

ABSTRACT

An object of the present invention is to provide a *Mallotus philippinensis* extract containing readily water soluble rottlerin. A further object of the present invention is to improve convenience at production steps in a method for producing such an extract, by avoiding the staining of filters and/or pipes during extraction and filtration to reduce washing costs, or by facilitating the introduction of freeze drying and so on. When a dye extract is extracted with water and alcohol from a *Mallotus philippinensis* plant body, the addition of a base component drastically improves the water solubility of the *Mallotus philippinensis* extract. This improves extraction rates of rottlerin, facilitates washing in the production and the pulverization of the extract, and also improves the water solubility of the obtained extract.