspera</i>	Amaranthaceae	Root, stem and leaf	Boils and leprosy (Batoolet <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Amaranthus graecizans</i>	Amaranthaceae	Whole plant	Skin rashes and edema (Batoolet <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Allium cepa</i>	Amaryllidaceae	Bulb	Skin injuries (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Acacia nilotica</i>	Fabaceae	Leaf, Fruit	Gonorrhoea (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Arachis hypogaea</i>	Fabaceae	Seed	Gonorrhoea (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Ajugain integrifolia</i>	Lamiaceae	Leaf	Pimples and Measles (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i>	Malvaceae	Fruit, Leaf	Dermatological diseases (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Atriplex stocksii</i>	Amaranthaceae	Whole plant	Boils and skin wounds (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Avena sativa</i>	Poaceae	Seed	Skin allergy (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	Cuts and wounds (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Brassica rapa</i>	Brassicaceae	Whole plant	Skin edema (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Brassica napus</i>	Brassicaceae	Seed, Leaf	Skin dryness (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Brassica oleracea</i>	Brassicaceae	Leaf	Eczema (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Bombax ceiba</i>	Malvaceae	Whole plant	Gonorrhoea (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Bergenia ciliata</i>	Berberidaceae	Rhizome	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Blepharis ciliaris</i>	Acanthaceae	Seeds	Topical implication of powdered seeds on wounds and cuts for initial healing and serve as antiseptic (Shah, 2013)
<i>Berberis lycium</i>	Berberidaceae	Root bark	Skin wounds (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015; Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014; Amjad, 2014)
<i>Commelinabenghaliensis</i>	Commelinaceae	Leaves and flowers	Sores and wounds (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Cyperus difformis</i>	Cyperaceae	All plant body	Paste for topical application for skin infections (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Calotropis procera</i>	Asclepiadaceae	Whole plant	Skin diseases (Ajaib <i>et al.</i> , 2015; Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013; Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016; Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014; Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Qureshi, 2012)
<i>Carthamus oxyacanth</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	Skin diseases (Iqbalet <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Cleome brachycarpa</i>	Capparidaceae	seeds	Dressing applied for inflammation (Iqbalet <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Citrullus colocynthis</i>	Cucurbitaceae	seeds	Oil serves as skin emollient (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Iqbalet <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Convolvulaceae	Leaves	Skin burning sensation (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Iqbalet <i>et al.</i> , 2014)

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<i>Cynodondactylon</i>	Poaceae	Whole plant	Infusion of roots and leaves is used to treat wounds (Shah, 2013)
<i>Cedrusdeodara</i>	Pinaceae	Wood	Oil are extracted from wood through burning and used to cure skin disorders (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Capparisartilaginea</i>	Capparidaceae	Whole plant	Latex is used to treat all kinds of skin ailments (Shah, 2013)
<i>Capsellabursapastoris</i>	Brassicaceae	Leaves	Dermal wounds, bruises and boils (Shah, 2013)
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	Amaranthaceae	Leaves	Paste of leaves applied for wounds of cattle (Shah, 2016)
<i>Chrozophoraoblongifolia</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Fruit	Effective dermal wound healing properties (Shah, 2013)
<i>Cassia fistula</i>	Fabaceae	Leaves, bark, fruit and roots	Skin allergy (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Khan, 2016)
<i>Capparis decidua</i>	Capparaceae	Tender shoots	Paste applied for blisters and boils (Qureshi, 2012)
<i>Corchorustridens</i>	Tiliaceae	Leaves	Crushed leaves are applied on cuts, wounds and burns to heal (Qureshi, 2012)
<i>Cymbopogonjwarancusa</i>	Poaceae	Roots, leaves	The decoction of roots/leaves is given for skin eruption(Qureshi, 2012)
<i>Cyperusrotundus</i>	Cyperaceae	Roots	Acne(Qureshi, 2008)
<i>Capsellabursapastoris</i>	Brassicaceae	Seed, Leaf	Wounds healing(Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Catharanthusroseus</i>	Apocynaceae	Leaf	Skin problems (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Commelinabenghalensis</i>	Commelinaceae	Whole plant	Pimples and Bedsores(Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Cucumisativus</i>	Cucurbitaceae	Fruit, Leaf and Root	Skin problems (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Citrus aurantium</i>	Rutaceae	Fruit	Skin problems (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Citrus limon</i>	Rutaceae	Fruit	Skin problems(Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Cestrum nocturnum</i>	Solanaceae	Leaf and Flower	Skin diseases (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Cucumismelo</i>	Cucurbitaceae	Leaf, flower and shoot	Skin infections ((Batoool <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Cenchruspennisetiformis</i>	Poaceae	Whole plant	Skin irritation and eczema (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Cirsiumarvense</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	Wounds (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>D. viscosa</i>	Sapindaceae	Leaves	To heal wounds and cracked skin (Amjad, 2014)
<i>Dichanthiumannulatum</i>	Poaceae	Stem, leaves	Leaves' ash is applied on injured portion to heal wound (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Daucuscarota</i>	Apiaceae	Root	Skin problems(Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Dalbergiasissoo</i>	Fabaceae	Bark and Leaf	Skin allergy and Boils cure (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Erucavesicaria</i>	Brassicaceae	Leaf and Seed	Abscesses, wound healing and other skin diseases (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Rosaceae	Fruit and Leaf	Skin cancer (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Euphorbia nerifolia</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Root	Boils and skin wounds healings (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Whole plant	The plant is squeezed to get white latex which is applied on wounds as an antiseptic (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Euphorbia Prostrata</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Whole plant	Latex of the plant is applied on wounds as an antiseptic (Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Euphorbia wallichii</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Whole plant	Eczema (Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Equisetaceae	Arial parts	Poultice of mashed plant for wound recovery (Shah, 2013)
<i>Emexspinous</i>	Polygonaceae	Aerial plant	Wound healing dressing (Shah, 2013)
<i>Euphorbia hirta</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Leaves and its extract	Burn and wounds healing (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Elaeagnusangustifolia</i>	Rosaceae	Whole plant	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Fragarianubicola</i>	Elaeagnaceae	Leaves and roots	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Fumariaparviflora</i>	Papaveraceae	Whole plant	Paste is used to cure skin rashes (Shah, 2013)
<i>Fagoniaindica</i>	Zygophyllaceae	Whole plant	Skin eruption (38,42)
<i>Fagoniabruguieri</i>	Zygophyllaceae	Whole plant	Skin eruption (Qureshi, 2008)
<i>Fumariaindica</i>	Fumariaceae	Whole plant	Skin diseases (Qureshi, 2008)
<i>Ficusbenghalensis</i>	Moraceae	Leaf and Root	Abscesses and Gonorrhoea(Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Ficusreligiosa</i>	Moraceae	Leaf and Shoot	Skin diseases (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Ficusracemose</i>	Moraceae	Whole plant	Boils (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Gardenia jasminoides</i>	Rubiaceae	Flower and Fruit	Wound healing (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Galiumelegan</i>	Rubiaceae	Leaves	Topical appliance for wounds as an antiseptic agent (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Gerbera gossypina</i>	Asteraceae	Root	Paste application for bleeding control the from newly cut wounds (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Heliotropiumeuropaeum</i>	Boraginaceae	Whole plant	Leprosic skin (Shah, 2013; Qureshi, 2008)
<i>Heliotropiumstrigosum</i>	Boraginaceae	Leaves	Skin wounds(Qureshi, 2008)
<i>Hibiscus rosinensis</i>	Malvaceae	Flower and Root	Gonorrhoea(Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Helianthus annuus</i>	Asteraceae	Flower and Seed	Itching (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Impatiens edgeworthii</i>	Balsaminaceae	All plant body	Dermal burns (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Iphionagrantioides</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	Skin wounds (Qureshi, 2012)
<i>Loranthuspulverulentus</i>	Loranthaceae	Leaves	Wound curing (Amjad, 2015; Amjad, 2014)
<i>Launeanodicaulis</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	skin disorder (Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Lyciumedgeworthii</i>	Solanaceae	Whole plant	Ringworm and other skin ailments (Shah, 2016)
<i>Malvaparviflora</i>	Malvaceae	Whole plant	Swellings, wounds and inflammations (Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Malvacoromandelianum</i>	Malvaceae	Whole plant	Applied to inflamed sour and wounds for cooling effect (37)
<i>Malvastrumcoromandelianum</i>	Malvaceae	Leaves	Recovers wounds (Shah, 2013)
<i>Micromeribiflora</i>	Lamiaceae	Root	Treatment of wounds (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>M. Africana</i>	Myrsinaceae	Leaves	Skin diseases (Amjad, 2014)
<i>Menthalongifolia</i>	Lamiaceae	Leaves and stem	Wound healing (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Mimosa pudica</i>	Mimosoideae	Leaves, Flowers	Dermal injuries and wounds (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Menthaarvensis</i>	Lamiaceae	Leaf	Boils (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Malussylvestris</i>	Rosaceae	Fruit	Skin problems (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Meliaazedarach</i>	Meliaceae	Whole plant	Allergy and skin wound healing(Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Malvastrumtricuspidatum</i>	Malvaceae	Whole plant	Sores and wounds, eczema(Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Neriumindicum</i>	Apocyanaceae	Root	Oil from root bark implemented in skin infections and leprosy (Shah, 2016)
<i>Olea ferruginea</i>	Oleacea	Leaves	Skin diseases (Amjad, 2015; Amjad, 2014)
<i>Ostegialimbata</i>	Lamiaceae	Leaves	Skin diseases (Amjad, 2015; Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014; Amjad, 2013)
<i>Oxalis corniculata</i>	Oxalidaceae	Whole plant	Anti-bleeding in wound (Ullah <i>et al.</i> , 2014; Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)

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<i>Oxalis debilis</i>	Oxalidaceae	Leaves	Skin cuts and wounds (Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Olea ferruginea</i>	Lamiaceae	Leaves	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	Oleaceae	Whole plant	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Ocimum basilicum</i>	Lamiaceae	Leaves, flowers, seeds, root	Skin infection (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016; Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Oxalis corniculata</i>	Lamiaceae	Whole plant	Wound healing (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Oxalis corniculata</i>	Geraniaceae	Whole plant	Skin wounds (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Prosopis cineraria</i>	Fabaceae	Whole plant	Boils and blisters (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Punica granatum</i>	Lythraceae	Leaf and Fruit	Wounds and skin diseases treatment (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Piper nigrum</i>	Piperaceae	Seed	Pimples (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Parthenium hysterophorus</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	Rashes of skin, eczema and inflammation (Ullah, 2014)
<i>Periploca aphylla</i>	Asclepiadaceae	Whole plant	Latex for skin ailments; significantly for healing of wounds (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Physorrhynchus chamaerapistrum</i>	Brassicaceae	Leaves	To treat wounds with pus (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Plantago ovata</i>	Plantaginaceae	Seeds	Dressing for treatment of boils and ulcer (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Portulaca oleracea</i>	Portulacaceae	Leaves	poultice used on skin to remove pus (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Pinus wallichiana</i>	Pinaceae	Resin and wood	Recovers cracked heels (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Plantago himalaica</i>	Plantaginaceae	Leaves	Paste for skin problems especially soured feet (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Plantago major</i>	Plantaginaceae	Leaves	Cure wounds (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Pongamia glabra</i>	Fabaceae	Bark, leaves, flowers, seeds and oil	wounds healing (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Anacardiaceae	Leaves and fruits	Skin sores, burns, wounds (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Rhus cotinus</i>	Acanthaceae	Leaves and flowers	Paste of leaves and flowers is used in skin related illnesses as blood purifier (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015; Amjad, 2014)
<i>Rumex nepalensis</i>	Polygonaceae	Leaves	The extract exhibits antiseptic properties against injuries and skin problems (Amjad <i>et al.</i> , 2015; Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014; Ahmed <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Ranunculus muricatus</i>	Ranunculaceae	Whole plant	The paste is used for cure of eczema locally known as Chambal (Ullah, 2014)
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Seeds	The oil is useful as dermal Lubricant and emollient (Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Rumex vesicarius</i>	Polygonaceae	Leaves	Wound treatment (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2015)
<i>Rhazya stricta</i>	Apocynaceae	Whole plant	Cure of chronic wounds (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Rheum australe</i>	Polygonaceae	Rhizome	Wound healing remedy (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Rosa webbiana</i>	Rosaceae	Bark	Wound therapeutics (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Rumex dentatus</i>	Polygonaceae	Roots	Overcomes dryness and heals dermal scaling (Rojas <i>et al.</i> , 2002; 35. Schultze <i>et al.</i> , 2011; Sørensen, 2012; Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Rosa chinensis</i>	Rosaceae	Flower and Seed	Wounds healing and skin diseases (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Asteraceae	Stem, leaf and root	Skin inflammation (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>	Solanaceae	Fruit	Skin disorders (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Solanum melongena</i>	Solanaceae	Leaf and Fruit	Abscesses (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Solanum nigrum</i>	Solanaceae	Fruit and Leaf	Skin Inflammation and wounds (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Solanum virginianum</i>	Solanaceae	Fruit, flower and leaf	Gonorrhoea (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Sambucus weigeltiana</i>	Sambucaceae	Whole plant	Inflammatory skin (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Saussurea albens</i>	Asteraceae	Roots	skin diseases (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Saussurea heteromala</i>	Asteraceae	Seeds	Cure of scabies and pimples (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Solanum surratense</i>	Solanaceae	Leaves	Dermal disorders (Ahmed <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Schweinfurthia amblicata</i>	Scrophulariaceae	Leaves	Dried powdered leaves are applied to wounds and ulcers to heal (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Seteriaviridis</i>	Poaceae	All plant body	Aqueous solution is applied to treat bruises (Amjad, 2015)
<i>Solanum surratense</i>	Solanaceae	Leaves and fruits	Aqueous extract for skin diseases (Amjad, 2015)
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Caryophyllaceae	Whole plant	Eczema and boils (Ullah, 2014)
<i>Saccharum aurandinaceum</i>	Gramineae	Whole plant	Extract produces cooling effect when applied against burning dermal sensation (Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Silene conoidea</i>	Caryophyllaceae	Flower	Serves as skin emollient (Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Sisymbrium irio</i>	Brassicaceae	Seeds and branches	Oil is used as emollient (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Iqbal <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	To treat skin wounds and boils (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017; Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016; Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Salix babylonica</i>	Polygonaceae	Leaves	Dermal wounds (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Swertia chirata</i>	Apiaceae	Leaves	Skin diseases (Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	Typhaceae	Flowers	Soothing and cooling effects producer on application for wounds and burns (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Tamarix aphylla</i>	Tamaricaceae	Leaves	Ideal dressing to heal the wounds due to saddle sores and rope burns (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013; Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	Asteraceae	Roots and leaves	Skin problems (Khan <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Tephrosia apollinea</i>	Papilionaceae	Leaves	Used as poultice on wounds to reduce pain and for rapid heal (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Tagetes erecta</i>	Asteraceae	Flower	Skin problems (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Trigonella foenum-graecum</i>	Fabaceae	Seed, Leaf	Skin infections (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Trianthem portulacastrum</i>	Aizoaceae	Whole plant	Wound healing (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Triticum aestivum</i>	Poaceae	Whole plant	Wound healing (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Valeriana jatamansi</i>	Verterianaceae	Roots	Topical skin treatment (Begum <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>	Scrophulariaceae	Leaves and floral parts	Quick recovery of dermal cuts and injuries (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013; Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Vitex negundo</i>	Verbenaceae	Leaves	Skin diseases (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Withania coagulans</i>	Solanaceae	Fruit	Dermal disorders cure (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2013)
<i>Withania somnifera</i>	Solanaceae	Leaves	Poultice on burns has soothing effect (29,30)
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	Asteraceae	Whole plant	Skin burn (Umair <i>et al.</i> , 2017)
<i>Zanthoxylum armatum</i>	Solanaceae	Bark and fruit	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Zizyphus jujube</i>	Rutaceae	Leaves and fruits	Skin infections (Ahmad <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
<i>Zaley pentandra</i>	Aizoaceae	Leaf & root	Skin treatment (Shah <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
<i>Zizyphus mauritiana</i>	Rhamnaceae	Fruit and leaf	Wound healing (Rehman <i>et al.</i> , 2017)

**Factors affecting wound healing:** Many external and internal factors are responsible for retarded wound healing and skin regeneration. Frequently reported factors (Table 1) are as follows:

**Wound healing boosters and stimulating dressings:**

Globally, a wide range of synthetic as well as floral cutaneous wound healers and dressings are available and currently, it is still an advancing research domain, due to their protective abilities against pathogenic invasion. Dressings are categorized on the basis of their mode of wound healing which may be debridement, antibacterial, occlusive, absorbent, adherence one that is why; dressings are classified as primary, secondary and island dressings. Primary dressings are those which attach to the wound surface whereas secondary dressings are applied on the primary dressings and cover them. Similarly island dressings have bonding agent with central absorbent zone. Other dressings include traditional, modern and advanced dressings. Traditional dressings include cotton wool, natural or synthetic bandages and gauzes. These are commonly used as primary dressings, secondary dressings, or get merged with several other dressings, each performing a specific function e.g., cotton conforming bandage is used in the retention of light dressings whereas short stretch compression bandage is used for venous leg ulcers and lymphedema. Moreover, modern dressings include hydrocolloid dressings, alginate dressings, and hydrogel dressings (Boateng *et al.*, 2008). In Pakistan, commonly used skin healers are:

**Synthetic:** Some synthetic polymers (such as biomimetic fibers based on polyglycolic acid, polylactic acid, polyacrylic acid, poly- $\epsilon$ -caprolactone, polyvinylpyrrolidone, polyvinyl alcohol, polyethylene glycol) improve re-epithelialization and exhibit wound healing properties by providing an optimal microenvironment for cell propagation, immigration and differentiation due to their biocompatibility, biodegradability, diverse structural and significant mechanical properties (Mogoşanu, 2014).

**Natural:** Herbal therapy for skin wound healing and regeneration is in practice in Pakistan for decades. Only of Malakand valley contributes up to 26% floral species which are important for dermal treatment (Habib-Ul-Hassan *et al.*, 2015). In this review, authors tried to report published floral data of different Pakistani regions, significantly related to skin regeneration and wound healing (Table 2).

**Conclusion and future perspective:** It can be concluded that Pakistan is rich in medicinal flora related to dermal cure and remediation. Further research projects should be planned for either dose optimization or for better topical appliance out comes and researchers should utilize this indigenous potential to serve humanity at low cost.

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